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Silver Question.

IN CONSIDERATION

Of the mutual agreement therein contained,

WE, the undersigned, Merchants and Traders in the Town of Guelph, do severally agree, the one with the others, but not the one for the others, that we respectively will not from and after the first day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, accept, or permit our agents to accept, in payment of any debt due, or to become due to us, or of any goods sold, or to be sold by us or our agents, any silver coin of the coinage of the United States of America, (when offered in amounts over five cents,) unless there be at the same time paid therewith to us discount at the rate of TEN PER CENT. on each of said coins, under denomination or nominal value of a quarter of a dollar, and at the rate of FOUR PER CENT. on each of said coins of the denomination or nominal value of a quarter of a dollar and upwards; the British shilling to be received at the rate of twenty-four cents, and the British sixpence at the rate of twelve cents.

AND, in consideration of the premises, we further severally agree, the one with the others, but not the one for the others, that in the event of default being made by us respectively in the due performance of the above agreement, we will forthwith pay to John Hogg, of the Town of Guelph, Merchant, (party hereto,) his executors and administrators as trustee or trustees for himself and the others, the sum of fifty dollars of lawful money of Canada, which is hereby expressly declared shall not be considered as a penalty, but as liquidated damages for each breach of the said agreement, which said damages may be recovered by him or his executors or administrators from any one or more of us who shall make default in the due performance of the said agreement in any court having competent jurisdiction in that behalf.

AND, it is hereby expressly declared and agreed that in the event of two-thirds in number of the undersigned at any time desiring to withdraw from this arrangement, it shall be competent for them at any time to give notice in writing to the said John Hogg of such their intention, and at the expiration of one month from delivery of the said notice to the said John Hogg, these presents shall *ipso facto*, cease and become of no effect, provided, nevertheless, it shall be competent for the said John Hogg to commence or continue any proceeding for the recovery of any damages, in virtue thereof, for any breach of the agreement herein contained, prior to the expiration of said month.

AS WITNESS our hands this tenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight:—

John Hogg
James Massie & Co.
Wm Stewart
Wm Clarke, M. D.
A. O. Bucham
G. B. Fraser
J. M. Bond & Co
James Cormack
Prest & Hepburn
John A. Wood
Wm McGill & Co
H. Berry
Wm Macklin & Co
D. Savage
C. & T. Meredith
John Horsman
John L. Lewis
Jackson & Hallett
Heffernan Bros.
Philip Bish
R. Rutherford
A Thomson & Co
Wm McCurry
Hugh Walker
R. Ainley
G. & A. Hadden
Geo Wilkinson
Thomas Brown
E. Carroll & Co.
John Cridiford
T. J. Day
M. J. Doran
John Hunter
R. Cuthbert
John M Neil
James Murphy
J. Bradley.
J. Wilkinson
McLagan & Innes.
George Piric.

Witnesses { JAMES MASSIE, WILLIAM STEWART, JAMES CORMACK }

Guelph, July 10, 1868. daw tf

Dominion Store!

FANCY GOODS!

JUST RECEIVED, a large addition to the already splendid stock of

ezls, Nail Heads, Portmonies, Satchels, Albums, Combs, Rings, Brooches,

WOOLS, and a general assortment of Small Stationery. A large quantity of INK for sale by the pint, quart, or furnished with bottle or without.

☞ For the above mentioned Goods, or any fancy articles in stock, **SILVER will be taken at par.**

The largest and best assortment of PIPES in Guelph are to be had at

Mrs. Robinson's,
Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Guelph, July 29th, 1868. daw

CLARK'S EXCELSIOR

WASHING COMPOSITION

The best and Rarest Discovery of the Age, for Washing Purposes,

Worth Twenty Dollars a Year

In a family of eight or ten persons.

IT will wash in hard or soft water. Clothes require no rubbing. The dirt is boiled out in ten minutes, and the washing may be on the line before breakfast. It is warranted not to injure or discolor the clothes, and will also remove paint, grease, or stains of all kinds. Give it a fair trial and you will never be without it. "Family Rights," containing full directions for making and using the Composition, $1 each. Sold at the Patentee's Music Store, and at A. B. PETRIE'S Drug Store.

