

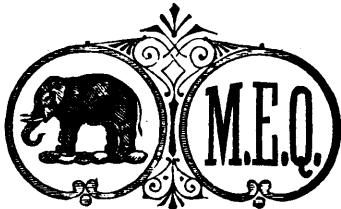
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Mercantile Summary.

PETROLEUM has been discovered in Upper Egypt, near the Red Sea and 10 or 12 barrels of crude have been taken in a day from a single well.

Much of the maple syrup of to-day is not maple syrup at all, but made from boiling common brown sugar with a flavoring of the maple. Taste your syrup before you buy it.

AN American clipper ship, the "Henry B. Hyde,"—named after the president of the Equitable Life Society of the U. S. lately sailed from San Francisco to Liverpool, with a wheat cargo, in the short space of 95 days.

YOUNG man, it is a good thing to keep on the right side of your dollar. It makes a great difference in your comfort and prosperity, says the Springfield Union, whether you spend 95 per cent or 100 per cent. of it, but it is a positive insult to the dollar to spend 105 per cent. of it.

THE collector of customs at Dundas, Mr. William Gillesby, died on Monday last, after a long illness. The deceased was a well-known writer for the press of Hamilton in years gone by and helped to give it its vigorous tone. He was for some years assistant collector at Hamilton.

"If I could afford it," said a prominent Baptist clergyman in a dinner-table conversation, "I'd insure my life on the endowment plan, the insurance to fall due when I'm sixty, for I notice that they generally put ministers on the dry-dock when they are 60." "Surely not Baptist ministers," exclaimed a young lady at the table.

THE Hamilton police magistrate has adopted the cash system, having found it a losing business to give credit on fines. He announces that he will no longer remit any fines, or allow time for payment. In future it must be pay before leaving the court room or go to jail. The cash system will also apply to prosecutors who fail. If a complainant fails in the prosecution he will have to pay the costs immediately or go to jail.

THE Victoria Times rebukes another journal of that British Columbian city for using the following expression:—"A quantity of iron-work from Canada, for the dry dock, arrived by the North Pacific yesterday." The habit prevails in the far east as well as in our distant west. It is a common thing for Nova Scotians at this day, even those who have lived for nineteen years under Confederation, to talk or write about going "up to Canada."