the Interview, C. Belyea and M. Rich

ards; The Dead Doll, Eva Richards

Arithmetic, Grades IV and III; Makin'

B'lieve, Stanley Richards; Reading, Grade III; After Examination, Wm.

Lynch; Home Study, Winifred Seely

C. Hist., War of 1812, Grade V; Warn

ing to Bashful Men, Roy Richard, Dialogue, Parts of the Body, Grade II;

ples and nuts. The present teacher

Mr. Gilmore, father of Mrs. Henry

Golding, died suddenly at Apohaqui this morning, in the 84th year of his

Marshal Price of this place has pur

chased a valuable farm in Havelock, and will move there in a few days.

CHARLOTTE CO.

Grand Manan, Dec. 21.—A case of criminal assault on a girl ten or

of twenty-three is reported from White Head Island. A warrant was issued for his arrest, but he made his escape

Florida to spend the winter with her

The sch. Ella and Jennie has sailed

for New York with a cargo of smoked

rrings, shipped to Woodruff & Co.

A good catch of fine large herring

was taken in the weirs in Cheney's

and White Head Pasages on the 20th

inst, Good line fishing is reported off

James Fanning, the island's new

barber, is doing a good business at

Milltown, Dec. 25.-The Murchie

amily passed Christmas at Milltown

the guests of James Murchie. About

present. Mr. Murchie is still active

Judge W. W. Wells of Moncton

Guptill of Grand Manan is the gues of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hutchinson.

C. F. Eaton and family of Princ

opened a class in dancing, had an

RESTIGOUCHE CO.

Campbellton, Dec. 24.-A. E. Alex-

der's shingle mill on the Tobique

road, about five miles out of town, was

estroyed by fire on Saturday night

after seven o'clock. A stiff wind was blowing and it is thought the sparks

from the rubbish furnace was blown

on the mill. The watchman had only

left the mill shortly before. Two shin-

gle machines and other machinery

near the mill escaped. The loss is

were burnt, but the shingles and cedar

about \$2,000; no insurance. Mr. Alex-

CARLETON CO.

Samuel Arscott, who have been spend-

ing the past six months in London,

The school examination of the prim-

satisfaction with the work done in

to the usual serenade, and a huge bonfire blazed in honor of the event.

very ill with hemorrhage of the lungs,

KENT CO.

Bass River, Dec. 26,-Christmas eve

is ill of rheumatic fever.

James Armstrong, who has been

Ont., returned home on the 15th.

ss, and in the enjoyment of

North Head and Grand Harbor.

one hundred and thirty members

Full Cove, White Head, this week.

Philip Newton has gone to

eleven years of age by a young

to the United States.

laughter, Mrs. Whiting.

by Capt. Irvin Ingalls.

good health.

Price formerly resided in Have-

Sussex. Dec. 26.

during the ensuing term.

lock.

an if they had never made to the top of the them.

DeBury did not think the home e made little of because so few were fonly one life was saved it would hall that the home had cost. He did the boys not to give too bright int of their life here lest they tempt the save at least they tempt. as the recorder, explaining that he yet accustomed to the title. He t the home was a recogni ton spoke of the legisla for the maintenance of the estab-and explained that after a pleas-view with Lady Tilley he found that rview with Lady Tilley he found that been beguiled into pledging his supthe measure which was required. He now regret that he had done so. Scott judged from the appearance of so and from the training they were g that it would be as safe for an or of labor to engage one of at the end of the term as i be to take the ordinary lad. Probable added, some of us would have been to have had here a period in early shments were passed around by the the home and the company was sent aving spent a most agreeable even-

ON DROWNING ACCIDENT.

dic Plunges int the River from South Boston Ferry. ON

on, Dec. 25.—About 10.30 tonight c driven by Edward T. Wilson ntaining Austin E. Snow and Lillian A. Note, both popular people of East Boston, went river from the deck of the ferryboat Winthrop and Snow horse were drowned and the was lost. The accident was by the horses taking fright boat was within about thirty the East Boston slip. The anioke down the iron gates and ugh suffering severely from

