

## OUR WEEKLY SUMMARY.

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**CALENDAR.**—A very neat calendar for '93 has been received from The Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, with the secretary's compliments. Many thanks.

**MORE LIGHT.**—Springhill is now electrically lighted from sunset to sunrise. Electricity has verily turned darkness into light in many of our provincial centres.

**STEEL RAILS.**—The Western Counties Railway is to be re-laid with first-class steel rails. This is a move in the right direction, and will make the journey to Yarmouth by rail more popular than ever.

**A NEW PAPER.**—The first number of "Forward," the official organ of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia, has been received. It gives promise of being a wide-awake journal devoted to the interests of the prohibitionists.

**ADJOURNED.**—The house of assembly adjourned on Wednesday to meet on March 16th. The Whitney Coal Bill with some ten other bills, having been assented to by the Lieut. Governor, have become law, and the members will now have a six weeks respite from parliamentary duties.

**W. & A. TIME-TABLE.**—Time-tables for the season have been issued by the Windsor & Annapolis Railway in card form. The size is convenient and the general style of the time-table creditable, but the picture of Halifax which adorns one of the covers does not, to say the least, do justice to "Halifax from the citadel."

**A GRINDING BUSINESS.**—The proverbial boarding house diet is now being manufactured in wholesale quantities by an enterprising resident of Souris, P. E. I. The product is boxed, and marketed in Ontario and the West Indies. Island potatoes are well known in this market, but Island hash has not yet been offered for sale here.

**AN EIGHTY FOOT STREAM.**—Stellarton has tested her new water system and is delighted with the result. A stream was sent over the steeple of St. John's Church, a height of eighty feet, and the pressure is first class. The council and water commissioners are to be congratulated upon this fresh evidence of Stellarton's keeping abreast of the times.

It may be old, but Johnson's Anodyne Liniment retains the vigor of youth. Long may it live.

**HOME AGAIN.**—Look over our steamship lists of arrivals from Boston and you will see many familiar Nova Scotian names. These are the names of men of skill, hardihood and pluck who are seeking work in their native land, preferring work at home to starvation in Boston. This little exodus has not attracted the attention of our friends in the *Chronicle* office, where, as a rule, a deep interest is taken in exodians.

**IT COSTS MONEY.**—An enterprising citizen of Truro has carefully estimated the liquor bill of that town, and places the amount at upwards of \$50,000 annually. Truro will have to mind its p's and q's, for if it continues to swallow up money at this rate it cannot hope to float any more successful enterprises such as the milk factory, etc. Ten dollars per head for man, woman and child is a pretty steep liquor bill.

**CAPITAL FOR ANN. POLIS.**—Annapolis is throwing up its hat in consequence of the rumor that it is to have direct steamship communication with Boston. Yarmouth and Halifax have put their hands in their pockets and established direct lines of steamers with the New England hub, and if Annapolis sees millions in it, its citizens had better put on a first-class steamer, make a bid for the summer tourist travel, and put up a town pump with the profits.

**ARE OUR MINES OUR OWN?**—Those who have been agitated over the startling proposition of the leader of the opposition, that the Province would cease to hold ownership in the Nova Scotian Mines within eighteen months after the death of Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, will find in this week's *CRITIC* much consolation. The opinions published cannot fail to be of intense interest to the people of Nova Scotia, and will serve to quiet the fears of hundreds of lease holders, and of those interested in the development of our great mineral resources.

**A NOTORIOUS M. D.**—The trial of the now notorious Dr. Buchanan, charged with the murder of his wife in New York, will come up in that city on the 13th of this month. Chemical analysis of the stomach of the late Mrs. Buchanan has been made by Professor Witthans, who is prepared to testify to the presence of poison in the intestines which he examined. The case against the lively doctor, who is well-known in Halifax, looks very strong, and unless some unforeseen evidence in his favor is produced there seems little doubt as to the outcome of the trial.

**EXTREME MEET.**—Judging by the New Glasgow papers the citizens of that town are just at present not altogether amicably disposed toward each other. The same old fight, which has been experienced in Truro, Amherst, Windsor and elsewhere, between the liquor sellers and the advocates of temperance is being fought out to the bitter end. Reason and courtesy have been thrown aside, and vilification and abuse are doing duty in their stead. As a consequence the great mass of the community are disgusted with the methods employed on both sides, and prefer to keep clear of the controversy.

## FOR COLDS AND SORE THROAT.

**SIRS.**—We use Hayward's Yellow Oil in our family for colds and sore throat, and it is excellent. My sister had asthma since childhood, but on trying Yellow Oil for it she soon was cured.

Miss LIZZIE CHAPPELLE, Baldwin, Ont.

