

OFF FOR THE LABRADOR.

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Prof. W. M. Reid, J. D. Seomborger, Lyle Vincent and W. D. Vincent, arrived by the *Halifax* last night. They are some of the party who go to Labrador in the schooner *Esquina* in the interests of the World's Fair to secure an Esquimaux village with some fifty inhabitants and all appurtenances thereto belonging. The schooner left Cunningham & Curran's wharf to-day on her mission.

A *Recorder* reporter was talking to-day to Capt. Wm. McConnell, of Hilford, Guysboro, who is in charge of the vessel. An interesting incident was mentioned (and although it sounds like a "puff" of a patent medicine it is worth noting.) "Do you see that man over there," said a friend, "that is Capt. McConnell, who is going after Esquimaux. I have known him for years, and he was that bad with asthma that he had sometimes to be held up on board his vessel. You see him?"—(he was piling wood in a cord measure to take on board)—"he is a well man; and he attributes it to some of Dr. William's Pink Pills that he took, two after each meal."

Out of curiosity, the reporter secured an introduction to the captain, and after some talk about the expedition, remarked: "Is that correct, Captain, about your recovery from asthma, and that you attribute it to those pills?"

"Well, I don't know anything else. I recovered after taking them."

"And haven't been troubled since?"

"No. Of course you will see what this winter may bring forth; I haven't said anything about it."

"But last winter?"

"I began taking them in December, and found the change brought about in my condition, which Dr. Parker, of Halifax, said it was about as bad as it could be."

It isn't often that a patent medicine gets such a big boom in the incidence of news-gathering, as is furnished in the above, but it is all set down just as it transpired, incidentally.

The whole Labrador party consists of Messrs. Tabor and Vincent, Prof. Reid, of Harvard College; Mr. Lyle Vincent, St. Louis; Dr. Baur, Philadelphia, a distinguished naturalist; Prof. Gillette, New Haven, Conn., and Hon. W. F. Ryder, Quebec. They expect to return with about 50 Esquimaux, with dogs, komatiks, kayacks, and a general collection of curiosities from Esquimaux land. The schooner is a handsome model, 95 tons, and is a fast sailer. John Silver & Co. furnished the supplies.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Subscribers remitting Money, either direct to the office, or through Agents, will find a receipt for the amount inclosed in their next paper. All remittances should be made payable to A. Milne Fraser.

The steel company's new machine shop at Trenton is fast assuming shape.

The new stables for the Halifax Cigarette Company on Robie Street are completed.

The hay crop in Kings County is reported to be nearly fifty per cent better than that of last year.

The town of Trenton, Pictou Co. has added 14 new buildings this season to her list of real estate.

Five hundred farmers from Minnesota and Dakota have located in the Northwest since January 1st.

The Summer School of Science opened in St. John on Monday evening by a public meeting at which Mayor Peters presided.

Professor Saunders sends word from the experimental fruit farm at Agassiz, B. C. that the fruit crop this year will be enormous.

Rev. Wm. Meikle, the well-known evangelist, is in Sydney, C. B., where he has erected a large tent for week evening meetings.

A man was arrested on Duke St. on Sunday afternoon for being drunk. In his possession was found four flasks and four bottles of whiskey.

Telegraph reports from all parts of Manitoba state that the crops are in a magnificent condition. Not a single drawback has been reported.

The *Maritime Grocer and Commercial Review* is the name of a new journal published in this city. C. P. McLennan is editor and manager.

Rev. H. F. Adams, late pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city, has received a unanimous call from the Prince St. Baptist Church of Truro.

J. W. D. Sterns, of the New York *Commercial Advertiser* staff, passed through the city this week on his way to Cape Breton. Mr. Sterns intends starting a daily paper in North Sydney.

At a meeting of the citizens of Annapolis, held last week, it was resolved that incorporation for the town was much needed. A petition will be circulated without further delay.

The Y. M. C. A. convention, which opened in Yarmouth yesterday, promises to be an interesting gathering. A large number of delegates are met together to discuss the work of the Association.

The management of the Cigarette Co. have arranged a route by which the residents of the district lying west of Robie St., between Quinpool Road and South St., may have the transportation facilities they have long sighed for.

It is reported in military circles that Major Gordon, formerly of the Royal School of Infantry, Fredericton, and now acting Deputy Adjutant General for Nova Scotia, is to be appointed to the command of the Mounted Rifles, Winnipeg.

A large consignment—about twenty miles—of steel wire cable has been imported by the coal company at Springhill from the works of Sir George Elliot, in England. It is to be used in constructing an underground haulage system for the collieries.