Snow was about thirty years d was a clerk in a Boston ship-

GOLDEN WEDDING.

was a very pleasant gather-26th ult. at the residence of McMurray, Prince street, Car-It was the fiftieth anniverthe marriage of Mr. and Mrs ray, and their children, grandand a number of friends celeit. There were present: John durray, jr., wife and children on; James McMurray, wife and f Pictou: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph d Mrs. Robt. Reid. J. Murray r. and Mrs. John Rodgerson, d Mrs. D. M. Olive. The venand happy couple were prewith a purse of gold from the n. The guests were presented very pretty card in rememof the occasion. After a very repast, the health of the he tess was drunk, after which ostess was druin, and in singing Auld Lang Syne.

DIAN HORSES IN LONDON

iderable numbers of Canadian are now being used in London e of the large omnibus ome of the large omnibus and ay companies seem to prefer to any others. Although the as been a subject of discus ne years past, the class of horses and have not hitherto been sent any numbers. Mr. Hunting. dent of the Royal College of nary Surgeons, who acts as the expert to the Canadian ent in London, made a report Charles Tupper last year as to ady market in Great Britain. others, he specially mentioned Yanner' and "Omnibus" horse, varieties which have so much in fovor this year. Mr. ng's report, printed by the de-ent of trade and commerce, deto be studied by those connectth this industry, as there is a arket for such horses. It ap that they largely go to Glasgow, good many also find their way oydon, a London suburb, and from that place that the large companies purchase their su

DIAN HAY MEETS READY SALE.

le writing of horses, it may be while to mention that good ian hay has also achieved a reon among persons in London ontrol and work large studs of Of course the price is rather t it just now, but there is no that its quality will always as-a ready sale, if the prices are as to tempt Canadian dealers to over. For some little time it ed as though a prejudice was ig against Canadian hay, but from the fact that inferior n and River Platte hay was besed with Canadian, rebaled and s the Canadian article. This, er, was soon found out, and, ng generally, it may safely be hat Canadian hay enjoys an exreputation in the United King-

DIAN APPLES IN ENGLAND

arding the apple trade, Messrs. all & Co., in their weekly report Liverpool, December 1st, say: vals this week, 42,031 barrels; ls last week, 65,138 barrels; arto date, 484,763 borrels, against eason, 40,511 barrels. Receipts ill on a liberal scale. The total ts from Liverpool for this month 2,802 barrels, which is in excess y previous record. During the part of this week the market towards the close the smaller was felt, and at yesterday's decline was recovered. ations for the week for sound ans: Spy, 12s 6d to 18s; seconds tussets, 12s to 16s; seconds, 11s. ins, 13s to 18s; seconds, 11s 9d.

FINANCE

this country needs," said Mr.
, "is an elastic currency."
replied his wife, "I notice it in ping. What the country needs is a that'll stretch so as to make one as far as five." your older you

ings, 13s to 17s; seconds; seconds,

PROVINCIAL

Sudden Death of Mrs. W.W. Graham at St. Stephen.

Closing Exercises in the Schools Throughout the Province:

TAN DESCRIPTION General News of Interest From Many Sections of New Brunswick.

SUNBURY CO.

Maugerville, Dec. 24.-The closing exercises of the parish schools place on Thursday and Friday last. Miss Taylor of district No. 1 will return to her duties here after the holidays. H. H. Bridges of district No. 2 has feelined and will take charge of Sheffield school at the comence ment of the term in the new year. W. for No. 2 school, and it is said will suc-

