

NOVA SCOTIA.

Tenders Awarded for the Construction of the Digby Water Works.

Building Operations in Truro—Farmers' and Traders' Association.

Serious Damage by Freshet—Recent Deaths—A School Squabble.

ANTIGONISH.

Antigonish, April 19.—This was a declaration day. Mr. McIsaac's majority is 118. Speeches were made at the close of the returning officer's report. Mr. McIsaac's majority was 118. He was the greatest victory ever won in Canada, and that he had beaten the powers of darkness at Ottawa.

Mr. Chisholm thanked all his friends and supporters. Although we were beaten, he said, we were not disheartened, and on the first opportunity the conservatives of the county would go into the fight with even greater vigor. He assured Mr. McIsaac that when the next election took place he would be next month or next year, he (McIsaac) would have to fight every inch of his ground from start to finish.

DIGBY.

Digby, April 21.—Tenders for putting in the Digby water works came before the town council for consideration last night. In all nineteen bids had been received, some for the whole work. A number of tenders from the United States were among the number. The contract for the construction was awarded to Messrs. Wood of Bridgeville, Plottou, for \$14,499. Tenders from the London Iron Works for the pipes, Toronto Engine Works for hydrants, Truro Foundry for special castings, and Burdell Johnson, Yarmouth, for valve boxes, were accepted. The cost for the whole work comes well within \$240,000, the estimate of the engineer, J. A. Pickett. Work will be commenced by the first of May.

SOUTHAMPTON.

Southampton, April 17.—The freshets have been seriously felt along these valleys. A new bridge, erected by private enterprise across the river on Charles Davidson's farm, was carried away and its strong stone abutments swept out by the ice cakes. Mr. Tucker's grist mill was swept from its foundation and sailed down the river to the interval below, where the roof rests at present, the rest having journeyed further. The sluice, too, was carried away and the rolling dam, and as the upper dam was carried out two years ago the old saw mill and the ruins of the decayed bridge are all that are remaining now of the historic old buildings which once constituted Mr. Humphrey's and later Mr. Adams' mill.

TRURO.

Truro, April 16.—Business in town and country has been fairly good during the winter. A large lumber cut is reported. A few buildings have been put up in town during the winter, one of which is a fine residence owned by G. W. Stuart, mining engineer, which has been built and fitted with modern improvements under his supervision, and is nearly finished. A start has been made in building operations for the coming season. Ephraim Fields has a tenement house on Walker street about ready for plastering. R. L. Black & Co. are having the cleared earth away for the basement and foundation of a brick building on Inglis street, near their present place of business. It is to be sixty feet by ninety, three stories, and is designed for stores and offices, which are to be rented. The contract to build it has been let to Rhodes, Curry & Co. of the west. Three residences are to be put up at the western part of the town and work has been commenced on two. Con. Fred Davidson's, J. C. R., on Duke street, and E. D. Vernon's on King street, and preparations are being made to build the other in that quarter by J. M. O'Brien.

A Farmers' and Traders' association for Colchester county, with headquarters here, was organized last winter, and several meetings have been held for the transaction of business. About the first of the year a Mechanics' Institute was formed in town, which has proved to be a valuable addition to the other mutual improvement societies.

WESTBROOK.

Westbrook has been saddened by the sudden death of the bright little eight year old daughter of Carson Atkinson. The whole neighborhood, as well as Halfway River and Southampton showed the deepest sympathy and a very large concourse of people assembled at the house on Sunday to attend the last rites. The child had been in the pretty cemetery beside her mother. Rev. Mr. Howe of Parrsboro preached the funeral sermon.

Old Mr. Atkinson, a native of this place and one of the oldest inhabitants died at his home in Windham Hill, aged nearly 80 years. He was buried here. Sudden death of absciss, Slinkson, aged Mrs. Martha Harrison, died at Halfway River, after only one week of most severe suffering. Mr. Oldfield, carriage builder at Athol Station, died alone in his house. He had cut his hand and blood poisoning set in, causing his death in four days. Eight dollars was found in his pocket, which constituted his earthly wealth. Mrs. Jeremiah Pettigrew died of erysipelas. She has been suffering for about a year.

