THE HERALD

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 1891.

ALL matter for publication in the HERALD should be in this office by noon on Tuesday. Persons wishing their advertisements changed *must* advise us Saturday forenoon.

MATTERS POLITICAL.

IN view of the standing of parties in the House of Assembly, consequent on the late bye-elections, the Government of Hon. Mr. McLeod, advised His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor to dissolve the House, in order that an appeal to the people might be made. His Honor, however, it appears, refused to accept that advice, and as a consequence the Government resigned, on Saturday last.

The Opposition were then called upon to form a Government. They called a meeting of their party for yesterday when the questions of who were to constitute the new Executive and who should be the new Leader were discussed. The House is called to meet tomorrow for the despatch of business and the new Administration should be prepared to go on with the business of the country.

In refusing a dissolution of the House, the Lieutenant Governor must have been persuaded that a "strong and efficient administration" could be formed by the Opposition in the Assembly, as laid down in "Todd's Parliamentary Government in the British Colonies." Whatever he may have thought on this point, we will most likely find that, when the House meets if all the members attend, after the Speaker is chosen, the standing of parties on the floor of the House will be 14 to 14. Such a condition of things may or may not guarantee a "strong and efficient administration."

During the past twelve years, the people of this Province have, through the wise and economical administration of public affairs, by the Liberal Conservatives, saved about one million six hundred thousand dollars that would have been taken from them in the shape of taxes, had their opponents been in power and continued anything like the recklessness and extravagance that characterized the short reign of the Davies Government. During all these years the Opposition were remarkable only for their persistent efforts to hamper the Government in every move they made for the benefit of the Province, and being warmly seconded by their co-workers in the Legislative Council they were enabled to accomplish not a little mischief.

With such a record the people of this Province will, doubtless, be anxious to know what this party, now that it has succeeded to power, have to offer as a panacea for the ills which they tell us the Province has suffered at the hands of the "Tories". One thing is certain, they will probably find it quite a task to satisfy the army of hungry office seekers.

We understand that yesterday's deliberations resulted in the formation of a Government with Frederick Peters, Esq. as Leader and Attorney General. It is said that all the members of the Executive are not yet nominated; but will be shortly. Rumor has it that Mr. James R. McLean, of Souris is to be Commissioner of Public Works, and that the Crown Lands will be offered to Mr. McMillan of Summerside.

SIR CHARLES TUPPER AND THE G. T. R.

IT will be remembered that Sir Charles Tupper, after the late Dominion election, spoke of the violently partisan conduct of the managers of the Grand Trunk Railway, during the election campaign. This led to considerable discussion in the press, the Grits, of course, abusing Sir Charles for his attack, and lauding Sir Henry Tyler, President of the Road. Mr. Reeves, the Chicago manager of the Road, boasted that he had passed some hundreds of Canadians, living in the United States, over the road free in order to vote against Sir John Macdonald's Government, on the 5th of March last. He gloried in his annexation proclivities. Sir Charles Tupper finally came out in a letter in defence of the course he pursued, addressed to the London Times. In this letter he does not mince matters; but makes a plain statement of facts, and declares his readiness to appear before the shareholders of the Road, and substantiate what he had already said. To this Sir Henry Tyler made a very weak reply.

On the 14th inst., the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Road was held in London, when, by a vote of six to one, the action of Sir Henry Tyler and his colleagues was condemned, and the four directors whose re-election was moved by the President, were not elected. The President made a long speech, which partook largely of abuse of Sir Charles Tupper. Amid considerable confusion, the meeting adjourned for two weeks. By that time Sir Charles Tupper will probably be in London, and will be able to satisfy Sir Henry Tyler's desire of meeting him face to face. These shareholders whose pockets are affected in the matter, know what they are about, and their vote of sixty to ten by which the candidates of Sir Henry Tyler were defeated indicates that they believe the charges made against the English directors to be true and that they do not approve of the animosity to the Dominion Government shown by these men.

As a result of the dissatisfaction among the shareholders, Grand Trunk stock declined £2 a share in the London market.

THE contract with the Allan Steamship Company for the transportation of the Canadian mails to and from England expired on the 11th inst. It appears the company declined to renew the contract under the same terms as last year, claiming that they were subjected to loss by the winter service, and the terms for a renewal proposed by the Company, were it is said, not acceptable to the Government. The consequence was the annulling of the contract. Pending the consideration of other arrangements the English mails are now sent via New York instead of Halifax; but the parcel post, which is a distinct service, will be continued as usual.

K. D. C. Positive Cure

THE FISHERIES OF CANADA.

