

BOSTON LETTER.

The Cold Wave and the Coal Famine.

Several Former Provincialists Elected in the Recent Civic Election—Smallpox is Spreading—A Marked Growth of Socialism—The Markets

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

BOSTON, Dec. 13.—The attention of the citizens this week has been held by the coal famine, the cold wave, the annual civic election and the smallpox. The cattle embargo has ceased to worry them; in fact, of late most people have had all they could attend to in keeping their coal bins from becoming empty.

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PROFIT SHARING.

George Livesey of the South Boston Gas Company, and other industrial chieftains, have adopted profit sharing schemes, but, on the theory has not made much hay. Thrifty workmen will invest money for themselves; the uncharitable will invest in stocks, and no plan that has yet been tried, for in whatever form the premium is conferred upon it is only squandered, and it does not live on a scale which will be supported in hard times. The difference between the thrifty and uncharitable is that the former tenders to make his prospective savings carry him over prospective adversity, either by some form of insurance, or by investing in stocks, while his improvident savings will lead alternately amerry life. Unfortunately, the majority of people live up to promise, whatever their incomes are. The remaining minority who do not, are simply determined to die. The success or failure of various off-shooting and other systems here and then be fully discussed, all probability the public mind will be enlightened on many points of the relationship between the farmer and wage earners, who are supposed to be determining.

NOT TYPEWRITERS.

De Styllé—Have you cut Highpup from your list of acances? De Styllé—They have lost their says so? one; but I've learned that she ing her daughters a thorough on. That shows that she wants to school teachers.—New Weekly.

THE WONDER GROWS

No many Compliments Come Diseased Kidneys and can be Cured

Do's Kidney Pills—Statement of Boyer, of St. Marguerite, sets the People Talking.

MARGUERITE, Que., Dec. 12.—It is with growing wonder people of this neighborhood earn from experience how the general health is improved, the blood pure by having the is in good working order, and sovereign cure for all diseases Kidneys Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Boyer, Jr., who long suffered seemingly incurable stomach nt, tells this story: fifteen years I suffered from the stomach and had long hope of ever having it cured, was induced to try Dodd's Pills. They relieved me almost and by the time I had the first box my complaint appeared. I am well now and all the time.

THE DEATH LIST.

Deaths were reported to the health last week. They were as follows: ... 3 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1 ... 1

NO COAL FOR ENGINE.

Government Agent had to borrow Fuel for Train to St. Albans, Vt. RIVER JUNCTION, Vt., Dec. 10. The Vermont's coal supply in the has run out, and this morning had to borrow coal from the Boston railroad to move a train to St.

HEALTH FOR WOMEN.

The marriage of John D. ... if strong is the frame of the says a proverb, the sons will s to the people." Dr. Chase's Food is especially women's ... By its action on the blood res it gives strength and vigor delicate feminine organs and their regular and healthful ... it gives color to the pale to the weak, and a rounded thin and angular.

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TWO BIG FIRES.

A Quebec Hotel Burned to the Ground, and a Montreal Cigar Factory with a Million Cigars Went Up in Smoke.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14.—Fire this morning gutted the five story brick building on McGill street occupied by H. Jacobs & Co. as a cigar factory. One million cigars, just finished, pre- naturally went up in smoke. The firm's loss is placed at \$40,000, fully covered by insurance. The building was owned by Jesse Joseph and is damaged to the extent of \$10,000, fully insured.

QUEBEC, Dec. 14.—The Victoria hotel on Palace street was burned to the ground this afternoon. The fire is supposed to have started in the fire in the room, and spread to the elevator shaft with great rapidity. Some of the guests saved their lives by jumping on to an adjoining roof. S. F. Coleman and Allan Beag of Toronto had a narrow escape, being taken from the window all of their room by the fire. The guests, about fifty in number, lost all their effects. The loss is placed at \$100,000, with insurance of \$75,000.

DEATH OF W. F. DAWSON

One of Prince Edward Island's Most Worthy Residents.

(Charlottetown Examiner, 10th.) In the quiet of the storm of last night the spirit of W. F. Dawson passed away. One of the most prominent and influential of our citizens is gone—one of those who lived longest in the town, who was for many years a leader in our business and civic affairs.

Mr. Dawson was in his day and generation perhaps the most active and successful of the hardware merchants in the town. All the while he took a keen interest in the politics of the province and the corporate interests of the city. He was for some years president of the Liberal-Conservative Association for Queen's Co. and a prospective candidate for a seat in the house of commons. For seven years he represented Ward Four in the City Council, and for eight years he occupied the high and responsible position of mayor of the city. In those years his steady development, and Mr. Dawson was ever among the foremost in every progressive work.

