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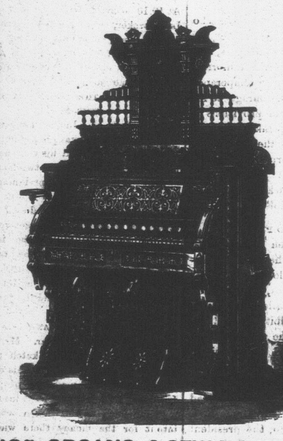
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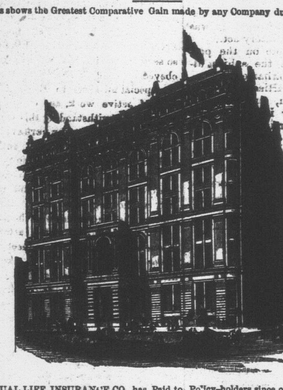
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NEWCASTLE DRUG STORE.
NEXT NEW POST OFFICE.
Newcastle, Dec. 11th 1886. E. LEE STREET, PROPRIETOR

Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, N. B. - - - October 31, 1889.

GENERAL NOTES AND NEWS

The Parnell Commission has resumed business.

The Montreal Veterinary College has affiliated with McGill University.

Attacked Three Times.

"HAVING been attacked for the third time with Inflammatory Rheumatism, which kept me in bed six weeks under medical care, without relief, I resolved to try Burdock Blood Bitters, and before I had finished the third bottle I was able to work again."
GEORGE ROBB,
Garden Hill, Ont.

The funeral of the late King of Portugal took place last Saturday morning.

Four cases were to be disposed of by the divorce court in session at Fredericton last week.

A Pleasing Discovery.

I suffered with neuralgia and obtained no relief until advised to try Hagyard's Yellow Oil. Since then I have found it to be an admirable remedy also for burns, sore throat and rheumatism.
Miss F. CAMERON, 137 Richmond St. W., Toronto, Ont.

Claus Spreckels, the sugar king, predicts a drop of one cent a pound in sugar.

It is reported that nearly one-third of the population of Woodville, Ohio, are victims of typhoid fever and diphtheria.

Life Was A Burden.

UNTIL lately I suffered from headache, always preceded by constipation, making my life a burden. A friend advised Burdock's Blood Bitters. I took three bottles, and now feel myself a new man, and my headaches are things of the past.
A. R. JULIEN,
Ottawa, Ont.

It is stated in Rome that Louis Kossuth, the Hungarian patriot, will become a naturalized Italian citizen, and that he will be nominated as senator.

The Alert Watchman

WARNS us of approaching danger, a hacking cough warns us of coming consumption. Take time by the forelock and use Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam, the surest, safest and best cure for coughs, colds, asthma, hoarseness, bronchitis, and all throat and lung troubles.

Judge McDonald, of Kansas City, knocked a *Journal* reporter down one day last week and was arrested. The paper had said something uncomplimentary about the judge.

Almost Driven Insane.

"I HAD such distress in my stomach and head that I thought I would lose my reason, but on trying Burdock Blood Bitters I derived great benefit. I have used three bottles and am now as well as I ever was in my life. Thanks to your medicine."
MISS LIZZIE DOUGLAS,
Redneville, Ont.

Capt. Wissmann telegraphs to Berlin that he has received reliable news from Stanley and Emin, and that they will reach Mpwapwa, during the latter part of November.

Take No Chances

BUT depend on solid facts. Nothing equals Hagyard's Yellow Oil for burns, scalds, frost bites, chilblains, neuralgia, croup, sore throat and aches and pains of every description. No matter where the pain or soreness is, or from what it arises, Hagyard's Yellow Oil will give quick relief.

The Pacific mail steamship companies have decided to reduce the number of vessels plying between San Francisco and China to six. The Chinese Exclusion Act and the competition of the Canadian line have caused the withdrawal of two vessels.

Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil and Hypophosphites

Is sold all over the world. It is far superior to plain Cod Liver Oil, palatable and easily digested. Dr. Martin Miles Stanton, Bury Becks, London, England, says: "I have prescribed Scott's Emulsion and taken it myself. It is palatable, efficient, and can be tolerated by almost anyone especially where cod liver oil itself cannot be borne. Sold by all Druggists, at 50c. and $1.00.

A NEW ZEALAND WATERFALL.

