

cite, and the result seemed to indicate a preponderance of opinion the country over in favor of prohibition. Before the bill passed it should be stated by the government whether it was intended to accept the majority of the vote the country over as a mandate to pass a prohibitory law. Instead of harnessing the plebiscite to the franchise bill and enacting that the vote should be taken on the terms of the franchise bill of 1888, Mr. Foster proposed that this clause be amended by causing the vote to be taken under the franchise laws in force at the time. If the franchise bill carried, the prohibition vote would be taken under it. If not, the question would be shunted off altogether. Mr. Foster would not delay or oppose the bill, but claimed the right to know what the government would regard as a mandate for prohibition. He was himself prepared to vote for prohibition and to pay his share of the cost. If a majority of the people who poll their vote declare in favor of prohibition, he would expect the government to give effect to their will. Mr. Sprule did not favor government by plebiscite, but was willing to support the programme since the government would adopt no other. Mr. Casey, liberal, would vote on the second reading, though he would have preferred to have the prohibition bill drawn up first and then submitted to popular vote. He commended the premier's refusal to promise prohibition. He thought the result of the vote would furnish useful instruction and be one of the elements to be considered by government in the future. Mr. Bergeron condemned both the plebiscite and the policy of prohibition. He supposed that Premier Laurier felt the same way, and was merely giving the people something to play with. The second reading was then passed. On motion, the speaker left the chair for the bill to go into committee. A motion by Mr. Davis proposed that the vote on the plebiscite be given to all entitled to vote in municipal elections, which was supported on the ground that that would give votes to women. The amendment was lost on division. Dr. Montague proposed an amendment to the plebiscite in more than one place. This one man one vote motion was also rejected. A third amendment was proposed to add to the clause requiring the vote to be taken by the procedure of the franchise bill now in force. The house adjourned at 11:30.

ure become law." The government refused to accept these amendments, and they were all rejected.

Premier Laurier charged that Hon. Mr. Foster was once an ardent prohibitionist and lost his old enthusiasm some years ago. He seemed to have regained it now. Mr. Foster ought to be satisfied with the bill before the house, and if he did not like it he should oppose it. Hon. Mr. Laurier would admit that the bill had given him great anxiety, but the government had only one object, which was to learn the opinion of the people. The ministry had decided to submit no riders or additional questions. Of course the adoption of prohibition would require new taxes, and there were doubts whether prohibition could be enforced. But the government expected the people to consider these things and would give effect to the will of the people as expressed in the vote. Hon. Mr. Foster, interrupting, asked: "Does this mean that if a majority of the vote is in favor of prohibition, the government will introduce a prohibition bill?" Premier Laurier—"It means nothing of the kind; it only means that the government will take such steps as will effect the popular will." Mr. Laurier went on to say that Mr. Foster was seeking to obtain party advantage and was professing to be disappointed with the government because it did not give a definite statement as to what action would be taken after the plebiscite. The premier declared that the temperance people had obtained what they asked for and were satisfied with the bill. He promised that the government would act consistently in the matter, and if they were recreant to their duty Mr. Foster would be there to remind them of the fact. Mr. Oiler attacked the measure as an attempt to fool the temperance people. Mr. Mills of Annapolis, Taylor, Clancy and other members thought the form of the question including either as one of the articles of which the manufacture is prohibited would increase the "No" vote. Mr. Mills said Annapolis farmers, most of whom were temperate, made a good deal of sweet cider. It was when fresh not considered intoxicating and was used for many domestic purposes. He suggested that the ballot should read "alcoholic" or "fermented" cider. The suggestion was not received. Replying to Hon. Mr. Foster, Premier Laurier said the plebiscite vote would be taken at the latter part of the summer or early in the autumn. The bill was reported and the house adjourned at 11:30.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

SOME schooners of the Newfoundland fleet were buying herring for bait at Georgetown and Souris last week.

Every one wanting the best value in boots and shoes buy at J. P. MacDonald & Co. May 11-18

It is reported that too is still seriously impeding the oyster and lobster fisheries in Richmond Bay and along the west shore.

A LARGE schooner caught in the ice and turned bottom up, came into Malpego harbor on Sunday evening. Her point of departure, or her destination is wholly unknown.

A DESPATCH from Picton a few days ago said that Philip Smith, shoemaker, formerly of this Province, died there as the result of being kicked in a row. An investigation was held.

The steamer Halifax from Boston, reached Charlottetown early yesterday morning, and left on return at five o'clock in the afternoon. She had thirteen passengers on board.

WHEAT sold in Toronto on Monday for \$1.15—three cents over Saturday's price. Ontario straight roller flour was up to \$5.50 a barrel, but the figure was almost too high for sales.

