

BOSTON LETTER

The High Price of Meats a Serious Problem.

Pilgrimage to St. John in June by the Knights Templar of Bladeford and Saoo.

A Former Inmate of Dorchester Penitentiary Now Charged With Killing an Everett Policeman—Deaths of Former Provincialists—The Lumber and Fish Markets.

(From our own correspondent.) BOSTON, April 24.—The great beef question continues to be a live issue the country over. The extortionate prices now prevailing for nearly all kinds of meats have resulted in a marked falling off in the demand, many people preferring to use the commodity as little as possible. The beef issue has been brought before congress in various forms, but it is not likely that anything will be done as the five corporations controlling the supply are too wise to violate the laws governing combinations. These laws, it may be remarked, are so peculiar and often times so confusing that they are little better than none. The high price of meats is a serious problem for the common people, and so ominous has the outlook become that the press, legislators and even the pulpits are directing their batteries against the "beef barons." In sympathy, nearly all other kinds of provisions are advancing. The conduct of certain American military authorities in the Philippines is still causing indignation everywhere. Such a long chapter of torture and inhuman treatment of Filipinos has been revealed in testimony given at Washington and Manila that the American people would not now be surprised at anything. Since the admissions by officers themselves under oath concerning acts which transpired in connection with the "fire and sword" policy inaugurated by superiors, the press has contained a long list of statements from former soldiers, which, if true, show that Weyer, "the butcher," had to look to his laurels. The official testimony cannot well be disputed, and in itself is quite revolting enough to show that someone will have to be punished. Practically every newspaper in the country, irrespective of politics, has denounced the atrocity, and the American Philippine policy continues to receive some hard raps in congress. It is generally believed that President Roosevelt will shield no one, and that all found guilty of violating the laws of war will be harshly dealt with.

If all goes well St. John will be the objective point of a pilgrimage to be undertaken by the Knights Templar of Bladeford and Saoo, Me. The members of Bradford commandery are making arrangements to start for St. John by rail June 23, arriving there on June 24, St. John's day. The commandery will take a band with them, and after a slight sojourn in the province will return by steamer, landing at Portland.

The case of Edward Carter, alias Edward Hughes, a former inmate of the penitentiary at Dorchester, who is accused of shooting and killing Policeman Keefer in Everett last month, will come up for trial in Cambridge in June. Carter has not yet been indicted by the grand jury, which will sit for six weeks. He served a long term in the penitentiary for shooting Nathan Owen, who detected him in the act of breaking into the residence of Senator Kaulbach at Lunenburg, N. S., in 1886.

Frederick Francis Sherman, son of Judge Sherman of the Massachusetts superior court, who died in Lawrence last Monday, was formerly an Anglican priest. He studied at Kings College, Windsor, and was for several years a lay reader in the Episcopal church. Returning to Lawrence he became rector of St. Thomas' Episcopal church, but soon afterwards, in 1892, he entered the Roman communion. He was born in 1859.

The Church of England was represented at the consecration in Worcester on Tuesday of Rev. Dr. A. H. Vinton as bishop of the new Episcopal diocese of western Massachusetts by Rt. Rev. Frederic Courtenay, D. D., lord bishop of Nova Scotia. Bishop Courtenay assisted in the services, which were held at All Saints' church. Franklin P. Martin, the seaman drowned recently at Hopewell Cape, was a son of the late Gen. Augustus P. Martin, ex-mayor of this city, and formerly chairman of the police commission.

H. C. Lydiard of Kentville, N. S., has entered his name for the 211 trotting for a \$5,000 purse at the Roadville race track this year. The employment bureau report that farm help in this state is very scarce this spring. The wages paid have increased from 16 to 15 per cent. Many persons have decided objections to doing farm work, as the hours are long and the labor hard.

