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FRESH OYSTERS!

Evening Mercury. MONDAY EV'NG, MAY 31, 1869.

The World Over.

Upwards of 1,000 German and Norwegian passed through Toronto on Friday going west.

A Kincardine volunteer while at bell practice a few days ago, missed the target and shot a valuable cow.

The father of a Cornell student who sent an item in his cash account, "Clarity, \$90," replied, "I fear that clarity covers a multitude of sins."

New York professors of dancing have introduced the "kiss cotillon," the peculiar feature of which is that the partners oscillate as they swing corners.

An old man named Atkinson, rather the worse for liquor, was crossing the track at Lunenburg on Thursday evening, when a train came along, struck him on the head and knocked his brains out.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has declared a dividend of 4 per cent. for the current half year, upon the paid up capital stock, payable at the Bank and its branches on and after Friday, July 2nd.

A teamster in Maine says he can start the most bulky horse by taking him out of the shafts, and making him go around in a narrow circle till he is giddy. If the first dance of this sort does not cure him, the second will.

A heavy thunderstorm passed over the neighborhood of Walkerton on Tuesday evening. The house of Mr. Thos. Wilson, Durham Road was struck, considerably damaged, and a boy who was sitting on a chair by the stove threw a sensible to the floor.

The Elgin Courant says the young Marquis of Bute is giving fabulous sums to the priests at Rome, where he lives in all the pomp and circumstance of a lay countryman, and it is believed subjecting himself to the most rigorous penances.

The Duke of Hamilton is about to sell all his horses and retire from the turf. He has lost prodigious sums of money besides the better part of his character, and a faithful enemy stands second only to the Marquis of Hastings. The Jockey Club blackballed him.

An accident occurred at Norwich, Ill. on the morning of Her Majesty's Birthday, by which a young man named Fred. Barnes, a blacksmith, lost his life. It appears that he, along with others, was firing off an anvil, and after one or two rounds, while in the act of firing a third round, a spark from the fire set the powder on fire, which exploded and killed Barnes.

The Stratford Beacon says that the fax business conducted by Messrs. Marshall & Fuller of that town, has given employment during the pulling and rotting season to seventy or eighty hands. If there be an average crop in the locality this year—a large quantity having been sown—employment will be found for one hundred and fifty men, women and children for three months in the latter part of the summer, and in the fall, besides for twenty-five men engaged in the mill dressing fax, until the new crop comes in next year.

LEPROSY AMONG SWINE.—The Hamilton Times says: A fearful disease has appeared among the swine in Elnbrook, which bears the precise symptoms of leprosy of the East, and as far as known is the first appearance of the loathsome malady on this continent. A sow owned by Mr. Charles Harvey, three years old, was the first animal stricken by the disease, and specimens of the flesh, including the heart, were brought to the city and exhibited. The specimens are covered with white pustules, and present a horrible appearance, being supposed to resemble the leprosy as it affects human subjects.

THE OIL MARKET.—The Sarnia Observer says: The petroleum market continues steady—crude ranging about the same price as it has done for several weeks, viz. \$1.02 per barrel; while refined is held at 20c per gallon, with little demand. Considerable activity is manifested in Petrolia and neighborhood, a number of wells being in process of sinking. We understand considerable has been done, and more is likely to be done soon in the way of exporting crude oil by tanking it to Petrolia, to Canadian stations on the Grand Trunk Railway, to be thence forwarded by rail to Montreal and other places to be refined preparatory to its exportation; while the local refiners are actively engaged in refining, with a view of exporting it to Europe direct. Recent experiments for more thoroughly deodorizing having been so successful as in a great measure to obviate the objection formerly made to Canadian oil in the foreign market, on account of the odor being much stronger than that of the American.

GOLDWINN SMITH AGAIN.—The Hartford Post visits Professor Goldwin Smith with vehement censure for venturing to find fault with Senator Sumner's speech. It says his speech was "unbecoming a college professor," and was "perhaps a violation of the courtesy extended to him in the invitation to occupy a chair in an American university." We were not aware that Mr. Smith was invited as a matter of courtesy. We supposed he came because we wanted the benefit of his ability and learning, and that he was invited because we believed him able to instruct our students. It seems that we prize his instructions only when they agree with our prejudices. We asked him to come because we supposed he shared them, and would help confirm us in them. When he tries to correct them, he is guilty of rudeness and discourtesy. But the Post, which we suspect is slightly ironical in its comments, consoles itself by the reflection that so long as we can see England "writhing and struggling under the speech of a single Senator, we can grow fat on our own sense of importance, and leave Mr. Smith to grow poor on his speeches against war."

New publications. VANITY FAIR.—We have received from Messrs. E. Tunis & Co., Clifton, a new edition, published by the Harpers, of Thackeray's "Vanity Fair." The work needs no recommendation, as it is well known to be one of the great author's best. The illustrations are by the author, and the typography is excellent. For sale at Day's bookstore.

