

**PENS.**—That there are pens and pens every one who wields this mighty weapon knows full well. A good pen is a treasure. S. E. Whiston, of the Halifax Commercial College, has favored us with a sample of his college pen made in England especially for him from his own design. It is flexible, with point not too fine nor yet too broad, and is certainly one of the most satisfactory pens in the market.

**THE LYCEUM.**—The Wallace Hopper Company, which opened at the Lyceum Theatre on Monday evening, has taken well this week. There has been a change of bill nightly, and each performance has been worthy of the reputation which the company has gained throughout the Province. A matinee will be given to-morrow afternoon at two o'clock, when "Ten Nights in a Bar-room" will be presented. Mr. Hopper is a good comedian and is well supported by the company. Next week a variety of good plays will be performed, and theatre-goers will find an evening spent at the Lyceum very enjoyable.

**CANADIAN GRAPES.**—The North Sydney Herald says:—There are many people in our own Dominion who have little or no idea of the magnitude of the grape-growing industry and wine manufacture in Canada. The following facts taken from statistical records are authentic: (1) There are at least 5,000 acres of land planted in vines, capable of producing one million and a half gallons of wine. (2) Ontario alone has an area suitable for grape culture at least equal to the present area of the vineyards in France. (3) There are about 4,000 people directly or indirectly interested in grape growing and wine making.

**A UNIQUE EXHIBIT.**—The Homeopathic Hospital in Bloomsburg, London, is preparing a very novel exhibit for the great Fair at Chicago. It is a collection of dolls to illustrate nursing and the advantages of various surgical appliances. One doll wears the uniform of a nurse, and looks very natty in a dark blue dress and a white apron, cuffs and collar. A collection of little doll invalids is exhibited in tiny beds. They are suffering from broken thighs and other injuries, and are fitted with splints and placed in such attitudes as the living patient would be made to assume.

**THE CAR WORKS IN AMHERST.**—The work of erecting buildings for the car works in Amherst and the removal of the plant of the car company from St. John are to commence very shortly. The company will give employment in the month of May to about two hundred men, some of whom will be brought from St. John, they having had experience in car building. The permanent organization of the company is to be effected on April 10th, under legislation obtained by Rhodes, Curry & Co. in 1891, the firm having had it under consideration to make their company a joint stock one, and to add car-building. The future for the company looks bright.

D. M. Johnson, Esq., M. D., Port Hawkesbury, certifies: "I have used Putner's Emulsion with great satisfaction where Cod Liver Oil is called for. I recommend it as so disguising the oil that patients never refuse to take it."

**A LUCKY SEALER.**—Word has been received in this city that the Steamer Newfoundland, Captain Farquhar, has met with great success on her sealing voyage. 10,000 young hoods was the extent of the catch when the steamer was spoken, but she was only partly full and was still taking in her precious cargo. Seals average about \$2.50 each, and if as is feared the Newfoundland sealing fleet has had an unsuccessful season, this price will go a good deal higher. Captain Farquhar had serious difficulty with a number of his men who deserted him at the beginning of the voyage, and is to be congratulated upon his perseverance and subsequent success.

**SYDNEY'S NEW HOTEL.**—The new hotel at Sydney, Cape Breton, is now almost a reality. A capital of \$20,000 has been subscribed, the Whitney syndicate taking \$10,000 of stock. It is expected that building operations will be commenced in about a month's time, and it is intended to have the hotel in running order in time to accommodate the travellers who will visit the beautiful island of Cape Breton during the coming summer. The want of good hotel accommodation has been sorely felt in this part of the province, and with skillful and economical management there seems little doubt that the investment will prove profitable for all concerned.

**WHERE ARE THE PIGEONS.**—When the Newfoundland went in search of the Sarnia some weeks ago, she took four carrier pigeons to act as messengers to convey to Halifax the first tidings of the missing steamer. When the Sarnia was met with the birds were duly set free with the written messages, but evidently they lost their way, as they have not yet been heard from. This occurrence would seem to indicate that the pigeonry at the Marine and Fisheries wharf is not of much practical service, and if it is to be kept up, steps should be taken to see that the birds are properly trained and exercised. The service is being run by the Dominion and Imperial governments, and is in charge of the military authorities at this garrison.