ceed Mr. Bridges.
The exercises of school No. 3, presided over by Miss F. Janet Rosborough were most interesting. The day was set apart for the purpose of unfurling the new flag lately purchased by the school and thereby inculcating the sentiments of loyalty in the minds of the pupils. The walls of the school room were decorated with maps, miniature flags, pictures, mottoes and evergreens, such as God Save Our Queen, My Own Canadian Home, and portraits of her majesty and his royal nighness the Prince of Wales. The order of exercises was taken from a wel executed map of Canada drawn on canvas by the pupils, upon which was tacked, in their respective places, the resources of the country. The scholars gave ample proof of their training as they took up the different sub jects assigned them by the teacher, and which may be briefly outlined as follows: First. Canada as it is; Land of My Birth: New Brunswick; Settle ment of Maugerville; Nova Scotia Love of Country. In patriotics quota-tions: Prince Edward Island; Hurrah for Canada: Dear Old England: Cartier's Voyages; Raising of the Flag, Raise the Flag (cheers) Quebec; Ontario; Discoveries and Ex plorations by Champlain; Canada Manitoba; My Native Land; British Columbia; Physical Exercise, with music; My Country; Northwest Territories; A Few Words for Canada from Comercial Advertiser, N. Y.; Governor Generals of Canada. A. R. Miles, secretary to trustees, presented prizes to Bruce Miles and May Yeomans. Rev. A. Freeman, who was present, made a short address, congratulating both teacher and scholars upon the success of the entertainment and strongly comending the enthusiasm exhibited as well as such manifestations of loyalty. Miss Rosborough will spend her vacation at the 'Hub," and will take charge of the school again on her re-

turn.
Miss Frances B. Perley is home from
St. John to spend her holidays. Mrs.
Kileen, Miss Mabel Brown and Miss
A. Miles, teachers, are home again.
Miss Mame Magee and the Misses McLean are home from the Normal

Mrs. Shuttleworth arrived yesterday at Beauford from North Conway, and will spend Xmas with her sister, Mrs. D. Wilmot. Dr. Parke of Quebec also joined his wife there. Dr. and Mrs. Parke will return home after Xmas. Dr. Cox will spend Xmas at

Bamford Johnson skated into an air hole on Friday night at the head of Oromocto island. He got out with some difficulty unaided. The recent mild weather has made the ice very

Work has comenced on the training

dyke along Thatch island.

Sheffield, Dec. 25.—The ice along here is quite treacherous. A double team coming from the city got both horses in the river in front of Charlie Bridges' on Friday evening. They were rescued with the aid of a horse on

Harrison Bridges will take charge of the school here the beginning of the

John Delong lost a good horse while working in the lumber woods. The driver stopped the animal just where a man was felling a tree and it fell on the horse, breaking its back bone. The

when the state of the state of the state of the want of snow many men have given up working in the woods. Others were compelled to leave on account of accidents, Herbert McBerth cut one of his feet quite badly, the axe glancing from a limb axe glancing from a limb. ALBERT CO.

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 22.—A very excellent concert by the Baptist Sunday school at Woodworth settlement was given on Thursday evening. George Tingley of Albert presided at the organ Refreshments in abundance were served. The proceeds amounted to \$17, which will be devoted to Sun-

day school purposes. Rev. W. E. Johnson delivered a lecture in the Methodist church last evening on A Trip to Australia and the Pacific Islands. A silver collection was

Severe colds, similar to grippe, are epidemic hereabouts. Mrs. Harvey Cormier is very ill at Hopewell. Dr. S. Purdy is in attendance.

Clarence B. Moore, mate of the H.

R. Emmerson, came to his home at

Mountville this week to remain the winter. Hillsboro, Dec. 22.—Geo. A. Abbinett left here Wednesday morning for East-port. He intends going into the office with his uncle, Dr. Jonah, to study

preparatory to taking a medicinal ourse in some college.

The Christmas concert last evening in the church here was a success. A large and appreciative audience was present. Santa Claus put in an apperance and treated the children with a good supply of candy. At the close of the entertainment Rev. Mr. Camp Mr. Steeves, who has been the super-intendent of the school continuously for eleven years, made a very appro-

here this evening. The proceeds are voice will be greatly missed. He died for the benefit of the hall.

Gilbert Steeves, who has been soston for some years, is here on

The Hillsboro school examinations came off on Thursday, the examinattion of the primary department in the forenoon and the advanced in the afternoon. The teachers who have been in charge during the last five years will remain for another year.

