BENRT WADSWORTH LONGEBLDO The Toronto World. BY R W. PHIPPS. (Written for the World.) FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 31, 1882. Longfellow is dead. Almost the DESERTED FARMS.

Yesterday we printed a letter from "Ob-server" relative to deserted farms in the that brilliant circle of thinkers, writers, and orators which sprang into existence neighborhood of Mount Forest, in the county luring the younger life of the American of Grey. A gentleman from Mount Forest republic, he has for many years survived the majority of his fellows, and has linger has informed our correspondent that he has ed on the stage, a philosophic, a poetic, per-haps to some extent a mournful observer over a dozen farms in that locality on which he held mortgages, left on his hands of a world which was not his, and of a de-He has tried to sell them, but cannot, and velopment of American life far different to he cannot lease them, either, for enough to pay interest on anything like what he adthat which he had often imagined, and at vanced upon them. "They are now idle" an earlier period often sung. Latterly, he has lived in, thought of and wrote largely our correspondent says, which if strictly of the past, of the distant or the makes several cases of "deserted unseen, and indeed necessarily so, for farms, " or of places deserted that are or the tremendous mind of Shakespeare himhave been called "farms." As in the case of our little controversy with the self, extracting gold from all around it, Man of Bobcaygeon, our reply must hinge fusing the dross of commerce and the impurity of the guard-room, and shewing bechiefly upon the proper answer to the question-what is a farm, as the word is gen" erally understood in Canada ; and in the at least, often laid below, might easily have States too, we may add.

recoiled in disgust from a hemisphere of A considerable portion of the county of cotton bales and railroads, of great ener-Grey, on its eastern side, is covered by what used to be called "the Luther gies concentrated on petty objects, and from a world whose ambition seems boundswamp ;" which is not, however, confined ed by the desire of alceping soft and feeding to that township, but extends also over portions of Proton, Arthur, and Melancwell. It is not when communities are at ease, luxurious, filled with the pleasures and thon, and perhaps other townships too. actuated by the desires of gain, that the This swamp is remarkable for two thingsits great extent, and the fact that it is the fancy of the post rouses to its higher flights. If, trained to power in a sterner time, he highest land in the Ontario peninsula. To exist in the weaker period, that period he some people it may appear strange that a must write to please, or in seclusion and in wet swamp should occupy the highest poverty compose for the succeeding rhymes then unvalued, but which shall never die. ground, but the thing is by no means uncommon. Near the height of land between Thunder Bay and Winnipeg there are ex-So, under Charles, tensive stretches of swamp, and of rock and swamp together ; and in many other places a similar phenomenon is to be observed. Again it may be asked, how do And we may well imagine that other you know that the Luther swamp is really iant, who then, in proscription and the height of land in the Ontario peninsula? Let us endeavor to give such an answer as the Samson Agonistes for a later day, shall make the fact plain to everybody. In thinking often of his cotemporary, so great and yet so small, who, paid, flattered, and this swamp the following rivers have their sources:-the Credit, the Grand river, at his case, groped in a compulsory blind-Maitland, and the Saugeen. ness and endured a mental enthralment far The Credit falls into Lake Ontario; more galling than his own. the Grand river into the lower part When the heart of the nation is strong Lake Erie; and the Maitto effort and to sacrifice, the spirit of the land and the Saugeen both into lake