W. WARNER CLARK,
July 16th. dw Patentee, Guelph, Ont.

ALBION HOTEL!

St. Paul-st., MONTREAL.

MR. DECKER would say that having resumed the management of the Albion, he hopes by personal attention to merit a continuance of the patronage so liberally bestowed upon him during the last 12 years.

L. W. DECKER,
Montrea 30th March, 1868. d

NOTICE.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between Drs. Orton and Clarke is this day dissolved by fluction of time. All persons indebted to the firm will please call and settle their accounts at the office of Dr. Clarke, Quebec-st.

WM. CLARKE.
(Signed) HENRY ORTON.
R. ORTON.

Guelph, 17th July, 1868. dw1m

Cunard Ocean Steamers.

LEAVING New York every Thursday for Queenstown or Liverpool.

FARE FROM HAMILTON

First Cabin, - - $87, gold value
Steerage - - - - 29, "

Berths not secured until paid for. For further particulars apply

CHARLES T. JONES & CO.,
Exchange Brokers, Hamilton
Agents for the Erie and New York Railway.
Fare from Hamilton to New York $7, gold value
Hamilton, 1st June, 1868. dw

BATCHELOR'S HAIR DYE.

THIS splendid Hair Dye is the best in the world. The only true and perfect Dye—Harmless, Reliable, Instantaneous. No disappointment.—No ridiculous tints. Remedies the effects of bad dye. Invigorates and leaves the hair soft and beautiful brown or black. Sold by all Druggists and Perfumers, and properly applied at Batchelor's Wig Factory, No. 16, Bond-St., N. Y. dwly

HALL'S VEGETABLE SILICIAN HAIR RENEWER.

RENEWS THE HAIR TO ITS ORIGINAL COLOR WHEN GRAY.

Renews the nutritive matter which nourishes the hair.

RENEWS THE GROWTH OF THE HAIR WHEN BALD.

Renews the brash, wiry hair to silky softness.—Beautiful hair dressing.

One bottle shows its effects.

R. P. HALL & Co., Nashua, N. H., Proprietors.
For sale by all druggists. Jul. 14. dw1m

HARVEST.

A large variety of Scythes, Scythe handles Cradles, Forks, Stones, Rakes, Grindstones, and other articles suitable to the season. Also Brass and Enamelled Preserving Kettles.

JOHN HORSMAN, Guelph.

Evening Mercury.

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.

FRIDAY EV'G, JULY 31, 1868.

Notice to the Public.

Silver Question.

The merchants and business men of the Town of Guelph, as well as those of Province generally, having deemed it desirable to receive and pay out American Silver at a discount only, we hereby give notice that on and after Saturday, August 1st Silver Coin, in amounts over Five Cents, will be accepted and paid by us at the following values:—

Half Dollars	**48 cents**
Quarter Dollars	**24 "**
English Shillings	**24 "**
Dimes	**9 "**
Two Half Dimes	**9 "**

Silver tendered in payment of all outstanding accounts due this Office will be received at the above discount after August 1st.

McLAGAN & INNES.

Mercury Office, Guelph, July 28, 1868.

A boy of Mr. Walter West's was seriously injured on Tuesday, by falling from a tree off which he was picking cherries.

☞ The Ottawa *Citizen* mentions a rumour that Hon. E. B. Wood is about to take Mr. Howland's vacant place in the ricketty concern. The report is not credited.

Chicago has given over all respects for the Sabbath, and 10,000 men are at work in building and other mechanical employment, every Sunday. Railroad trains are to run to accommodate excursionists, and altogether, the holy day finds rough treatment in Chicago.

☞ Sir John and Lady Macdonald, Mr. Sandfield McDonald, Dr. Tupper, and Colonel Bernard arrived by steamer from Portland at Halifax yesterday. Dr. Tupper proceeds to Halifax via Windsor tomorrow. The whole of the Cabinet are away from Ottawa, the ship of State being left at the mercy of the breakers which are ahead.

SAD ACCIDENT.—A private telegram received at this office last evening after we had gone to press, stated that Miss Mathieson, daughter of the Rev. Dr. Mathieson, the celebrated Presbyterian minister of Montreal, had been drowned on Wednesday last while bathing at Cacouna. Her body was expected in Montreal this morning, and the funeral will take place on Saturday.

