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EDITORIAL NOTES.

CYCLONES, FIRES, FLOODS.

Under the above heading in this morning's Halifax Chronicle we see an appalling account of "destruction, disaster and death." In the series of reports for the one day are mentioned 118 persons killed, a greater number wounded and a great many missing.

The elements seem to have risen up in their might to crush the whole of that part of the country. Houses are blown down or floated away killing some in the ruins, others drowning in their own houses.

Altogether it is a most terrible state of affairs. How we in Nova Scotia escape these frightful storms is a mystery.

DIGBY.

This county seems to be doing its best to become renowned. In the last few years there have been several tragedies in that county which would rank with those of Texas or California. First the Tebo tragedy. Then the two little girls shot by a tramp; then the Amero affair and several others and now the carving of a negro by an old woman.

Elsie Williams has confessed that she did the deed, thinking that Kent was killing Jordan.

We hate to even seem to encourage crime but if the evidence is straight it is a pity that more drunken rascals who enter houses and undertake to do as they like, are not used the same way. A few funerals would lessen the fun of the thing considerably and probably make the occurrence of such attacks much less frequent.

THE STARVATION ARMY.

A detachment of the starvation army has been inaugurated on the Hill. It seems that the boys became dissatisfied with the provisions, some say the cooking was bad while the Steward says the whole outfit of the boys is "the worst

he ever saw. Of course with such a diversity of opinion war was inevitable. The boys first petitioned for better food then struck. The immediate result was a "lock out" by the governing committee and the resignation of the Steward. Then came the organization of the Starvation Army movement and seige was at once opened on all sides. The Steward was subjected to a heavy bombardment of slops, coal, biscuits, and smoke with other light arms while every house in the village was ransacked for forage. So the matter stands. It is said that ex-Steward Keddy has been summoned to the front with re-inforcements of "fodder" but we cannot vouch for the truth of the report. That there is fault somewhere is very evident but where it is very hard to say.

PATERNAL.

Mr. M. J. Theakston the pioneer journalist of King's County made us a friendly call last week. He expressed himself as much pleased to be in Wolfville again and said that he took a particular interest in our paper from the fact that he was the editor and publisher of the original *Acadian* published here some years ago. Mr. Theakston's first venture was started in Canning where he ran the *Canning Advertiser* afterwards changing the name to the *King's & Hants Co. Advertiser*. After a time he came to Wolfville where he started the *Acadian* which was carried on for several years. He is now the Methodist City Missionary in Halifax.

Peter Innes Esq. has returned from Ottawa where he was making offers to the Dominion government in re the Western Counties Railway and the link from Digby to Annapolis.

Rumor from Hants Co. Says that W. H. Allison M. P. is to be the new Inspector of Customs, and that G. W. Laurie will be lected in his place without opposition.

Persons sometimes get answers they don't expect even from children. One of them was questioning a Sunday-school class about the man who fell among thieves on the way from Jerusalem to Jericho. Bringing the story to a point, he asked: "Now, why did the priest and Levite pass by on the other side?" A scholar held out his hand. "Well, my boy, why did the priest and Levite pass by on the other side?" "I know," said the lad, "because the man was already robbed."

GENERAL NEWS.

—King Cetewayo, of Zululand, is dead.

—A thousand weavers at Atlantic Mills Lawrence, Mass., have struck.

—Measures are being taken to organize the Orange vote in England to oppose home rule.

—A movement for the erection of a statue to Wendel Phillips has been started in Boston.

The United States has bought the strongest vessel of the Dundee whaling fleet, the "Thetis" for the relief of the Greely expedition.

—There is a measure on foot in the north of Ireland to procure a land mortgage bank backed by Government, to enable farmers to become owners of land.

—Last year the Nova Scotia Sugar Refinery earned fifty thousand dollars over all expences, besides reducing its debt from over \$600,000 to less than \$200,000.

—O'Neil the explorer has arrived at Mozambique, Africa, after having travelled 1,400 miles of hitherto unexplored country and obtained much useful information.

—The Indians of Omitlan, Mexico, have risen against the whites and seven of the principal merchants have been killed and their bodies kicked about by the mob. Many buildings were burned.

—Two men were arrested in London the other day upon their arrival from New York, upon suspicion of being implicated in a dynamite plot. Their baggage contained a large sum of money, some jewelry and a quantity of material supposed to be dynamite.

—A temperance party has been formed in the Imperial parliament. Fifty-five members met for conference the other day. The most they did was to appoint a committee to keep a watch upon all proposed which promise in any way to affect the liquor traffic.

—Mr. Silas Morse, father of Lady Tupper, died at Pugwash, on Thurs. night Feby. 7th. He had been in his usual health until Sunday, when he was taken suddenly ill. After dinner he became paralyzed on one side and never rallied. He was ninety-seven years of age.

—On the evening of Feb. 16th Wm. Kent a colored man, while under the influence of liquor, was murdered at a house occupied by Thomas Jordan at the Joggins two miles from Digby town. The following verdict was returned by the coroners jury summoned by Dr. Stephens:—

"We the jury summoned to inquire into the cause of the death of William Kent who died at the house of Thomas Francis, Digby Joggins, Digby, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock a. m. are of the opinion that the deceased came to his death from the effect of sundry blows of an axe in the hands of one of the following persons as appears by his evidence before us, viz: Phebe Jordan, Howard Jordan, James Edward Budaock a boy aged 14 and Elsie Williams all colored and none other."

The whole of the parties named in the verdict have been arrested and committed to jail.

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- 100 BBLs. FLOUR,
- 40 " Kiln dried
- CORN-MEAL,
- 25 " OAT-MEAL.
- 25 " Feeding Flour,

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Look out for change in adv. next week.