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The Daily Tribune.

J. L. STEWART,..... EDITOR.

MONDAY EVENING, FEB. 23, 1874.

Fog Signal Uncertainties.

Some recent experiments of Prof. Tyndall have demonstrated the uncertainability of the fog-whistle, and suggested a reason for some of the mysterious shipwrecks that have occurred on coasts within a comparatively short distance of these unmusical alarms. Carelessness on board the ill-fated ships has been the common verdict when investigation has shown that sounds were not heard which ought to have been heard. Prof. Tyndall's experiments, conducted in all kinds of weather for a period of six months, show a marvellous variability in the sound-conducting properties of the air. It has been supposed that sound would travel about as far on one fine clear day as another, and all the experiments that have been made have shown that fog is no barrier to sound. But Prof. Tyndall has ascertained that the capacity of the atmosphere for transmitting the waves of sound depends on other causes than clearness, thickness, or humidity—causes not visible to the eye of the observer. On one fine, calm day he heard the fog-whistle at a distance of ten miles, and on another equally calm, fine day he had to approach within four miles of the whistle to hear the sound. May 19th and 20th he could hear the report of a gun further than the blast of a trumpet, and on succeeding days the trumpet could be heard when the gun was inaudible. The difference was not in the penetrating force of the respective sounds, but in the properties of the air. And now we come to the most singular result of all, the exploding of the common theory in regard to the power of a fair wind for the conveyance of sound in any state of the atmosphere. On the 25th of June, with a favorable wind, signal sounds could be heard at a distance of six miles, while on the next day, with the wind blowing in the opposite direction, the same sounds were clearly distinguishable at a distance of nine miles. It is a pity that simultaneous observations had not been taken both to windward and leeward of the sounds, so that the actual influence of the wind might have been ascertained. One day, during a haze so thick that the land was hidden and the visible horizon limited to a mile and a half, sounds were heard at a distance of twelve miles that could not be distinguished on many clear days at much shorter distances. On the 3rd of July—a clear, calm and sunny day—*nothing could be heard at a distance of three miles.* This is accounted for on the theory that the air lacked homogeneity—that there was an irregular commixture of light and dense air. The experimenter went on shore where the signal sounds were made and found that echoes of fifteen minutes' duration came back from the air. Instead of travelling through space the sonorous waves were dashed back like the waves of the sea from a rock, by striking the imperceptible strata of dense air.

The exact causes of the variability of the air as a sound-telegraph are subjects of int rest to the scientist, but the great fact that the atmosphere, under certain conditions, will not carry the song of the steam siren to a greater distance than three miles, perhaps even less, is of vital importance to our mariners, and warns them that they must not trust too implicitly to the screaching guardians of the coast. Scientists will not, we may safely presume, discover any method of improving the carrying properties of the air, nor invent a sound that will penetrate to a given distance without reference to the condition of the atmosphere. The careful navigator, therefore, will not trust to lights or steam signals, when on dangerous coasts in thick weather, but diligently keep his reckoning, and unremittingly take soundings and watch for the land. Many ships have been cast away because their commanders trusted to seeing a light or hearing a whistle at a certain distance from the land, instead of trusting first to their own reckoning and soundings and looking on the established signals as of merely secondary importance. Some of our own scientists should institute a series of experiments off this harbor. The Government, we should suppose, would lend its aid and countenance.

Simultaneous Elections.

Our electoral system is a relic of the past. Once the polling took place in different parishes on successive days, an election dragging its slow length along from parish to parish. Now County after County records its verdict with days between, the excitement being kept up for weeks. Simultaneous polling has worked well wherever established, and has never been repealed in favor of the system practiced in the Province now. The party in power at Ottawa proposes to favor this system, although they did not loyally abide by it in arranging the late elections, and may be expected to do something for its establishment. It is quite probable that, before many years, every Province of the Dominion will have adopted simultaneous polling. Let New Brunswick not be the last to adopt the reform. Dr. Alward has introduced a bill into our Legislature for making the elections for the Assembly simultaneous and it ought to pass. It will be opposed because it will prevent wealthy electors voting in all the parishes they hold property in, but so flimsy an objection should not be given a moment's consideration.

Profane Policemen.