The following deaths are announced in South Boston, April 22, Anthony Connell, aged 63, formerly of St. John; in this city, April 20, Gordon Wheslock, aged 18 years, son of Thomas R. Wheslock, formerly a resident of St. Andrews, in Dorchester, April 22, Mrs. Catherine McKinnon, widow of Nell McKinnon, formerly of Prince Edward Island.

The log supply down east is the element which the Boston lumber interests consider the most important just now. There is a great difference in reports from the mills and streams and that the situation is more or less uncertain. In fact, neither buyers or sellers appear to know how to govern themselves. At the yards the quotations on spruce are old customers are practically unchanged, though higher prices may be asked for big lumber in some instances, but new buyers are asked \$1 and in some cases \$2 more per thousand than the prices which

NOVA SCOTIA NEWS.

PARRBORO, N. S., April 22.—The Parrboro Citizens band have been making good progress under the efficient leadership of Ray G. Lane, and had their first march out last night. A large crowd gathered to hear them, and their playing was highly appreciated.

The remains of Henry Porter, who was accidentally killed on the railway at Kingsport last Thursday, were brought home to Spencer's Island by schooner and interred there on Sunday. A public meeting is to be held next Monday evening to consider the voting of a sum of money for extending the water system of the town and for procuring a new boiler for the electric light station.

Barge No. 8, with 704 tons of coal, and barge No. 4, with 703 tons, cleared for Portland on Saturday and sailed in tow of the tug Springfield. The tern schooner Glenrosa cleared for Boston yesterday with 325 tons of coal. The tern schooner E. Merriam sailed from Parrboro for Boston Sunday night with 4,100 pieces of piling. Schr. Beale A. is loading piling at Moose River for the Moose River Lumber Co.

PARRBORO, N. S., April 25.—The Parrboro citizens band has been notified that the D. A. R. Co. have chartered the Yarmouth steamer Percy Cann to ply between Parrboro and Kingsport until the completion of their new boat, and that she will commence her regular trips on Thursday, May 1st. The company say their new boat will be provided with all modern facilities for handling freight and passengers.

Capt. George E. Bentley of Fort Greenville and Capt. Robert Roberts of Parrboro have purchased the barkentine Cuba from B. Churchill & Sons. The Cuba was built at Hantsport in 1883 and is 454 tons register. She will be commanded by Capt. Roberts, and will be brought here from Hantsport this week.

John E. Trahey has commenced the construction of three large scows to be used by the Parrboro Lumber Co. for lighting lumber on the Avon River. Messrs. Hatfield, Claes, Fullerton and R. P. Smith of the new Parrboro Lumber Co. have been visiting the company's property in Newfoundland. This company, which was organized only three months ago, will ship about two million feet of lumber this season.

Parrboro will have at least one representative on the fourth contingent. Irvin Holmes has already been accepted and is now in Halifax, while two others—A. Russell, Boss and Albert Roberts—have been accepted, but have not yet been examined.

MILLTOWN, April 24.—Much sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baxter over the loss of their son Earl, who died last Tuesday on his ninth birthday, of diphtheria. The play, "Down East," which was given by the young people of the Presbyterian church, was a very successful affair. The hall was so crowded Tuesday evening that it had to be repeated the following Wednesday.

In one of the rooms of the Memorial Hospital, Mrs. E. A. Hinchey of Berlin Falls, N. H., and four children are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gowan, of the same place. Mr. and Mrs. J. Muir leave at an early date for South Carolina.

CORNWALLIS, N. S., April 26.—Veterinary Surgeon Harrington of Heatherton, Antigonish Co., has been appointed veterinary surgeon to the fourth contingent. Mr. and Mrs. R. Borden started on East, and sold and purchased about twenty horses in Cornwallis for the contingent. He is a graduate of the veterinary department of McGill College.

The interior of the Baptist church at Cornwallis has been renovated and handsomely re-painted. Major J. A. Northrup of the K. C. E. has been in Kentville during the past week inspecting soldiers for the South African contingent. At the same time Mr. and Mrs. J. Borden of Hantsport, N. S., are among those who have volunteered their services.