Postmaster Steeves is able to be out again after a few weeks' illness. Hopewell Hill, Dec. 25.—The death of Mrs. Harvey Cormier occurred last night after a week's illness of inflam-mation of the lungs. The deceased was 23 years of age and was a daugh ter of the late William Maher, who was lost at sea two years ago winter. She leaves a husband and two mall children. Capt. Council Wood of the sch.Lyra

ow at Boston, has purchased the American three-masted schooner Sar ah C. Smith, 280 tons register. Capt. Eugene Wood will have command of

Miss Mary E. Bray of this village who has been on the teaching staff of the Sussex schools for the past ninyears, came home by yesterday's train. Miss Bray, who has retired from he position, is receiving the congratulaons of her friends here on the very high appreciation of her services en rtained by the people of Sussex, as evidenced by the very flattering testionial in yesterday's Sun.

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 24.—The teachers and pupils of the superior school are to be congratulated on the excellence of the concert given on Saturday eve ning in the school building. The creditable sum of \$23.14 was realized, which will be used to purchase a school flag and chemical apparatus.

A very successful entertainment and goose supper was held in Oulton hall at Albert on Saturday evening. The proceeds amounted to over \$30. Mrs. Thos. Dixon of Lower Cape is ecovering from injuries received in a

ecent runaway accident. The personel of the teaching staffs of the schools hereabouts will remain unchanged after vacation, with a few exceptions. Miss Amy C. Peck, who partment at Albert, and the school at he former place is to be closed. Mis Ella K. Moore, who has been teaching at Middle Coverdale, remains home during the winter months, while the school at that place is closed. Eugene C. Copp has resigned at Beaver Brook; Mr. Brown and Miss Lynds continue at the Cape; Mr. Lawson and Miss Moore at the Hill; Mr. Dean at Albert; Miss Lilian Irving at Riverside; Miss Mary Stiles at Chemical Road, Sophie M. Peck at Lower Cape. Miss Jennie Kinney has given up th chool at Chester and intends removng to Fresno, Cal., with her parents The terminal examination of Miss Peck's school at Lower Cape was held on Friday afternoon, the uitting themselves most creditably.

QUEENS CO. Douglas Harbor, Dec. 21.—Rev. Mr. McCulley has been holding revival meetings in Scotchtown, assisted by Mr. Humbert, an evangelist from St. John. The meetings lasted six weeks, in which time much good was done Mr. Humbert is an earnest worker. While skating a few days ago, Miss Marion Palmer slipped and fell, reeiving a bad cut over the left eve Dr. Palmer dressed the wound. The same night James McGiniss was injured so badly by the fall that he had o be carried home, where Dr. Palmer is attending him.

While Wilmot Upton was at work in the woods falling a tree, he had one of his legs severely injured. He is now improving and will soon be able

Daniel Palmer is getting out the umber for the new wharf which is to oe built at Douglas Harbor in March. Hampstead, Dec. 20.-The half yearly examination of Woodville school was held on Tuesday last. There were present about forty persons beside the school, and all were much interested in the examination of the pupils. which showed that their teacher, Miss Roderick had taken an interest in her work. Miss Roderick holds a firstclass license and is a first-class teacher in every respect. She has been engaged for the next term. Speeches were given by T. J. Vanwart, the secretary, F. C. Stultz, Mrs. T. E. Vanwart and others. All were unanimous in their praise of the creditable condition in which they found the school. The teacher gave the scholars a candy party on Saturday and the little folk spent a very enjoy-

While Edward Hastings was haulings a drag of wood down a steep hill, near his house, his horse ran away. When found by his wife, near his own dooryard, Mr. H. was in an unconscious condition and bleeding at the nose and mouth. He says the drag, which is a heavy one, passed over him. He has an ugly wound over his right temple. Dr. McDonald dressed his wounds, but he is now in a very critical condition. Mr. Hastings is over seventy years of age.

W. J. Cheyne, who formerly did business at Hibernia Corner, has opened a general store here in the stand ed by the late Albert Palmer ex-M. P. P.

KINGS CO.