To the Editor of the Tribune.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Feb. 23.

I would like to ask through your valuable journal if the Policemen are allowed to use profane and threatening language to persons on the street, without any provocation whatever. If not, why maintain such men on the force?

Yours, etc., ONE INSULTED.

The Halifax *Express* has begun the publication of the "The Lady of the Lake" as a serial, from one to ten lines appearing in the editorials or locals of each issue.

A Roman Catholic pilgrimage to Rome is to leave New York in May. It has been promised the blessing of Archbishop McCloskey, and will take the grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in its route.

A woman was found, a day or two since, in Beech street, Boston, living amid surroundings indicating the most abject poverty. She was apparently faint from lack of food and her case was brought to the attention of the Directors of Public Institutions, who resolved to send her to Tewksbury, and did yesterday. At the depot she was fed by the sympathising bystanders with oranges and other edibles. When she arrived at Tewksbury the officials found sewed up in her dress lining the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

In the German Reichstag, Monday, Gen. Von Moltke, in the course of a speech in support of a new military bill, said: "What we acquired in six months we shall have to protect by force of arms for half a century to come. France, notwithstanding a majority of her people are convinced of the necessity of peace, is imitating our army organization." He concluded thus: "We have become powerful, but remain peaceful. We require an army for defence, not conquest." The bill was referred to a committee. A Deputy from Alsace moved that a *plebiscite* be taken in Alsace and Lorraine on the question of nationality.

LOCALS

For advertisements of WANTED, LOST, FOUND, FOR SALE, REMOVED, or TO LET see Auction column.

New Advertisements.

Advertisers must send in their favors before 12 o'clock, noon, in order to insure their appearance in this list.

Notice— Henry Mathews
Election Card— J W Lanergan

AUCTIONS.

Auction Card— Hall & Hanington
Clothing, &c— E H Lester

On First Page: Poetry, Notes and News; Edward Jenner, and The Devil Fish in Newfoundland Waters.

On Fourth Page: Saturday's Second Edition.

Personal.

Mr. James P. Hanington and wife arrived at the Victoria Hotel Saturday night. A bonfire blazed in their honor.

W. H. Ray, Esq., M. P. for Annapolis, is at Barnes's Hotel.

John Hampson, of the firm of R. S. Staples & Co., left this morning for England *via* New York. He takes passage in the Cunard steamship Russia.

D. Main, Esq., of the *St. Croix Courier*, is in the city.

HAY AND CORDWOOD for sale wholesale and retail by J. M. Smith, opposite Railway Station, St. John. tf

Brevities.

John Boyd, Esq., will deliver his new lecture entitled "Those that go down to the sea," in Calvin Church on Monday evening next.

The Rev. Dr. Waters lectures to-morrow night in Carleton for the benefit of the Presbyterian Sunday-school, on "Samuel Johnson—His Life and Times."

Several undertakers of the city have been victimized by a man who ordered a coffin for his poor dead mother, and also asked a small loan from each. They drove six miles to where the dead body was supposed to lay, and found they were sold.

The Laborers Society turned out quite largely at the funeral of Thomas Moran yesterday afternoon.

Portland Wesleyan Sunday-school will have an entertainment to-morrow evening.

William Jones, merchant tailor, has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors.

Harmony Division S. of T. are to have a tea-meeting on Wednesday evening in Temperance Hall, Portland.

Another snow-storm is in progress. The "beautiful" commenced to fall early this morning, and a large quantity is already on the ground.

The Wesleyans at Milkish intend holding a tea-meeting on Wednesday evening. A party from the city will cross the river and enjoy the tea provided by the Milkish ladies.

Some person, as yet unknown, picked up Mr. Michael Nugent's coat from a table in the Country Market. There was a purse containing $6 in the pocket, and the loss is a serious one.

Mr. William Johnston, master mechanic in the Railway Department, Halifax, was presented, on Thursday, by the men connected with the works, with a gold watch and chain.

The Pictou curlers had a grand reception on their arrival home. They were escorted to their homes by a large concourse of people, and flags and brooms were displayed in large numbers.

The Stock Exchange will, until the 2d March, meet at their room, Cushing's Building, at 12 o'clock instead of 11 as heretofore.