I must leave to some able writer the work of picturing to the world in suitable language the grandeur of what will soon be known as the highest waterfall in the world. It consists of three leaps in an almost direct line; but when standing about a quarter of a mile away it has the appearance of a straight leap with two breaks. The upper leaps are equidistant and the lower one shorter. The water issues from a narrow defile in the rock at the top of the precipice; it then makes one grand leap of 815 feet into a rocky basin on the face of the cliff; issuing forth once more, it makes another fine leap of 751 feet and then goes tumbling headlong in one wild dash of 338 feet into the pool right at the foot of the precipice. It will thus be seen that the total height of the fall is 1,904 feet, thus making it the highest waterfall that has yet been discovered in the world.

Proceeding right on to the pool at the foot—hewn out, we are told, by the heavy fall of of water from the mound of stones and debris projected over in times of flood—at the expense however, of getting drenched with the spray, a splendid view of the whole is obtained—and when the sun is shining the effect is enhanced by a beautiful rainbow of colors of the most brilliant kind conceivable and nearly a full circle in shape.—*Ex.*

Mothers!

Castoria is recommended by physicians or children teething. It is a purely vegetable preparation, its ingredients are published around each bottle. It is pleasant to the taste and absolutely harmless. It relieves constipation, regulates the bowels quiets pain, cures diarrhœa and wind colic allays feverishness, destroys worms, and prevents convulsions, soothes the child and gives it refreshing and natural sleep. Castoria is the children's panacea—the mothers' friend, 35 doses, 35 cents.

A "CONTINENTAL PENINSULA."

The Trip from New York to Boston by Fall River and Thence to Annapolis Royal. Lovely Annapolis Valley—Grand Pre. Minas Basin, Longfellow's "Evangeline."

From the far north came interesting reports that the Canadian statesmen had created a nation. There were no longer detached provinces, there was a dominion. There was a strong national feeling, and along with it many national advantages and burdens, such as a high tariff, a great system of national improvements, a vigorous policy and a big national debt. Some of the statistics are surprising.

HALIFAX FROM THE HARBOR.

We have heard so much of the "unprecedented growth" of the United States that it startles a Yankee to find that the ratio of Canada's gain in population since the American Revolution has been much greater than that of the United States. The 60,000 French whom Great Britain took as citizens by the treaty of 1763 have in Canada alone 1,800,000 descendants, and it is claimed that there are 600,000 more in the United States. In short, say the Canadian authorities, the original French of the country, with no French immigration to speak of, have in 126 years increased forty fold. Since the days of Israel in Egypt there has been no such fecundity.

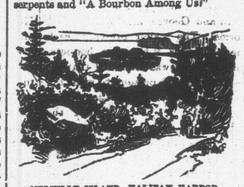
And all these, with the three millions and more of English, Irish, Scotch and other blood, have been in twenty years molded into a nation which enjoys as much freedom as any other and is resolved to take a high rank among the nations of the world. Surely such a people are worthy of one summer's study. I resolved to give six weeks to it, anyhow.

The proper starting point is Halifax, and there is no line of steamers thither from New York. By a sailing vessel one may make it in a few days, or some weeks, according to accident or incident. The proper route is by the Fall River line to Boston, where one has two hours to eat breakfast and reach the wharf of the Brunswick line. Steaming out of the harbor at 9:30 a. m. we enter the Annapolis basin on the northwestern shore of Nova Scotia early the next morning, taking the afternoon train at Annapolis, and are in Halifax soon after dark. Time from New York, fifty to fifty-two hours; total expense, including beds and meals, $20. Ocean voyage as short as it could be made and every part of it delightful on the well appointed steamers of that line. No seasickness if you pick the right day to sail. But if there is a "spanking breeze," and your diaphragm is not well anchored, then you will know how it is yourself. Allow me to recommend lemons and brandy, with complete seclusion from society—in your stateroom and flat on your back, without a pillow. You will get over it quicker that way, because the moveable viscera will not flop up against the stomach as if you were upright. We had a smooth sea and a clear sky and there was not a qualm. My day of misery was to come later in Northumberland straits.

Be it remembered that the steamers from Boston land on the north side of the peninsula and thence we proceed by railroad through the Annapolis valley—Nova Scotia's pride—then take a wild whirl through the hills and run down to the basin of Minas and village of Grand Pre. Of course all sentimental readers recognize these names—made poetically historic, or more properly historically poetic, by the author of "Evangeline."

Longfellow never saw it, but he has described it well, and by a rare triumph of genius he has made things which were not seem as if they were. On a calm August day the basin seems the natural site for a romance—there is such a rare combination of wild and of pastoral beauty. The rugged hills, which have followed the general line of the Nova Scotia coast, suddenly bend inland and sweep around a grand semicircle of perhaps forty miles; up the center of this inclosed tract runs the deep harbor, from which little but navigable arms extend in all directions, while between them are the water meadows, and rising slowly inland the verdant pastures and fertile farms. Back of these the rocky hills rise abruptly in sullen grandeur, thick set to their summits with spruce, fir and pine. Above is the soft blue sky of August; from the salt water comes a gentle breeze; the bay and creeks are dotted by many fishing craft; hundreds of fat cattle graze on the slopes, and over all the basin seems to breed a peace that passeth (the American) understanding.