poet is attuned to incite, to animate, Huron-the former at Goderich and the elebrate its deeds ; nor theirs alone ; the latter at Southampton. Scientific authorinspiration bears his thoughts to many ity locates the highest point in the peninanother region, to many another time. He sula somewhere in the township of Osprey, wins not, it may well be, his proper meed the next north of Melanchton, but it is or due applause from the earnest multinot very much higher than the level of the tudes who endeavor or who contend ; but big swamp, after all. The actual high his voice is ever heard ; his efforts form level of the swamp is attested by the fact small part of theirs ; and if his reward be given to that man !" that from it the rivers of the peninsula flow then less than that of his fellows, time, Thes, too, sail on, O Ship of State ! Sail en, O UNION, strong and great ! Humanity with all its fears, With all the hopes of future years, Labouring brashing on the future in all directions included in the sweep around from Port Credit to the lake Erie making him full amends, surely gives him a Sail en, O UNION, strong and great. Humanity with all its fears, is hanging breakhess on thy fate. We have wrought thy rise of steel-What worknean wrought thy rise of steel-What a forge and what a hest, In what a forge and what a hest, We reshaped the anchors of thy hope. Fear not each sudden sound or shock, The other twe drifts were worked last In what a forge and what a hest, We reshaped the anchors of thy hope. Fear not each sudden sound or shock, The other twe drifts were worked last In what a forge and what a hest, We reshaped the anchors of thy hope. Fear not each sudden sound or shock, The other twe drifts were worked a sile of a small creek on the south side of the river opposite the mill, and were each carried in about one hundred feet. For some reason the coal was not used by the boats last summer, but a portion has been used by the mill this winter. Besides these there is a seam about four miles down the river that has been taken out has demonstrated the good quality and unlimited quantity of the coal. All that is needed to make this industry assume inmense proportions is a market, and all the market that is at present necessary exists in Winnipeg. There is continuous and so keep the money sent to the United States for coal and the freight on it in eur own country. shore, and thence further around to the living memory, an enduring fame, far more shores of lake Huron and the Georgian Bay. vivid than is ever vouchsafed to them. "What though the monarch to the bard Gave careless smile and slight reward, Preferring still the fair erray Of statesmen wise and courtiers gay? Of Burleigh's wisdom stays no trace, No memory last of Dudge's grace. The quean scarce named—her court—her throne on with the subject of allege deserted farms in the county of Grey, or in the vicinity of Mount Forest, which amounts to about the same thing, except to memory laft of D uning a securit-her t he quasa soarce named-her ceurt-her t y later giories far outshons. But while strue love holds powerful sway. While yet is tred bright honors' way. While gammen is not quite supreme. And truth and faith not all a dream, While generous thought and feeling live. And just appreciation give. Each year unto the poet's name Shall add fr.sh butte, bring new fame." that the greater includes the less, we desire to point out the important fact of the existence of the big "Luther swamp" afore-If we put together the scientific teachings of geology and physical geography, on one At the time of the struggle for American hand, and on the other those of ordinary independence-at the time of the second confarming experience and common sense, we test in 1812, two efforts of no slight daring, shall have little difficulty in believing that and in the intervening and following years either in the big swamp or among its outtill perhaps 1840, while the youthful nation lying branches, for many of them, it has, was in every direction opening up new there must be many so called "farms" that will scarcely, pay for working them. They avenues of energy, forming commercial ters piratical. The last is largely the cause treaties, inaugurating new colleges, sending may have been worth living upon as long of all. Had America respected the literary expeditions to the then little known prairie as there was timber to be taken off; but rights of others she had had in every town land, or dispatching ships to destroy Algernow, perhaps, the timber being gone, it and city a literature of her own-thinkers, ine and Baratarian corsairs, when the great don't pay to live there any longer. We speakers and writers, such as those of scientific inventions of modern times were venture the opinion that if the dozen cases whom she once promised to rear a succesyet matter of wonder, of hope, and doubt above referred to were each particularized sion, such as those whom in a nobler era the condition of America was favorable to and investigated, they would be found to be poetic development. The youthful empire of the nature here suggested. Swamp land at the high-lying sources of streams will was bordered by a vast and unknown land, peared below the sod. With men of aninhabited by wild beasts and savage men. "farms" in the county of other race this would foreshadow disruption not make other race this would foreshadow disruption and decay. But these are largely Anglo-Saxon, a race possessing in a high degree the powers of repair. When we remember with what stern energy America, once with what stern energy America, once Grey, any more than rocky ground The seas were unsafe, ill-explored, and inand decay. But these are largely Anglofested by pirates. The merchant-the sailor-took his life in his hand. Educaonly, a remove or two from the primitive geological formations will in the North tion, or its superficial substitute, was not so Victoria and Muskoka districts. Our exgeneral, and the village conclave, the farmplanation as to alleged descended farms, in convinced of the deadly nature of the house hearth, and even the city drawingboth cases, is that they are not really disease which clogged her veins, cut the room, were perturbed by fears and delight-"farms" at all; that they never were, cancer of slavery from her own, her living ed by hopes which now, when everybody rever can, and never will be "farms," in flesh, none need despair of the future of the proper sense of the word. We await knows everything, create no tremors, and the United States. But America has lost the Italian conference, correction, however, being well aware that bestow no joy. There were no large cities, the truest, the most powerful, incentive to the moral atmosphere of the towns was facts must prevail in the end. progress. That great chorus of trained comparatively pure, while both in town and inspired voices-the poets, the philo-GOULD'S HAND. and country the large intermixture of the sophers, the orators, who instructed her Canadians have nothing to thank Jay quiet Hollander and the enthusiastic Puriyouthful efforts and praised her growing Gould for. He is a monopolist in the worst tan had its strong influence on the society strength-are silent, and are dead. Before sense of the word, and one who will stop of the day. The rural districts were emishe replaces them by their equals she must nently industrious, orderly, and religious. prove herself worthy of their presence. It was the Arcadian era of American set-

