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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Queen has requested the Governor General to have the celebration of her birthday postponed until June 28th this year. There seems to be an uncertainty as to just what will be done but we presume the request of her Majesty will be complied with by all Government officers and Banks if not other places of business.

We have been told by an authority in such matters, in fact a government officer in the Marine and Fisheries Department, that saw-dust in our rivers does not hurt our fish at all. As we are not very well posted in this matter perhaps some of our scientific fishers can tell us how, and to what extent saw-dust does affect the fisheries?

The almost unparalleled amount of ice on the north coast of Nova Scotia no doubt accounts for the extremely backward and cold weather we have been having this spring.

CADETS OF TEMPERANCE.

There is some talk of reorganizing Evangeline Section of Cadets of Temperance in this place at an early day. This is a move in the right direction. To make temperance men we must make the boys temperate. Education that does not commence in youth seldom amounts to anything. Save the boys from the curse of intemperance if you would save your country in the future from disgrace and dishonor.

We bespeak the hearty co-operation and support of all parents to further this cause, the educating of our boys in sound temperance principles.

NEW AND NICE.

One of the neatest places we have in the village now is Mr. John M. Shaw's Hair cutting and Shaving saloon.

This place has been entirely renovated this spring and can now rank favorably with any outside of Halifax. The walls are papered, in dado style the top a light fancy pattern, then a wide border and below a Japanese patterned gilt paper. On the floor is a nice grey oil cloth. Large pictures adorn the walls and we understand a new patent chair is to take the place of the old one. Altogether the room is a credit to its proprietor and to the village, and Mr. Shaw can justly be proud of it. It remains to be seen whether our people will help him out by a liberal patronage and we think they will.

We congratulate Mr. Shaw on his good taste and enterprise and wish him success.

WILLOW BANK CEMETERY.

The fifth annual meeting of the Trustees and lot owners of the "Willow Bank Cemetery Corporation," was held in Witter's Hall, on Wednesday evening, May 14th, J. W. Bigelow, Esq., President of the board of Trustees, presiding.

It is provided by the Act of incorporation that at the third, and each succeeding annual meeting, three members of the Board of Trustees shall retire by ballot, and three others be elected to fill the vacancy—the retiring members being eligible for re-election, the ballot for retiring was taken by writing the name of each trustee on a slip of paper, then placing the nine slips, carefully folded, in a hat and drawing three therefrom. The names drawn were A. deW. Barss, J. B. Davison and J. W. Hamilton.

The vacancies were filled by balloting in the ordinary way. The elected were G. V. Rand, J. W. Hamilton and A. deW. Barss.

Officers of the Board for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President—J. W. Bigelow.
Vice President—J. W. Caldwell.
Secretary—J. W. Hamilton.
Treasurer—A. deW. Barss.

The Secretary reported the number of lots disposed of from the opening of the Cemetery to the 31st of March 1884 to be 36,—some of which had been paid for—some partially so, and for a few nothing had been paid.

A resolution was passed instructing the Sec'y to notify all parties owing for lots "that if the amount of their indebtedness was not paid within three mos. from this date the accounts will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection."

The Committee on byelaws were re-appointed as follows:—J. W. Wallace, J. B. Davison and J. W. Hamilton. They were instructed to have two hun-

dred copies of the byelaws printed.

Com. on improvement—J. W. Hamilton, Avar J. Woodman, J. E. Eagles and G. V. Rand.

A verbal report from the Committee in charge of the old burying ground was offered by J. W. Wallace, Esq. Report accepted and the same Com. viz: J. W. Wallace, J. W. Caldwell, and J. S. Morse reappointed.

Adjourned to meet on the first Wednesday in April, 1885.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.]

To the Editor of the Acadian.

Sir—The Editor of the *Watchman* (Kentville) has evidently not been long an advocate of the Temperance cause or he would have known better than to have informed the readers of his last issue that Benjamin Ward Richardson, M. D., F. R. S., etc., Author of the "Temperance Lesson Book" "is one of the first physicians of the United States." Dr. R. is an Englishman, and has been four times president of the London Medical Society. His Lesson Book is one of the text books Authorized by the Council of Public Instruction of this Province, and was prepared at the request of the (English) National Temperance League.

Yours &c.

ABSTAINER.

GENERAL NEWS.

—The Scott act is to be submitted in Lunenburg.

—The cellar digging and stone cutting in connection with Windsor's new post-office have begun.

—Mr. William McDonald, M. P. for Cape Breton, has been called to the Senate in place of the late Senator Bourinot.

—During a heavy thunder storm in London on the 5th a ball of fire fell in the southern part of the city and burst with a loud report.

—The Yarmouth Cotton Duck Factory was put in operation on the 17th of April, and is now working to the entire satisfaction of its manager and owner.

—The Prefect of Police at Berlin has received letters threatening to blow up the Parliament chambers with dynamite upon Bismark's next appearance there.

—A. Fordham, leather merchant of Halifax, is reported in financial difficulty, his liabilities are stated at \$30,000 assets \$17,000, with preferred claims of about \$5,000.

—The Lieutenant Governorship of the Province of New Brunswick will fall vacant this year. Among those whose names are mentioned in connection with the position are Sir Leonard Tilley, Hon. Senator Boyd, Hon. Mr. Castigan of Victoria, Mr. Temple M. P. for York, and the present incumbent.

—In the Imperial House of Commons on the 6th Henry Breadhurst introduced a bill providing for marriage with a deceased wife's sister, which was carried by a vote of 238 to 127.

FACTS.

—A single female salmon has from 20,000 to 30,000 eggs.

—Paper bottles are now made on a large scale in Germany.

—In Japan age is counted from the first day of January succeeding birth.

—Half the sugar consumed last year in Great Britain was made from European beets.

—About 125,000 elephants are annually slain in Africa to supply the ivory trade.

—A man in Cleveland O. has taught a dog to steal newspapers from the doorsteps of houses.

—A flower has been discovered in South America which is only visible when the wind is blowing.

—Benzine or naphtha will remove grease from paint without removing the latter if used quickly and carefully.

—Louisiana has school accommodation for but 75,000 children, though there is at least 250,000 little ones in the state.

—The sales of single packages of patent medicines in Great Britain have increased in twenty years from 6,661-647 to 18,457,990.

—Take boiled linseed oil and stir in pulverized coal to the consistency of paint, put a coat of this over fence posts or timber to be placed in the ground and there is not a man living that will live to see it rot.

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