Oak Point, Dec. 2.-Joseph G. Flew elling, a highly respected resident of this place, died on Wednesday, 19th inst., at the ripe old age of 85 years. Mr. Flewelling had been in his usua good health up to ten days before his death, which was due to a heavy cold together with old age. He retained his full mental faculties until the last. He was a man well thought of in the community and a prosperous farmer, having lived on the homestead all his life. One brother and one sister surhim, viz., Capt. Morris Flewell of St. John and Mrs. Joseph W. John son of this place; also three sons and four daughters, R. E. and Geo. T. Flewelling of this place and Stephen Flewelling of Woodstock, N. B., Mrs. on behalf of the teachers of the Sun-day school, presented John I. Steeves. and Mrs. Wm, Harvey and Mrs. Geo. the superintendent of the school, with a beautifully bound teacher's Bible. Whelpley of San Jose, California, be-E. B. Belyea of St. John, north end, side a large number of grandchildren. Mr. Flewelling has been a very prominent member of the F. C. Baptist church for over 25 years, having al-A fancy sale was held in the hall ways taken an active part, and his hall given by the young people of St. THE WEEKLY SUN, \$1.00 a year.

Mark's Presbyterian church. The hall as he lived, trusting in a crucified was full. A good programme, consisting of solos, duets, full choruses, recitations and dialogues, was well and in some parts ably rendered. Drinks, Saylour. His remains were interred in the F. C. B. burying ground on Friday, 21st inst. Services were conducted by the Rev. John McKenzie, F.C.B. candies, oranges, apples, etc., were in abundance. The sewing circle pro-Round Hill, Dec. 24.—The semi-anvided a number of useful articles, which were readily bought as Xmas nual public examination of the Round Hill school was held on Friday, Dec.
21st. About twenty visitors were present, who expressed themselves pleased with the evidences of the work of both presents. The amount netted was between \$45 and \$50. Pneumonia has been quite preva ent of late. John Morton, sr., of Pine performed well their part of the fol-lowing programme: Lesson number, Grade I; The Red Apple, May Short; Ridge died last Wednesday, after an liness of only six days. A good many others have been quite ill, but have Hist., England and the Danes recovered.

The lumbermen who have been out Normans, Grade III; The Trials of school Mistress, Minnie Seely and for Xmas say there has never been a Forde Short; The Village School, Loyd better season for their work so far. The yards are all full. The first snow will Cameron; Mary Jane's Mishap, Laura Seely; Book-keeping, Grade V; The Girls That Are Wanted, Emma Watts; Examinations, Sadie Belyea; The Bashful Boy's Piece, Herble Cameron; be the signal for all the teams to go

The examination of the superior chool took place last Thursday and lasted all the afternoon. The pupils were examined exhaustively and Reading, Grade II; Mark Twain and showed marked proficiency—especially in arithmetic, writing and history. All the subjects touched on gave evilence of careful training, but the above mentioned were especially pro-minent. Mr. and Mrs. Coates remain in charge of both departments. The children assembled on Friday after-Selection from Evangeline, Ada Jones; Geography, Grade IV; Song, My Own noon for a taffy party in the room and came away loud in their praises of the day's amusement. Canadian Home, Before closing the children were treated to candies, ap-Some improvements in seats, etc., are to be made during the holidays. The thanks of the district are due to their Miss Maggie C Smith will remain painstaking and energetic teachers. YORK CO.

Stanley, Dec. 24.-Chas T. Munro of Van Buren is spending his Christmas vacation at the River View hotel.— James Mullin arrived home yesterday. Miss Beatrice Sansom returned hom from St. Stephen yesterday.

Chas. McMillan and Miss Addie Hay of Williamsburg were married last Thursday at the residence of the bride by the Rev. J. S. Mullin.-Samuel Allaby and Miss Craig of Nashwaak were married today at the residence of the bride.

It is reported that William Sanson and Charles Forbes of Green Hill have purchased the Cross Creek stream saw mills from Andrew Douglas, should he prove successful in his suit with the Messrs Sansom Bros

HE INVESTED ONLY 7s. 6d.