RAILWAY CONVENTION.—We understand says the *Examiner*, that a convention of Reeves, Deputy Reeves, and Councillors of the Townships of Egremont, Normanby, and Arthur, and the village of Mount Forest, is to be held in this village, on Saturday next, the 1st of August, to consider the present position of the Railway question, and to decide upon a united course of action thereon.

RUNAWAY AND MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.—A runaway occurred to-day which had well nigh been attended with serious results. It appears that Mrs. D. Guthrie, accompanied by her little son and a young daughter of the Rev. Mr McVicar, of Montreal, were being driven home in their carriage, when they met the traction Engine opposite Kirkland & Millington's waggon shop. In order to avoid the possibility of danger, the driver got out as the engine approached and took the horse by the head and led it towards the fence. As the engine drew near, the horse became unmanageable, rearing almost perpendicularly in the air, and turning suddenly round threw the driver to the ground. Finding itself free, the animal dashed off at a furious speed down Quebec st., towards St. George's church, the dust flying in dense clouds and the occupants of the carriage, alarmed at the perilous position in which they were placed, gave full vent to their fears by lustily screaming for assistance. Numerous efforts were made to stop the frightened horse, but it was not till after Mrs Guthrie, with great presence of mind, had seized the reins, that Mr Thos. Gowdy succeeded in checking its maddened career when nearly opposite the Montreal Bank. We are happy to state that Mrs. Guthrie and the children sustained no serious injuries. The escape was certainly a providential one, many of those who witnessed the affair fully expecting momentarily to see the vehicle dashed into pieces.

School Examination.

The examination of the school in section No. 4, Guelph township, took place on Thursday last. The occasion was of more than ordinary importance from the fact that the teacher, Mr. Black, who enjoys a popularity more universal than most men in similar positions, was about to resign. The attendance of scholars was small, as might be expected at this season of the year, but there more visitors than generally lend their countenance to an examination. The knowledge of various classes in different subjects was tested thoroughly, and the answers demonstrated the diligence of the children, and the energy and efficiency of the teacher. At the close a copy of Webster's Dictionary Unabridged, and a copy of Scott's poetical works were presented to Mr. Black by the pupils, together with the following address, which was read by Miss Ella Kirkland. The presentation was made by Miss Isabella Hood.

TO MR. JOHN BLACK:

Dear Sir,—We, your affectionate pupils, beg to assure you of our great sorrow at your departure from amongst us after having for so long a time performed the arduous duties of instructor to us. Be assured you have our most earnest prayers for your success in the calling to which you may henceforth devote your energies. We would also beg you to accept these books from us as a small token of affection and appreciation of your uniform kindness to us, and receive, dear teacher, at the same time the assurance of our gratitude and esteem.

Mr. Black replied as follows:

DEAR PUPILS:—This is but one of the many ways of expressing that affection and respect which you have ever shown. Your dutiful conduct ever manifested towards myself, and your kindness towards each other have contributed much to make the hours I have spent among you happy, and to give me that pleasure which I have always found in teaching you. It is my earnest hope that my labours amongst you may have been blessed in storing your minds with useful information, and making such impressions on your character as shall make you loved and respected in after life by all with whom you may associate; but particularly that you may be led, when you understand the beauty and perfection of all God's works, to love and believe in him as the All-Wise and All-Good, and may you become members of that better society of heaven that has no ending of friendships and no parting. I again thank you for this mark of your affection, and when memory shall bring up these now passing scenes dimly and indistinctly, even when it shall be an effort to recall your names which are now so familiar, that this token shall serve to bring to recollection the impressions you have made on my heart with more vividness and force, is my earnest hope and desire.

Shortly after refreshments of a first-rate quality were served by some of the young ladies resident in the neighbourhood, and when these had had justice done them short addresses were delivered by Messrs J. M. Dunn, C. Walker and Hutton, of Guelph; also, by Messrs. Kirkland, Rennie and McCorkindale. The latter expressed their regret at the separation of the teacher from them, and all united in paying tribute to Mr. Black's ability. The latter spoke his valedictory, and the elder visitors departed, but the scholars and some other young people remained to enjoy a little social.

