

of ravine which divides the two crests of the mountain; and the lava would therefore take the course it followed in 1872, towards the Observatory of San Sebastino. At present the activity of the eruption has so much diminished that there is little probability of the lava flowing down the sides of the mountain some weeks to come, if it does at all. But perhaps, as the moon is to exercise some mysterious influence over the volcanic elements there will be a further increase of activity at the next full moon, and the lava will rise high enough to overflow.

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Dreams.
Sleep is a figurative death. While it knits up the ravelled sleeve of care it allows the spirit to roam away at will. The slave once more becomes free, his shackles burst from his wrists, "the forests with their myriad tongues" shout the word Liberty. And the soldier fighting for king and country lays him down and dreams of his home, hears again "the song that the corn reapers sung,"—the little ones climb up his knee and ask the father's kiss and blessing. The imagination is untrammelled, it is not disturbed by the influence which the eye and the ear bring to the understanding; hence the scenes are generally consecutive and the picture full. Coloridge could dream at his own gate, Milton could dream his glorious epic while his daughter wrote.

Dreams are mysterious. The cup-bearer and the baker of Pharaoh on relating their dreams to him whose name we bear—and whose virtues also, we trust—were immediately told what was to happen. The one was to be hanged, the other reinstated. And Pharaoh too dreamt of seven fat and seven lean kine, and Joseph predic ed therefrom seven years plenty and as many years of famine. Even we read of Jacob falling asleep in the field and dreaming of troops of angels ascending and descending on a great ladder. (By the way Longfellow compares his birds in the trees in "Evangeline" to this dream.) Even in a dream an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph, commanding him to fly to Egypt.

Dreams have puzzled the philosopher and the divine. Kant has written learned treatises on it. He says one cannot fall asleep without dreaming. When people say they haven't dreamt, 'tis because they forget them. To cease dreaming, is to cease living. Circumstances give rise to dreams. Dr. James Gregory went to bed with a vessel of hot water at his feet and dreamt he was walking on Mount Atna. Throwing off the bedclothes in his sleep, he dreamt of spending a winter at Hudson's Bay. Dr. Reid had a blister on his head and dreamt of being scalped by Indians.

Indisposition or ill health produce the most startling dreams—so much so that persons have been known to wake screaming. During sleep touch is the most sensitive of the senses and produces most dreams. The dreams of the wretched opium eater are horrible to conceive of—snakes with feathered heads, and every species of cold slimy serpents being his companions. In a brief sketch like this we cannot go into the philosophy of the subject, as given by several able writers, but merely notice the effects of some quite perceptible causes.

Condorcet saw in a dream a calculation that had puzzled him for a week. Mr. Coleridge's fragment, Kubla Khan, he composed while asleep and wrote on waking. Pascal thinks that he who dreams every night he is a king is as happy as the king who dreams every night he is an artisan. We should therefore try to take such precautions as would produce

pleasant dreams. Regularity, temperance in eating and drinking, and avoiding to get into a train of thought before going to sleep will do much to effect this object. Strange to say between dreams and insanity there is a kind of analogy. The same rapid transitions from one extreme to the other; the same tumultuous thoughts, violent actions, hair breadth escapes, are common to both. To-night sitting in our Editorial chair we dreamt of falling many hundred feet flop down on a flat rock. It woke us and set us thinking of this article.