tlement.

"Great Dryden, in immortal strain, Had raised the Table Round again, But that a ribald king and court, Bade him toil on, to make them sport."

ions full of sarcastic m ungrammatical sentences will surely be cast in heavy damages, polished manners. Each college from be fifty or a hundred thousand dollars, Boston to New Orleans felt the severity of the allusions, and strove with angry enu- which would be very highly gratifying to lation to render them undeserved. How Sir Charles.

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severe and how effective was in that day the study of the classical models the speeches of Clay and of Webster, the melodious sentences of Washington Irving, and many another masterpiece of English utterance, give a testimony destined to stand immortal, and unfortunately, judging by the present state of American literature

to atand alone. no 02 neer In a society animated by such thoughts hopes, remembrances, and surroundings, the great man who is dead pas.ed the earlier years of his life, and, as is usual, try. from those years all the successive took

their biss. No quarter of the union is as rife with Indian legend as is New England, noble thought and action, which, in his day vicinity of Quebec, and the great northern forest, to the animosity of those bands of dusky warriors from whom had been torn the sovereignty of the soil. From this we have Hiswatha, that exquisite, that often imitated, yet utterly inimitable piece. What other soil than the birthplace of the American Puritanic soldier could have produced Miles Standish, the only living pictare of that sturdy race-a picture Scott and Cooper had each attempted, and

each in vair, possessing master-hands indeed, but lacking the colors the great post of the land could alone supply. Longfellow had never seen Grand-Pre,

but he had seen the calm repose of New England fields for many a year following 1814, and Grand-Pre is but a Normanized lindness, wrote the Paradise Regained and

poetry is destined to be co-existent with the magnificent conclusion of the Building of the Ship. President Lincoln, with the premonition of death strong upon him, read them and said, "What power God has

On the other hand, if Sir Charles be really proved to be the extremely wicked person the Globe paints him, it will, no doubt, be an excellent thing to compel his retirement from public life. Then, Ston to there other of thand. the Globe loses, and has to pay immens sums, it will probably result in the collapse

and discontinuance of the Globe, which would be an excellent thing for the coun-

Whichever way, there is balm in Gilead. MORE OF GOULD'S TACTICS.