GOLD-MINED Ebony and Walnut Frames at NOTMAN'S.

To Advertisers.

The circulation of the TRIBUNE is at the present time very large, doubtless exceeding the circulation of any other St. John daily. Advertisers will consult their own interests by patronising the TRIBUNE. Yearly contracts made at favorable rates.

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THE DAILY TRIBUNE and all the most popular Canadian, English and American newspapers and magazines can always be obtained at the bookstore of Mr. W. K. Crawford, King street. au 8

St. John Stock Exchange.

BOARD ROOM, Feb., 3rd, 1874.

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" " B. N. America,	200	4		192
" " Montreal,	200	4		86½
Maritime Bank,	100			
People's Bank,	100	3½		
St. Stephen Bank,	100	4		
Stadacona Bank,	100		107	
Spring Hill C. M. Co.,	50		120	
Joggins C. M. Co.,	3	4	110	
People's Street Ry. Co.,	20		20	
St. George Red Granite,	100		50	
Victoria Hotel Co.,	100		20	
Suspension Bridge Co.,	25		66	
St. John Gas Co.,	110	4		105
Victoria Skating Rink,	50	3	105	
Confederate Life Ins. Co.,	100		100	
Royal Canadian Fire Ins.	100		90	
N. B. Patent Tanning Co.	5		35	25
Sussex Boot & Shoe M. Co.	50	3½	100	
Ottawa City Bonds,		3		
Academy of Music,	29		49	
Parrsboro R. and Coal M	100		99	
St. Stephen Ry. 1st M. B.		3	86	
Colebrook Rolling Mills,	100	6		
Moncton Driving Park,	100		35	
City School Debentures,		3		91
Corporation Bonds,		4		100
South Bay Boom Co.,	40	5	75	
Carleton Branch Ry.,	20		50	
" 1st M. Bonds,		3	100	
Western Extension Ry.,				
Port Philip Free Stone,	50			
M. P. Knitting M. Co.,	50			
M. P. Warehousing & D. Co.	50			101
N. B. Electric Tel. Co.,				
Fredericton Boom Co.,				
Central Fire Ins. Co.,	40	6		
St. John W. & S. Dabon,		3		101
Do. do. Carleton,		3	100	
Do. Reed's Point, Petitnill Property, etc.,		3		
N. B. Provincial Bonds,		3	103	

Exchange Bank Sterling, 60 days, 9⅛; Do. do., sight, 10¼; Drafts on U. S. currency, 10¼ discount.

Wild Life in the Far West.

A volume bearing the above title has just been issued by a Hartford publishing house. The book gives numerous incidents and details of life in the Far West in years now past, when civilization had encroached still less on the home of the Indian. The author, Capt. James Hobbs, has lived among the Comanches and knows whereof he writes. The identity of the hero of the stirring scenes of the book, with the author, is vouched for by Mr. Wm. E. Goodyear, a well known citizen. The book is profusely illustrated, printed on good paper and well bound. It will prove a very attractive volume to a large class of readers, and much more valuable than the stories of adventures upon which the public are fed.—*N. H. Palladium.*

M. McLeod, General Agent for New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Local agents wanted.

Grand Trunk Railway.

Mr. Mathews advertises an excursion to Ottawa, for the benefit of members of the Commons and others who are to attend the coming meeting of Parliament. The rate to Ottawa and back is fixed at a very low figure. Mr. Mathews and Mr. Small of Halifax have just returned from a visit to the head offices of the company. Full arrangements have been made for the passenger business of the railway during the coming season, and favorable rates for travellers will in a short time be announced. Some changes in the management will also take place in a few weeks.

"Cunard Line"—Special Notice.

With the view of diminishing the chances of collision, the steamers of this Line will henceforth take a specified course for all seasons of the year. On the outward passage from Queenstown to New York or Boston, crossing meridian of 50 at 43 lat., or nothing to the north of 43. On the homeward passage, crossing the meridian of 50 at 42 lat., or nothing to the north of 42. Tickets for all steamers of this favorite Line can be secured at Hall & Hanington's Ticket Agency.

Death of Michael Maloney.