THE Dominion of Canada possesses in its fisheries one of the greatest endowments which nature, with all its prodigality, has ever bestowed upon our country, and the able and elaborate annual report of Hon. C. H. Tupper Minister of Marine and Fisheries, which has just appeared, demonstrates most clearly the wealth of our resources in this respect. To many the following table, giving the value of the yield in our various provinces from 1869 to 1889, will prove an unexpected revelation:

Provinces.	Total Value of Yield.
Ontario	$ 15,753,741
Quebec	39,525,049
Nova Scotia	135,216,714
New Brunswick	54,804,632
Manitoba & Territories	719,033
British Columbia	19,139,443
Prince Edward Island	17,376,325
Total	$282,534,938

The product of our fisheries was four times as great in 1889 as in 1869, while the export was only double, showing once again the rapidly increasing value of our own home market.

The total value of the export during the period named amounted to $134,301,437, while we possessed in 1889 4,196 vessels valued at $3,000,000 and employing 67,000 men with nets and other material worth $2,100,000. Such is the importance of this great industry which is dealt with at length in Hon. Mr. Tupper's report now before us. As may be imagined, the papers included in this document take a wide range covering in fact the salmon fisheries of the Pacific slope, the whitebait fisheries of Manitoba and the territorial lakes, the fisheries of Labrador and indirectly of Newfoundland, the salmon trout and whitefish of Lake Huron and Georgian bay, the oysters and lobsters of the coast of the Maritime Provinces and many other sources of supply throughout British North America.

Several important recommendations are made, some of which affect to a certain degree our relations with the States, whilst others are intimately connected with the preservation and extension of the industry. The excessive fishing in lake Winnipeg, which threatens to deplete those great inland waters of so valuable and essential a commodity, is earnestly deprecated, and measures proposed to counteract the evil; the subject of the relative merits of pound and gill nets is dwelt upon at length by Mr. Charles Wilmot in his report to the Department, and the conclusion appears to have been forced upon him that the latter method of catching fish in our great lakes must be abandoned, not only on account of the condition of the fish caught by such means, but because its "use as at present practised must eventually exterminate the salmon trout and whitefish." The destructive nature of the purse seines upon young herring and mackerel in the Gulf and Maritime fisheries is also pointed out, and it is urged that the only means of properly protecting this interest is by entirely prohibiting the use of the purse seine in Canadian waters.

Mr. Wilmot draws attention to the difficulty which he claims has grown up of late years in connection with the Georgian bay fisheries, but as the subject matter of the case and the alleged discrimination against our Canadian fishermen have been recently very fully outlined by our Ottawa correspondent, the charges made by Mr. Wilmot, as well as his recommendations may be safely left in the hands of the Government.

The report also states that 119 American vessels took out licenses last year upon our Atlantic coast, paying a gross amount of $14,461, and that the actual effect of the system has been to enable the United States fishermen to continue certain lines of fishing which, were they debarred the privileges of buying bait, ice and supplies, would have to be relinquished. The continuance of this privilege in face of the McKinley bill ought surely to convince any candid man that the Dominion Government is not actuated by hostile feelings towards the American republic.

We are also presented with a despatch to the Imperial authorities, signed by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, giving details regarding the unfair treatment accorded to our fishermen on the Newfoundland coasts, and in connection with the important cod and lobster fisheries of that island it is interesting to note the following figures with reference to our own production in that and other lines between the years 1869 and 1889:

Canadian Fisheries.	Total Value of Catch.
Cod and ling	$79,618,468
Mackerel	29,278,974
Herring	37,969,124
Salmon	23,351,525
Lobsters	33,801,216

Only the most important are here given, but it will be seen at a glance how essential the maintenance of our fisheries intact from foreign or outside interference must be to the prosperity of our people.

Taken as a whole, and aside from the serious importance of the preservation and development of this great national industry, the report before us is creditable alike to the officials, to the department and to the Minister who presides over it, while the condition of the fisheries in general is a subject of congratulation to the people of Canada.—*Empire.*

A MAN named Jenks was struck by the Pictou accomodation train about half a mile west of Stewiacke Friday. He was thrown about ten feet in the air and about fifteen feet off the track. His injuries are not considered fatal. He owns and operates a saw mill about ten miles from Stewiacke. He is quite deaf and did not hear the train approaching.—*Hx. Herald.*

$745.00 IN GOLD FOR A WIFE.

We will give to the first person telling us before June 1st, 1891, where in the Bible the word "WIFE" is first found $100, 00 in gold. To the next $50.00. To the third $25.00. To the fourth $20.00. To the fifth $15.00. To the sixth, $10; to the next 25. $5 each. To the next 25, $2 each.