Arrangements have been made by which a pastor has been secured over the Baptist church here and in Westbrook for six months. A student of McMaster, Mr. Redden, has been stationed here and preached his first sermon last Sabbath.

Canaan school, closed in the winter on account of some unpleasantness between teacher and trustees, has been re-opened and the latter will be compelled to pay the salary of teacher for the entire term, because of their failure to adhere to the agreement.

After Mr. Harkness has finished sawing some small lots of logs, he will go to Port Greville to saw all summer.

Fisher Brothers have been engaged by J. W. Hunter to saw sleepers, scantling, deals and building lumber for his contracts.

The sugar season is thought to be nearing its close. Though short it has been productive, the sap having run this month almost continually.

AMHERST.

Amherst, April 17.—The social event of the season was the wedding this morning of Miss Fanny Sleep, eldest daughter of Mrs. Wm. Sleep, to Harvey Pipe, partner in the firm of Douglas & Co. The ceremony took place in Christ church, Rev. H. Pittman of Halifax, assisted by Rev. V. E. Harris, tying the nuptial knot. The church, handsomely decorated with flowers, presented a beautiful scene, while Prof. Max M. Sterne and the choir rendered suitable music. The bride, attired in cream crepon, trimmed with more silk, with veil and orange blossoms, was given away by her uncle, D. W. Douglas. Miss Ellen Sleep, dressed in old rose with hat to match, and Miss Alice Sleep, dressed in salmon pink, had to match with the bridesmaids, while Miss Florence Sleep, dressed in Nile green with hat to match, was the maid of honor. Among the guests were Robert Douglas of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Hickman of Dorchester, Mrs. W. W. Douglas, Rev. Dr. Steele. The bride and groom left for Halifax.

Mrs. Graham, widow of the late Norman Graham, Fox Harbor, died on April 1st, aged 84 years. Deceased was married sixty-one years ago, and during that time had a peculiar and happy home. She should be buried in her wedding dress. She carefully preserved the dress for that purpose, and her wish was duly carried out. Another peculiarity was that the dress was made in the same style as at the present day.

SPRINGHILL.

Springhill, April 16.—Word has been received from the government authorities that a grant of one thousand dollars has been made towards a drill shed at Springhill. The public are pushing for a further grant of two thousand dollars. The one thousand will scarcely purchase the land.

Evangelist McKay, who was a railroad conductor in Pictou county, is holding revival meetings in the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian places of worship. Great interest is being manifested in his work and large attendances are the result. Mrs. McKay also holds special meetings for women and girls.

The Easter business meeting of All Saints church was held on Monday, and the churchwardens' accounts showed a satisfactory state of things. Nearly \$2100 was received during the year, and the expenditure was about \$2,050. Extra parochial missionary objects received nearly \$300. George Wilson and Arthur Alloway were elected churchwardens. Moses Jones was elected vestry clerk. There was no indebtedness of any description upon the church property.

Several of the large shops in town have recently been sub-divided, a move which shows that the limit of large building in town has evidently been reached. There was much broken time at the collieries last week, and last night there was no work for the night shift. The summer's work has more encouraging and promising aspects.

The funeral of the late Harris Hunter took place today and was very largely attended. The Knights of Pythias attended in full force and the band of the 36th Battalion headed the procession. Mr. Hunter was a highly respected merchant of the city.

A large and luxurious dinner party was given by the general manager, J. R. Cowans, on Good Friday, to which a large company was invited. In consequence of the fire and loss of property the Coal company's assessment has been lowered \$14,000. The full local valuation of the company's property for civic assessment is \$112,000 for the year 1895.

HALIFAX.

Halifax, April 16.—An explosion in No. 1 colliery of the Dominion Coal company at Sydney today by which Daniel Hardy and Alexander McKinnon lost their lives. Forty men were in the pit at the time of the explosion. All but the two named were rescued. McKinnon was the day fireman and leaves a wife and two children. Hardy was unmarried.