The summer climate is as near perfection as is allowed in a sinful world; nor are the winters severe, though there is much snow and sleet. But as to the springs, all who are questioned shrug their shoulders. That season is longer than the calendar calls for, and is admitted to be very disagreeable. Eighty-eight above zero and six below are the extremes of the thermometer, but it marks above seventy-five the people call it hot. Everybody in Nova Scotia quotes Longfellow with pride as to the description of the country, and everybody laughs at his history. Occasionally, I regret to add, one swears. In the village they still show the blacksmith shop and other houses celebrated in "Evangeline," though, as a matter of fact, I believe all the original houses were burnt. Similarly the French of the Isle de France still show the graves of Paul and Virginia, but shall we Americans criticise them? Have we not had a "Cardiff Giant" and divers sea serpents and "A Bourbon Among Us?"


MELVILLE ISLAND, HALIFAX HARBOR.

The true story of the Acadian exiles is easily told. They refused to take the oath of allegiance to the British government and avowed their expectation of a speedy return to French rule; refused to submit to any regulations in trading with the Indians, and persistently thwarted all those police measures which are so necessary in young colonies with a dangerous people near. They were, therefore, removed to other British colonies. The cruelty consisted in their forced and sudden departure without fair warning, which resulted in the separation of some families and the extreme poverty of many. In palliation of this, the British-Canadian writers allege that if the French had not been "taken unawares" they could not have been taken without much expense and some bloodshed; and, as it was, many escaped and stirred up serious trouble among the Indians. And while discussing these things we found that our train had already crossed the peninsula and was rounding Bedford Basin, and soon after we entered Halifax, which was then thought worthy of a week's visit.

There is nothing exciting about Halifax. One can lie down and sleep any hour in the twenty-four without being disturbed by the roar of traffic in the streets—that is, unless he is kept awake wondering how 35,000 people can keep so still. It certainly is in summer the most soul restful place on this continent. "They say" that July and August are the quietest months of the year because the sailors and fishermen are gone and many of the soldiers. The climate also is singularly even in midsummer. It does not rain, strictly speaking; it just dribbles. New comers from the States sleep half the time; the climate has that effect on them at first. The mercury rarely rises above 80 degrees, and when it does there is a refreshing breeze from the ocean. When there is a calm and the mercury at 80 the Haligonian simply collapses and the wealthy talk of "going north till cooler weather."

There is considerable business, too, chiefly at the wharves—shipping lumber, fish, etc.—and it is done very quietly. In the principal streets elsewhere there is a slight stir, and over all the rest of the city is a peace like unto that described as the final goal of the righteous. It is Nirvana with an American flavor. One longs to witness a dog fight, and an Ohio valley thunder storm would be a real treat. But they seldom have such things in midsummer. Even Mayor-Congressman Hewitt could sleep well in Halifax, for as to insomnia the physicians have not had a case since the American prisoners left at the close of the last war.

For situation the city cannot be excelled. The harbor entrance is narrow, but once inside one finds it swelling into a placid bay of great size; many miles up it narrows again and beyond that broadens into Bedford basin, which would on many coasts be considered a spacious harbor. Beyond the "point" (just beyond the harbor mouth) the Northwest Arm begins and extends twelve or fifteen miles inland—all the way a crystal sheet of water, with perfectly lovely shores—and thus Halifax is on a good sized peninsula. From the harbor side the land rises rather abruptly, but on the other side the slope is gentle, and for many miles all that side is still covered with the natural forest. Though three million dollars have been appropriated to improve this great park, the administrators have shown their good sense by leaving nearly all of it in a state of nature, only making splendid winding roads through it and clearing away such brush as obstructed the approach to or outlook over the sea. The results are admirable. The man who cannot find rest there must be a restless mortal indeed.