**AN EYE TO WINDWARD.**—The C. P. R. Company have a wideawake agent in Moncton, by name Mr. J. Hebert Haslam, who thoroughly understands his business. Mr. Haslam has offered \$150 in prizes to the school children of the Maritime Provinces for the best essay on the Canadian Northwest, its resources, history, etc. Our Provincial authorities should offer prizes to the same young people for similar information about our own country.

**WHAT IS COMING.**—The precarious position of an island population may have its advantages, but judging from the press of Prince Edward Island, the people of that fertile country do not appreciate the annoying delays and stoppages of mails, which during the winter season they are obliged to submit to. Winter communication amidst iceflows, storms and currents can never have much clockwork about it. The tunnel is the only solution of the difficulty, and this will come sooner or later.

**SAD BUT TRUE.**—The law and order league in the United States will have to look alive, otherwise the increase of crime in that country will soon get beyond control. About seven thousand persons were murdered in the United States during the past year, the number being twice as great as that of three years ago. Lynching is also increasing in alarming proportions, and the confidence of the people in the courts of the country is far from strong. In our Dominion murders are comparatively rare, and there has not been a single case of lynching known to take place for the past twenty-five years.

**THE FRUIT GROWERS GROWING.**—The Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association is showing every evidence of life and extended usefulness. A large number of new members have been added to the roll, among them many persons well-known in business circles in Halifax. The papers submitted at the last meeting were practical in their character and well calculated to arouse a strong interest in fruit culture. W. C. Archibald, the celebrated plummist of Wolfville, strongly advocated the establishment of an experimental fruit station, and backed up his advocacy by a contribution of five golden eagles, just as a starter. Mr. Archibald has pluck and perseverance, and his suggestions are well thought out.

Scrufala, whether hereditary or acquired, is thoroughly expelled from the blood by Hood's Sarsaparilla, the great blood purifier.

**AMHERST REFORMING.**—The wave of reform has struck Amherst, and the members of her town council are now pledged to elevate the standard of citizenship and make the town a veritable haven on earth. Rum and mud are to be abolished, taxes lowered, and sewerage, sidewalks and Sunday observances are to receive prompt attention. Nothing has yet been said about the general adoption of the divided skirt or anything of that sort, but Amherst never does anything by halves, and now that she is reforming sweeping changes for the better may be expected. Perhaps it will end in travellers being able to get a really comfortable meal for a moderate price at the railway restaurant.

**A WARNING TO COASTERS.**—A sad accident happened in this city on Wednesday evening. A lad named James Drysdale, aged fifteen years, was coasting at the foot of Quinpool Road early in the evening, when his sleigh came into collision with a passing team. The boy was thrown under the horse's feet, and when picked up was found to have been badly tramped upon, and died about half an hour later. There have been warnings without number in regard to coasting on public thoroughfares of the city, which have been wholly unheeded by the sun-loving children, but it is to be hoped that this very sad affair will put a stop to the practice, which involves too much risk to be allowable.

**A NEW TRADING ASSOCIATION.**—We have before us the prospectus of the Canadian West India Trading Association, (Limited) in which it is proposed that a trading association to encourage the development of business between Canada and the West Indies should be formed. The statements as to the probable trade and prospective profits are very inviting, and deserve to be fully considered by our importers and producers. The matter is one of special interest to Halifax, and it should be discussed by our Board of Trade, many of the members of which are experienced and far-sighted business men. If the members of the board approve of this undertaking there will be no doubt that the capital (\$100,000) will be quickly subscribed. Co-operation is the fundamental idea which the association proposes to carry out.

**HOWE, IS IT?**—The following item appeared a few weeks ago in the *Fredericton Reporter*:—"It will be remembered that about two years ago the province was excited over a melancholy shooting affray on the Tobique river, by which Mrs. Howe was shot and killed while floating down the river in a canoe with her husband, Major Howe, both of whom came from their United States home to enjoy a season of fishing. Two men were arrested on the charge and are now in the penitentiary. On Saturday it was reported on the streets that Major Howe, who subsequently married another woman, was arrested for causing her death and placed in prison. That he since died, and previous to his death confessed that he shot his wife in the canoe, and that the men convicted were innocent." Major Howe in the flesh is now after that reporter of the *Reporter*, and a lively libel suit is on the tapis.

Clergymen, students and over taxed business men will find a wonderful recuperative agent in *Little's Emulsion*, which contains Phosphorus (brain food) in the most assimilable form.

**THE HOME FOR SEAMEN.**—The statement of the finances of the Seamen's Friend Society, which was submitted at the annual meeting held on Monday, showed the balance at the end of the year to be but sixty-six dollars. The report of the manager and secretary testifies to the extended usefulness of the Institution, and proves clearly that the work that is being done by the society is in every respect deserving of the assistance of all who would promote the good of the seafaring men. It is to be deeply regretted that the yearly deficit continues, and it is hoped that increased support will be received during the coming year.