

PROGRESS.

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CHANGED ITS OFFICES.

PROGRESS has changed its quarters. The offices it has occupied for more than a year proved too small for the increasing circulation and business of the paper.

MR. BRADEN SHOULD EXPLAIN.

MR. CLARK BRADEN cannot afford to ignore the charges of the Charlotetown Examiner, if he wishes to maintain his usefulness in this part of the world.

RELIGION FEARS NOT TRUTH.

A correspondent, who it may be said is a highly gifted clergyman, takes exception to some recent utterances of PROGRESS on the subject of angels, and of special answers to prayer.

Without desiring to enter into a discussion, which might be profitable neither to the readers, the editor nor the cause of the faith, it may be remarked that the appearance of angels to men is one of the miraculous phenomena recorded in the bible, which has not been recorded in authentic history since that time.

This is simply scientific truth, which can never be at war with true religion. While we may not be able to "prove all things," we may "hold fast that which is good" when it is proven. No christian can attempt to limit the power of the Almighty, but he can reasonably question whether an all wise God disturbs the fundamental laws of the universe simply because He is asked to do so by men who do not always know what is best for their own good.

would have us believe. They are certainly not so few, salvation is not so exceptional, that where thousands are dying every day, only once in years is one vouchsafed an angelic vision.

If a discussion were in order, there is a great deal of debatable ground in regard to the meaning of the word "angels," and as to how far the term, as used in the scriptures, is figurative or literal. But a discussion is not in order.

PROGRESS does not think itself too progressive. The editor is not an agnostic, nor is it his desire to encourage disbelief in true and practical religion. The attempt to foist upon christianity things which do not belong to it, and which cannot be proven, is one of the reasons why some men are atheists. We have no wish to encourage others to follow in their path.

DANGEROUS KIND OF EVIDENCE.

The Nova Scotia papers are exulting over the conviction of a man named BROPHY, charged with a burglary at Amherst. While it is probable, that the fellow is guilty, his conviction was secured by the discreditable expedient of putting a detective's pimp in the cell with him, in the guise of a desperate criminal.

This is probably considered a smart trick, though it is a very old one. It is a method which has fallen into disrepute in most civilized countries, not because it is mean, but because it is dangerous, in the interests of justice. Detectives' stool-pigeons, to say nothing of a good many detectives themselves, are usually bound to make a case when they believe a person guilty.

A VOICE FROM SHEPODY.

The Maple Leaf objects to the representative from Dorchester being termed "LAWYER EMMERSON," and to the insinuation that he owns the county, or has a mortgage on it.

The main grievance of the Maple Leaf, however, appears to be that PROGRESS incidentally remarked that it was conspicuously silent in regard to the resignation of Mr. TURNER. As the great and only Shepody weekly is supposed to be controlled by the Riverside gentleman who makes or mars the destinies of small-try politicians, and who was the "independent yeomanry" to whom Mr. EMMERSON's election was largely due, its silence seemed a very proper subject for comment.

After lauding Mr. EMMERSON and abusing Mr. TURNER, the Maple Leaf avows that its aim as a paper, is to show the folly of extreme party politics and to awaken an interest in regard to the farming capabilities of the county, etc. It is in pursuance of this aim, of course, that it champions as the farmer's representative, a lawyer imported from another county, which had previously recognized, but not rewarded his ambition.

The Union street opera house is being built—a fact which gives considerable satisfaction to PROGRESS, which has boomed it from the first, and to those stockholders who have had faith enough in the scheme to back it with their dollars.

At the recent session of the Sons of Temperance, at St. Stephen, somebody moved that in order to remedy the non-enforcement of the Scott act in Portland, measures be taken to extend the act to the whole city. There were enough St. John men there to defeat the motion. The man who made it must have had a deep grudge against our citizens.

Station Master ROBERTSON is a very busy man. He says he has no time to read long letters from merchants. Mr. BELL and other business men would be glad if Mr. ROBERTSON would save them the trouble of complaining. They have no time to write long letters on such unprofitable business.

CHARLES WATTS has a habit of saying something whenever he speaks. His letter published today is very clear in its terms, and should fully settle any misunderstanding as to the terms on which he is willing to meet CLARK BRADEN, or any other man.

Advertisement for IDEAL SOAP featuring an illustration of a rooster and a man. Text: 'THIS IS THE GEEK THAT ROSE IN THE MORN THE DAY THAT IDEAL SOAP WAS BORN HE HAD RISEN EARLY TO TELL TO MANKIND THAT WONDERFUL SOAP TO SEEK AND TO FIND. USE IDEAL SOAP. All grocers sell it. THE WORLD IS WAKING UP TO THE VALUE OF IDEAL SOAP. Made only by Wm. Logan St. John N.B.'