Louis Harris of Canning has purchased the farm and residence of his uncle, Albert Harris, at Randville, for the sum of \$1,000. The residence has recently been nicely remodelled and a piazza added. Mrs. Arthur Dickie of Canard, in company with a party of others, has gone to England and will remain till the coronation of the King, which takes place in June.

John Donaldson of Port Williams has purchased the Fox Hill farm at Church street from Charles Starr. The funeral of the late Mrs. Ephraim Kineman was held on Monday at the residence of Mrs. J. Borden. The deceased lady was of an advanced age. She leaves five children.

The Scott Act is being enforced in Canning. Two fines were imposed on Michael Madden for that place on Wednesday. WOLFVILLE, N. S., April 26.—Wolphaup of Woodstock, with his family, has arrived in town, and will take possession of the residence at Gasperau avenue he recently purchased from Charles Starr.

A party of New York capitalists have arrived here and have chartered a small steamer to convey them to Cape D'Or, where they will take steps to develop a rich deposit of copper. The funeral of John Williams late pastor of the Gasperau Baptist church, took place there on Thursday. She died of pneumonia at Onslow. Her eldest daughter, Mrs. J. Hardy, died a year ago in India, after only a few months residence in that country. Mrs. Watson, wife of Gasperau is a daughter, and Mrs. E. Keirstead, Collins, N. B., is a sister.

J. B. Ellis has purchased the residence on Gasperau avenue owned by Mrs. Eaton, who is returning to the West. About 250 Nova Scotia horses are needed for the use of the 4th contingent. F. J. Porter is one of the buyers. E. L. Dakin, who graduated from Acadia in June, has accepted the post of assistant pastor of the American Baptist church. Rev. J. A. Huntley will take charge of the Aylesford Baptist church.

Mrs. Howard Bars, who has been in Boston for medical treatment, has returned home much improved in health.

Joseph P. Beckwith, for 25 years an employe on the D. A. R., and formerly of Bridgetown, died in the hospital at Boston after a surgical operation. J. W. Beckwith of Bridgetown is a brother.

Miss Ella Crandall, before her departure for South Africa, was presented with a purse of money in gold from the Christian Endeavor Society of the Baptist church and the division of which she was an esteemed member. Some of her pupils presented her with a handsome chateleine.

Mrs. Clarence Borden, who has been spending some weeks at her old home in Maryville, N. B., has returned home. T. A. Munro and Frederick Beckwith have returned from Baltimore, where they have completed their first year at the dental college.

Hobbled Six Years Cured in Six Weeks of Chronic Rheumatism by Ferrozene.

Hundreds, say thousands of cures have been put on the market for Rheumatism during the past few years, but a remedy with power to cure Chronic Rheumatism, Ferrozene, excepted, in the estimation of Mr. Cullen of Sturgeon Bay, does not exist. Mr. Cullen says: "As everyone knows I have been simply tortured for years with Muscular Rheumatism, not the ordinary kind that bothers most people, but the kind that ties one up so that they can't move. "For six years I hobbled about like a cripple, unable to move without crutches and canes. I used quantities of medicines, special baths and so much, but they didn't help me very much. "On the advice of a Presbyterian minister I used Ferrozene, gave it a good trial at first, and when I saw it was helping, I bought six boxes and took one tablet at the close of each meal. I am perfectly returned, and am to day as spry as a youngster of ten. I am convinced that my recovery is entirely due to the marvelous action of Ferrozene."

Mr. Cullen's case is a fair example of the kind of cures that Ferrozene is effecting every day. In severe cases of Neuralgia, Sciatica, Rheumatism and Lumbago, it acts with surprising alacrity, and no case is recorded where it failed.