Company Sergeant Major John Hogan of the Royal Engineers, who enlisted from Toronto, succumbed this morning. He was married only a few weeks ago to Miss Gossip. He had been despondent of late and often spoke of being tired of living. Frequently he stated to his wife that she would end his life. His wife never entertained the idea that her husband intended to kill himself. She imagined he was only joking. Last evening deceased asked his wife to accompany him to a dance. He remarked that she should be better so, as he did not think he would ever take her to another. They went. Hogan paid particular attention to his personal appearance. He attended himself in his best, and although he spoke frequently of dying, yet he did so apparently in a joking way. The couple arrived home from the dance about 2 o'clock this morning.

Upon entering the house Hogan said he was going to die. He lay on bed and asked his wife to remove the boots. Both retired. Hogan produced from under the clothes a bottle of liquid. The bottle was labelled "Tar rum and honey." He represented to his wife that it was a nerve medicine. He took the cork out and handed it to his wife, cautioning her not to put it near her mouth. She touched the cork with her tongue. It was very bitter and burned. His wife, never thinking it was poison, suggested that her husband mix the medicine with water, as she thought it very strong. Hogan then poured the contents of the bottle into a tumbler. Before he drank it he kissed his wife and said: "I am going to leave this world; there is nothing worth living for here but you." He then drank the poison, remarking immediately after: "I am blessed if I have not taken enough to kill fourteen men and it has only unnerved me." A ghastly pallor came over his face; he vomited slightly, sneezed and fell back dead. Medical Examiner Finn is of the opinion

the liquid Hogan swallowed was hydrocyanic acid, and that he took sufficient to kill fourteen men. The doctor is of the opinion deceased lived three minutes after taking the poison. Dr. Finn did not think an inquest necessary.

The suits brought by Spike against the St. John Progress have gone over to the November term of the supreme court. The plaintiff's notice of trial was defective. The general impression is this is the last of those cases. A motion will likely be made by defendant for costs of the day.

Halifax, April 17.—Williams, a ship carpenter, lost a leg by the falling of a boom while he was working on the schooner Topaz two years ago. He sued the owners, Messrs. Bortling of Liverpool, N. S., for \$5,000 damages. The case has long been before the courts. The jury today on a second trial awarded Williams \$2,800.

COUNTRY HARBOR, N. S.

This is a thriving little place. Gold and lumbering are the principal industries; with a little farming. There have been two mining companies working here for some time, and are doing very well. Last summer Henry Mason and others found gold, some three or four miles from these mines, back in the woods. Large areas have been taken up. Mason sold 9-10 to the Antigonish company for the sum of \$20,000; the other 10th E. S. Sweet sold to S. Sweet of Isaac's Harbor. The company are building a mill, and will have it going in May. It is a good horse to haul the boiler. It is said there will be sixty men out there in the summer. E. S. Sweet has got a store built and opened there now. As there is only a single road they have been rushing getting stuff to build and fill the store. There are three churches of different denominations here now, and the Baptists will build one this summer. The young people here stay home—don't go to the states.

TRADE IS REVIVING.

More Hopeful and Encouraging Business Outlook Generally.

Traders are Prudently Conservative—The Banks Displaying More Confidence.

(Montreal Trade Bulletin.)

Although general trade exhibits no pronounced activity, it has nevertheless given unmistakable evidences of a tendency to revive, which, as chronicled in the Trade Bulletin of last week, were more conspicuous than at any time since the beginning of the year.

Some four and a half million pounds worth of new factories that are being erected in different parts of the country. Our cheese and cattle exports will bring an immense amount of John Bull's hard cash into the country, and a source of additional profit to our banks in the matter of exchange. A number of part and whole cargoes of deals have been engaged for British ports, which will also add to the country's cash income.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Campbell, April 12th. To the Editor of The Sun: Sir—How many years ago today since Abraham Lincoln was shot in Washington by J. Wilkes Booth (Ford's theatre), and what did Booth mean when he said "So semper tyrannis?"