WHAT BREAD KEEPS MOIST SIX DAYS? Golden Eagle.

CHATAUQUAN UNIONS. What They Are, and What They are Trying to Accomplish Among the People.

Various articles have appeared in the newspapers, from time to time regarding Chatauquan Circles and Chatauquans. The movement takes its name from Lake Chatauquan, in the state of New York, where it was inaugurated, and here the Chatauquans hold their annual assembly, which extends through July and August.

The College of Liberal Arts decries six weeks in the session to the higher education and has among its professors some of the first scholars in America.

In connection with the movement there is a correspondence college which aims to give its students a college education by means of correspondence. Rigid and searching examinations are given and a high per centage of merit is achieved.

The pulse, however, which shows the life of the movement, is the Chatauquan Literary and Scientific circle. This body numbers over 100,000, the circulation of the Chatauquan, the official organ, being 60,000. It is this branch of the movement which is most active here, in St. John.

The Messenger and Visitor has an article on the Salvation army. It is villainously abusive. The editor appears to be qualifying himself for a position on the Moncton Transcript in the next campaign.

Give Them a Good Crowd. The trotting season in St. John will be pleasantly ended this afternoon at Moosepath, by a benefit to the Agricultural Society. The best horses in the vicinity will take part, including Sir Garnet, Lady Sim, Lady Max, Speculation, South Wind, Willy Wally, Maud C., and the colts Governor, Cleon, and Flopi.

Another Convert. A representative called at Dr. McAvenny's Wednesday morning and enjoyed a practical test of Dental Electric vibrator which extracts teeth painlessly. He went for an advertisement, and before he left he had lost his worst enemy, a decayed and aching tooth and without the slightest pain.

Progress Engraving Bureau. Do you want an attractive advertisement reproduced? Write to PROGRESS and you will get prices at once. Send the "copy" and the engraving will be made at once. If you want an idea of the excellence of the work look at the large soap advertisement on the seventh page.

Have You Seen BARNES & MURRAY'S

25c. Dress Goods,

IN PLAIN COLORS, Probably one of the Best Values in the City. NO PATTERNS. We pay the Car fare.

17 CHARLOTTE STREET. A Well-Known and Thoroughly First-Class Article is always Desirable Stock.

THE JEWEL RANGE, The New Model Range, And the PRIZE RANGE,

Are Goods of which this may truthfully be said. However, every one sold sell many more, for the user will advise their friends to buy no other. Thus to present profit is added future gain, and, what is of more value, the reputation of furnishing Reliable Goods.

The exact reverse of this proposition is true of cheap and poorly constructed goods. They are dear at any price. Call and examine our Stock.

SHERATON & SELFRIDGE, 38 King Street, (Opposite the ROYAL HOTEL.) P. S.—JOBGING PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

SUNDRE HITS AND HINES.

The Virginia adventist who expected the end of the world, last Monday, got awfully left.

Skunks are infesting Calais, and by a not remarkable coincidence, smelt are reported plenty.

The Halifax wife-pounders have been outdone by their fellow-Hitzen, who bears his aged mother.

Moncton's dogs are as numerous as his liquor dealers under the Scott act. There are 300 of them.

Among the imports of Moncton this week is fresh spring water, per steamer Arctique, advertised in the papers.

If the policemen can manage to keep warm until next Thursday, they will know whether they are to have new coats.

It looks as though nobody would know anything about the poisoning case, by the time the courts get through with it.

Upon what portion of the evidence did the coroner base his assertion that William McDonald was "a goddess man?"

Mr. Pugsley is a very nice man, but the dear public object to being taxed for \$30,000 to improve his wharf property.

It took seven weeks to get a jury in the Cronin case. What would Chicago do if it had to empanel a jury every month?

They say Chicago women have big feet, but if that enterprising city secures the world's fair, it will be the biggest feet yet.

Gen. Butler proposes to write a history of his life. If he tells all he knows about the Boston democrats, it will be an extremely readable book.

Kingston, Ont., is the healthiest city in Canada. Perhaps it is because a considerable number of residents never taste liquor. They are in the penitentiary.

Nine cannibals from Terra del Fuego are on exhibition in London. In view of their possible escape, city missionaries are likely to volunteer for foreign service.

There seems to be an apprehension that even if McDonald is acquitted of the charge of poisoning, he will likely lose his situation as a druggist's assistant.

A Toronto alderman's idea of governing that city by paid commissioners seems to have some merit. It may be agitated in St. John, if the aldermen don't behave themselves.