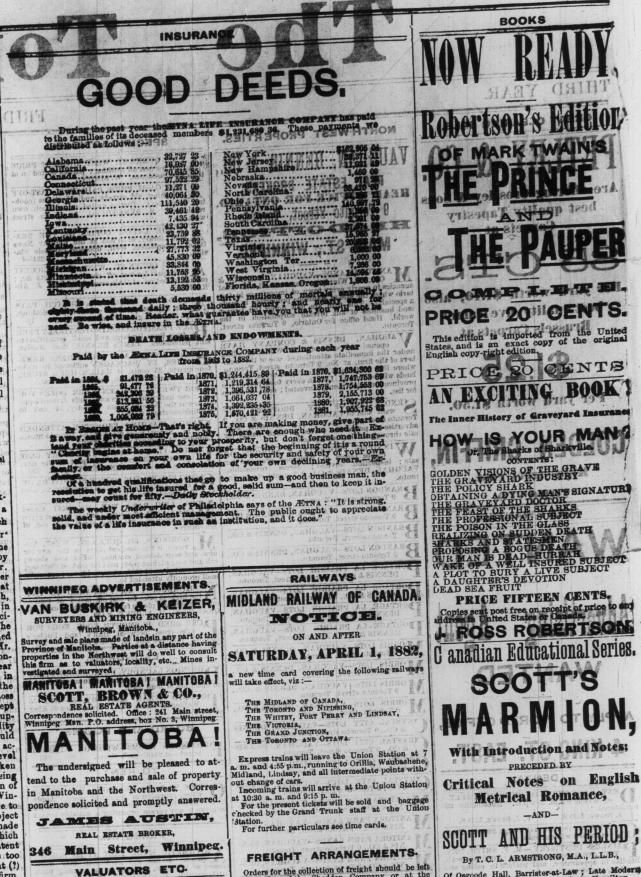
The report that Mr. Gould has control of the Mutual Union is not true, though he robably has some of its stock. There is little likelihood that any arrangement will be made that will prevent the Mutual Union from being a competitor of the West ern Union in every sense of the word. NORTHWEST COAL.

Mining at Edmonton-Any Amount of Fue Ready for Working.

(Edmonton Bulletin, Jan. 28.) Six different coal drifts have been worked in a distance of about a mile and a half along the banks of the river on each side of the fort. The furthest up is on Mr. Groat's property on the north side of the river, the coal from which was used by Dr. Verey and Ed. McPherson last winter.

England fields for many a year tokenness. Islat, and Grand-Pre is but a Normanized New England hamlet; and all the flowing hexameters of Evangeline, that most sorrow-ful and yet most soothing of poems, but the reflex of his country residence, tinged against the motherland. Whether the bright star of poetic thought, now apparently in all lands sinking below the horizon, will ever again arise, is a ques-tion depending on the future political and moral aspect of the world. But what we have remains, and much of Longfellow's poetry is destined to be co-existent with poetry is destined to be co-existent with the language. The Excelsior, the Psalm of Life, the Wreck of the Hesperus, have not their fellow. During the great rebellion no lines were oftener quoted in the north than the magnificent conclusion of the Building consumed in town. It was the intention of the proprietors to ship the coal to Win-nipeg, but as it was found impossible to make satisfactory arrangements, the project was abandoned. An attempt was also made to secure a patent for the land on which the drifts ware found hand but the union

to secure a patent for the land on which the drifts were as coal land, but the patent was refused on the ground that it was too near town, although the squatters' right (?) to the claim was held by one of the firm. The other two drifts were worked last GEORGE B. ELLIOTT & CO.



