

THE STAR.

To CORRESPONDENTS.—We beg to state we will publish no communication unaccompanied by the full and true name of the writer.

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HARBOR GRACE, JULY 16, 1872.

The mail steamer "Tiger" has arrived at St. John's from the northward, reporting the fishery bad except at Twillingate, Fogo and Tilton Harbor.

The "Chronicle" feels sore at any reference to the inefficiency of the "Osprey" for the Labrador mail service. We have only to quote the "Chronicle" to prove how readily its editor lends himself to bolster any cause that pays—the editor. Here is what the editor says in the article in which he ventures to take us to task:—"The misfortune of the vessel is that her boilers are too small and do not make steam sufficient to give her speed!!" And yet this is the vessel contracted for, not as a "sailing vessel" but as a "steamer," and for the purposes of a steamer; and knowing all these matters, the "Chronicle" defends the contract and asks time! At the close of the season something eventful may come to the rescue and help him through the mud.

We gladly publish, in to-day's issue, a letter from the Rev. Mr. Botwood, referring to the object (or rather objects) of the exhibition to be held in September next. The Rev. Gentleman, we are happy to learn, has already met with considerable encouragement, and we feel confident that still greater success awaits him. His efforts are directed towards the consummation of an enterprise, the fruits of which will not only tend to perpetuate the memory of one whose philanthropy and Christian zeal "were never still," but will also stimulate our people to cultivate a taste for the fine arts, and develop the latent resources of the colony. We again tender to the Rev. Mr. Botwood our hearty appreciation of the noble work he has in hand, and wish him unbounded success.

CRICKET AND BOATING have become the popular pastimes, and from the exhilarating effects accruing from such exercises, they must be very beneficial to all pursuing them. Already we have had a great deal of cricket; just yesterday juvenile eleven of Carbonear and of this town played a "match" in Alexandra Park, and to-day we have another: the Carbonear Eleven having challenged "Harbor Grace," and an acceptance given in return. While we go to press, the game is proceeding, and we feel confident that it will be well contested. Our mercantile firms, who are ever liberal in granting holidays, have kindly closed their premises, thus unabling the public generally to be present.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.—Mr. Inspector Foley—accompanied by Mr. Warren, C. E.—has recently visited Hearts Content with the view of making preliminary arrangements for the erection of a Jail at that important place, where an additional policeman or two will be stationed. There are many reasons which go to show that Hearts Content must eventually become the capital of Trinity Bay, so that the erection of a Jail is a step in the right direction. The ancient and loyal town of Brigus, we learn, is also to have an augmentation of its Police Force. Mr. Inspector Foley does not let grass grow nearth his feet. He has already worked up the Force to wonderful efficiency, and seems to us to be the sort of man who can not only imitate but originate improvements in connection with this service.

We understand a deputation of Brethren of the "mystic tie," connected with the Grand Lodge, on an official visit, may be looked for on Thursday; the S. S. "Tiger" being hired for the occasion.

GREAT SCULLING RACE.—By telegram we notice that Brown, the Halifax champion, gained the victory over Fulton, chief of the celebrated Paris crew—winning by twenty seconds.

We learn that the Volunteer Fire Company here anticipate a regatta in short, and trust no difficulty will arise to mar the "lovers of the oar" from having a gala day.

A SAD WANT.—The St. John Telegraph says:—"There is great distress in the city, owing to the want of marriage licenses! They have been anxiously awaited for several days by couples anxious to enter connubial bliss.

Several couples who intended to have left the city after being married, have been delayed. Marriage banquets have been got ready, but the expected guests could not be found. Ministers have been deprived of fees, and other evils have followed."

If the parties in such trouble would just step on board the Bay steamer and come to Harbor Grace, they'll find every convenience.

CRICKET.

The return match between the Alexandra and Victoria Cricket Clubs, was played at Carbonear, on Wednesday last, and the latter was again victorious. The appended score gives all the details, showing the result to be an easy victory for the Victoria by ten wickets.

