

was fairly overboard, and then subsided into the bottom of the nest." The ejected bird was replaced, but on again visiting the nest on the following morning both pipets were found dead out of the nest.

Mrs. Blackburn continues:—"The cuckoo was perfectly naked, without the vestige of a feather, or even a hint of future feathers; its eyes were not yet opened, and its neck seemed too weak to support the weight of its head. . . . The most singular thing of all was the direct purpose with which the blind little monster made for the open side of the nest, the only part where it could throw its burthen down the bank. I think all the spectators felt the sort of horror and awe at the apparent inadequacy of the creature's intelligence to its acts that one might have felt at seeing a toothless hag raise a ghost by an incantation. It was horribly uncanny and gruesome."

THE SEVENTH SON.

In France a seventh son in direct succession is called a *marcou*. In Orleans, during the present century, the following was written concerning the *marcou* :—

"If a man is the seventh son of his father, without any female intervening, he is a *marcou*; he has on some part of his body the mark of a *fleur de lis*, and, like the kings of France, he has the power of curing the king's evil. All that is necessary to effect a cure is that the *marcou* should breathe upon the part affected, or that the sufferer should touch the mark of the *fleur de lis*. Of all the *marcou*s of the Orleanais, he of Ormes is the best known and the most celebrated. Every year from twenty, thirty, forty leagues around crowds of patients come to visit him; but it is particularly in holy week that his power is most efficacious, and on the night of Good Friday, from midnight to sunrise, the cure is certain. A darker superstition concerning the seventh son exists in Portugal. It is there believed that the unfortunate being who is the seventh male in direct succession is in the power of the Prince of Darkness, by whom he is compelled, on every Saturday evening, to assume the appearance of an ass. In this guise, and accompanied by a troop of dogs, he is compelled to race over moor and through village until the light of the Sabbath dawns, when he may resume his human form for another week."

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

The Lloyd Manufacturing Co. Kentville, are carrying on a flourishing business and at present have a large number of orders ahead. They have just shipped to Miss Stirling, proprietress of the Orphans' Home at Aylesford, two carloads of machinery, among which was a rotary mill, fitted with all the latest improvements, having all Lane's patent Green Mountain Dogs, and a Lane Shingle Mill. They have also recently shipped to Clyde River a Lane Shingle Mill manufactured by them, which gives evidence of strength and durability, and has an advantage over other similar machines in its simplicity. This machine will cut from good stock from 25 to 30 thousand shingles per 10 hours. We learn that this firm purpose placing on exhibition at Halifax, in charge of Messrs. Austen Bros., a number of machines of their manufacture. Customers will thus be able to see machinery in operation and judge for themselves of the many good points it contains.

Business is rushing at the Buckler Brick Company's yards just now. During the week they have shipped 300,000 bricks by water, and 40,000 by rail. Next week they intend shipping 20 carloads to Yarmouth, and 75 to Lunenburg. Two vessels are also loading at their wharf. They have just finished burning a new kiln of 200,000. A branch track from the main line of the W. & A. R. to their yard has been completed, which will facilitate greatly the filling of the numerous orders received for well-made brick. They also have the contract of supplying the brick for the new school house to be built at Digby. 200,000 brick will be used in its construction.—*Annapolis Spectator*.

There are in course of erection in Yarmouth two brick blocks, a large number of medium-sized houses and a few large residences; and the corner stone for the Oddfellows hall was laid during the gathering of Oddfellows last week.

The lumber mills on the St. John River have been idle for some weeks on account of a strike of the employes for a nine hours' day, but a large number of the mills have started work again. The owners of the mills that are now running gave way to the men. Twelve mills are in motion, which give employment to between 1,000 and 1,200 men.

THE BIRCH SPOOL-WOOD INDUSTRY.—Mr. John C. Risteen has just returned from a flying visit to Boston. The syndicate which he represents has decided to place about three portable mills in this neighborhood this fall, with a view to make large operations next year. Chatham will probably be the central point for supplies, etc. Persons having birch suitable for spool wood on their lands will do well to communicate with Mr. Risteen, in care of the *Advance* office. It is encouraging to know that there is so fine a prospect for the fuller development of this industry.—*Chatham Advance*.

That many industries must start up in the vicinity of Fredericton within a short period there can be no doubt. The facilities are here, and the energy; all that is wanted is the capital. This must come, for where there is a good chance for a profitable investment it is soon taken. The Main Company that lately purchased the 55,000 acres of land on the Keswick and tributaries intend in the near future to erect a large pulp mill with the

best machinery at the North Forks of Keswick, called Corn Ridge stream, about two miles from Zealand Station, on the northern division of the C. P. R. in New Brunswick. The whole country is heavily wooded with all the hard woods, and the land is most carefully guarded, not a stick even for a handspike being allowed to be cut, and no one is permitted to tap the maples for sugar sap. There is talk also that this company will erect saw mills at Cardigan station on the same railroad, for the manufacture of all kinds of small hardwood goods, such as fruit boxes, brushes, broom handles, lasts, furniture and many other things. These factories must employ a great amount of labor, and will be a benefit to this city, as the trade must flow in this direction. These are but the forerunners of others yet to come.—*Fredericton, N. B., Gleaner*.

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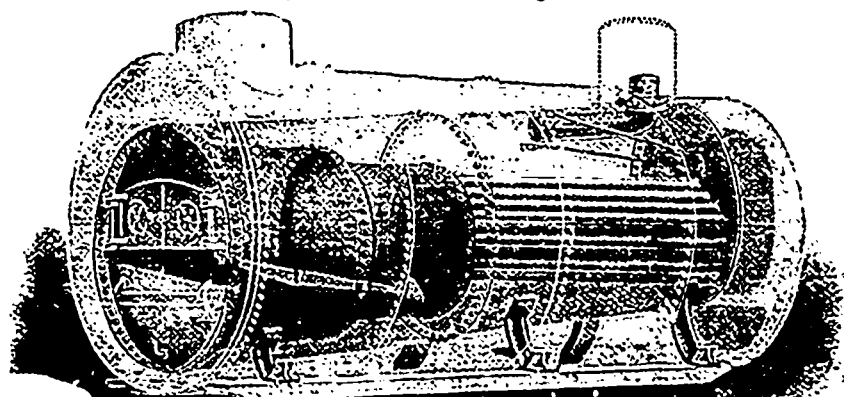
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