To the person sending in the last correct answer, we will give $100 in gold. To the next to the last $50, and so on same as from the first. With your answer send 25 cts. in silver, or 27 cts. in stamps, for a box of Dr. Cole's Blood and Liver Pills, the best Blood, Liver, and Stomach Pill ever made. Sure cure for sick headache. Don't Gripe REMEMBER the presents are ABSOLUTELY FREE, being given away to advertise Dr. Cole's Perfect Pills and Family Remedies. At the close of the contest the names and addresses of all the prize winners will appear in THIS paper. We refer you to the Traders' Bank of Orillia. Send at once and be first. Address, HOME SPECIFIC CO. ORILLIA, ONT.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

DURING the debate of the railway estimates, in the Manitoba Legislature, on the 16th inst., Mr. Roblin, leader of the Opposition, issued a challenge to Hon. Mr. Martin to come outside and settle their dispute, *a la* John L. Sullivan. The two statesmen had reached the door on their way to the battle ground when they were stopped by the other members.

THE annual financial statement of the Province of Nova Scotia, as presented in the House of Assembly, a few days ago, by Premier Fielding, shows the total expenditure to be $1,210,000. Of this amount $710,000 is for ordinary purposes, and $500,000 on capital account for the construction of roads, permanent bridges and subsidies to railways. There is a deficit of $45,000 in the ordinary accounts of the year. The total debt of the Province is stated to be $2,650,000.

THE Postmaster General's report for last year shows that, on 1st July 1890, the number of Post Offices in Canada was 7,913. Assuming the population of Canada to be 5,000,000, the number of Post Offices would be equal to one for every 631 persons; whilst in the United States taking the population at 64,000,000, the number of Post offices (62,401) only affords one office for every 1,025 persons. One thousand three hundred and three miles of mail route were added during the last year making the total annual travel 26,498,497 miles, being an addition to that of the previous year of 741,719 miles.

IN reply to a correspondent, the Toronto Empire, of the 16th inst. says that Sir Richard Cartwright "was a Conservative up to the 9th of October, 1869, when the appointment of Sir Francis Hincks as Finance Minister was gazetted, and from that date to the present he has called himself a Reformer, Liberal or what you will, so long as the name does not in any way connect the bearer with the patriotic party and policy of Sir John Macdonald. It is rather amusing in this connection to note that the Globe of yesterday in referring to Sir Graham Berry, one of the most popular and respected of Australian statesmen, quotes with approval a letter from some antipodean "crank" who calls that gentleman a nonentity and several other abusive names for having accepted knighthood some years ago."

THE annual report of the Department of Indian affairs for the year ended 31st Dec. last, has the following regarding the Indians of this Province. An increased interest is being displayed by the Micmac Indians of this Province in agriculture and in fruit culture. The prolific oyster beds in the vicinity of the Lennox Island Reserve, are likewise a source of considerable profit to them. Fine sea-fish are also caught in the locality. Their crops in 1890 were far less than those of the preceding year; the potato yield not having been much more than one-half that of 1888. Nevertheless the Indians were able to support themselves during last winter with very little assistance from the Department. School was conducted on Lennox Island with considerable success during the past year. The small Band which occupies a reserve in Township 39 has, it is believed, pursued their usual course of industry and thrift; but no mention is made of those Indians in the Agent's Annual Report, and therefore it is impossible to speak with accuracy in regard to their condition.

"IT is satisfactory to notice" says the Ottawa Citizen "that the prospects of immigration to Canada this year have greatly improved during the past few weeks, and the indications now are that, not only will the immigrants be of a superior class, but they will be much more numerous than seemed probable earlier in the season. This is directly traceable to the influence of the visit of the tenant-farmers' delegates last year, and to the wide distribution of the reports made by them, as well as to the effect of the speeches they have made since they got home. Of course, the full benefit of these visits cannot be felt this year. The reports have only been distributed during the past few weeks, and it will take time for them to have their effect, but they have already been the means of attracting a fair amount of emigrants this season. The country has every reason to be thankful to the Hon John Carling for inviting these delegates to visit Canada." Almost every paper in the United Kingdom has referred to the pamphlet in complimentary terms, and some of the notices, such as the one in the *Times* have been highly complimentary. The *Times* says, "No more important step with regard to our Colonial Empire has ever been taken than the organization of the delegates' visit," and goes on to speak in terms of the highest praise of the reports.

TKACADIE CROSS FARMERS' ASSOCIATION.

Pursuant to notice, a largely attended meeting of the inhabitants of Tracadie Cross and vicinity, assembled in Glenaladale schoolroom, on Saturday, 4th inst, for the purpose of organising a farmers' club. The meeting was called to order by appointing Mr. Angus C. McAulay Chairman. After discussing the benefits to be derived from such a movement, the following officers were appointed:

President—Angus C. McAulay.
Vice-president—A. J. Dougan.
Recording Secretary—Joseph A Mc Donald.
Corresponding Secretary—Augustine A. McDonald.
Treasurer—Patrick Hughes.
Managing Committee—Stephen McDonald, Patrick Smith, James Smith, Augustine D. McDonald, John D. McDonald, F. J. McDonald and Francis Hughes.