The following is the score of Wednesday last:—

Alexandra.

1ST INNINGS.	2ND INNINGS.
Carson, b Nelson, c	Allan, b Nelson, c D.
Sprague.....	5 Taylor.....
Emerson, b Sprague	1 Murphy, b Nelson.....
Murphy, b Sprague	8 Carson, b Nelson.....
Paterson, b Nelson.....	4 Emerson, b Sprague
Reed, b Nelson.....	7 Reed, b Sprague.....
Jarvis, b Sprague, c	2 Paterson, b Nelson.....
Gould.....	3 Jarvis, b Nelson, c
Allan, not out.....	3 Sprague.....
Youldall, b Nelson, c	Youldall, b Nelson.....
D. Taylor.....	2 Quinton, b Nelson.....
Quinton, b Sprague	2 Alexander, b Nelson
Munn, b Nelson, c	c D. Taylor.....
Gould.....	0 Munn, not out.....
Alexander, b Nelson	0
.....	48
Byes.....	Byes, 5, leg byes 5,
.....	34 wides 6.....
Total.....	6
.....	Total.....
.....	40

Victoria.

1ST INNINGS.	2ND INNINGS.
Nicholl, b Paterson	0 Gould, not out.....
Nelson, b Youldall.	7 G. Peach, not out.....
D. Taylor, b Paterson,	c Jarvis.....
c Jarvis.....	0
S. Taylor, b Paterson	Byes.....
.....	5
Morrison, b Paterson	Total.....
c Paterson.....	7
G. Peach, b Paterson
c Youldall.....	10
Duguid, s Paterson	25
Sprague, run out.....	26
Gould, b Youldall.....	0
A. Peach, b Youldall	0
Simpson, not out.....	0
.....	80
Byes 6, leg balls 3,	no balls 3.....
.....	12
Total.....	92

CORRESPONDENCE.

[TO THE EDITORS OF THE STAR.]

DEAR SIRS,—I beg to return you and my other friends of the Press my most cordial thanks for the warm manner in which you have embraced the project of the Exhibition to be held here in September next, for your excellent leader on the subject, and for your generosity in inserting the advertisement free of charge. I am gratified to find that the scheme has received a hearty welcome from all classes of the community; and I cannot but think the Exhibition will be both successful and beneficial to the Colony. As yet I have not been in a position to state in print the objects of the Exhibition, owing to the absence of my Bishop whose return I was expecting, and whom I wished to consult on a certain point connected with one of them, namely, whether the Tower and bells should be dedicated to the perpetuation of the memory of one whose charity was never still, or not; but feeling that it would not be well to await any longer, the settling of this question, I beg permission to state to you and your readers the objects which I have in view. They are these: To cultivate a more general affection for the arts and sciences; to stimulate trade, and to improve workmanship by exciting emulation, and to augment a fund now being raised for paying off an old debt on St. Mary's Church; for completing the Tower, and for placing six bells in it. I shall hope to receive permission to make the Tower and bells memorial.

The sympathy of the Press with the Exhibition has cheered me exceedingly, and again I beg to thank you and my other kind friends for it, feeling assured that it promises success.

I am Sirs,
Your obliged and grateful servant,
EDWARD BOTWOOD.
St. Mary's Parsonage,
St. John's, 8th July, 1872.

[FOR THE HARBOR GRACE STAR.]

The Music of a Kiss.

The Grand Jubilee lately celebrated at Boston will be held in remembrance as an era in this age of musical proficiency. The absence of masters like Mozart, Hayden and Handel is not felt, because of the extensive know-