The May Festival, in aid of Notre Dame convent, opened in the Lyceum on Monday and is still going on. It will close this evening. The attendance has been good and business has been fairly prosperous. Hot meals are a specialty.

A CHILD nine months old, named Turner, of Tyne valley, came in contact with the stove during the absence of its mother. When the mother returned the infant was enveloped in flames. Nothing could save the child who died in a quarter of an hour.

JUST what we expected when we opened our new clothing—that the goods would sell quick. As the quality, and fit and finish are excellent, take our advice and buy your clothing at J. B. McDonald & Co. May 11-18

A MAN named John Lachier, belonging to Gaspe, while engaged fishing lobsters at Cape Traverse, was on Monday night caught in the backline and dragged overboard. Another fisherman, who was in the boat passed the drowning man an oar, but he refused to grasp it.

Mr. Silas Smith, a native of Clinton, New London, who for some years past has lived in Walla Walla, Washington State, returned to the island in company with his mother, about a month ago, on a visit to friends. He was found dead in his bed at John McMillan's, Rocky Point, last Saturday morning.

OLD FOREIGN STAMPS WANTED.—Parties having old stamps used before 1873 can get high prices for them by communicating with J. Lindsay, Box 3, Paris, Ontario. The rarer kinds being worth from \$1 to \$100 each. They are worth most when left on the original envelopes. Call attention to albums also bought. Write him for particulars. [Ap. 27-28.]

The steamer St. Olaf, plying between Souris and the Magdalen Islands, entered the first round port on Wednesday last, disabled, in consequence of leaky boilers. Word was sent to Mr. T. A. McLean, of this city, and two of his men went to Souris that afternoon. The steamer's boilers were immediately repaired and she left for the Magdalen on Thursday, after twenty-seven hours delay.

PALACE Sleeper for Summer Tourist Business.—The Canadian Pacific Railway announces that from June 30th, until August 31st, they will run a Palace Sleeper between Toronto and Kingston for the accommodation of summer tourist business. Sleeper will leave Toronto at 9 p. m. daily and will arrive in Kingston next morning in season to connect with steamers of the American Line and Richfield and Ontario Navigation Co. for the trip through the Thousand Islands, and the rapids of the St. Lawrence to Montreal.

New Chicago Connection via C. P. R. and Detroit.—Commencing on May 18th, the Canada Pacific Express leaving Halifax at 7 a. m., and St. John at 4.10 p. m., daily except Sunday, will connect at Montreal Junction next morning, Sundays excepted, with through train for Chicago, arriving at Chicago early next morning, the running time being from Halifax to Chicago about forty-eight hours.

A MAN named John P. Wedge (Abrose's son) and another man named White were drowned at Phipps Point, on Monday last, the upsetting of a boat. They had been setting lobster traps, and when near shore a squall struck the boat and upset her with the above result. Another boat was capsized by the same squall; but fortunately its occupants along to it until rescued from the shore.

A MONROX despatch of Monday says: Christian Martin aged 28 living with Captain Pyle, Hoopwell Cape, started on the Saturday, for Monroxi in a sail boat accompanied by Allen Peck, his two sons and daughter, Miss Bennett. A fresh breeze was blowing and 7 miles from Monroxi, while Allen Peck was reefing the sail boat it capsized; all were able to cling to the overturned boat until rescued by a passing schooner except Miss Martin who was carried up the river by the current and was drowned.

ADVICES from St. John's Newfoundland, of the 9th inst., contain the following: Owing to serious internal complications growing out of the war between the United States and Spain, the British Government is arranging to fortify St. John's. The British war office has cabled Governor Sir Herbert Murray as to the condition of the forts and barracks belonging to the Imperial Government, which were given into the custody of the colonial authorities when the troops were withdrawn from there in 1870. Sir Herbert Murray, the Colonial Governor, and the Colonial Ministry, are consulting with the view of housing the Imperial troops, the first contingent of which is likely to arrive from Halifax this week.

WHEN YOU ARE TIRED Without extra exertion, languid, dull and listless, your blood is falling to supply your muscles and other organs the vitality and strength-giving properties they require. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures that tired feeling by enriching and purifying the blood. It will give you energy and vigor.

HOOD'S PILLS are easy to take, easy to operate. Cure indigestion, biliousness, etc.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

Seekers after gold are often disappointed. Seekers after health take Hood's Sarsaparilla and find it meets every expectation.

A VERY serious accident happened to John Cherry, at Clifton Bridge, on Friday morning last. It appears that he was busily about his boat on the shore, when it suddenly fell upon, crushing him to the ground. Dr. McNeill of Stanley was summoned when it was found that his knee was driven right into his chest, both legs broken, one in two places, and his body terribly bruised. There is very little hope for him.