Ferrozene cures these diseases because it is a solvent for uric acid in the blood. It removes all traces of it and other poisons from the blood in from two to ten days. Then it builds up and invigorates the system, and makes the weak people strong and well enough to resist and ward off disease.

The best Rheumatism remedy that one can buy is Ferrozene. It relieves quickly and cures so perfectly that the disease never again returns. After all the other remedies fail, it cures, and that is the sort of medicine you want. Ferrozene price 50c per box, or three boxes for \$1.25. Sent to your address by mail if price is forwarded to N. C. Polson & Co., Kingsport, Ont. Sold and recommended by A. Chipman Smith & Co.

TURN ON THE LIGHT.

Advice to Hon. Mr. Blair Not to Burk Enquiries.

(Montreal Star.) It is a mistake for a government to refuse a motion of enquiry.

A government of angels could not afford to do it.

A government of politicians invites the suspicion of the whole country when it does it.

It is better for a government to permit an enquiry and have considerable found out than to refuse one and have much more believed.

The liberal party gained much of its popularity in the country by demanding light on every suspected scandal.

Expecting that things if now, when the liberals are in office, they appear to love darkness rather than light.

Mr. Blair's management of the Intercolonial may be an object lesson in political purity and business acumen; but he will not get credit for it if he makes afraid to have a committee of parliament enquire into any part of it.

There should be but one answer to every motion for an enquiry in parliament; and that answer should be "Let in the light."

The people would rather pay for the humbly member with the knottiest fish-pole turned away from the gate.

Suspicious people have said things about Mr. Blair's administration before now.

Mr. Blair's refusal to allow the management of the Intercolonial to be looked over with a search light advances the market value of those suspicious at least fifty per cent.

Mr. Blair should be the first to beg for an enquiry.

WANTED—A case of Headache that KUMFORD Powders will not cure in from ten to twenty minutes.

SHOULD HAVE ASKED GRANDPA.

On the old farm. His cousin Tom's boy (from New York) Uncle Abner, will you please put a point on these arrows? We're playing buffalo huntin' as they went stick into the cow this way.

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A STRANGE MAN.

History of Isaac G. Oulton Shrouded in Mystery.

He Was Twice Married—Was Once Rich—A Piteful Life Story.

The history of the dead man is as shrouded in mystery as the circumstances of his death. Everyone in the city knew the miser Hoits, as he was generally called. Everyone believed that he was possessed of untold wealth and knew that he lived in surroundings of miserable squalor amid heaps of rubbish accumulated during many years search of the city garbage heaps, upon the refuse food of which he was popularly supposed to subsist. The miser where he passed his miserable existence has long been pointed out as the dwelling of a typical miser, but of the inside of the place, where his bruised body was found on Wednesday night, knowledge was as meagre as the reports concerning it were various. In spite of the unenviable notoriety of the man a Sun reporter had the utmost difficulty last night in gleaning reliable details concerning his private life.

IN CALIFORNIA.

He is reported to have originally come from the North Shore and to have gone from there to California during the gold craze of '49. While there he was for a time employed by a coal dealer and speculator named Fritsch, whom he left to try his luck at the mines. His success at gathering gold out of the ground was not marked, but by the habits of thrift which became so much more accentuated in later years, he accumulated a tidy fortune, mostly in petty trading, in which he took advantage of the boundless extravagance of the miners of those days. He returned to St. John about 45 years ago with about \$20,000. At that time he is said to have been a good looking man of about 40 years of age, of prosperous appearance. He wore good clothes, notably a stylish Panama hat, with which he never parted. He was even seen to wear it last summer.

LOST MOST OF HIS MONEY.

The most of his money he invested in houses and property in the north end and in Lancaster, which his legal adviser, W. B. Wallace, says has passed by all been lost since. The property he owned in Lancaster, Mr. Wallace estimates as not being worth more than a thousand dollars, in addition to which he had a few hundred dollars in the bank. The examination of his house yesterday revealed the presence of a large number of mortgages, amounting to thousands of dollars, but all of these were dated away back in the '70's or earlier. No recent bankbooks nor anything to indicate the possession of present wealth were found.