THE TRACTION ENGINE.—This machine, which arrived by the Great Western on Thursday night, was perambulated round town this (Friday) forenoon. In its general appearance it resembles the locomotives in use on the railways, but there is a big balance wheel goes whirling round on the top and to one side of the boiler, and the wheels were made to travel on common roads not on rails. They are very broad and very strong, and at intervals round the tires are small cogs or teeth, which by making indentations in the road will prevent sliding. The engine was driven leisurely along without any trucks attached—for there were no such articles to be had—and having passed up Macdonnell-st. was run up to Coulson's Hotel, and stopped as easily as a steady old team. This is one good point about it; it can be brought to a stand almost instantaneously. After remaining here for a while it turned down the hill and then went on up past the Court House towards Mr. G. A. Bruce's carriage works, where a waggon was to be attached for the conveyance of some articles that belonged to the engine. The guiding of it is a matter apparently easy. The apparatus is exactly the same, if we except the different material, as that by which the carriages of cripples and invalids are steered. All went well until the engine turned to go off Woolwich-st. in order to draw up in front of Mr. Bruce's shop. Here there is a deep gutter, and a crossing has been formed of planks covered with earth. Through this one of the hind wheels crushed and the engine was stuck. She was got out after some time, and started for home by the way of Fergus. As may be seen by the notice elsewhere of a runaway, some of the horses that met it on the street were badly frightened.

FOR EUROPE.—Mr. Jefferson Davis will embark for Europe in the Canadian steamer, on Saturday next.

THE ROCKWOOD CASE.

THE EVIDENCE IN FULL

HOOVER TELLS MRS. DAVIS GREAT SECRETS, WHICH SHE REVEALS IN THE COURT.

We publish below the evidence in the Davis-Hoover case, taken before Henry Strange, Esq., J. P., at Rockwood. We have already published the defendant's statement of the case, because it was the only connected account of the affair we could obtain at the time. But there are two sides to all such pictures; and it is only fair that both should be seen.—The following is a copy of the evidence, forwarded us by our correspondent at Rockwood:

The deposition Mrs. Davis made before the Magistrate, Mr. Strange, J. P., of Rockwood, was, that Hoover came to that village on the 21st July, and by making false representations succeeded in taking her to his carriage to hand her over to some commercial travellers for their use illegally, and detained her in his carriage a prisoner after she requested him to let her out in Guelph, contrary to the form of the statute in such cases made and provided.