The Nova Scotians say that their peninsula abounds in fine harbors. It sometimes seems to me that the coast is all harbor. There are so many bays, large and small, so many inlets and arms of the sea, that the province appears to be almost cut across in places, and from any commanding point one can look out upon the sea or upon some large harbor. At first view one would say that Halifax is surrounded by good harbors; yet it is scarcely more so than any other considerable city of the province. The Nova Scotian is almost everywhere in sight of the sea; as a natural consequence almost every native has some natural talent for sea faring. As the Greeks and Phœnicians were the navigators of the ancient world, because their location made the sea more inviting to them than the land, and as the Portuguese were the most daring explorers of the Fifteenth and Sixteenth centuries, so the Nova Scotians are born, one

COW BAY, MOUTH OF HALIFAX HARBOR.

may say, with a talent for sailing. Any ten-year-old boy can rig a sail on a little boat, almost any girl of that age will venture on the water as readily as on the land; and so sailing parties in Nova Scotia take the place in good society which carriage rides and lawn parties hold in places further inland.

If there is in the world a sheet of water better suited to at once gratify and excite this taste than the Northwest Arm, or back harbor, of Halifax, I have not heard of it. Everywhere the natural park gives fair view of this bay; everywhere the slope is gentle, and almost every rod of the shore is a natural wharf, the rock or gravel rising just abruptly enough, and the whole front "clean"—that is, no marshes or spongy shores. The result can be surmised. On any fair day the surface is dotted with all sorts and sizes of sail and row boats. There are Sunday school picnics on the opposite shore, private picnics in rocky dells at the heads of little bays, "select parties of single gentlemen," with the usual bodily comforts and excitants, drifting lazily they care not whither, and many and many a little catboat with only two persons (of the two sexes), with whom conversation so far outweighs destination that they do not really care which way they drift. And for three months of summer this is an almost daily sight. There are indeed no storms to make the Northwest Arm dangerous and very few to make it uncomfortable. It is one of nature's selected and protected nooks in which to lade and drift, eat, drink, smoke, rest, doze or make love, as age, occasion or temperament may incline. The soul weary and brain baked business man of the States might well give it a fortnight of his summer's outing. Ever verdant in memory will be the sweet August day I lounged, lazed, laughed and drifted on the Northwest Arm!

Just back of Halifax, in the city suburbs indeed, rises that famous natural mole called Citadel Hill, and on it is a British fortification which the newspaper man or stranger may not enter. Around and near it are the commodious quarters of the troops, for Halifax is the British North American military and naval station, and any day in the year there are from 500 to 5,000 soldiers and sailors there. Scarlet coats are everywhere, and their devotion to the fair sex is uniform. In the splendid public garden of the city (which is a much finer thing in proportion for Halifax than Central park is for New York) the scarlet coat and the white apron of the nurse girl supply the most delightful bits of color on the green landscape. Like everything else about Halifax the sight is restful—it really refreshes the eye to gaze on them. Sir John Ross, commander of the British forces in Canada, gives the soldiers a great deal of social liberty, and they reciprocate to a surprising degree. In two weeks rambling about the place I did not see one intoxicated.
New York. J. H. SEADLE.

LITERARY LIGHTS.

A new novel by an English writer has Sir Charles Dilke as a hero.

Marion Crawford is described as a man of really profound scholarship.

Rider Haggard's Icelandic romance, "Eric," will not be published for two years.

The fund for the family of the late Philip H. Welch has reached nearly $10,000.

Ernest Coleridge has nearly completed the biography of his grandfather, the poet.

Max O'Rell has accepted a second invitation to lecture in the United States and Canada.

The Oriental Seminary of Berlin will shortly issue a grammar of the Baluba language by Dr. Buttner.

Charles A. Wingerton, of Wheeling, W. Va., is a clever writer of verse for southern publications.

George R. Sims, the English playwright and poet, they say, pays income tax on £20,000 per annum.

Theodore Tilton, now a white haired old man, is to be seen every night at a famous chess cafe in Paris.

George Augustus Sala, the journalist, is reported to have declined an offer of knighthood from Queen Victoria.

Mr. Hunt, the head of the Sydney branch of the royal mint, is a grandson of that famous literary character, Leigh Hunt.

Professor Stuart Blackie says that a century ago was a time of miserable humbug, and he is thankful that he lives in better days.

Felix de Fontaine has completed a book upon "Southern Women in the Late War," a valuable contribution to the literature of the rebellion.

George Meredith is now 64 years old and lives amid the restful quiet of the Surrey Hills, but works as hard as ever, spending seven or eight hours daily at his desk.

Dr. J. A. H. Murray, the famed English lexicographer, is v[illegible] sib[illegible] and thin, has a large head and sand[illegible]; a genial smile for every one, and a[illegible] that affected elocution.

Alfred R. Conkling, of New York, the nephew of Roscoe Conkling, generally known as Alderman Conkling, has about completed the work of collecting material for his life of his uncle.

William D. Howells, the novelist, has again become a resident of Belmont, Mass., where he lived some years ago; his present home is a fine old mansion, surrounded by beautiful grounds.

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