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at nothing to complete his monopolizing schemes. He would like to kill off Canadian opposition to his railway and telegraph projects. The best feature of th Canadian Pacific Syndicate, from a conti nental standpoint, is that it is hated of Gould. And the Grand Trunk enjoys a a like honor. These two lines and the new Great Western outletby the Ontario and Quebec will all assist in building up the St. Lawrence at the expense of New York and Gould's roads leading thereto. In the matter of telegraphs Gould has been more successful in laying violent hands on Canada. His chosen emissary-shall he be called a recreant Canadian-Mr. Erastus Wiman, has secured for him control of the Montreal and Dominion telegraph lines, and these have been consolidated into a mono-

ply. The railways are dependent, more or less, on the telegraphs, and this Gould knows, and if he can't get possession of the roads he will, as one of his friends put it, at least "get the bulge" on them by controlling the telegraphs. But we much suspect that neither the Grand Trunk nor the Canada Pacific will stand this disreputable tactic of Gould ; certainly the latter company will not-even if it has to build an independent telegraph system of its own.

WE DIRECT the attention of our readers to the admirable article on Longfellow, by a well-known Canajian writer, in another Jumn. Mr. Phipps has, as is not unusual To literary exertion, also, circumstances with him, avoided the beaten track, and gave peculiar incentives. given his readers the reason of the rise and Every packet which bore to Britain decadence of American literature,

CHRONIQUES.

Yet these settlements, though orderly, Mr. Brown has for years made serious were far from languid. Peace was for a charges against Sir Charles Tupper. These lengthened period no abiding guest charges and the recriminating language Against Frenchmen and Canadian, Indian used on both sides, we think that our readand Briton, they had repeatedly to defend ers will agree with us, are highly disgrace their borders. Many a young man girded ful to some one or another. on his sword for the battle. Many a maimed

veteran, condemned to the chimney corner, The statement made by the Globe that rehearsed with enthusiasm the contests in Sir Charles had no business to attack a which he might no longer share. Even man who was'nt there, and by the Mail business had its adventurous side. Schoonthat Mr. Brown had no business to attack ers aud merchantmen, readily constructed a man who could'nt answer in the same from the great forests which then lined the way, are sheer nonsense. Both can answer never-distant sea shore, and armed to the There are members in the house who teeth as the manner then was, continually will readly state Mr. Brown's case in any weighed anchor for a market, and often for method he desires, and the Mail will put distant, unknown and dangerous seas and in anything Sir Charles writes. lands. All along the adjacent border of

the savage country blockhouses were during Moreover, both methods of answering many years garrisoned and villages palishave been used by ministers and by jouraded; the ploughman carried his musket nalists, and that often.

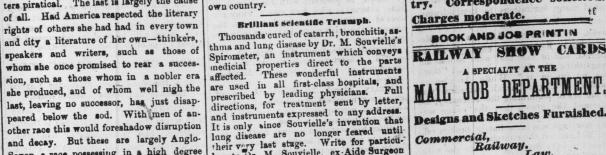
afield, and the hunter looked for the track of the Indian as closely as for that of the It concerns everybody that the truth of deer. Yet hope was strong and thought the matter should be obtained. How is it was busy; the infant community felt the to be got at? Surely, there is no way as presage of its future greatness, and in the plain and simple as for the minister to bring a libel suit. Impeachment, commissolitary cottage, in the many-gabled town, sions, house investigations, are all very and in the pathless forest, enthusiastic and patriotic spirits formed the plan and laid expensive, very uncertain, and very slow. the foundation of many an enterprise which Sir Charles' ministerial position does not deprive him of his rights at common law. has since yielded rich and plentiful fruit. Let him bring his action like a man.

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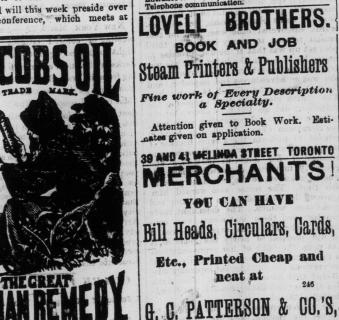
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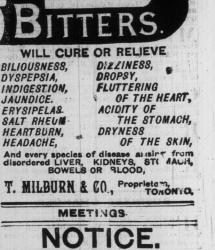
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