It will surprise people to know that thieves broke into the house of a London. Ont., newspaper man and secured \$6 in cash. But then he was secretary-treasurer of the company.

A Paradise, N. S., man has sold the yield of his apple orchard for \$100. And yet there are young men over there who think they ought to go to the Northwest to get an easy living.

Sheriff Flack, of New York, has dismissed a deputy for extorting money from prisoners. Flack is the man who figured in the recent bogus divorce case. He ought to dismiss himself.

The Halifax papers are indignant because somebody has painted advertisements on the rocks in Point Pleasant park. It is too bad. If there is any paint to spare in Halifax it should be put on the houses.

An ingenious plan has been adopted to prevent the over-crowding of the Chinese empire and the necessity for emigration. A syndicate has been formed to introduce the deadly air light into the country.

One of the questions submitted to the jury in the Macrae inquest was as to whether the person who sent the poison was "a God-fearing man." Whether the jurors had an animated debate on the point is not recorded.

The representative of Stewarts, the alleged makers of the boxes in which the poisoned candy was sent, was at the Royal hotel during the latter days of the inquest. The authorities did not "get on to" the fact, though a good many other people did.

Halifax people like to pose as hero worshippers. The notorious Empire Pickering, charged with assault, skipped his bail and went to Boston. He came back the other day and was locked up on the house.

In the course of the next two days, he had over 70 visitors.

The Boston Times suggests that there should be a standing commission of scientists charged to determine who may read the great utilities without danger to society and themselves. This is probably what will happen if the notion is ever run according to Edward Bellamy's ideas.

THE OLD MAN DIDN'T WORK.

He Was Home When the Bank Clerk Called, and Made a Scene at the Front Door.

A few persons who happened to be walking along one of the streets east of the squares, where some of St. John's best citizens reside, were fortunate enough to see something one evening this week, that almost everybody has read about, but very few have seen. It was a real, genuine, No. 10 ejection. A front door opened suddenly, a large black shapeless object came down the steps more suddenly, and a good sized alligator hide boot made a semi-circle in the air, and disappeared most suddenly, and then the door closed with a bang.

When the passers-by got over the first effects of the shock they saw a young man on his hands and knees looking very picture of hopelessness and despair. It was plain that an hour before he was a fit subject for a fashion sheet; now he could have posed as a horrible example. But he didn't pose. He gathered himself up in a hurry, and went down the street like a rocket, only he didn't make so much noise.

"It's a clerk in a bank," said somebody, and that was all that could be learned by the half dozen who saw the affair.

Had they interviewed three small boys who stood in an alleyway across the street they might have learned more. One of the boys sweeps out the office and tells collectors "the boss is out," for the man whose slipper described the semi-circle; the other boys were his chums.

Early that morning, the boy was going along Prince William street, when he was stopped by a bank clerk well known about town, who started the lad with: "Say, sonny, what nights does old come back to the office?"

"Oh, most any night you like," said the boy, and a grin spread over his face as something seemed to dawn slowly upon him. "Think he'll be down tonight?" "Yes, sure he will, because he said so. Got a lot of work to do and he'll have to hustle."

CHATS WITH CORRESPONDENTS.

G. C. S.—"Paying a Debt" will appear later.

REX, Fairville.—Your letter is too personal for insertion.

A. B. C.—Read the article on Chatauquan unions in this issue.

SOCIETY. EVENING. And the. Fred. Chas. Mr. at trip by Mr. at week in Sir W. their hon. Mrs. W. Rev. F. I am covered are now street. Auditt. Count. rived ho month. amined. Mr. H. went to there. Mrs. W. Mrs. R. Mrs. R. Major Police, w months o and will Mr. M. in the M among h Inviat. Steves, next Tue looking f Mr. G. his relat place, wa Mr. attended Mr. C. Gilbert, 3 attending Mrs. B. Mr. Br. son and o Mrs. R. left last w York and Mr. Jac. Robinson. Mr. M. in the last I under church h as soon as he had, b of time, it enough h cited to punting? St. Joh of St. Joh from Eng. that Mr. G. church, is accepted. Miss M. arst. Mrs. W. R. P. Star. Mr. and after a ple Mr. Shi. The pro by the A. F. Fairwe not being would lik small sum as it is th which the amount, by Mr. M. Moncton, The qua club was h Larou, on subject, musical s ladies, hoste after the. This club h has never proved the not less th pose if the Mrs. J. M. in the bank been order real. He w Mrs. and tr resident home on C Mrs. W. Emma L. of Mrs. T. Conducto man were p the occasu wedding. wedding by presents.