The Howe Memorial picnic, to be held in Victoria Park on Tuesday next, is arousing widespread interest throughout the Province, and there will no doubt be a large attendance. In the evening the Park will be lighted and a band concert given.

Messrs. D. Gunn and D. N. Slack, enterprising citizens of Truro, have just completed a new opera house in that flourishing town. It is called the Conversorium, and fills a need long felt. The hall is located on the second floor, the first being occupied by two large stores. The building is lighted by electricity.

Mr. M. H. Clarke, of Boston, formerly of this Province, won the free vacation trip to Halifax with hotel expenses paid, offered by the Yarmouth Steamship Co. for the best descriptive poem on Nova Scotia. There were a large number of contestants; Prof. F. C. de Sumichrast, of Harvard University, acted as judge. The poem was published in the *Morning Herald* of the 2nd inst.

Messrs. S. P. and S. Chute, of South Berwick, N. S., have had a busy season. They have manufactured in the steam mill nearly 75,000 strawberry boxes and about 400 crates, and have ground 32 tons of plaster from the rock for use on their small fruit farms, where they have 800 apple trees and 1,000 plum trees, besides strawberries, gooseberries; and the prospect is they will ship 5,000 quarts of raspberries. In one day they picked 1900 quarts of strawberries.

There is a great dissatisfaction among the subscribers in Montreal in regard to the disposition of the funds for the relief of the St. John's fire sufferers. Although repeated despatches have been received from the St. John's relief committee, stating that money is most needed, the Montreal committee, all of them merchants who sell goods now required by the suffering Newfoundlanders, have decided to expend the bulk of the subscriptions in supplies at Montreal.

Canada is shortly to be visited by the Premier of New South Wales, the Hon. G. R. Dibbs. Mr. Dibbs attended the Chambers of Commerce Congress, and warmly supported the preferential trade proposals. So much did he hear about Canada, and so interesting was the information, that he has cancelled his return ticket by the Suez canal, and will travel homewards through the Dominion. While at Ottawa it is said that Mr. Dibbs will confer with the Dominion Ministers as to steamship and telegraphic communications between Canada and Australia. He is a firm believer in the promotion of these great links of union.

Nova Scotia is evidently going to have a good representation at the World's Fair next year. Dr. Lawson is working up any exhibit to be obtained of the products of our forests and in agriculture, Dr. Gilpin is interesting workers in our minerals and Dr. McKay is collecting everything that will tend to show our educational system. The Fruit Growers' Association promises a good exhibit. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries will shortly take steps to bring the matter before our people who are interested in our fisheries. The Provincial Government has applied for space for an exhibit of our mines and minerals, our fruit, our educational systems, the products of forests, etc.

The annual convention of the Christian Endeavor Societies of the Maritime Provinces, held at St. John last week was largely attended, about one hundred and thirty delegates being present. The meetings were held in the Centenary church, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion and were large and enthusiastic. The report of Mr. John S. Smith, of Halifax, Superintendent, gave the following interesting statistics:—Canada had 1,377 societies, 548 of which had been added during the year. Nova Scotia had 276, New Brunswick had 57, P. E. Island 14 and Trinidad 2. The membership aggregated 15,000. Of the whole number 67 maritime province societies were taking a substantial interest in missionary work. Small progress had been made in the junior work. N. S. had 4, N. B. 1, the latter being at St. Stephen. The convention is to be held next year in Halifax.

The Collegiate School at Windsor, N. S., the oldest educational establishment in the Dominion, has just closed another successful year under its present management, and is entering upon the 105th year of its age under favorable auspices. The continued liberal patronage of the school is an assurance of the general satisfaction given to the patrons in the training and treatment of their sons and wards. The school is well equipped with an excellent staff of trained masters and instructors, and offers the very best facilities to parents for obtaining an excellent general education for their sons. The accommodation in the boarding house being limited, those expecting to send boys to the school should apply as early as possible so as to avoid disappointment. As will be seen by reference to the advertisement, circulars giving full information can be obtained on application to the head master.

The Toronto Exhibition, which will open on the 5th of September, closing on the 17th, gives promise of being one of the most successful yet held in the Queen city. The following associations have already intimated their intention of meeting in Toronto during the two weeks the Exhibition is in progress:—Canadian Association of Fairs and Exhibitions; Joint Directors of the Provincial Fat Stock Show, to select judges for the sheep and swine departments; Canadian Manufacturers' Association, and the Ontario Poultry Association. The Dominion and Provincial Commissioners for the Columbian Exposition at Chicago will have an office on the grounds during the time the fair is in progress, where they will be glad to meet exhibitors. It is probable that many of the exhibits at the Toronto Exhibi-