**TWO NEW PAPERS.**—On Saturday last two new papers were laid upon our table, the *Mic-Mac* and the *Atlantic Weekly*. The first, published in Halifax, in a concise introduction declares its object to be to provide a light readable paper for the general public, and, while inviting discussion on all points of public interest, positively declines to open any religious controversy or society gossip. The *Atlantic Weekly* is Dartmouth's new paper, and its first number, although appearing on an inauspicious day, gives promise of a successful and long life. To further the interests of its town and to supply information well worth obtaining to its readers at home and abroad is the *Atlantic's* aim. Both of these publications are neatly gotten up, and their respective promoters appear hopeful of a successful future. It is probably not necessary to tell them that an editor's lot is not always a happy one.

#### A CURE FOR COUGHS.

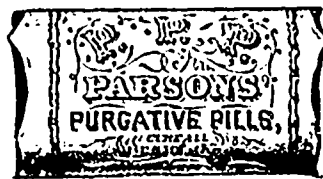
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**A NEW INSURANCE COMPANY.**—The Fishermen's Marine Insurance Company is now established at Lunenburg, and is ready for business. The directors have been appointed, and Mr. James E. Richardson selected as secretary of the new organization. The scheme appears to be a good one, and is likely to meet with success.

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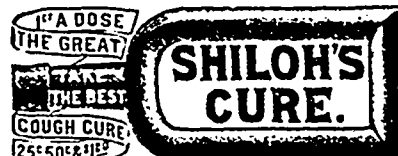
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**ANOTHER BANK AGENCY IN CAPE BRETON.**—The Union Bank of Halifax, which has been given the business of the Dominion Coal Company, is about to establish an agency at Little Glace Bay, C. B.

**THE BOARD OF HEALTH.**—The City Board of Health at a meeting held on Wednesday evening had a long discussion as to the precautions to be taken in landing immigrants at this port and in the disinfection of the luggage of these immigrants. A resolution was passed and ordered to be sent to the Dominion Government to the effect that on account of the risk of the importation of cholera into Halifax policemen be stationed at the Deep Water Terminus during the landing of immigrants to prevent the public from coming in contact with the luggage of the immigrants, and that the government be urged to issue instructions to have the disinfection of such luggage take place either on board the disinfection steamer, at anchor in quarantine ground, or at the quarantine station at Lawlor's Island. Halifaxians will rejoice to note that the Board of Health realize the necessity of leaving no stone unturned to prevent the fatal disease from gaining a foothold in our city this summer.



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**BETTER** than for three weeks I did not have my clothes off. Physicians said I could never get well. I was unable to do any work, and was a great sufferer. I doctored with several Physicians, including Specialists in Boston, and took nearly all the advertised seraphitis and blood purifiers, but received no benefit whatever. I had given up all hopes, and my friends thought I could live but a few months. I began the use of SKODA'S DISCOVERY and TABLETS, according to directions, and also used SKODA'S OINTMENT externally. After using them but one week, there was a visible change in appearance. My skin that was literally covered with pimples and blotches began to clear up. My appetite became good, less pain in my shoulders, and I gained rapidly. I have now used less than two courses of these REMEDIES, and my Rheumatism has entirely disappeared. SHOULDERS THAT WERE DRAWN OUT OF PLACE AND WHICH THE DOCTORS SAID COULD NEVER BE GOT BACK AGAIN ARE AS GOOD AS NEW AND IN PERFECT POSITION. My skin is free from blotches and pimples. I have gained **COLD** twenty pounds in flesh, can go into the woods at sunrise, and chop cord wood until dark, and not get tired, a thing I could never do before in all my life, and am able to work all the time. My friends are astonished at the results, and not more so than myself. They consider it almost miraculous."

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