The Afghan War.
The English troops have passed through the famous Khyber Pass, but the gates are closed after them. They entered the spot rendered hallowed to them by the blood of some of England's bravest soldiers in 1842. No force of fierce mountaineers opposed their entrance, a few only had they met about the hill, these evading them rather than courting battle. When they entered the silent gorge, the very echoing of their feet seemed to speak the words of the fallen British heroes. They might have been interpreted "Beware!" No human being was in that spot, but above the cormorant of the crag sat brooding over the dauntless bravery of the invaders. But scarce had the last file of soldiers passed through when every crag and bush seemed to be transformed into a man—swift-footed and eagle-eyed Khyberese close the gates with rifle muzzles and glistening steel. Meanwhile the invading army pushes its way up into the country of the capricious Ameer. Now they march over a bleak steppe, now over a rugged mountain, now disappear in some gorge. Further we cannot follow them—communication is cut off; for the Khyber Pass is held by the natives. Convoy after convoy has been sent as a reinforcement, but they have all been stopped on reaching the Pass. They have fought bravely to enter but nature aids the Khyberese, and the advantage is theirs. When first we read of the easy entrance of Chamberlain's troops, we were not little surprised, for it is an unquestioned fact that a few men can hold the pass against thousands. It is not even like Thermopylae—there is no part of which advantage can be taken, a traitor could render little aid. The Ameer evidently intended the British force should get through, that he might fasten them up and call them his prey. The holding of the pass now seems to warrant this conclusion. Of course we may be entirely mistaken about the whole matter, but we do think there have been British commanders who would on entering the pass, immediately have stationed force enough there to hold it. A few would have sufficed and the Ameer's object have been defeated. The winter is fast approaching, and if the Ameer's subjects prove loyal to him—and, if the telegrams state facts—it looks blue for some of the British soldiers. But even though the Ameer should butcher every man, he need not think he has then conquered England. Unaided, the Ameer must in the end come to terms.

The Dismissals.
We do think with our contemporary the *Morning News* that the system of dismissals upon change of Government should be received very cautiously if not entirely discarded. In our feeble way of viewing things we have seen much that was wrong with the dead Grits, and see much that is commendable in our living Tories. Indeed with the latter we are content to cast our lot; but we cannot endorse the wholesale system of dismissing. It does appear to us that Nova Scotia cuts a very bad figure, and that New Brunswick would cut equally as bad were she to do as the former has done. We admire our mighty neighbor across the border for his broad spirit of freedom, but we censure some of his acts. We despise others. In complete contempt we hold the system of change all round in the civil offices when a change of Government occurs. This would seem to be the tendency of the present time in Canada and it behooves one and all to stand up against it. The dismissal of some may be justifiable even without a change

of Ministry at all, but it does seem to us that in many cases personal spite seems to be the motive, a lot of unproven charges the justification. Indeed to carry out this principle would be to virtually deprive the office holder of the exercise of his franchise: for it cannot be denied that a mere voting in some cases has been taken as the groundwork of motion for dismissal. The wisdom of Sir John will, no doubt, set this matter right.

The Government Meeting.
The Rand Government has been in session the past three days. One of the matters before this body was the appointment of a French teacher to the Normal School. Dr. Rand wants one man—a gentleman, we learn, married—to a relation of his—and the balance of the Board of Education want another. The law and the Government in the past have transferred the power from themselves to the Doctor, and it seems stupid as well as inconsistent for the Government now to try to rule. Dr. Rand should do this. In a late article on this matter, we gave opinions on the position in which Mr. Crockett is placed. We still take our former ground on that point, looking at it from the same position as we did then. But we have since been informed, and from the proper source too, that Dr. Rand has been at the back of the appointment of his "relation in law" and Mr. Crockett has been merely stuck to the front. Dr. Rand first wrote for Mr. Landry, and of course Mr. Crockett wouldn't dare say, "Na, Na, Mister Rand." Now the question will be possibly asked "What right has Dr. Rand to be poking his nose into the business of the Principal?" Had we to say in this matter we should make the Doctor himself take the responsibilities of his letter writing by paying Mr. Landry his winter's salary.

Mr. Landry has been appointed till the Spring when the Board of Education will put in another man, Dr. Rand to the contrary notwithstanding.

Mayor's Election.
It cannot now be denied that an opposition to Mayor Gregory is intended, but whether such opposition will be its another question. The gentleman named to oppose Mr. Gregory is Mr. A. F. Randolph who, we are inclined to think, has no desire whatever to take the field. But it would seem that whether the gentleman wishes to take the field or not it is all the same Messrs. Freeze and Foster are bent on bringing him out. Each of these has been busy the past week getting names to a requisition asking Mr. Randolph to come. Certain it is if Mr. Randolph come, which is not at all likely, the contest will be not so much between His Worship Mayor Gregory and Mr. Randolph, as between the former gentleman and Messrs. Foster and Freeze in a lump. If Mr. Randolph suffers these two men (and by the Mr. Gaunce has now out a requisition for the same purpose to drag him out, no doubt the contest will be close and hot. Intensely hot, because of the marked unpopularity of Messrs. Freeze and Foster, virtually the opponents of Mayor Gregory.

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