The club will be known as the "Tracadie Cross Farmers' Association," and will be open for the admittance of members until their next meeting, which will take place on the 24th of June at 6 o'clock, p. m.

Near Washington, Wis., last week, A. Bahr and his wife quarrelled, after which Bahr shot himself. Before doing so he told his children Mrs. Bahr had poisoned an old man named Seri, the father of his first wife, who died suddenly a year ago. The children informed the authorities and they arrested the woman, who confessed. Mrs. Bahr is sick, under care of a doctor. Bahr was an ugly-dispositioned man. Not long after Seri's death Bahr pounded one of his children inhumanly, and after jerking its leg almost out of the socket threw it in a bed, where it soon died. He was never prosecuted for the child's murder.

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

Stanley left New York Wednesday for England.

Deaths from La Grippe at Washington average 175 daily.

The New Brunswick Legislature was prorogued on Thursday.

A protest has been filed against the return of E. C. Bowers, M. P., for Digby N. S.

Five persons lost their lives in a burning house at London on Wednesday last.

A fire at New York on Friday morning caused the loss of property worth half a million.

By the collision of two trains at Charleston, S. C., on Thursday, two men were killed and eighteen wounded.

The schooner L. B. Snow was burned to the water's edge at Weymouth, N S. on Thursday. The fire originated from lime in her hold.

The Dutch steamer Caland and the British steamer Glamorgan collided in the channel on Thursday. The latter sank. The crew was saved.

Willie Monbelm, aged 13, of Montgomery, Miss., and his mother quarrelled on Thursday, and Willie suicided by hanging before her eyes.

Martin P. Black, one Halifax's wealthiest merchants died on Saturday He retired from active commercial life a few years ago worth three quarters of a million

A Chilian paper reports that the hills near Pisagua are covered with dead bodies. Whether the dead are insurgents or adherents of Balmaceda is not made known.

Actonolite, a very valuable mineral, has been found in large quantities in Kalader, Ont. Ninety per cent of the mineral can be used in the manufacture of paper.

Bismark received over 6000 votes in his contest for a seat in the German Reichstage, but another ballot is necessary as the votes received are not sufficient for a choice.

Wm. Doherty, an Albert County, N B. farmer, who has been missing for some weeks, was last week found dead in a field near his own home. Rum and exposure was the cause of his death.

Sir Hector Langevin's election for Richelieu has been protested. The petitioner, Manaque, is the ruffian who brutally waylaid and attacked Sir Hector on his return from a meeting during the recent campaign.

The second reading of the Newfoundland *modus vivendi* in connection with the lobster fisheries was postponed in the House of Lords until next Friday, to enable the counsel for Newfoundland delegates to appear at the bar.

Blaine has replied to the Marquis Dirudinii's last letter. In his note he says that an indemnity will probably be granted to the families of the men killed in New Orleans, in cases where it is proven that they were Italian subjects.

The application of Mr. Tarte's lawyers for a delay in McGreevy—Tarte libel case has been dismissed by Judge Andrews. It will now go ahead, and it is the general opinion that Tarte has a big job on hand and would like to get out of it.

The Canadian Pacific Railway are about to undertake a new method of making the Northwest known to the people of Great Britain. A colonization or exhibition car will be filled with samples of produce and sent to all parts of England and Scotland. By this means the company hope to reach farmers of the old land.

Private dispatches from Chili say that the insurgents, in order to supply their fleet with coal, have seized the collieres Roger and Killinorie. The former is a German vessel and the latter flies the British flag. This transaction, it is said, took place at Quiavean, and the British gunboat Warspite is now hunting the insurgents.

The Governor-General has remitted the sentence of Geo Scott, a Pullman car conductor, who was last month convicted of larceny and sentenced to two years in Welland gaol. Shortly afterwards another car conductor was tried for a similar offence; and at the trial evidence, which completely exonerated Scott from all connection with the crime of which he was convicted, was given.

It turns out that the alleged would-be-assassin of Gen. Rocco, of the ministry of Buenos Ayres was a twelve-year old lad, Thomas Sambrice. The lad says that the general put up the job himself and had the boy, by boring an auger hole in his carriage, make a channel for a harmless bullet which found a nestling spot in the footboard. He says that the general induced him to do this.

There is a serious misunderstanding between Italy and Abyssinia regarding the interpretation of article 17 of the treaty between the countries. Italy contends that it means all the diplomatic relations of Abyssinia should be made through Italy, thus virtually constituting Abyssinia a protectorate of Italy. The mission of Count Antonelle to endeavor to reconcile Abyssinia to this interpretation has been a failure

The United States Treasury Department has taken steps to secure information in respect to the report that immigrants for the United States are, in many instances, first landed at Halifax and then sent across the border by rail to escape the operations of the new Immigration Law. It has been suggested that detectives be stationed at Halifax to ascertain how many immigrants landed at Halifax are bound for the United States.