The cold bath Mr. Maloney received on Friday was more than his constitution could bear, and he died from the shock yesterday morning. In his death St. John has lost one of its prominent characters. He was born in 1797, and has lived over thirty years in this city. In 1811 he went into the army, and was at the battle of Waterloo. In 1817 he left the army, and afterwards came out to Quebec. There he remained some years, when having heard that St. John was a good place for fishing, he came here, walking all the way from Quebec to this city. For some time he engaged in fishing, but one night he saw a ghost as he was returning in his boat. He considered this a warning that if he continued to be a fisherman he would be drowned. So he sold his boat and afterwards engaged in various occupations on land. For some years he carried the mails from the steamer Empress to the Post Office, and his "Clear the way for Her Majesty's mails," as he pulled his handcart along, will be remembered by many. A few years ago the position of mail carrier was taken from him, on account of his growing feeble. This he considered very wrong, and never forgave the Post Office Department for doing so. His favorite places of resort were the hotels, especially those on Prince William street. There would always find some one to listen to his stories. The ghost story was always told with a great deal of vim, and with a few additions each time. He was a great theologian, delighted to discuss doctrinal points, and boasted that he had read and knew by heart nearly all of both versions of the Bible. He leaves considerable property to his wife, whom he always called "Queen Ann," and for whom he had a reverence amounting to fear. He had only been married about fifteen years t the time of his death.

Heart Disease—Palpitation, Feeble and Irregular Action of the Heart Cured by Fellows' Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites.

FREEPORT, Digby Co., N. S., Feb. 10, 1869.

JAMES I. FELLOWS, Esq.,—*Dear Sir:* Gratitude to you, and sympathy for the afflicted, induces me to send you a written statement of my case and the cure effected by using your Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites.

In April, 1868, I was attacked with palpitation of the heart, I sent for the doctor, and he said that nothing could be done for me, and that I was liable to die very suddenly; being very weak and unable to leave my bed, I became discouraged.

After my physician gave me up, I was induced to use your Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites, and the effect was wonderful. In two days I felt the benefit of it, and after taking half a bottle I was entirely free from the complaint, and to this day have not been troubled with a return of the heart disease. Yours very truly, SARAH LENT.

Oysters. Oysters. Oysters.

Shemogue oysters. Just received a very fine lot of the above oysters, at the Victoria Dining Saloon, Germain street, No. 8. CORNELIUS SPARROW.

Shipping Notes.

The bark Stag, of Halifax, N. S., Kerr, master, at New York 19th inst., from Messina, reports having during the passage experienced strong variable gales; was 10 days north of Bermuda; on the 10th inst., 100 miles N. W. of Bermuda, was struck by lightning, carrying away maintopgallantmast and both maintopsail yards.

DOVER, Feb. 4.—The bark Kathleen was last night towed into the harbor, where she grounded again near the inner jetty; all efforts to move her with two tugs this day's tide have been unsuccessful.

Abandoned at sea.—The bark Scottish Bride, McComber master, from New York Jan. 9, for Malaga, was abandoned at sea Jan. 29, in lat. 28 N., lon. 51 W. Crew saved and arrived at Queenstown to-day. The S. B. registered 408 tons, was built at Windsor, N. S., in 1868, from which port she sailed, and had on board the following cargo: 500 bbls alcohol, 20,000 gallons refined petroleum, 70,800 staves and 78 pieces oak.

Missing.—The bark Sheffield, Shaw master, sailed from Belize on the 15th Sept. for London, and was reported to have been seen off Havana 8 or 10 days afterwards, since which time she has not been heard from. The S. registered 595 tons, was built at Oromocto in 1863, and was owned by Wm. A. Robertson, Esq., of this city.

Quick Passage.—The bark Emma Payzant, Dexter master, which arrived at Liverpool, G. B., on the 14th inst., from Norfolk, Va., made the passage across in 18 days.

The bark Underwriter, which arrived at Liverpool 20th inst. from Charleston, S. C., reports having experienced tempestuous weather during the passage, during which had maintopmast and mizzenmast carried away, and lost and split sails.

PIANOFORTE TUNING.—Mr. Carson Flood has secured the services of Mr. C. E. Bourne, of Boston, a practical pianoforte builder and tuner. Orders left at the Warerooms, No. 25 Prince Wm. street, will be attended to in the order received.