While mayor he had the honor of welcoming to our city, Lord Dufferin, Lord Aberdeen and the Marquis of Stanley, now Earl Derby; and his name must ever be identified with the Park roadway and other civic improvements, the advantages of which we now enjoy. In all his civic offices his conduct was characterized by prudence, dignity and self-reliance. As in regard to the province and the city, so in regard to the church to which he belonged—Mr. Dawson took high rank and satisfied pride in the highest positions of trust and responsibility. For many successive years he was lay representative of the First Methodist church at the annual conference, and since the death of Hon. Charles Young has been president of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Mr. Dawson's health was not good in recent years. For many successive months he was confined to his house, and the subject of his family's solicitude and care. His wife, whose sudden death several years ago will be remembered by many citizens, was Miss Compton of St. Eleanor's. He leaves to mourn their loss and perpetuate his memory, three sons, Edmund, Ernest and Brenton, and two daughters, Mrs. James E. Grant of this city, the Misses Minnie, May and Louise Dawson, and Mrs. Alexander Whittaker of Halifax.

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FREDERICTON.

Thousands to Be Expended on the Highway Bridge.

FREDERICTON, Dec. 14.—Commissioner for Agriculture Perth is here, having returned from the cattle-fair at Guelph. He says the beef cattle were not up to the show of two years ago, but the dairy herds were improved. The tendency is here, in nothing but breeds, rather than the bacon type. The showing of poultry was excellent. He thinks the Maritime Fair at Amherst this week will compare favorably with Ontario's. Although the rifle range here is not yet completed, notwithstanding a large sum of money has been expended through the efforts of the Hon. J. R. Cochrane ex-Hospital Sergeant Robert. The Hon. C. R. has been appointed caretaker of the range at a salary of \$400, the appointment to take effect January 1st. There will be nothing in the range to take care of for several months except small triffids. The severe cold of the past week has formed the ice bridge across the river solidly, and teams are now crossing at several points. Extensive and much needed repairs are to be put upon the highway bridge across the river. The bridge is in a very dilapidated condition, and many persons think it very dangerous to cross with teams on it.

On Saturday evening Miss Maud Ferguson of the business department of the Gleaser was presented by the assistant with a handsome and costly piece of silver tableware. She has severed her connection with the Gleaser, and will this week be married to Harry Currie of Woodstock.

J. R. Thompson of New York, who had been here for a month in the interests of the Y. M. C. A., assisting in the canvass for funds towards liquidation of the debt on the association building, leaves for home tomorrow. Nearly eight thousand dollars has been pledged, and the canvass will be continued until the full sum required, \$8,500, is assured.

W. W. Hubbard Back from Chicago and Talks to the Sun.

New Brunswick this year sent several visitors and some very creditable exhibits to the great winter fairs in the west. On Saturday W. W. Hubbard of this city, and J. F. Tilley of Woodstock returned from a two week trip. They first visited the great International Stock Show at Chicago.

W. W. Hubbard was not only a sheep raiser in Canada, but also very large classes of breeding animals, the pick of the choice herds of the great stock raising States and Canada. It is pleasing to note, says Mr. Hubbard, that all the Canadian exhibits took good places, among them the sheep exhibited by F. E. Came of St. Andrews, N. B. This gentleman certainly deserves great credit for the way he has advertised New Brunswick as a sheep raising country, not only at the Chicago fair, where he secured several first prizes for Southdowns in competition with all America, but also at the fall exhibitions.

On the return from Chicago Messrs. Tilley and Hubbard visited the Ontario winter fair at Guelph, where while his exhibits do not begin to compare in numbers with Chicago, is much the better educational exhibition. Every department of the work is fully explained and evening lectures given by the best live stock experts of the world. Among the old country speakers who were present this year were Wm. Biggar of Dalbeattie, a famous Scotch breeder, and A. MacNellie, editor of the Scottish Farmer, one of the most influential papers in Great Britain.

Hon. L. P. Farris, commissioner of agriculture, and Geo. E. Fisher and Alex. Dickson of Chatham were also New Brunswick visitors at Guelph. All returned on Saturday. The winter fair will attend the Amherst winter fair this week and deliver some addresses. Geo. A. Fawcett of Woodville, has now on the way down from Guelph, seven head of pure-bred Shortboms, which have been bought by his son Fred, who is a student at the Ontario Agricultural College, and is accompanying the shipment. Good fairs who have seen them pronounce them a choice lot.

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S Lintiment to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim. One of the immigrants detained in the building on the west side, awaiting deportation on account of disease, decided that he would become a citizen of some country on this side of the Atlantic. The proceedings which he took for his naturalization were somewhat novel and irregular, but, so far, have proved decidedly effective. Confined in the upper story of the immigration building, he raised a window and made use of a water spout as a ladder. The spout gave way and thus betrayed the means of escape, but nothing further has been heard from the new citizen.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Spitz Bros. & Co., doing business as wholesale and retail dealers in men's and boys' clothing at 46 Summer street, have assigned for the benefit of their creditors to Sitas Peavy and Simon Vorenburg.

Wood's Phosphatine. The Good Food. It is an old, well established, and reliable preparation. It has been prescribed and used by all the leading doctors in the Dominion of Canada. Before only medicine of its kind has ever given universal and permanent satisfaction. It promptly and permanently cures all forms of Nervous Weakness, Headaches, Spasmodic Stomach, Intestines, and all other ailments. It is the most effective of all the medicines known, and all of which lead to Brain Weakness, Consumption, and an early grave. Price 25c. One will get a full and complete list of agents, or a sample of the medicine, on receipt of a note. Send for pamphlet to any address.

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