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ALL RAIL LINE.
ARRANGEMENT OF TRAINS
IN EFFECT JUNE 27TH, 1887.
Eastern Standard Time.
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6 00 A. M.—Express for St. John and intermediate points.
6 40 A. M.—For Fredericton Junction and for McAdam Junction and St. Stephen, Vanceboro, Bangor, Portland, Boston and all points west, St. Andrews, Houlton, Woodstock, Presque Isle, Grand Falls, Edmundston, and all points north.
11 40 A. M.—For Fredericton Junction and for St. John and points East.
—:ARRIVE AT FREDERICTON:—
9 20 A. M.—From Fredericton Junction and from St. John and all points East.
2 15 P. M.—From Fredericton Junction, and from Vanceboro, Bangor, Portland, Boston and all points West, St. Andrews, St. Stephen, Houlton, Woodstock, Presque Isle, Grand Falls, and points North.
7 15 P. M.—Express from St. John and intermediate points.
—:LEAVE GIBSON:—
11 30 A. M.—Express for Woodstock, and points north.
—:ARRIVE AT GIBSON:—
10 35 A. M.—Express from Woodstock and points north.
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St. John, N. B., June 20th, 1887.

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SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.
In Effect July 11th, 1887.
TRAINS RUN ON EASTERN STANDARD TIME.
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LEAVE GIBSON
6:45 a m; Marysville, 7:10; Cross Creek, 8:30 Boiestown, 9:45; Doaktown, 10:45; Blackville, 12 Chatham Junction, 1:20; arrive at Chatham, 1:50.
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4:45, a m; Chatham Junction, 5:20; Blackville, 6:15; Doaktown, 7:25; Boiestown, 8:15; Cross Creek, 9:25; Marysville, 10:50; arriving at Gibson at 11.
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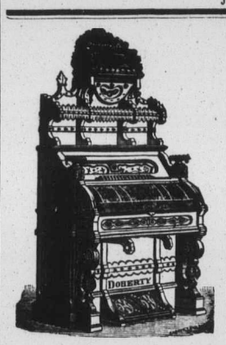

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JOHN BRIGHT'S PROPOSITION.

An Arbitration Treaty Between England And the United States.

LONDON, Aug. 30—John Bright, writing to Secretary Jones, of the London Peace society deputation, which is going to the United States to present a memorial to President Cleveland in favor of the establishment of an international arbitration treaty, says, "Discussion may lead to the adoption of an arbitration treaty between the United States and England, if the government of the United States is willing in any way to signify its willingness to become a party to such a treaty. There is a force of good men with us to induce our government to consent. If this be done, it will be a grand step forward in the world's march and it will be followed in some not distant time by other nations which are willing to escape the sorry burden of military armaments. Two hundred members of the house of commons sign the arbitration memorial, but far more than this number will be ready to urge the acceptance of the treaty upon our government, if the action taken at Washington be favorable to the success of the scheme. England and the United States must still remain two nations, but I would have them always regard themselves as one people. An arbitration treaty, honestly made and adhered to, would tend much to bring about this blessed result."

NOT A COMPETITOR OF MAN.

Professor Blackie's Opinion of Nature's Design Regarding Women.

Those who are so zealous to break down the wall of partition that by the precedent of ages has established itself between the sexes, says Professor Blackie, should observe in the first place, that Nature seems to be of a different opinion; for she has certainly, in the physical presentation of the two creatures, taken care to make them look as distinctively different as a birch-tree is from an oak. The structure of the woman is altogether more slender, her stature as a rule less, her muscular strength and capacity for hard work less. Let a young man and a young woman of average fibre set out on a pedestrian expedition, and it will be found in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred that the lady will be more fatigued afterwalking 10 miles than the gentleman after walking twenty; and the lady who, in despite of this fatigue, out of a pure spirit of ambitious rivalry, perseveres in vieying with the more robust animal in his proper domain, will be sure to pay the penalty of her abnormal ambition, if she live a few years, in more ways than one. In close connection with this more delicate physical constitution of the woman is the fact that her emotional nature is more keen, her sensibility more quick, her passions more violent, her instincts more imperious, and less submissive to necessary limitations, than in the man. This strongly-rooted sensibility in women is the cause of their characteristic persistency in all matters that depend in any considerable degree on sentiment. It is in vain to combat sentiment with reasons. A woman of strong passion and fine sensibility will hold by her instincts, and leave your arguments to float, and in so doing may, in not a few cases, be right; but if the case is one in which cool judgment, and not keen feeling, is to decide, she will probably be wrong. Arguments in such cases are stronger with a man, because he is either naturally less richly furnished with sentiment, or has trained himself to keep his sentiment in subjection; but with the woman it is omnipotent, as belonging radically to the constitution of her nature. You may bend the branches of a tree, and force them to grow, as we sometimes see, contrary to nature, downwards; but if you tug at the root you kill it.