OUR BOSTON LETTER.

Canadian Christian Endeavorers Object to Spread-Eagleism.

The Coming Rush of Travel to the Lower Provinces.

Demand for Spruce Lumber Improving and Prices Firm.

Boston, April 20.—Spring is about three weeks later here than usual, according to the weather bureau in the government building, and the statement will probably hold good for the rest of New England.

The threatened international complications between the Christian Endeavorers of Canada and the American members of the society over the "patriotic" feature of the July programme will be averted if Dr. Clark, the president, can arrange it. The protest of Canadian members against the appointment of a day for pilgrimages to scenes of American victories on colonial fields has caused an exhaustive article to be written for the official organ of the society, the Golden Rule, which will appear in a few days. In his article, which has been completed, Dr. Clark says he received "some violent letters from Canada from persons who evidently thought that those proposed pilgrimages were meant to insult the fairer sex, and to lead to the north of Boston. An extract from one of the letters received by Dr. Clark reads: 'It is perhaps not out of place for a Christian Briton to address you an earnest remonstrance. When the Christian Endeavor convention came here did we organize excursions to Quebec or Lunenburg's Lane? Did we recall 1812? Did we call you rebels or invite you to an oration on the fight between the Shannon and the Chesapeake, or on the British heroes of the rebellion? We received you as Christian and brethren and joined with you in singing "America." Oh, do issue an emphatic condemnation of this jingo propaganda. It is more worthy of the Clan-na-Gael than of a Christian society.'

Dr. Clark answers this letter by stating that these patriotic pilgrimages are meant to cultivate the spirit of brotherly love and not of sectional hate. "They are meant to arouse the patriotism of the English and Canadian youth, as well as the youth of the United States," Dr. Clark continues: "I had no idea that the enemies of 122 years ago still survive, and I do not believe they do. I believe no bitter word will be spoken and no unpleasant thought aroused. Besides, if I remember rightly, the Battle of Bruner Hill was a British victory, and I have often been asked by my friends across the sea, 'Why do you Americans celebrate one of your defeats?'"

Most of the transportation companies doing business between here and the maritime provinces are preparing to increase their summer travel during the coming season. It cannot be denied that the provinces are becoming more popular every year, as people become more acquainted with their advantages and health recuperating properties. There will also be a large number of provincial visitors up here during the hot weather. The international conventions of the Christian Endeavorers, Knights Templar and Sons of Temperance are expected to attract a long list of delegates. There will also be several organized excursions from this city to the provinces. The New England branch of the Acadia College Alumni association will visit Windsor about commencement season there. The society of Col. Mansel will visit Lunenburg June 17 and will take part in the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the capture of that fortress from the French by Great Britain, in which capture Massachusetts troops took part. The Suburban Press association will visit New Brunswick in July in conjunction with the Massachusetts Press association.

In addition to Eddie Connolly, another boy from the maritime provinces took part in last night's boxing tournament in this city. Joe Elms, who boxed Haley of Buffalo, is a native of Truro, N. S.

A. L. Slipp, a well known Truro horseman, is making arrangements to take charge of the McFall driving park at Eastport during the coming season. Among the horses now in his care are Melbourne King, Maine Almont, Nominee Prince, Parker Holmes, Soplei and a number of promising colts. Races will be held at the park May 30.

The latest scheme for providing for the unemployed is to furnish all persons who apply with seed potatoes, which will be planted on vacant lots throughout the city.

The following from the lower provinces were in the city recently: Thos. B. Flint, M. P., B. H. Bent, Yarmouth; William Pugsley, Mr. and Mrs. James Manchester, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Allison, St. John; M. Jackson Steeves, Dover, N. B.

Everybody who visits Boston just now should see the new public library, the handsome building in the city. A set of books was presented to the library a few days ago by Somerset Phyllis Parmenter Maha Chulalongkorn Chula, Chom Klao, King of Siam.

George E. Beane, ex-member of the Newfoundland legislature, was in Boston this week. He does not favor confederation.