After leaving his money, he started in the peddling business and he and his pack were well known visitors all over the city and county. For a time after his return he lived on Strait Shore, but shortly afterwards married a Mrs. Bishop, who was a native of the city. His mysterious death occurred. This was about 40 years ago, and from that time dated the wretched squalor of his existence which earned him his title. About 10 years ago, according to people who have written his history, he was a widower, and according to people who have written his history, he was a widower, and according to people who have written his history, he was a widower. The funeral oration. The elders of the church were the pall-bearers. The procession to the cemetery was headed by Mrs. Mary's branch of the C. M. B. A., of which branch the deceased had been spiritual director. The body will be exhumed and placed in the crypt below the sanctuary of the new church as soon as possible for a second funeral. It is currently reported that Rev. Dr. Morrison will succeed the late priest in St. John.

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Not a sign of a coin was found during the examination yesterday, though on account of the immense amount of variegated rubbish in the house the search was necessarily incomplete. The old man, however, always carried a bag or wallet tied around his neck containing from \$25 to \$100. He was never known to be without this, and always produced it when paying a bill or receiving money. It is significant that the wallet was not found upon his body nor around the premises.

P. E. ISLAND.

An Interesting Case in the Court of Chancery.

Working for Faster Train Service From Boston—A Largely Attended Funeral.

CHARLOTTETOWN, April 25.—An interesting case is now being tried in the court of chancery. Mrs. Elizabeth McQuinn takes action against the Charlottetown Light and Power Co. to restrain them from operating their machinery at the corner of Pownall and Water streets. The plaintiff has produced a number of witnesses, who swore that the noise and vibration caused in her house were such as to render it unfit for habitation. The trial is being continued.

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James Ross of Mount Stewart died on Saturday last, aged 70 years. He was a prominent man in mercantile and political circles and was a consistent and respected member of the Liberal Conservative party. Archibald Ramsay of Beach Point, N. S., was severely injured a few days ago. He and some other men were building a building work. Mr. Ramsay was using handspike on which a log fell, causing the handspike to fly and strike him a severe blow on the head.

Gordon McNeill died at Ottawa Sunday morning in his 75th year. He was a prominent man in mercantile and political circles, both of Summerside, have graduated with honors from the Baltimore Dental College. Among recent deaths in P. E. Island are Mrs. Wm. H. Underhay of Little River, aged 78 years; Mrs. E. J. Underhay, aged 78 years; Patrick Walsh of Lyon, aged 82 years; Lemuel Hyde of Cornwall, aged 78 years.

Malcolm F. McFadyen, aged 81, machinist, a native of Augustine Cove, has emigrated to Sydney in the Canadian Monitor. Cleaver Sullivan, son of Chief Justice Sullivan, has been appointed to a captaincy in the South Sea Islands. The funeral of the late Mrs. F. McDonald of South, was the largest ever held in Kings Co. A special train went from Charlottetown with friends there. His Lordship Bishop McDonald pontificated at the mass, assisted by a number of clergymen. Rev. Dr. Morrison presided at the funeral oration. The elders of the church were the pall-bearers. The procession to the cemetery was headed by Mrs. Mary's branch of the C. M. B. A., of which branch the deceased had been spiritual director. The body will be exhumed and placed in the crypt below the sanctuary of the new church as soon as possible for a second funeral. It is currently reported that Rev. Dr. Morrison will succeed the late priest in St. John.

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HIS REPUTED WEALTH.

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Children Cry for STORIA.

URBAN ITEM.

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N. B., April 26.—Mrs. idence, situated just north east crossing, was destroy- this afternoon.

April 27.—Hon. J. Sterling Mer- secretary of agriculture, died at the home of his son, Mark

Markham was wounded on March 31.)