ledge of music in all classes, and the great proficiency of so large a number of world-wide celebrities. One can fancy something of the effects produced at the Jubilee by the overwhelming majesty of such a volume of sound falling on the ear harmoniously. It is questionable, however, whether the impressions then produced would be of a lasting character. The plaintive strain of the shepherd boy meandering his flock through green valleys probably would strike the senses more impressively; as would also the blythesome filling notes of yon fair maid who hies the sky-lark in its imperial ascent, and touches a new lyre as she pensively dries the moisture from the lilies she has gathered, warbling in tones soft and clear a song of lament that her "birdie had left her all alone." Under such circumstances the mind would be impressed otherwise than when listening to the full blast of many hundreds of voices, however true might be the harmony. The same songs sung by the same individual under different circumstances possibly enough might fail to arrest attraction. If we saw a buxom lass—bright of eye and ruddy cheek'd—with sleeves tucked up and dress arranged, as girls manage to arrange for a hard day's washing, and that such an one were hard at work in a dirty corner of a dirty street in a crowded, dirty city, could her song impress the mind, either in force or sentiment, as would the maiden's melody lamenting "her birdie?" We think not, even tho' the latter should sing less sweetly than the former. What is it that tames the ear to a different appreciation in such cases? It is the principle at work that imparts melody to the rippling, surging, bounding brook; that inhales—so to speak—the beauties of nature, and accepts the wise law that pronounces all very good. In the case of the maid lamenting her birdie, we have a combination of nature and principle, charmingly influencing the senses, whereas in the other instance of the washing girl, we have the same forces at work, but differently moved. Surely after all this our readers will be prepared to appreciate the music of a kiss. We might listen to Handel's "Messiah" by the great author and not experience the sensation awake to the impressions that result from the music of a kiss. Here is but the echo to the great voice of nature, harmonious in all its reverberations. The effects of the melody of which we write have not changed in character since they first operated in the garden, and altho' we can only take what others say on this point, yet we can confidently believe it to have been—apart from higher things—the sweetest music of Paradise. There is no Paradise without it. Let any person try if he or she can forget the first kiss recorded by Cupid as their number one: it would be found impossible to do so; and yet probably thousands may have resounded since that time—the impression, therefore, is of a lasting character. We have been referring to *this music* in its perfection; it is pleasing under almost any circumstance. We could listen to its melody interestedly in the case of the washing girl to whom we alluded, tho' perhaps with somewhat less admiration if we previously heard the part performed by the lassie who sang of her lost birdie; but in either or both cases, we do say, it would be unmanly and ungentlemanly to refuse taking the part of second in such a Consort, and whatever "Kate and the children" might say to it, we would undertake the duties to the best of our ability, having no doubt but that we would improve rapidly. People are to be met with who have no ear for music of any kind; of course such persons know nothing of the music of a kiss—it is a pity they should—but we address ourselves to sympathising hearts in hopes to awaken a little more enterprise in this direction.

A. A. E.

July 15.

LOCAL ITEMS.

The annual Conference of the Ministers of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Eastern British America, terminated its sittings at Halifax on Friday last. We are indebted to the Revd. Mr. Pickles, who is located in St. John's during the absence of the delegates from this district, for the following list of appointments telegraphed to him on Saturday last, and which we believe may be regarded as correct and final:—

Revd. Mr. Milligan, M. A., St. John's, Super.
 " " Cranford—St. John's.
 " " Atkinson—St. John's.
 " " Harris—Brigus.
 " " Peach—Blackhead.
 " " Dove—Twillingate.
 " " Comben—Carbonear.
 " " Hale—Carbonear.
 " " Pascoe—Island Cove.
 " " Duke—Grand Bank.
 " " Goodison—Bonavista.
 " " Ladner—Harbor Grace.
 " " Forsey—Burin.
 " " Willie—Exploits.
 " " Pickles—Channel.
 " " Matthews—Greenspond.
 " " Dunn—Hants Harbor.
 " " Myers—Little Bay Islands.
 " " Currie—Fortune.
 " " Swan—Shoal Harbor, Random.
 " " Reay—Catalina.—*Courier*, July 10.

Arrangements have been made for a Regatta, to take place, on Quidi Vidi Lake, on Tuesday 30th instant.—*Times*, July 13.



Latest Despatches.

BERLIN, July 9.