Frank McDermott and George Madden fought with revolvers on Wednesday last in Big Horn Basin, Wyo. As Madden aimed his revolver at McDermott, the latter raised his five-year-old son to his breast and the ball struck the boy above the ear, glanced and landed in the father's face. McDermott fell, but fired three shots. The boy died within an hour. The father is fatally wounded. McDermott's wife had left him and gone to Madden's place.

Placido Cannota, made a remarkable attempt to kill his wife at Boston on Thursday. He bound her hands, gagged and blindfolded her and had a rope around her neck to hang her to an open door when the neighbors arrived and prevented the consummation of the tragedy. The woman was unconscious, but was restored in a short time. In the room where the affair occurred Cannota had a large pine box, which he told his wife while the struggle was going on was for her remains after he killed her. The cause is said to be jealousy and a desire to secure some $500 which Cannota knew to be in the possession of his wife. They came to the States from Italy two years ago. Cannota was arrested.

A peculiar and sad case has just come to light at Woodstock, Ont. Recently, William Pipe, of Blenheim, was found lying in a pool of water on his farm with a gunshot wound in his breast and a gun by his side. The circumstances were so suspicious that an investigating commission held several sittings before it was finally decided that in a fit of madness Pipe slew himself. In explaining the cause leading to her husband's derangements Mrs. Pipe stated that before Christmas Pipe went to prayer meeting one evening and when the minister asked those who wished to be prayed for to stand up, Pipe arose. The minister made a remark that there was one man standing who did not deserve to be prayed for. Pipe took the remark to himself and since then it has so worried him that he became at times insane and in one of these fits it is supposed took his life.

New South Wales women are to be enfranchised.

By the wreck of the British ship St. Catherine, off the Caroline Islands ninety lives were lost.

20,000 Belgian knights of labor employed at Charleroi coal basin intend striking on May-day.

On the first division in the Ontario assembly, on a straight party vote, the Mowatt government was sustained by 21 majority.

Edward Greene, M. P., for the South west division of Suffolk, in the Imperial Parliament, is dead.—He was a Conservative.

Thursday Berthier, Que., was flooded to the depth of three feet; and about 50 houses were submerged, owing to the rise in the St Lawrence.

The Canadian Pacific R. R. cabinet shop at Hochelaga P. Q., was destroyed by fire Monday morning, throwing 150 men out of employment. Loss, $50,000.

Jas. Kane, who stabbed his wife to the heart, at Belleville, Ont., in March last was on Thursday convicted of the crime, and sentenced to be hanged on May 21st.

The "Empress of India" on her around-the-world trip left Yokahama on the 17th. She is due at Vancouver on the 27th, where the steamship portion of the trip ends.

A collision between two hoisting cages in a colliery in Langton District Eng., imprisoned 200 miners for 15 hours, when a small hole was made and food sent down to them.

The settlements of St. Ann and Batiscan P. Q. are flooded to the depth of six feet and the inhabitants are living on the house tops. An ice jam in the river causes the trouble.

Mrs. Eunice Brown, of North Anson, Me., subsided on Thursday by jumping into a well in her brother's cellar. She was about 60 years old and an invalid for a number of years.

During the services in a cathedral at Vienna Sunday a shoemaker drew a revolver and shot the priest dead. He then fired at an acolyte but missed him. He then suicided.

Burglars fired a barn as Norwalk, Conn., Friday night, and while the police and others were watching the blaze, they stole $15,000 worth of jewelry and diamonds from Jackson's jewlery store

Zotique Thibault, who resides near Montreal and has been missing from his home since the 12th, was on Friday, found drowned in the quarries half a mile from his home. Foul play is suspected.

While Chas. Titus and J. S. Scott were driving over Nashwaak bridge Fredericton, N. B., on Friday their horse took fright and backed over where the railing was off and fell into the river. The horse was drowned.

At Belleville, Ont., on Friday, Chester W. Vourex, who was extradited from Germany for forgery pleaded guilty to four indictments, and was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment on each, but sentences were made concurrent.

Archie Green, a boy employe of the Royal hotel St. John, while washing windows Friday morning fell from the fourth story. In his descent he struck on the first story skylight, and fortunately rolled to the roof. He received a bad bruising.

An Indian morising is feared in Idaho. Indians killed two unknown white immigrants, who were in camp. The Indians fled and about 100 armed mounted men started in pursuit to demand the surrender of the guilty parties. Trouble is feared should the Indians refuse.