Mrs. Davis having been sworn, deposed as follows: That Hoover came to Rockwood and told plaintiff that some of her friends from Ireland had come, and had offered him $5 if he found Mrs. Davis, and nothing if he failed; but he would take $3, and they employed him to hunt her up, and bring her to Guelph to see them; and that they were stopping at Mr. Murphy's hotel in Guelph, and that he drove them to the hotel in question; They were too tired to come out, and were stopping there for refreshments. Plaintiff consulted with Mr. Hamilton, her sister's father-in-law, as to what course she should persue, and he went down to Mr. Cumming's hotel, where Hoover was watering his horses, to ask him more particularly about these two friends from Ireland. When Mr. Hamilton came back, he told plaintiff that these two friends were too tired to come out to Rockwood and they wanted to see her immediately as they were going to Montreal that night by midnight train; Mr. H. also stated that he thought things were all right, and advised her to go with Hoover. She then went in the carriage with Hoover; he was driving. When about the town line of Guelph Hoover told her these two friends were not at Murphy's hotel, but were coming in by Great Western train at 9 in the evening, and they would then come to Murphy's. For more than half the distance on the road Hoover was telling plaintiff that he was sometimes employed by commercial travellers, as well as other gentlemen, to drive them round with some girls in the cab out in the country, and when they came back one would go one way, and the other another way, and they would never see each other again; that he knew one lady who got a silk dress and new hat, and another $15 to $20. Plaintiff said she did not wish to hear such conversation, and that she thought it best to avoid such a course of living and keep a clear conscience; Hoover then said "there's where you are a fool." Plaintiff considers that Hoover was all this time advising her to accommodate these commercial travellers in the same way. Previous to this date, on the 13th and 16th July, Hoover had told plaintiff that these two persons were a gentleman and lady with a little girl; that they were dressed like Americans, but were evidently Irish, and friends of her father; and on the 21st, while driving to Guelph, she asked defendant where these parties were stopping while in Guelph; defendant replied, at Murphy's hotel; after we turned Higingbotham's corner, and when opposite Wald's hotel, plaintiff asked the defendant to let her out of the buggy; defendant replied that she had better go on to the Western station and meet the parties when they came in; plaintiff said she would not, and as defendant was driving on towards the station she asked him to stop at Mr Murphy's and ask if the parties had arrived there. He stopped in the middle of the street, but not at the hotel, and halloed to Mrs. Murphy to come to the door; she came, and he asked her if a man named Stevens was there; she said there was not. Plaintiff then said "I'm getting out anyway," and jumped out; defendant said, "You had better come on and I shall guarantee there will be no foul play used;" he then said he was going to the station to meet them; he came back by and bye, and said the parties had got into the Wellington 'bus; he then left; went to the Wellington hotel to see if the parties had arrived; brought back word that they had got out of the 'bus before it arrived at the hotel; that he had met them by chance opposite Oakes' hotel—that her husband was with Stevens; they went into Oakes', her husband treating; defendant took a cigar; here Mr. Stevens paid him $3.50 for bringing her to Mr Murphy's; plaintiff asked him who was attending the bar when her husband treated; he said, Mr Oakes' boy; she then asked Mrs. Murphy to send down to Mr Oakes' and see if they were there; the messenger came back with word that neither Hoover nor her husband had been there that night. Next morning plaintiff went to Oakes' hotel and inquired of the landlord's son if they had been there the previous night; and he said neither Hoover nor her husband had been there that night; she then went to defendant and told him what Mr Oakes' boy had said; defendant replied that the parties told him to tell her that if she was so stiff as not to come out to the Western station to oblige them, she might go to h—l; she said she would see more about it, and then left.

Cross-examined by Hoover—Was at the Grand Trunk station when the defendant first spoke to plaintiff about these parties; he said the man was a sandy-whiskered man, and that the lady who accompanied him went to where plaintiff used to live while in Guelph, and that he pointed out to her the old sign. On the 16th of July he told her the names of these parties at the Grand Trunk station, Guelph; his name was Wm. Stevens, and he supposed the lady accompanying him was his wife; on the 13th instant defendant said they wanted to see her on particular business, and wished to tell her something to her advantage; they had been to Guelph, but found her not, and while absent wanted defendant to find out where the plaintiff lived. On the 16th, after plaintiff and defendant had talked together, they both came to Rockwood and talked at the station about what they wanted; were not together on the train. Defendant said he knew what they wanted. On the 21st of July defendant came out to Rockwood, stopping opposite to where plaintiff lives, and said to plaintiff that the parties had arrived in Guelph, and that they had sent him out for her; he asked her to get ready while he watered his horses. While doing this, Mr Hamilton went down to him to inquire of defendant more about these parties; when defendant returned after watering his horses, and before Mr Hamilton came back, plaintiff asked the defendant whether her husband had anything to do with sending defendant out, and his reply was, "No." She said if it was her husband she would not go up to Guelph; defendant used foul language towards her while they were going to Guelph. Mr. Peterson told her, when she went to tell him about the subject of this complaint that he had heard of Hoover doing a similar thing before. After passing Higinbotham's store she asked where the parties had stopped before, the answer being that they had stopped at Murphy's. Before she got to Murphy's she did not want to get in a lonely place with him, but he replied that she should come on and meet the parties at the Great Western Station. He then drove to Mr. Murphy's and stopped in the middle of the street. When she jumped out Mrs. Murphy was standing at the door. When he stopped defendant asked Mrs. Murphy if there was a man there named Stevens. He did not ask Mrs. Murphy if Mr. and Mrs. Stevens had been there.—He said after he got on the sidewalk that he was going to the Great Western station to meet these parties; said he was going there for the party; was gone about three quarters of an hour, and when he came back he said he had called out to the Wellington 'bus if Mr. Stevens was there, and the boy said "yes." Defendant said afterwards that he had met Stevens and plaintiff's husband outside of Oakes' tavern, and he had told her that not to keep her in suspense; then he went away. Plaintiff met defendant next day, when she told him such a party had not been at Oakes'. When defendant said plaintiff's husband was at Oakes' Hotel, she said she did not want to see him. This was the night before.