There is a man who has spent the past twenty-five years of his life ex-ploring for gold and other minerals in Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria. Tasmania, and New Zealand. He has no doubt picked up some money, yet he says that the ment of 7s. 6d. brought him in bigger returns than any other he ever made Yet, hold on a minute. Don't let us jump to the conclusion that we can all get rich out of the proceeds of 7s.
6d. till we hear further from this financier. He has a humorous way of putting a serious thing, for which we ould like him all the more. Some folk have no idea that sound sense and genuine fun are twin brothers, but

they are all the same.
Our friend's name is William Brom visiting friends in this section.

Miss Mac. ichol of Calais, who is an accomplished singer, will give a field Peck, and he lives at Russell, New Zealand, a long way off. He ole at the evening service of the Con says it is a lovely country and intends Congregational church next Sabbath to stay in it the balance of his days As he landed in Australia, from Enghe guests of Ed. Townsend. -Mrs land, in 1866, he has been there long enough to know what he is talking about. He advises persons of limited The most valuable horse in G. Rob-mson's livery stable died last night means who would like to become small andholders to emigrate to New Zea-He was a good one, and his owner had lately refused an offer of \$300 for

Still, he reminds us that in the end we must pay for what we get. "The caling of a prospector, for instance," said Mr. Peck. "is full of hard work. Besides, it entails rough living, such as salt junk, sodened damper, with tea ton are the guests of James Murchie. Miss Hattie Hains, who last evening unusually large number present. A morning to an excellent attendance.
St. Stephen, Dec. 26.—Mrs. W. W. anaconda to stand that diet for long Graham, wife of ex-Mayor Graham, It must therefore be taken as a proof died suddenly on Christmas night just of the good machinery inside of after rething. Some members of the system, when I mention that I actual-family had passed the day end even-ly stood it for nearly twenty-five ing with he and had gone to their homes. Mrs. Graham seemed well "My

"My punishment was delayed, you during the evening and retired about ten c'clock and as soon as she had max came, and I was prostrated with ten o''clock and as soon as such a genizing pain in the stomach and are rested her head upon the pillow was agonizing pain in the stomach and expired in a few rangement of all the digestive organs. I had to knock off work and cease all exertion. I was imbued with disgust with all things mundane. I believe that dyspepsia is responsible for a large portion of the world's suicides!" Mr. Peck's conjecture is exactly par-allel with the fact as set forth in the official statistics of all civilized cour tries. No other disease so demoral izes and depresses human nature. attacks the secret strongholds of the eason and drives people insane; it stupifies the sensibilities: it turns men and women into selfish, useless, nuis ances: it impels them to commit crime lation and suffering. Yes, Mr. Peck quite right.

ander started to re-build this morning. But to get back to what he says about himself. "At the advice of a friend—Mr. W. Williams of this place Benton, Dec. 20.-Mr. and Mrs. -I began to take the far-famed Mo Seigel's Curative Syrup. What result idid it have? I'll tell you: It has transray department, which was held on Tuesday afternoon, was attended by formed me from a prematurely old

a large number of visitors. Miss Handra in an into one quite regenerated.

nah Green, who has had charge of start and can't break this school for the past four years, myself of the bad habit. Hence I has earned for herself the reputation make it a point to keep a bottle by m of a painstaking teacher. Her con-valways and an occasional dose when nection with the school closes with vaccessary to set me right. "I can safely assert that the invest the present term, and Miss Susie 8

Hendry has been engaged to succeed on ent of 7s. 6d. in Mother Seigel's Cu ative Syrup was the best I ever made Gustavus C. Crawford, teacher of in all my chequered career. You may the advanced department, held his depend that I prescribe this medicine examination on Wednesday afternoon. to all and sundry people I come in The school officers present expressed contact with. Prior to using it I spent pounds at different times, but only got both schools, and at the close, presented each teacher, on behalf of their pupils with a handsome token. Henry H. Stuart of Stanley will take charge of this school at the beginning of number of respectable persons here who can attest the truth of what I was united in marriage to Frank Leighton, was in the evening treated to the usual seconds of the second We don't call for witneses. Mr. Peck's tale is frankness and truth itself. We hold out our hand in greeting across the sea. Dyspepsia is a liv is slightly better.—Thomas Connolly ing death, and Mother Seigel gives new life. Millions sing that chorus But we had better eat slower. Write doing so again and tell us you are

was full of jellity for young and old who attended the social at the Orange

BEET SUGAR.