Steinway's and Chickering's Pianos at E. Peller & Bro's.

Point Lepreaux Weather and Marine Report.

The following is the telegraphic report from Point Lepreaux to the Board of Trade room, this morning:

9 a. M.—Wind E. S. E., strong breeze snowing fast.

The "Canadian Sunday School Organ" is one of the finest collections of sacred music published. For sale at Landry & McCarthy's.

A fine assortment of new English Music at E. Peller & Bro's.

Steamers.

The steamer Acadian did not arrive here until yesterday afternoon, having been detained by a heavy snow storm. Her cargo of flour is being discharged as rapidly as possible; it will probably take four or five days to clear her out.

The New Brunswick will, if found necessary, make two trips this week to clear out the remainder of the Grand Trunk freight from Portland.

ENGLISH and American Chromos at NOTMAN'S.

Cheap Instruction Books at E. Peller & Bro's.

INDIAN INK Mezzotintos at NOTMAN'S.

Cæsar covered his bald head and grey hair with a laurel crown. AYER'S HAIR VIGOR covers grey heads with the still more welcome locks of youth.

A solution of gutta percha in ether thrown on a charcoal or crayon drawing, in the shape of spray, will soon form a transparent and durable coating which allows the dust to be rubbed off occasionally with a wet cloth without damaging the drawing.

"Pa," said a Baltimore boy, "what is Mardi-grass they are talking so much about?" "Shrove Tuesday," said the well informed father. "And what is Shrove Tuesday?" "Look in the Dictionary." The boy looked, and saw, "Shrove Tuesday—the Tuesday following Quinquagesima Sunday, and preceding Ash Wednesday." Then he knew all about it.

The numbers of *Littell's Living Age* for February 14th and 21st have the following noteworthy contents:—International Vanities, Sir Robert Strange, Mary Somerville, Spanish Life and Character in the Interior during the summer of 1873, Chataubriand and His Times, Rare Pottery and Porcelain, on Name and Race in England, the Restoration of the Mogul Buildings at Agra, a Japanese Workhouse, together with the conclusion of "Sukie's Boy;" of "Little Jack;" and an instalment of a short story by Anthony Trollope, poetry and miscellany. With fifty-two such numbers, of sixty-four large pages each (aggregating over 3000 a year) the subscription price ($8) is low.

The Champion Pie Eaters.

[From the Denver News.]

The people in New Mexico originate some curious societies. In Mesilla and Las Cruces they have—or it is said they have—what are known as the "Pie Eaters," composed of persons passionately fond of pies. So strong has the rivalry grown between the two societies that a challenge resulted, and the contest is reported to have been as follows: "The pies were to be mince and one inch thick; Mesilla to bite first, and no bite to count unless it reached the centre of the pie. Mesilla piled up nine pies and shut down on them without an effort. Las Cruces elevated the top of his head and closed his jaws over eleven. [Great enthusiasm among his friends.] Mesilla came to the scratch or bite manfully and flopped his lip over a dozen successfully. [Odds offered on Mesilla.] Las Bruces at this point said: 'Well, it is time to stop this nonsense; hand me fifteen.' They were given him; he smiled, laid the back of his head on his shoulders, and came down on the bundle of pies like an alligator on a mouthful of flies. But his teeth did not come together. He struggled and jerked, but it was no use. Three of his teeth broke and his hold gave way. On examining, a dog collar was found in the centre pie, and Las Cruces had got his teeth tangled in the buckle. Jack Martin, the referee, decided in favor of Mesilla, on the ground that everything was fair in a mince pie."

By Telegraph.

Canadian, British and Foreign.

[*To the Associated Press.*]

LONDON, Feb. 21.

Consols 92½ a 92¾.

The action of Mr. Disraeli in limiting his Cabinet to twelve members, is generally approved by the press; Mr. Gladstone's Cabinet was composed of fifteen members.

Sir Charles Edward Trevelyan, Kt., is to be made a baronet.

Francis John Packenham, Secretary British Legation at Washington, and Mr. Watson, Secretary of the Legation at Copenhagen, are to exchange places.