William Hamilton was next sworn, and said that Mrs. Davis asked him to go and see Hoover and ascertain what kind of people had come out to see her. Hoover said they were from Ireland, but not this summer and that he had been telegraphed to bring them to Guelph, and had done so. Witness then asked defendant why he had not brought them out to see plaintiff, and not come here to bring her to see them; he replied that they were going to Montreal by midnight train, and that he would get $4 for coming out for her; he then asked defendant if plaintiff's husband was one of the party, and he replied "not of his knowledge."

Cross-Examined by Hoover—They were respectable people, as far as he knew defendant said. Recollects that defendant said "if she wants me to drive her back to-night or to-morrow morning I'll do it," witness advised her not to come out that evening.

Mrs. Murphy, *sworn*: Said she sent her boy at Mrs. Davis' request to Oakes' tavern to see if Hoover and Stevens had been there on the night of the 21st, and the boy returned saying no one answering to those names had been stopping there that night. Hoover, when he stopped at our hotel, asked me if Stevens had been there, my reply was "No." Saw defendant get out of his carriage; then went into the house and saw no more.

Cross-examined by Hoover—The heads of the horses were turned towards the post to the sidewalk, but don't know where the back of the carriage was; it was not in the middle of the street when witness saw it. Defendant asked plaintiff to go to the Great Western station, as he was going; he asked witness if they had been at the hotel in his absence, she replied "No." The plaintiff said she did not want to see her husband, as she had had enough of him before.

This concluded the evidence, when the magistrate summed up briefly, imposing a fine on the defendant of $10 and $4.65 costs, which he declined paying on the ground that he would appeal, which he according did. So that the case will come up again at the Quarter Sessions. The scene in court baffles description. The room was crowded to its utmost capacity and occasionally a babble of tongues would bellow forth "Lynch him," others more merciful would say "tar and feather him, and ride him on a rail" which threats, had it not been for the timely influence of Mr. Strange would most assuredly have been put in force. The defendant was harrassed in various ways, and at last, finding that things were assuming a serious aspect, he jumped upon a bench exclaiming that he was in British Dominions and claimed the Queen's protection; then his manly flood-gates of nature gave way, and it was a pitable sight indeed to see him blubbering out like a little school boy. Parties lay in wait for him during the night but he wisely concluded upon staying in Rockwood till morning, when he left, and as I am told safely arrived in Guelph.

In America, and also abroad, the tendency of literary manifestations, for several years past, has been towards condensation. The New York *Commercial Advertiser* says that it is notably the case in the newspaper press, daily and weekly, and it is also displaying itself in magazine literature. The average length of articles has been materially reduced. The newspaper, with short, pungent paragraphs, in which the intelligence that is to be given is boiled down into the fewest possible words, is always preferred to one which stretches its articles out into columns of useless adjectives. People who want to find out what is going on, prefer to do it in as short a time as possible, and from a sheet filled with scores of condensed paragraphs they can learn much more than if the space is devoted to a small number of lengthy articles.

GEN. BUTTLER IN TROUBLE.—W. W. Woolley of Impeachment fame, and Kimberly Brothers have brought suits against Gen. Butler and had him arrested in Baltimore. Woolley charges false imprisonment, for which he asks $100,000 damages; and Kimberly Brothers charge that Gen. Butler extorted $13,000 from them while he was in command at Fortress Monroe.

The Free Masons of Austria are asking permission to open their lodges, which have been closed since 1794.

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

Special from Toronto.

Destructive Fire.—Incendiary attempt.—A Coalition Candidate for West York.—Rain.—Guelph Farmers Swindled, &c.

Special to the Guelph Evening Mercury.

TORONTO, 3:30 p. m., July 31

A large fire occurred this morning in Victoria-st. The loss is estimated at $30,000. The houses which were frame, were insured in the Ætna of Hartford and the Lancashire.

An attempt was made last night to set fire to some buildings on Bond street.