Visit to the Factory at Berthie ville, Quebec.

In Europe This Industry Has Been Liberal Fostered.

(R. W. Lawder in Toronto Empire.) It is pretty generally known that some 10 or 12 years ago, three large well-equipped beet-sugar factorie were erected at Farnham, Coaticoo and Berthierville, in the province of Quebec. The history of the operation of these factories was until recently a continuous record of failures and discouragement. The causes of this result were, injudicious location of the works, insufficient capital, unskilled management, and, above all, an insufficient supply and poor quality of beets furnished.

The only factory now in operation is the one at Berthierville. Undeterred by previous disasters, and confi dent that many of the causes which produced them could be avoided or overcome, Messrs. Michel Lefebvre & Co., of Montreal, about three year ago, became proprietors of the Berthierville factory, and made consider able additions and improvements to the buildings and machinery. By invitation of the proprietors. I recently visited the works, with a view of informing myself as to the methods of of the whole of the other 130 acres. operation and particularly as to the Another farmer, who raised nine acres, views of the farmers in that section obtained 13 tons per acre, for which with regard to the value of the ad-, he received \$585. This farmer worked vantages conferred by such factories on the agricultural interests of the surrounding country.

Berthierville is a village 55 miles

east of Montreal, on the north shore of a branch of the St. Lawrence river, a spur of about two miles at Berthie Junction. The grounds of the factory consist of 17 acres of land, lying about ne-quarter of a mile north of the river, which necessitates the pumping of about 700,000 gallons of water per day from the river to the factory. This distance from the river was necessary, because for a few days at the breaking up of every winter, ice jams cause an overflow of the river, which rendered it compulsory that the fac-tory should be erected at a sufficient distance to escape the overflow. The buildings of the factory proper are almost entirely of substantial, thick, stone walls, and have a total frontage of about 540 feet; they are consider ably larger than is necessary for a sugar factory of the present capacity for manufacturing 200 German, or 220 Canadian tons of sugar beets daily. In connection with the main building there are several outbuildings, the principal one of which is the lime kiln, being a large brick tower about 40 feet high. The buildings, exclusive of machinery, are said to have cost \$196,000, and, with the machinery, the total cost of the factory was \$396,000. There must have been some serious mismanagement or worse, in making the cost amount to any such sum. In conversation with Mr. Alfred Musy, the superintendent of the works, I found from a tender which the company has received from one of the sugar works manufacturing firms in France that a beet sugar factory with a daily capacity for manufacturing 500 gross tons of beets, and equipped with the very best modern machinery, can now be erected for ess than the cost of this 200 ton factory. Without a visit to the factory one could scarcely believe that such massive machinery and so many different kinds of apparatus are required n the manufacture of beet-sugar. For the motive power, three large boilers of 130 horse power each and one boiler of 30 horse power are emplyed. The consumption of coal per day of 24 hours is fully 40 tons, and of lime from 12 to 15 tons. Further details as to the machinery, or description of the process of manufacturing would occupy too much space. The main object of this letter is to describe the methods of dealing between the factory and the farmers.

THE SUPPLY OF BEETS. When Messrs. Lefebvre undertook to evive the business they felt that the all important point was to secure a afficient supply of beets and of the best quality possible under the then circumstances. In order to accomplish this special inducements were offered to farmers. The very best seed pro curable in France was imported and sold to farmers at a little under cost The Messrs. Lefebvre agreed to accept all sugar beets from their seed at \$5 per ton, which is a much larger price than will be necessary to be paid when the cultivation of this crop is thoroughly understood. They also agreed to pay this price irrespective of qual-ity. Even with these inducements the quantity of beets delivered at the facfory from the crop of 1893 was in suf-ficient to keep the factory in operation for one-half of the working season, and a large proportion of the beets was of very inferior quality. As might be expected under such circumstances the operations of the campaign of 1893-94 esulted in very considerable loss. One favorable result of the season's ness was a largely increased inclinaion on the part of the farmers to undertake the cultivation of sugar beets on a much more extensive scale. Together with this there was good evilence obtained from the very fine quality of some of the beets furnished that a great improvement in the general quality of the roots might be confident y expected in the near future.