THE DOGGS CLUB.—This is a tale of Italy in 1855. The author is James de Mill, who is already known to fame, by his very readable story, "Cord and Creese; or the Brandon Mystery." The "Dodge Club" is a most laughable story, and the illustrations are numerous and pointed. The book is published by the Harpers, and is for sale at Day's book store.

THE WEDDING DAY IN ALL AGES AND COUNTRIES.—This is a very handsomely got up book, a copy of which has been sent us by Tunis & Co., Clifton. Most of us know what a wedding day is in our own country, but in this volume we find information concerning the marriage rite, and the customs observed upon the occasion in all nations. The work is highly interesting, and is to be had at Day's Bookstore.

THE WEAVER'S NOVELS.—We have received from Messrs. D. Appleton & Co., New York, "The Surgeon's Daughter," and "Count Robert of Paris," being the two latest published volumes of their cheap edition of the Waverly Novels. We have frequently called attention to the opportunity offered by Messrs. Appleton for procuring at low rates these standard works of fiction. The whole series for \$6 and a portrait of Sir Walter Scott, their steel plate author.

CASELL'S REPRESENTATIVE BIOGRAPHIES.—We have received from Mr. J. B. Thornton, bookseller, three volumes of Casell's Representative Biographies. They are histories of the lives, so far as past, of Her Majesty the Queen, of the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, and of the Hon. John Bright. The books contain many interesting incidents which occurred in the lives of the personages mentioned, and much useful information concerning past doings of the British Parliament. Mr. Thornton has a large number of them on hand.

OUR COMMON FRUITS.—This is a descriptive account of the fruits ordinarily cultivated or consumed in Great Britain, consequently, for the most part in Canada. It is an able and lucid disquisition, and will be found not only of great advantage to the botanist and professional gardener, but to the general public. For sale at J. B. Thornton's bookstore, Wyndham st.

FALLEN FAIR.—This is a tale of Mountain Girl's love, the mountains being the Alleghenies, and is one of the best, perhaps the best story ever written by Mrs. Southworth, who has been called the Queen of American Novelists. It abounds in thrilling incidents, increases in interest at every step, and culminates in a powerful and startling manner. For sale at J. B. Thornton's.

JOSH BILLINGS.—Every person has heard of this sage. Well, he has published "His Book of sayings," and there is no using what it is like when the author or is so well known. For sale at Thornton's.

A Strange, Eventful History. A short time ago a Utah newspaper announced the death of Wellsville, Cache County, of Alexander Hill, Sen., in his 89th year. Late papers from Canada enable us to give a sketch of his "strange, eventful history." In 1797, when about seventeen years of age, Alexander Hill left Johnstone, went to Greenock, and entered on board of the tender then lying there. From thence he sailed to England, entered on board the Goliath twenty-four gun ship, then commanded by Sir John Jarvis, afterwards created Lord St. Vincent; fought at the battle of Cape St. Vincent; fought also at the battle of the Nile, under Nelson; was in the fleet at the mutiny of the Bore; and was discharged after ten years' service. He returned to Johnstone and remained at home for a considerable time, and then engaged with Captain Fraser Smith, of the then Spanish Neptune, mounting eighteen guns and eighty men, to go round Cape Horn; off Callao, fell in with the Spanish flag, mounting twenty guns and three hundred men. After a severe struggle with her, was wounded, taken and "pressed," returned to England, ran away and secreted himself in the lodgings of a friend in London, and wrote to his father in Johnstone. His father gave him a few pounds to rig him out as a landsman, as the press was very hot at the time; went out to Canada in the ship Earl of Buckingham afterwards went down to Nauvoo, and turned Mormon; was with Joseph Smith through all the Mormon difficulties and wanderings, and at last settled down to die at Wellsville, in Utah. At his own request his remains were interred in the cemetery at Great Salt Lake City. He left behind him seven children, sixty-seven grand-children, and seventy-one great grand-children, making a total of one hundred and thirty-five. He pursued an exemplary upright course during his life, and died with the hope of a glorious resurrection.

Pigeon Match in Chicago. A pigeon match for \$5000 came off at Chicago, on Monday, the 10th inst., between James Ward, of Toronto, and A. H. Bogardus, of Chicago. The shooting match lasted two days in consequence of a storm coming up on the first. The terms of the match were, each to shoot at one hundred wild pigeons from H and T ground traps, 21 yards rise and 80 yards boundary. And then double bird-shooting from H and T plunge traps, ten yards apart, 21 yards rise, and 100 yards boundary. In the first single hundred the men were even, each having killed 77 birds. In the double bird shooting which was to decide the match Ward fell behind, having killed only 63 to his opponent's 78. The Saturday following Mr. Bogardus, for a bet of \$1,000 made upon his ability by another person entered Dexter Park, Chicago, to kill 600 pigeons, in 645 consecutive minutes, the shooting to be done with one double-barrelled gun, 21 yards rise from 3 ground traps, which were placed 15 feet apart, and the boundaries 80 yards to the right, and left from the centre trap, and 81 yards directly back from the centre trap. He won the wager with 107 minutes to spare. The total number of birds shot was 605, and about 4lbs of powder, over 50lbs of shot, and nearly seven boxes of caps were used. The average number of birds killed per hour was 58.

