

BOSTON LETTER.

Halifax Press One Month Behind the St. John Sun.

What Legally Constitutes Dressed Lumber Decided by the U. S. Supreme Court.

An Indian on the Trail—No Heart in the Philippine Campaign—Deaths of Provincialists—The Fish and Lumber Trade.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

BOSTON, Aug. 13.—Boston has been an excellent summer resort during the past week. The weather has been cool as October, and the first heavy rain fall for a long time occurred. The cool weather ended with the week, however, for today has been a spoch...

A number of unimportant persons in this city have undertaken upon themselves to make a protest against the plan of the Victorian Club to erect a monument to the common to the British soldiers who fell at Bunker Hill. The public were not generally aware that a proposition had been made to erect a monument. As a matter of fact, the information came indirectly through the Sun, which had a paragraph to that effect about a month ago.

Reports from the west indicate that there is an unprecedented demand for farm help. In Chicago, it is stated, as high as \$5 a day has been offered for engineers to work on reaping machines \$4 a day for feeders, and \$2.50 to \$2.50 for common harvest hands.

C. M. Sherwood of New Brunswick has been ordered to appear before the United States court at New York in September to answer a charge of smuggling eggs across the line. Sherwood is under bonds of \$10,000, which have been furnished for his appearance.

The League of American Wheelmen has arranged for a number of special tours to Yarmouth Aug. 21 to 25, via the Yarmouth line.

What Legally Constitutes Dressed Lumber has just been decided by the United States supreme court. In 1895, Frank Dudley, lumber dealer of Portland, Me., imported a quantity of dressed lumber, which he claimed should have been admitted free under the dressed lumber clause of the Wilson bill. The customs officials charged a duty of 25 per cent, claiming that the lumber came under the head of a manufacture of wood.

The interest in the campaign in the Philippine Islands is not very great. A large section of the American people have no heart in the Philippine campaign and would be glad to have it over with. The president does not seem to care how many Americans lose their lives, or are crippled for life by their sojourn in that malarial-stricken climate so long as he can preserve the Philippine issue and wave the "old flag" to overshadow domestic issues which otherwise would be fatal to the ticket in next year's election. It goes against the grain of the average American to stand by and see what was once called the flag of freedom waved over a country where those who have been fighting for what they term liberty for years are shot down by the successors of those who framed the declaration of independence wherein are written what are now only ornamental sentiments concerning the "consent of the governed," etc. That the Philippine policy was a glaring mistake, there is now little doubt. The campaign has been bungled, the patriots are apparently as far from being conquered as ever, while hundreds of American soldiers have been sacrificed, thousands crippled for life and an enormous financial burden imposed upon the country. It is little wonder that many Americans have no heart in the disgusting business.

THE GRIT MACHINE

That Manufactured Purity in the West Huron Campaign.

The Chaste Mr. Farr Secluded from the Rude Gaze of Tory Enquirers.

What the Privileges and Elections Committee Learned, Despite Frantic Obstruction by the Government.

OTTAWA, Aug. 11.—The committee on privileges and elections has concluded their labors for this session, but were unable to make more than a formal report for the reason that the investigation as to West Huron has not been completed, and with respect to Brockville, it has not even been commenced. It is useful to consider what the result of the investigation was.

Five polls only have been investigated, and the principal evidence has been given with respect to No. 4 in the township of Colborne, and No. 3 in the town of Goderich.

Daniel Cummings was the deputy returning officer at No. 4, Colborne. He received from the returning officer a pad containing 156 ballots. Ninety-eight electors voted, and there were 57 spoiled ballots. Twenty-seven ballots remained unused. Of the 96 ballots which were used, 68 were found marked for Holmes, and 28 were found marked for Maclean.

Instead of destroying the counterfeit as directed by his printed instructions, and as the law requires, Mr. Cummings put the counterfeit in his pocket. This gave him an opportunity of putting his hand in his pocket in order to feel for the counterfeit ballot in the box.

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A Maiden's Dream.

Thousands of young women dream of a young man who is to lead them to the altar.

Very many of these young women are happy, healthy wives and mothers.

Physicians tell young men that weakness and disease of the female child-bearing organs make women sickly, nervous and dependent in spite of the best of natural disposition.

Very many of these young women are happy, healthy wives and mothers through the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

The efforts of the liberal organization in this direction are also shown by the fact that Mr. James Vance, the assistant chief organizer for Ontario, who was in charge of the campaign in West Huron, has been chiefly instrumental, according to the evidence, in inducing and assisting the deputy returning officer, James Farr, to evade service of the summons issued by the committee.