Bartley Bull has been brought out as the Coalition candidate for West York, in opposition to Mr Wright.

It is raining here this afternoon.

Some farmers who reside near Guelph have been swindled by pretended surveyors, who offer for a consideration not to run the road through line farm houses.

There was an attempt on Wednesday to fire London gaol.

The *Daily Telegraph's* St. John's special says that Sir John A. Macdonald and Hon. J. S. Macdonald are in conference with Dr. Tupper, and other leading men.

Rebellious Resolutions passed in Nova Scotia.

At a meeting of the people at Yarmouth some rebellious resolutions had been passed.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

London July 30.—The Goodwood races are still in progress and attract considerable interest.

London, July 30.—The *Standard* commending upon the finding of the Bill just passed by the American Congress, says the proposition to replace 5-20's with new bonds bearing a lower rate of interest, principal and interest to be paid in gold, will make the latter no more acceptable to the business community than the former, as a future congress may alter their value by the enactment of new laws on the subject.

Dublin, July 30. — Mr. G. F. Francis Train appeared in public Court of Bankruptcy to-day. As his papers were not presented in the proper form, the Court refused to hear the case.

London, July 30. — The South American mails have reached this city, and furnish additional news from the scene of war on the Parana. Despatches had been received in Rio Janiero from the Marquis De Coxias, commander of the allied armies, announcing that the fortress Humaita, so long and obstinately defended by the Paraguayans, had fallen into the hands of the allies. No particulars of the last days of the siege were given, nor were the terms of the surrender known. The dispute which had arisen between General Coxias and Mr. Washburn, the American Minister to Paraguay, remained unsettled. It originated in an attempt on the part of the Marquis to prevent the United States steamer *Wasp* with the American Minister on board from proceeding up the Parana river. Mr Webb, the Ambassador of the United States at Rio Janeiro, remonstrated with the Brazilian Government against this interference with the movements of the Minister to Paraguay, and will demand his passports if the steamer *Wasp* is again detained by the commander of the allied forces.

The following reports have been received from a Paraguayan source:—The allies made a reconoissance in force in the direction of the fortifications on the Tebicuray river; a detachment consisting of 600 men was met by the Paraguayan forces on the Tabare river, and a severe engagement followed which ended in the defeat and route of the Allies, with heavy loss in prisoners, horses, arms, and munitions of war. Accounts from the same quarter represent Humaita was as strong and well armed as it ever had been, and there were no prospects of its abandonment The new and extensive fortification on the Tebicuray had been completed, and well provisioned and garrisoned. The river had been effectually closed at that point by chains and other obstructions. These accounts come from behind the Paragnayan lines and are necessarily of an earlier date than the latest news received at Rio Janeiro from the Allied camp. No intimation is given that General Lopez had sued for peace.

American Despatches.

Havana, July 30—Advices from Hayti state that Gen. Hector has defeated Gen. Christi, the leader of the Reactionists, and that thirty persons have been shot.

Boston, July 31st—The Philadelphia Eleven commenced a Cricket match with an eleven of the Boston Club yesterday, the result being that the Boston eleven made 178 runs in the first inning and the Philadelphians 86, with six wickets down.

New York, July 31—The divers are at work with a new submarine exploring apparatus at the spot where the English frigate *Hussar* is supposed to have sunk in 1780. The men remained under the water an hour and succeeded in finding, as they believe, traces of the sunken vessel. *Sun's* special says letters received here give very deplorable reports of the condition in the South. In Texas, the constitutional convention is likely to split owing to internal dissensions. In Louisiana it is most likely that the rebels will repudiate the new government and set up another. By one mail this week letters were received giving accounts of over 40 murders, while all over the South the slumbering embers of discord are rapidly being fanned into flame by Seymour and Blair orators, and the conduct of the President in refusing to recognize the new State Governments as valid.

Certain American newspaper proprietors are said to be making arrangements for fitting up a composing room and a small stereotype foundry on board some of the mail packets, so as to have all the English news set up and cast into columns ready for use as soon as the vessel arrives in port.

The Boston post-office is to cover 25,585 square feet of ground; that of New York will occupy 65,269 square feet. The site of the former costs $463,000; of the latter, $500,000.