In the spring of 1894 the same arrangements were made with farmers as to seed and price to be paid for beets. Under a liberal arrangement made with the railway company, beets are transported from outlying stations within a distance of 55 miles of the factory at a uniform rate of 50 cents per ton. Quite a large proportion of the beets is received by barges from different points on the river. As a result of the liberal inducements offered to farmers the Messrs. Lefebvre have been able to obtain an ample supply of roots for the whole of this season work at the factory. There has been some improvement in the quality of the beets, but much remains to be yet accomplished in this respect. When it is considered that the Messrs. Oxnard. who have about eight years' experience with their two factories in Nebraska, have not yet been able to cure supply for their factories, the Messrs. Lefebvre may be congratulat-

ed in having demonstrated through two years experience that in Canada this preeminently important question has been definitely settled. They feel sanguine that even under the present unpreedentedly low price of sugar this season's operations will result in a small profit.

PROSPECTS OF A FUTURE SUP-PLY.

I had an opportunity of obtaining some information with respect to the feelings of farmers regarding this industry. No future trouble need now be apprehended with respect to the sufficiency of a supply of beets. Far-mers feel that a sugar beet crop not only gives them an immensely greater return per acre than any other, but that the cultivation required greatly improves the land for future crops of every kind. The fattening of the cattle , and the factory manufacturing of cheese and butter within quite a long distance of Berthierville, have been greatly stimulated by the supply pulp from the factory, for which there is an active demand for all that can be supplied. In a few cases as much as 20 tons of beets per acre were obtained. Hon. Mr. Beaubien, minister of agriculture, obtained 22 tons from an experiment on one acre. One farmer who works 150 acres cultivated 20 acres of beets last year, from which acre, much more than he realized out with one hired man for three weeks, from which it may be seen that the cost and labor in cultivating sugar beets is not such a heavy matter as is

generally supposed.

If the present or a sufficient bonus shall be granted by parliament, on home-grown sugar, the Messrs. Lefebvre have their arrangements completed for erecting a new factory of at least 400 tons daily capacity, and they believe that foreign capital can be obtained towards erecting two or

In Europe the beet-sugar industry has been liberally fostered and aided in two ways. First, by a very high cond, by liberal bounties on the surplus sugar exported. The bounty sys tem in Germany has been from time to time, until now it amounts to a very insignificent sum, and it is said that the German sugar manufacturers would willingly see it abolished altogether, if France, Aus tria-Hungary and countries would adopt the same pol-icy. This industry has never been established, not can it be successfully established in any country, except under heavy import duties on foreign sugars, or liberal assistance from government during its early years of operation. Many free traders object to the bounty system, by referring the large amount which it has cost be safely contended that the success achieved has amply justified the penditure incurred. The capital invested in the factories alone is fully \$80,000,000 and the value of the outturn of the sugar for consumpt and export from Germany during the last season and estimated for present season is about \$80,000,000 each this industry has imparted to every branch of the agricultural, manufacturing, commercial, transportation and financial interests of that empire, any large decrease in the operation prosperity of the beet-sugar industry would prove a national calamity.

Canada has a soil and climate admirably adapted for the cultivation of tion as industrious and intell any country in the world; it has well educated and skilful mechanic as are to be found anywhere; it has an immerse amount of idle capital ments. There is every reason to be-lieve that this industry will succeed as fully and as rapidly in Canada as it has done in any country, if afforded the like liberal government encourreceived elsewhere.

Lottie-Before Ethel married that young literary man she told me one day that her union with him was going to raise her to a higher life. tie-And did it? Lottle-Yes: they're living in an attic now.

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