If the liberal party had acted upon the sentiments expressed by the prime minister, they would have called upon Mr. Holmes to resign, and would have asked the house to take action as soon as the 14 bogus ballots were received and disclosed.

C. J. Coster, solicitor for Mrs. Ann Brown, widow of the late George Brown, has started an action against the city for \$1,500 damages in connection with the Victoria street trouble.

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Other ship yards on the Delaware river are also experiencing trouble in getting iron and steel. At present there are thirty-seven vessels in course of construction along the Delaware and fully twenty-one of them will be delayed owing to the lack of material.

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NOTORIOUS SIMPSON.

The Albert County Divine Boston's Police are Looking for.

His Criminal Record in this Province—Wanted in New England on charges of Burglary, Forgery, Bigamy, and Murder.

Chief Inspector Wm. Watts of the bureau of original investigation, and Acting Superintendent of the police, Joseph Burdell of Boston, have begun a systematic attempt to locate the notorious John A. Simpson, alias Geo. Simpson, alias Julius H. McArthur and half a dozen other fictitious names, who is wanted in several states for almost every crime on the calendar.

The history and career of Simpson are well known and have been published in New Brunswick papers time and again, but the following will be information to those who are not familiar with the case.

John Arthur Simpson was born in Albert county 27 years ago. When nine years old he ran away from home, going to the home of his grandmother at St. John. He remained with her for a few years, and when a young man went to Fredericton, where he claimed to have been educated. He entered a Baptist seminary, where he was instructed by Prof. George E. Foster (a afterwards finance minister). Revs. Dr. Hopper and Goodspeed. He was ordained a minister at Newcastle, Grand Lake, and was given charge of a church there. It was here he met Harriet A. Sidiwell, daughter of Daniel C. Sidiwell, a Baptist deacon of Scotch origin, residing in Newcastle. He married the young woman in St. John in 1874. After giving up the church at Grand Lake, Simpson preached at Shediac, on Prince Edward Island and other places in the Maritime provinces.

On one occasion he was arrested for obtaining a sleigh and harness from Edgecombe & Sons of Fredericton under false pretences, but this affair was settled. Soon after this time he was arrested and held for a month in connection with forging another man's name and committing other misdemeanors. About nine years after—in 1885—Simpson came back to New Brunswick, this time bringing up in Sussex where he stole a sleigh and harness from the same firm. Simpson was followed him over the Maine line, but lost track of the desperado. He later turned up on the St. John river. In Queens county he stole a sleigh and harness, and for this was captured at Gibson by Detective Roberts and placed in jail, from which he escaped as above stated. Before this Simpson had deserted his wife. He then fled to the States once more, where during the course of his career he committed bigamy, forgery, murder and other crimes. He was known as the most desperate criminal the police of New England have come in contact with for half a century.

Simpson when here was a good looking man, about 5 feet eight inches in height, slender, weighing about 120 pounds, with a fair complexion, dark beard, moustache and hair.

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THE BOY ON THE FARM.

Under the spreading apple tree The boy with bare feet stands; He has ten apples in his hands— Some are in his hands— His tummy-tum expands.

He has a stray dog by his side, And every night he takes them off With more emphatic tears— He falls from trees and into wells And snuffles and shivers and swears.

He frightens chickens, dunks their heads And cackles where he goes, With ugly eyes upon his eyes And snuffles and shivers and swears.

He goes with undeveloped fruit, Which is a foolish thing to do, No poetry is in you, but Know this, my little man: I take more than my census To stand the things you can.

STOLE SEVEN THOUSAND.

MONTREAL, Aug. 15.—Seven thousand dollars in bank bills were stolen from the Canadian Pacific railway station at Joliette, Que., last night. The money had been sent by the Banque Nationale to its local branch there. It arrived late in the evening and as the express company's safe was out of order, the agent hid the money in the vault of the station. This morning it was gone. This is the third time inside of three years the station has been robbed. On the first occasion the safe was cracked and \$6,000 stolen. The second time \$2,000 was taken and the stolen burned to cover the crime. Now \$7,000 more is missing. The thieves in the first two robberies were never caught.

WESTERN WHEAT CROP.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 15.—The Northern Pacific crop reports make the prospect out better than for years past. Twenty bushels is the lowest estimated yield in any part of Manitoba, the estimates running all the way to forty bushels. The weather is splendid. Wheat cutting has already commenced in many points.

B. T. de MONTIGNY DEAD.

MONTREAL, Aug. 15.—B. T. de Montigny, for many years recorder of Montreal, and a leading papal source, died this morning.

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