The St. John Sun of the 6th contains an excellent summary of the speech delivered in the House of Commons on the 2nd inst., by Alexander Martin, Esq., M. P., for east Quebec, on the claims of Prince Edward Island. This summary is from the Sun's splendid Ottawa correspondent. Owing to pressure on our space we are obliged to hold this report over till next week.

NOT much produce was offered in the Charlottetown market yesterday. Cattle ran from 38 to 38 cents a bushel; some small lots brought as high as 40 cents. Potatoes brought from 45 to 48 cents a bushel; some sold for 50 cents. The price of pork was in the vicinity of 8 cents a pound, some a shade higher; not much offering.

A BAD smash-up occurred on the I. C. R. near St. Ann's, Quebec, about two or three o'clock on Tuesday morning of last week. A light engine and a freight train, running at full speed, met head on, with disastrous results. The driver on the light engine and the fireman on the freight train were killed outright; the hands were badly wrecked, while some of the box cars were also greatly damaged. The collision blocked traffic on the road some nine or ten hours, the Maritime express from Montreal being delayed about the length of time. It is said that the accident was due to the engineer on the light engine over-running his orders.

No business so pleasant to take. "I was troubled a long time with pain in my chest and back, and was unable to do my work. I ordered me to take Milburn's Cod Liver Oil Emulsion. After taking this splendid Emulsion I am able to do my work as usual." HERRINGTOWN, N. S. Price 50c and \$1.00 a bottle at all druggists.

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THE CUBAN SUFFERERS.

ONIDA CHAPTER, DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, LEARN OF THEIR ESSENTIALS.

An American lady, residing in Guanajuato, Cuba, has written a letter to the Onida Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, requesting that they send her some of their essential medicines. She stated that she was suffering from a long and painful illness, and that she had been unable to do any work for some time. She mentioned that she had heard of the Onida Chapter, and that she had been told that their medicines were very good. She asked that they would send her some of their essential medicines, and that she would be very grateful to them for their kindness.

The Onida Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, has responded to her request, and has sent her some of their essential medicines. The medicines are very good, and she is very grateful to them for their kindness.

WORMS CAN'T STAY

When Dr. Low's Pleasant Worm Syrup is used, it is death to the worms, and a general run down state of health. The use of a few bottles cures me completely.

TO PREVENT CONSUMPTION.

Hard to cure; easy to prevent. Scott's Emulsion nourishes the body, keeps the organs and tissues healthy, and the consumption germs cannot get a foothold.

HALIFAX HAPPENINGS.

Every sufferer from Sick Headache and Constipation should know that Scott's Emulsion is a perfect cure. Margaret Brennan, 5 Granville Street, Halifax, N. S., says—"I have used Scott's Emulsion for Constipation and Sick Headache and found them excellent."

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Causes fully half the sickness in the world. It retains the digested food too long in the bowels and produces biliousness, torpid liver, indigestion, bad taste, coated tongue, sick headache, insomnia, etc. Hood's Pills cure constipation and all its results, easily and thoroughly. All druggists. Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Pretty Spring Millinery!

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New Spring Capes,
Nobby, pretty, stylish and cheap, in pretty lawns, browns, other colors and black.

New Dress Goods
Of every description will be on our counters. At present we have two very special lines at 45c a yard. Pretty silk and wool fancy dress goods in all shades and pretty silk stripe plaids. Should sell at 65c. We have a big stock. Out they go for 45c a yard.

New Silks, Black and Colored, just received. New Blouses, new Kid Gloves, new Corsets, new Belt Buckles, new Ribbons. Everything the very latest, and dozens of cases of New Goods arriving and opening every day. We invite all ladies to visit our store and examine our New Goods.

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New Kid Gloves.

Every lady wants a pair of new Kid Gloves in the spring, and we have some rare values. We are selling a genuine 90c Kid Glove for 60c, 190 undressed Kid, black and colored, with 4 pretty pearl buttons to match, 89 cents. Also all the newest shades in red, ox blood, velvet and green, in 2 button Glove for \$1.10.

W. A. WEEKS & CO., WHOLESALE DEPARTMENT.
Our Spring Stock for jobbers is now about complete. Come or send in your orders for your spring wants. Millinery, Flowers, Dress Goods, Gingham, Prints, Cottons, etc.

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Consisting of Plows, Disc Harrows and Spring-tooth Harrows in steel frame, wood frame and half wood and steel, all fitted with narrow teeth, making them the lightest to haul, and the best cultivator.

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Ask the thousands of ladies who have recently visited our store if this is not so.
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If you have visited our Store since the days we closed it and marked down our Goods to rock bottom prices, we leave it to you to say if this is not true.

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Are visiting our Store.
Do you know
WHY?

Have you called and seen for yourself what a change has been made in our business? If not, call at once.

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