THE AMOUNT OF ENGLISH RECOGNITION.—The London Star, of May 14th, publishes a letter from the well-known rebel sympathiser, W. J. Lindsay, who in the House of Commons moved the recognition of the Southern Confederacy. His object is to show that the Ministry and Ministerial party had no sympathy with his motion. He says with regard to the point: "I most conscientiously state, that so far as regards my 'offensive' acts, the Government was no party to them. On the contrary, when my motion appeared, I was urged by various members of the Administration to withdraw it, in case its appearance on the paper of the House might give offense to the North for inducing the South to prolong the war, under the impression that England was about to recognize their independence. Nor did I receive the slightest encouragement from any of the leading members of the opposition; and I am convinced that, had I submitted my motion for the consideration of the Commons, I should not have secured the votes of 50 out of its 650 members nor half that number. Therefore, I took no action upon it. I cannot suppose that any other independent member would have had any better success, for when Mr. Roebuck afterwards submitted a similar motion it was received with so little favor that he did not attempt a division. On all sides, and especially on the part of the Government, there was a determination not to interfere between the contending parties, nor to take any steps likely to offend either of the belligerents. In the face of such facts as these, Mr. Sumner is surely not justified in charging this country with hostile feelings toward the United States. If he is, what will Spain say to the adoption by Congress of Mr. Bank's motion in favor of the recognition of the rebels of Cuba, who have no form of Government and no army but as yet the merest rabble."

A BRAVE BOY.—A little hero, aged eleven years, son of Mr. J. Govenlock, of Seaforth, plunged into his father's mill pond the other day to rescue two little girls who had fallen into it from a bridge. The water was over 12 feet deep, and he had to swim some twenty yards. He first came to was his young sister, and having conveyed her to the shore, he went back for the other, who in the meantime had gone under. After diving twice, he succeeded in catching and conveying her to the shore. In this case the vital spark was all but extinct, and she was long time recovering.

BY TELEGRAPH BY ATLANTIC CABLE. Despatches to the Evening Mercury

GREAT BRITAIN. LIVERPOOL, May 30th.—Mr. Mosley, Minister of the United States, arrived here to-day, and was received by the Mayor of the City.

FROM FRANCE. PARIS, May 29.—The official journal of the Empire denies that there is any foundation for the rumours that the French troops are to evacuate Rome.

FROM SPAIN. MADRID, May 30th.—The appointment of General de Roda, as Captain-General of Cuba is gazetted to-day. He is to sail on the 1st of June. It is rumored that a new provisional ministry will be formed to remain in office until next October, when a plebiscitum is to be taken to decide the question of the sovereignty. Several officers of the army have been arrested charged with having joined in a conspiracy for the restoration of Queen Isabella.

FROM PORTUGAL. LISBON, May 29.—The regular mail steamer from Rio Janeiro arrived yesterday. The war news was quite important. Count Den, General of the Allied forces, arrived at Astencion and was making energetic preparations to attack the Paraguayans. The advance guard was within nine miles of Lopez. Reports of the war in Paraguay are conflicting. Though it is represented in Rio Janeiro that the Allied forces are about to make an immediate attack, it is said on the other hand that the Allies have no reliable information as to the whereabouts of Lopez. It is stated that nothing has been heard of Gen. McMahon, American Minister.

FROM NEW YORK. New York, May 30th.—The small-pox has broken out on the British steamer Comorian. Fourteen cases are reported. The Herald's Havana special says: Revolutionary accounts state that Valmaceda had been captured by the Insurgents and his forces driven out of Bayamo. A severe engagement took place near Pucato Padre on the 16th, in which a strong force of Spanish troops was defeated with great loss. Two hundred Spanish troops have died of cholera, and most of the remainder are shoeless and discontented. Salvador, the volcano of Iralco was in active eruption, and enormous streams of lava were pouring into the plain beneath. Shocks of earthquake were felt throughout the country. The report that Bolivia threatened the invasion of Peru was false, and all fear of war between the two countries had completely died away. The yellow fever on the South American coast had considerably abated. The revolution in Guatemala has been quelled.

FATHER POINT. Father Point, May 30.—The steamship Peruvian passed inwards at 2.30 this evening, with 51 cabin and 692 steerage passengers; also, the steamship Cleopatra inwards at 3.20 this p.m., with 250 steerage passengers.

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