The statue of Stein, the eminent German statesman, was unveiled to-day at Nassau, in presence of the court and Emperor. George Bancroft, American Minister, delivered an address in which he gave a biographical sketch of Stein.

LONDON, 10.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Morrison moved the proportional representation Bill, which adopts the measure of representation proportioned to the population, and readjusted according to each successive census. Mr. Morrison explained the operation of the Bill at great length. He demonstrated that under this system Birmingham would be entitled to seven and Liverpool eleven representatives in Parliament, instead of three each, as at present, and London would be represented by 62 members instead of 20 as now. Mr. Hughes seconded the motion of Mr. Morrison. Mr. Dilke opposed the motion on the ground that Ireland and Scotland were not included. Sir Alexander Cockburn, arbitrator on the part of England in the Geneva Tribunal is to be created an Earl.

NEW YORK, 9.

An exciting feature in Stokes' trial yesterday, was the appearance of the prisoner's aged father on the witness stand.

The Democratic convention at Baltimore completed its organization, by the election of ex-senator Doolittle as permanent chairman, who made a lengthy speech, after which it adjourned till noon to-day.

NEW YORK, 11.

The first ballot for the presidential candidate at Baltimore resulted as follows: Greeley 617, Bayard, of Delaware, 15, Jerry Black of Pennsylvania, 21, Grossbeck 3. Greeley's nomination was subsequently made unanimous; the vote for Vice-President, stood for B. G. Brown of Missouri 713, J. W. Stevenson of Kentucky 6, Black 13, the Cincinnati platform was fully endorsed and the convention dissolved with cheers for the nominees.

The Democratic press of the country generally accept the Baltimore nomination.

The motion of Mr. Morrison for second reading of the proportional representation Bill, was continued till a late hour last night. In the House of Commons the amendment offered by Sir Charles Dilke, extending the provisions of the Bill to Ireland and Scotland was rejected, 154 to 26; the House then divided on the motion of Mr. Morrison, when there was a decided negative vote.

LONDON, 11.

President Thiers won a substantial victory over the French Assembly yesterday. The amendments introduced by the opponents of the Bill for the proposed tax on raw material were rejected on division.

The Berlin *Official Gazette* to-day promulgates a law, providing for the banishment of Jesuites from Germany, and all establishments now under their control are to be broken up in six months.

LONDON, 12.

John Bright, after receiving a Staffordshire testimonial, made a speech, in which he censured the conduct of the House of Lords in regard to the Ballot Bill and said that House seems to be almost the last refuge of political ignorance and fashion. He also expressed disapproval of the policy pursued by Gladstone's government as regards Russia, and in conclusion said he hoped and believed the difficulties with America have terminated.

The suit of O'Brien against the Chief Secretary of Ireland for injuries received from the police during the Phoenix Park riot in Dublin, resulted in favor of the plaintiff. The jury awarded him twenty-five pounds.

NEW YORK, 12.

More sunstrokes yesterday. Weather hot and foggy. Tremain continued his argument on behalf of Stokes' trial.

To-day only about 200 Orangemen paraded, accompanied by 1200 police, they bore two American flags and their Orange banners. All quiet on the route.

A Committee of the Baltimore convention waited on Mr. Greeley to-day, and informed him of his nomination by the Democrats. Mr. Greeley accepted it in a brief speech.

GOLD 113 7/8.

PORT HASTINGS, 13.

The great sculling race between Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, came off yesterday in Digby basin, resulting in a victory for Brown, the Halifax champion, over Fulton, chief of the celebrated Paris crew. In a four mile pull Brown won by twenty seconds. Immense enthusiasm this side of the Bay.

CRICKET.—Here is a note of the scores between the Metropolitan and Terra Nova Clubs, on the Parade ground, on Monday last:—Metropolitan, first innings, 100; second 76. Terra Nova, first innings, 62; second, 82.—The former gaining the day; but it is likely the young bloods will have another contest soon.—*Times*, July 13.

At St. John's, the Rev. Father Branscombe, to Mr. John Boggs

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