The following are additional appointments under the new Government—Lord Sandon, Vice President of the Council; Lord George Charles Lennox, Commissioner of Works and Buildings; W. H. Smith, Member of Parliament, elect, from Westminster, Financial Secretary of the Treasury.

The *Times* says a despatch has been received at Cape Coast Castle, 28th January, from the expeditionary force, announcing that the Coomassie capital of Ashantee surrendered to Gen. Wolseley, and that the king and family were prisoners.

Several persons have died from famine in the district of Nepaul.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.

Gold 112¼; sterling exchange 4.85 a 4.88½.

An explosion of dualin at the office of the Phœnix Mine, Lake Superior, killed six persons.

LONDON, Feb. 22.

CIVIL WAR IN JAPAN.

Dispatches from Nagasaki say the insurrection is spreading and the situation critical. The insurgents are advancing on that place and the foreign residents are preparing to leave.

SUMMONED TO ROME.

The *Popolo Romano* says that Cardinal Antonelli has sent to all the Bishops asking them to come to Rome as the Pope wishes to see them before he dies.

THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR.

Heavy fighting has been going on in Biscay for several days. The Republicans have taken the first height and their losses are heavy.

The Carlists have taken the town of Vludroz in Valencia.

ASIATIC CHOLERA

is still raging in Buenos Ayres, 40 to 50 deaths being daily reported.

THE ALSATIAN DEPUTIES

have withdrawn from the German Reichstag and returned to Strasburg.

RETIREMENT OF GLADSTONE.

Mr. Gladstone has determined to no longer take an active part in Parliamentary proceedings. There is much speculation as to who will succeed him as head of the Opposition. The *Observer* hopes that Mr. Gladstone's determination is not final.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.

RAILWAY DISASTER.

An engine on the Jefferson Branch of the Erie Railroad ran off the track near Uniondale yesterday, and falling down an embankment killed four persons, including the Conductor.

SPANISH EXPORTS.

The Secretary of the Treasury has been informed that Spain has removed her duties on exports.

(*Special to the News.*)

OTTAWA, Feb. 21.

The *Gazette* extra this afternoon summons Parliament for despatch of business on Thursday, 26th of March.

Robert Marshall arrived from St. John to-night. The remainder of the Board of Trade delegates will arrive on Monday.

The Dominion Telegraph Company will apply next session for power to extend their lines into the Maritime Provinces.

None of the Ministerial journals deny that there is trouble in the Cabinet.

LEGISLATURE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 23.

As the new order of business was observed to-day nothing but routine was gone through with until 12 o'clock. The Speaker resumed the chair at twelve, and Hon. Mr. Crawford introduced a bill to amend chap. 53, cap. 8, Revised Statutes on rates and taxes.

On motion of Mr. Tibbets the Fredericton Boom Company amendment bill was referred to a Committee—Messrs. Tibbets, McPherson, Irvin, Hubbard and Harrison.

Mr. Adams introduced a bill to authorize the erection of a sorting boom on Bartholemew River.

Mr. Lindsay introduced a bill to incorporate the Beceguemic Boom Co. with a petition.

Mr. Palmer introduced a bill to incorporate the Hopewell Corner Institute, with a petition.

Mr. Adams recommitted the Southwest Boom Company bill, Mr. Harrison in the chair. Sections protecting Mrs. Wilson's rights, and imposing a fine of $20 on persons marking unmarked logs within the Boom Company's limits were added, and the bill was then agreed to.

Hon. Mr. King committed a bill concerning actions at law by representatives of persons whose death may be caused by the negligence of others, Mr. Butler in the chair. The bill authorizes action for recovery of damages by the persons indicated against any one by whose act of negligence in the performance of duty the death of any person shall be caused.

Mr. King explained that at present damages caused by the neglect of others could be recovered by a person so damaged, but should such person die in consequence of such damage no action lies on the part of his or her relatives. Such a law exists in England and it is only a matter of wonder it has not been passed here. The Act in England was framed by Lord Campbell, and this differs in some particulars from it. The English Act gave at first damages beyond pecuniary loss. This act authorizes the recovery of pecuniary loss. That act's provisions leave no limit to damages in certain cases. This Act covers only the loss of what would