THE O'GRADY EVICTIONS.

A Widow Makes a Gallant Defence—The Bailiffs Compelled to Retreat Five Times.

DUBLIN, Aug. 30.—Evictions on the O'Grady estates at Herbertstown began to-day. Bailiffs were re-inforced by 100 soldiers and 300 policemen. All the houses occupied by the tenants were barricaded and guarded for defence. The house of Mrs. Crimmins, a widow, was first advanced upon by the bailiffs. The widow and her friends were well armed with paving stones and boiling water and both were showered upon the bailiffs with such telling effect that they were repulsed no less than four times. The sheriff's men in their attacks attempted to crowbar their way through the walls and roof, and Mrs. Crimmins had scalding water poured over their heads, faces and necks. After the fourth repulse of the bailiffs the police attempted to storm the house. They also were driven back. Finally a joint rush was made by bailiffs and police and the house was broken into and captured. It was found that the defenders of the widow's habitation numbered nine persons, five men and four women. All were taken prisoners. A large crowd had collected about the house to witness the contest. The crowd all sympathised with Mrs. Crimmins and did all in their power to cheer her up in her battle and to annoy and exasperate the officers. When the widow's party was at last overpowered the crowd became frantic and pressed closely up to the house. The prisoners when they were led out sang "God Save Ireland." The crowd joined in the singing and became so demonstrative that the police had to cut their way out with batons.

Ladies in Russian Universities.

Nowhere in Europe have so many ladies crowded into the university lecture-rooms as in Russia. This the statistics prove. In 1886, there were 779 women students at the Russian universities. Of these, 243 were in the philosophical department; 500 in the physicomathematical department; 36 studied only mathematics. Of these 779, there were 537 members of the Greek Orthodox Church; 137 were Jewesses; 748 were single, and 31 were married. The majority were daughters of noble political and military officials—namely, 437; 84 were clergymen's daughters; 125 merchants' daughters, etc. Fully 85 passed the final examinations at the close of the semester. In addition to these there are several hundred Russian ladies studying at non-Russian universities, principally in Switzerland and in Paris. The majority study medicine.

WIT AND HUMOR.

A Few Short Jokes for those who Like Them.

Mr. More wrote to a girl asking her to marry him. She declined, and closed her note with: "No more at present."

"Well, may I hope, then, dearest, that at some time I may have the happiness of making you my wife?"—"Yes, I hope so, I am sure," was the unexpected response, "I am getting tired of suing fellows for breach of promise."

An individual, well known for his wit, one morning wagered that he would ask the same question of fifty different persons and receive the same answer from each. The wit went to first one and then another, until he had reached the number of fifty. And this is how he won the bet. He whispered, half audibly, to each, "I say, have you heard that Smith has failed?"—"What Smith?" queried the whole fifty, one after another, and it was decided that the bet had been fairly won.

"Wilful Waste Makes Woful Want!"

The Vicar's Daughter: "Here's some beautiful new foolscap papa has sent you to cover the jam-pots, cook!"—Cook: "Oh, it's a pity to waste that, miss. Some of master's old sermons would do just as well!"—Punch.

He Saw Niagara Falls.

There was an old couple at the Third Street station the other day who had been to Niagara Falls, and were waiting for a train to their home in the interior of the State. They had hardly entered the room before the old man turned to a stranger and said, "We've just got back from Niagry Falls. Powerful sight, them falls are. Ain't nothin' like them falls in this hull country."

"Never heard of 'em," gruffly replied the man.