Francesco Aita, a New York featherdresser manufacturer, has been warned by the Mafia he must place at their hands. Aita testified in a Tombs murder case a year ago, thus gaining the enmity of this murderous organization. He has converted his little store into a veritable fortress and is always armed.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

THE TURF.

On May 14, when the Guttenburg races end, starter Caldwell, who has held the flag at various courses, will receive $39,900 for 13 months services. His salary is now $300 per day.

Newton Lee has sold his stallion All Right to J. H. Kitchener Houlton, Me. The horse was foaled in 1883 by Taggart's Abdallah, and is the sire of George Lee, 2.22¼, Charley Mitchell, 2.28¼, and Black Pilot, 2.30¾

Gladolia, the standard bred brood mare, purchased by Mr. A. N. Lange from C. H. Nelson of Waterville, Me., last month dropped a fine filly foal Friday night. The youngster is by Brilliant, half-brother to Nelson 2.10¾, the King of trotting stallions, and is of a dark brown color with black spots.

FOOTBALL.

The P. W. College kickers were out in Victoria Park on Friday afternoon getting in form for the coming season.

Monday the Cresscents indulged in some preliminary work. In a few weeks "King Rugby" will reign supreme and the devotees will be delighted.

In all probality the New Glasgow team will play here with the Abegweits on Queen's Birthday (May 25th). A well-contested game may be expected as both teams are about evenly matched. On 24th, at New Glasgow, when these teams met the Abegweits won by a goal and a try to a try.

LACROSSE.

Lacrosse is booming in the Provinces. St. John may probably have four teams in the field this season; and Halifax will be represented by the Wanderers and Crescents. The Pictou, Truro and Spring hill clubs will have teams in the field. The Canadian National Association has offered a trophy for the Maritime Provinces and the Nelson trophy is again open to competition. What's the matter with Charlottetown?

The Union lacrosse team of St. John, will play the Wanderers at Halifax on May 25th, and probably the Crescents.

IN GENERAL.

It is stated that Gen. Palas has decided to change the name of the yacht Volunteer to Phœnix.

C. H. Enos, Jr., of the New York Athletic Club, has succeeded in balancing himself on one arm, a feat never before accomplished by an amateur.

George Littlewood, champion pedestrian of the world, has accepted John Hughes' challenge for a six days' go-as-you-please race for $2500 or $5000 a side.

The 40 hour bicycle race at Rochester, N. Y., was won by Wm. C. Clark, of Toronto, by 15 feet, he having covered 554 miles and 14 laps to Reading's 554 miles and 13 laps.

Levy, the amateur champion weight-lifter of Great Britain, has beaten the world's amateur record for lifting the 104-pound dumb-bell. The record was 11 times, and was made in 1878 by G. D. Parmly, of New York. Levy raised the weight 12 times.

George Clifford of England created a new world's record by performing a feat in London recently that has never before been attempted. A 56-pound weight, with a ring attached, he hoisted in alternate hands from the ground to above his head 118 times in 7m. 17s.

A wood sawing contest took place at Exeter, Ont., last Wednesday night between Isaac Wallace, of Sarnia, champion of Canada, and John Westcott, of Exeter, each to cut a cord of green maple, once in two, for a purse of $50 and the championship of Ontario. Wallace won easily, cutting his cord in fifty-seven minutes.

Sergeant-Major Morgans, of the Royal Military College, Kingston, is out with a challenge to any athlete in America, to meet him in foil v. foil, sword v. sword, bayonet v. bayonet and sword v. bayonet, the number of points or cuts in each event to be five, the one receiving the greatest number of points and cuts to be winner of the event. The sergeant is willing to back himself against all comers for from $200 to $500, British rules to govern the contest. Prof. Senac, of the New York Athletic Club, is preferred.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

SIMLA, April 18.—British forces have engaged and defeated a large body of Miranzais. British troops carried everything before them and completely routed Miranzais. Several English soldiers and two English officers were severely wounded; enemy's loss heavy but unknown.

LONDON, April 20.—Good authorities here discredit the reports from Canada to the effect that satisfactory progress is being made with the negotiations between the Allans and the Barrow-in-Furness Company for a new fast Atlantic mail service. They say that the Allans' offer was to become agents, not partners, in the new company. An Ottawa despatch says that the Allans refused to renew the ocean mail contract for years except at a fifty per cent. advance, thinking that the Government was in a tight place.

A Capetown despatch says that Portuguese fired on the British steamer Agnes, conveying the Willoughby expedition and seized her cargo and boats.

The Newfoundland delegates had a private, and, they say, satisfactory conference with Lord Salisbury and Lord Knutsford on Saturday last.