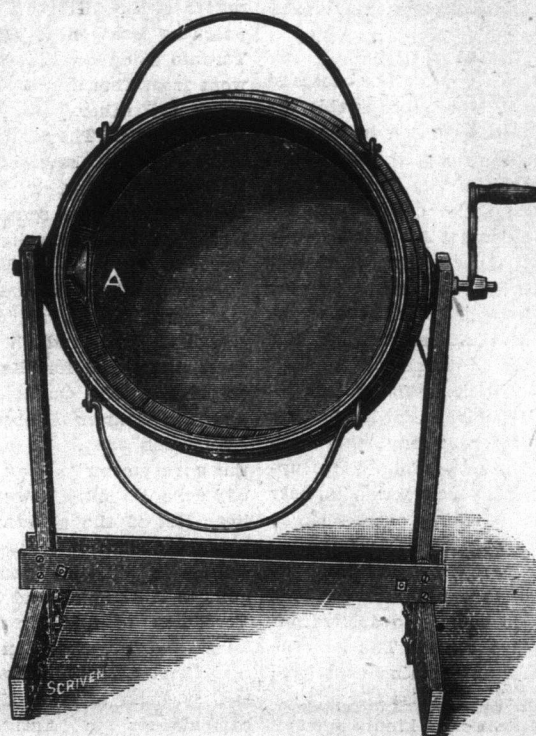
During the progress of the tunnel excavations on Boston Common, a few days ago, several skeletons were unearthed. Those who claim to know say that they are the remains of British soldiers killed in the battle of Bunker Hill, who were buried in an old burying ground that once covered that section of the common where the discovery was made. The bones were buried by the Boston Massachusetts Historical society.

Rev. J. D. Pickles, formerly of St. John, has been called to the pastorate of the Tremont street M. E. church in this city.

The demand for spruce lumber improves steadily, according to the majority of reports from large Boston

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dealers. Prices are firm, and although the trade as yet is far from being in a record-breaking condition, all appear to be better satisfied with the situation now than at any time within the past two years. The heavy freshets, to be sure, have caused a heavy loss to many mill owners, but this will rather tend to strengthen the market here. Many water mills have been hauled out by the heavy rains, and as soon as the water recedes, will begin operations. This is true of many parts of Maine. Hemlock is steady at advanced prices, and a slight increase in the demand is noted. Shingles, especially cedar, have improved in reputation and readily command the association prices. Pine is not yet in a satisfactory condition. Prices are as follows:

Spruce—House frames ordered by car, 10 inches and under, \$15 per M.; dimensions, 11 to 12 inches, \$16; 13 inches and up, \$18; yard randoms, \$14; bundled furrings, \$14; boards, planed one side, \$15; spruce extra clapboards, \$30; second clears, \$25; shingles, \$1.00; laths, by car, 15-8 inches, \$2.40; 11-2 inches, \$2.25.

Pine—Eastern pine stock, coarse No. 2, \$16.50 to 17; refuse, \$12 to 13; outs, etc., \$5 to 6.50; extra sap clapboards, \$45 to 50; clear sap, \$40 to 45; matched boards, \$18 to 22.

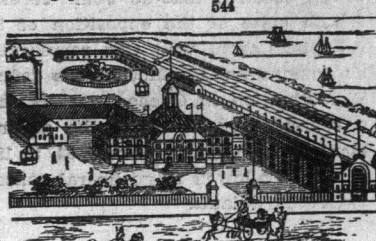
Hemlock, cedar, etc.—Eastern hemlock boards, planed and butted, \$11.50; Pennsylvania hemlock, \$10 to 15.50; extra spruce, shingles, \$2; clear, \$2.50; second clear, \$2 to 2.50; extra No. 1, \$1.75; No. 1, \$1.50; ash, \$28 to 30; oak, \$23 to 28.

We step not over the threshold of childhood till we are led by love.—L. E. Landon.

She—One can judge the character of a man by his opinion of women. He—Yes? She—Yes. Now what kind of a man would you say always held women in the highest esteem? He—A bachelor. I should think.—Detroit Free Press.

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