"You didn't? Lor bless me, but that's astonishin'! Never heard of Niagry Falls?"

"Never. What is it, anyhow?"

"Why, it's the biggest lot of water you ever saw, fallin' over the awfullest precipice you ever heard of. Why, it makes folks shiver to look at it."

"Singular that none of the papers have ever mentioned it."

"They hain't? Why, them falls has been there for thousands of years."

"Wasn't it a freshet or a dam broke loose, or something of that sort?"

"No siree! that water keeps a-pourin' and roarin' and hummin' all the time."

"Must have been some trick about it," carelessly observed the cynic: "if it was a real thing there'd be some excitement about it. You don't drink?"

"Me drink? I've never drunk a drop in my life!"

"Well, it's too bad. Any one who will swindle an old man like you ought to be horsewhipped."

"Swindle? Do you purtend there aint no Niagry Falls?"

"Never heard of any such thing," replied the man as he got up and left.

"Say, Hanner," said the old man as he turned to his wife after a while, "did you hear that?"

"Every word."

"Say, when we git home we'll keep mum until I see Stebbins and feel around and see if there is a Niagry Falls. If we've been fooled we don't want to be laughed at; if it's all right, we kin do our blowin' when it's safe and will count. Don't say Goat Island nor Horseshoe Fall nor Bridal Veil to no livin' soul until we find out whether that ginger ale flew to our heads, or the show was all right and worth the money."—Detroit Free Press.

A French Heroine.

The French Government recently conferred the Cross of the Legion of Honor on Mother Mary Teresa, Superioress of the sisters of charity in Tonquin, for an act of heroism. A grenade fell upon an ambulance in which wounded soldiers were being removed in charge of the good sister. It did not burst, so Mother Mary Teresa caught the grenade in her arms, to the dismay of the wounded soldiers, who feared It might explode and kill their devoted nurse—and smilingly carried it away to a distance of eighty metres. On laying it down she noticed it was about to burst, so she threw herself to the ground. It exploded and she was seen lying covered with blood. Assistance was at hand, but the nun rose to her feet and saying "That is nothing," resumed her place in the ambulance by her wounded charge. When the Governor General sent for her to have the decoration pinned in her habit she was assisting at the amputation of a soldier's leg, and refused to leave her patient until the operation was completed.

This heroic woman may be said to have lived amidst wars and alarms. When only twenty years of age she was wounded by a cannon ball while tending the wounded on the field of Balaklava. In 1879 she was laid prostrate on the field of Magenta by a shell. At Reishoffen she was found covered with sabre wounds among a heap of dead cuirassiers in 1876. She has served her religion and her countrymen in Syria, China and Mexico, as well as in Europe, and is still in the prime of life. She belongs to a good family, and forsook the comforts and pleasures to which she was born to minister to wants of suffering humanity. Such self sacrifice illustrates how much there is that is good in this world. Every walk in life has its peculiar way of bringing nobility to the front, but it will be hard to find a nobler picture than the life of this humble sister of charity.

A Startling Prediction.

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Two hundred years ago in China there was just such a craze about natural gas as we have in this country to-day. Gas wells were sunk with as much vim and vigor as the celestials were capable of, but owing to a gas explosion that killed several millions of people and tore up and destroyed a large district of country, leaving a large inland sea, known on the maps as Lake Foo Chang, the boring of any more gas wells was then and there prohibited by law. It seems, according to the Chinese history, that many large and heavy pressure gas wells were struck, and in some districts wells were sunk quite near to each other. Gas was lighted as soon as struck, as is done in this country. It is stated that one well with its unusual pressure, by induction or back draught, pulled down into the earth the burning gas of a smaller well, resulting in a dreadful explosion of a large district, destroying the inhabitants thereof. Lake Foo Chang rests on this district. The same catastrophe is imminent in this country unless the laws restrict further developments in boring so many wells. Should a similiar explosion occur there will be such an upheaval as will dwarf the most terrible earthquakes ever known. The country along the gas belt from Toledo through Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky will be ripped up to the depth of 1,200 to 1,500 feet and flopped over like a pancake, leaving a chasm through which the waters of Lake Erie will come howling down, filling the Ohio and Mississippi valleys, and blotting them out forever.