OTTAWA, April 20. — Senator Howlan arrived in England by the same steamer as the Newfoundland delegates. He says the whole Newfoundland question effecting Canada, particularly the bait question was fully discussed by himself and the Newfoundlanders, and he has every reason to expect a speedy and friendly agreement between Newfoundland and Canada. In the meantime, the delegates are very busy in London with the officials of the Colonial Office and members of Parliament, a very large number of whom are taking great interest in the dispute.

McDonnell, a Conservative, and Burke, a Liberal, were nominated in Algoma on Saturday.

NEW YORK, April 20.—A diabolical attempt to poison a wedding party with arsenic at Lyndon, Kentucky, resulted in the death of Mr. B. Frank Gutberie, one of the wealthiest residents of Louisville and the serious illness of fifteen others, including the bride and groom who were prostrated when at Louisvilleon their bridal tour

ST. JOHN, April 20. — Gibson Prescott, one of St. John's largest property owners, is dead, aged 70 His estate is well up to half a million dollars.

BOSTON, April 20.—Fire yesterday destroyed the Chipman Building, at Court and Hanover streets. Twenty firemen were buried under the falling roofs, seven were hurt but none were killed.

LONDON, April 21.—A full discussion on the tunnel question has taken place in the past few days. There were present Sir Douglas Fox and Francis Fox, Sir Charles Metcalf, Mr. Pearson, the contractor of the Hudson River tunnel; Mr. Squiers, the engineer of the Severn Tunnel; and Mr. Palmer, of the Queensland Railway, with Hon. Senator Howlan. Sir Douglas Fox promises to report inside of ten days.

In the British House of Commons, Smith, leader of the Government, said yesterday that Davitt's name had been omitted from the list of royal labor commissioners because of Davitt's evidence before the special Parnell Commission, coupled with the fact that he has been convicted of treasonable felony.

The mails from Madagascar announce that the Sakalavas of Mairamboo massacred the Governor of Tubear and thirteen Hova soldiers. Thirteen Hova officials were also murdered. The inhabitants have fled to Nosi or to the neighboring French Colony.

Details of the firing on the British steamer Agnes by the Portuguese authorities on Perugim River, show a determined effort to drive British subjects from that territory. A serious rupture is impending, as England will promptly resent the insult to her flag.

DUBLIN, April 21.—Considerable alarm prevails among small farmers and the poor people of the Skibbereen district, because the seed potatoes distributed as a result of the relief measures of the government and planted weeks ago, have not yet shown signs of life.

OTTAWA, April 21.—Mr. Ogilvie of the Interior Department, Ottawa, has been awarded the annual prize of $150, given by the Royal Geographical Society for best year's work in discovery—open to all the world.

VIENNA, April 21.—Thirty-two persons were recently bitten by a mad wolf in an Austrian village. All who are in a condition to stand the journey will be sent to Paris for treatment by Pasteur.

HOW TO PLAY BALL.

The popular "Buck" Ewing, captain of the New York's, has written an article for the Boy's Department of *The Ladies' Home Journal* for June, on the "Ins and Outs of Base-ball," in which the famous catcher will tell how to play the game; how to form a nine; the hardest positions and how to fill them; how to throw a ball, etc. This is Ewing's first article, and it is said to be the best which has ever been written for boys on the great national game.

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Reports from the Southern Ute Agency, Col. say that Indians have lost nearly all their stock by heavy storms. The snow covered the ground to a depth of four feet and horses and cattle by the thousands starved to death. The Lochaes, Mowaches and Capotes had 17,000 horses and as many cattle, of which they lost all but 15 per cent. The Apaches in New Mexico, who own the largest herds of sheep and horses of any people in America, lost their entire herds by the storm and their losses are incalculable.

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LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

THE Stanley made round trips Monday and yesterday.

THE steamers St. Lawrence and Princess of Wales reached Pictou yesterday.

WE return our thanks to Hoffmann Bros. & Co., Milwaukee, Wis., for the March number of their Catholic Directory and Clergy List Quarterly.

ONE of Australia's statesmen, Hon. John Murtagh Macrossar, M. P., formerly Colonial Secretary for Queensland, is dead. The deceased was born in Donegal, Ireland, in 1832, and emigrated to Australia in 1853.

GEO. STARK, of Anderson, Ind., died last week in horrible agony. Excessive use of cigarettes is said to have caused his death. A short time after his death, his body turned a livid green. Physicians claim that his death was due to arsenical and nicotine poison.

MILLER and Cora Sherry, residents of Dublin, Ind., have dissolved their marriage relations, the husband accepting two unimproved town lots in that village in lieu of his wife's affections. The conditions in the deed are that he relinquish his entire interest in her and an agreement that she may have a divorce.

AN Ottawa despatch says it is understood that customs facilities have been applied for in connection with the entry of the plant of the Katahdin Iron works, of Maine, which has been purchased en bloc by a company, and which is to be transferred for erection and work at East River, Pictou. 300 men will be employed.

BLANCHON, a millionaire noted for his miserly traits, recently died at his residence near Lyons, France. He left a will in which after disposing of his immense fortune he intimated that other sums would be found buried in his garden. Search was made and nearly 35,000 francs were discovered concealed in earthern vessels and buried at a considerable depth.

THE King of all the Lobsters has been found. Last Thursday while Martin Willey was tending his codfish trawls, 25 miles off Monhegan, he found a lobster caught by a line round his arm. He took his captive aboard where he found he was 30 inches long and weighed 14 pounds. They are not building many lobsters of that size now-a-days, much to the sorrow of the salad fanciers.—Bangor Commercial.

PROF. MELLISH delivered his lecture "A Trip Through Scotland" before the students of St. Dunstan's College on Thursday evening. The lecture was highly interesting, and was well received, as was evidenced by the attentiveness of the students and visitors present. The historic places of Edinburgh, Glasgow and Greenock, and other points of interest in "Auld Scotia," were graphically portrayed. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the lecturer.

DONAHOE'S MONTHLY MAGAZINE, for May. Among the most interesting articles are—A lengthy account of the Silver Jubilee of Archbishop Williams, with a correct portrait. Mr. Peter McCorry's Revisit to Ireland. Origin of Journalism by A. F. Marshall, of London. Kildoons, the interesting story by Victor O'D. Power. Edmund Bailey O'Callaghan, the Irish-Canadian Patriot. The Mission of Santa Clara, California. Gymnastics Essential to Education. Women as Physicians, by Cardinal Gibbons. The Queen Isabella Association, by Augus Hampton. To Carpineto, the Birthplace of Leo XIII., by P. L. Connellan. Sayings of Cardinal Newman. Herr Windthorst, by Agnes Hampton, together with a great variety of other matter, too numerous to mention. $2 a year, $1 for six months. Address DONAHOE'S MAGAZINE, Boston, Mass.

ONE night last week a hack containing a man rattled up to the Leland Hotel, Chicago. Arriving there the occupant of the cab sent the driver in to the clerk with the request that he send a blanket out to him. The unblanketed man was Adam Itzel, musical director of the McCaull opera company. He left Baltimore some nights previous, and being very tired left orders that he was not to be disturbed in the morning. He slept long and late and when he decided to get up he found that his wearing apparel was missing. Coat, vest and even trousers were gone and the conductor and porter were unable to account for their disappearance. Mr. Itzel was forced to lie in his berth until he arrived in Chicago. All the stores were closed and Mr. Itzel, scantily clad, got into a carriage and was driven to the hotel, and after getting to a room borrowed clothing until he could replace that lost.

THE Irish farmers are up in arms against fox-hunting by squires and peers. In the vicinity of Parsonstown, King's County, where Lord Rosse holds court in his feudal castle, the agriculturists have resolved that their fields shall no longer be trampelled with impunity, and that fox-coursing must cease. The young Earl of Huntington, a captain in the Prince of Wales Regiment, was dashing across farmer Murphy's meadows after a fox and a pack of hounds, one day last week, when the farmer unexpectedly appeared and seized the earl's horse by the bridle. The earl, who traces his ancestry to a steward of the conqueror, was aghast at such a liberty on the part of a plebian, and raising his whip, struck a blow at the farmer. Mr. Murphy, nothing daunted, held the horse with one powerful arm while he struck and nearly dismounted the earl. The intervention of others put an end to the combat and the hunters retired leaving farmer Murphy in possession of his acres.

BEER BROS' Show Days on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of last week, drew a crowded house; and the sight witnessed were eye-openers to many. Show Days now appear to be recognized institutions in the land, and have come to stay. This is as it should be as the ladies must inspect the article whether or not they intend purchasing, and what better time to enforce their foibles than on such an occasion. But we wander. Well we will have to be excused because when we beheld the grand display Beer Bros' made we began to wander and also to wonder, and the confusion has not yet left us. However the magnificent showing in every department, to be adequately portrayed, would need some other, more conversant with the rules of the beautiful, than the writer. Just one thing left its impression, and that was the window dressing. Both simplicity and the grotesque were combined and the effect produced was beautiful. Beer Bros. are to be congratulated on the success attending their efforts.

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A By-Law for Levying and Specifying the Rate of Assessment on Real Estate and Personal Property, and Poll in the City of Charlottetown for a Water Works Fund, under Statute 50th Victoria, Chapter 8.

BE it enacted by the City Council of the City of Charlottetown as follows:—

1st, the rate of Assessment on Real Estate for a Water Works Fund under and state for the year commencing the first day of January, A. D., 1891, and ending the 31st day of December, A