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last person to choose DASTEL in preference to NOLA. The former was a master of Rhetoric, but his dictionaries will never increase, either in magnitude or weight, the burden which has been laid on the badly galled back of poor "Sufferer." Now, sir, I think you will agree with me as to the gravity of the charge which, through a misunderstanding on the part of my newly found sister, has been made against me. This is a matter of no small moment to me. It has caused me a great deal of worry. For a few days after reading Miss Alice's communication, I found myself like the Israelites in the time of King Ahab, "halting between two opinions." Too well did I know what the "Printer's Devil" could accomplish on the one hand; and I fully recognized the enormity of the disparagement on the other. But I was somewhat relieved from my perturbation when, on looking over a number of your GAZETTES of this year, I found that you had made such a marked improvement in typography. I congratulate you, sir, not only on your advancement in this regard, but on the general improvement of your journal. A careful review of the back numbers of the GAZETTE very quickly enabled me to choose what course to adopt. Do not think, sir, that I attach an undue importance to what would at first seem to be a trifling matter. A very slight typographical error will sometimes alter the import of an entire article. A striking instance of this was noted in the Rev. W. G. Corey's reply to Episcopalian, which appeared in your paper a few weeks ago. The omission of a small prefix not only made the writer appear ridiculous, but had him open to the charge of endorsing to throw dirt on the Episcopalian society. If your readers will go back to the issue containing Mr. Corey's letter, and, in looking it over again, add the prefix to the adjective qualifying dog, using the past tense of the verb preceding it, they will find there is not the slightest inconsistency, and that the Rev. gentleman did not for one moment intend to insult the Anglican Church.

Now, Mr. Editor, one word more about "Subscriber" and "Sufferer," and then I will follow the example of my sister, who manifested such an aversion to prolixity. Both of these posts (?) hail from Douglas Harbor. The people of Scotchtown and Douglas Harbor do not believe that either of them belongs here at all. I hope they do not, "but if they write again, (which the gods forbid,) they will date their doggerel from their true places. In conclusion, let me say that I hope my sister Alice will not think hardly of me for writing this disavowal; and, I do not see how she can, especially since I have not been unkindful of the injunction which she laid down and have strictly confined myself to prose.

Thanking you, for space, Mr. Editor, I am, Very respectfully yours, BLACK-HAWK, Scotchtown, May 13th, 1899. Cole's Island.

The new bridge at Coles Island in the north Channel is completely under water. Only for the tress work the bridge would be invisible. Mr. Joseph Fowler our genial blacksmith, is about to retire from his present business and engage with P. S. McNutt as agent for carriages and farming implements. Mr. A. West is about to start his saw-mill for this spring.

PERSONAL Mrs. Allan Rankine, and son, Master Arthur Rankine, of St. John, spent last week with Mrs. Rankine's sister, Mrs. Brander. Mr. Onslow Purdy, of Jemseg, spent a few days in St. John, last week. Capt. Chas. Babbitt, of St. John, was visiting his brother, Mr. R. T. Babbitt last week. Mr. G. DeVeber was in St. John last week. Messrs. Michael and Daniel Mahoney spent five days in St. John last week. Mr. and Mrs. Whelpley, of St. John who have been spending a few days with relatives in town, returned home on Thursday, last. Mr. Alex. MacDermott, of St. John spent a few days in town last week. Mr. Geo. W. Dungee was in St. John last week. Mr. E. C. Lockett, of Young's Cove, was in town on Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gunice, of St. John, spent Sunday in town. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Weston of Mill Road, and Miss Nettie Coy, of Upper Gagetown are spending a few days in St. John. Rev. A. H. Williams is spending a few days with friends in Bethany. Mr. John Allingham spent a few days in St. John last week. Mr. Fred L. Corey spent Sunday in Jemseg. Greenwich.

May 15.—The residence of J. Howard Graham was the scene of a happy event on Wednesday evening last, when his eldest daughter, Frances, was united in marriage to Thomas Campbell, of Westfield. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. A. Bonnell, in the presence of a large number of relatives. Next.

J. A. Richards and George J. Mchaut took a business trip to St. John on Saturday. The J. A. Whelpley Co., Ltd., which lately received incorporation, have had a meeting of directors and resolved to go on with the business. Their new venture of churn making is being pushed forward and the churns will be on the market in a short time. The vessel which D. H. Whelpley has been building for Capt. Frank Akersley floated from her block on Monday last. This will save her builders the trouble of launching. The Liberal Conservative Club, of which such great things were predicted, has about given up holding its meetings as has also a far more beneficial organization, the G. F. T. Mrs. G. F. Hill, of Lowell, Mass., arrived at her cottage on Beulah Camp Grounds on Saturday and will remain through the summer. Ernest Gorham, while walking through a pasture owned by S. R. Short, of Brown's Flats, found a fox den containing four young foxes, which he left undisturbed. Other parties, hearing of it and wishing to make a capture, went to the place, but found that they had taken their departure. Nine Drowned. SAULT STE MARIE, Mich., May 14.—The scho. Nelson, deeply laden with a cargo of coal, foundered in Lake Superior, off Grand Marais, last evening and carried down all hands. So far as known here, no one escaped from this, the first disaster of the season, except the captain, a report from Deer Island, Mich., stating the captain was saved. The Nelson, which is owned by the Mitchell Transportation Co., of Bay City, Mich., was in tow of the steamer A. Folsom, which had the sch. Mary B. Mitchell as a consort. The Folsom and Mitchell turned back and arrived here this afternoon without serious damage. Capt. A. E. White, master of the steamer, at once reported the disaster to the owners. At the time of the disaster the wind was blowing a gale of 30 miles an hour and freezing hard, and the three boats were being coasted with ice, and this, added to their cargo of coal made them ride very low in the water. The beach at Grand Marais was but four miles under the lee of the boats and Capt. White determined to try the dangerous expedient of turning the tow in the sea and running before the wind for Whitefish Point. Before the turn was finished the Nelson was seen to turn toward the shore and it became evident that the line had parted under the strain or had been cut. Soon it became apparent that she was sinking. There was no chance of rendering any assistance however. The crew of the Folsom had their hands full in taking care of their own craft and the Mitchell. In a few minutes the Nelson threw her stern into the air and sank in 300 feet of water. The sinking ship disappeared so suddenly that her crew had no time even to lower their yawl boat, which hung on the deck of the steam. The Folsom and Mitchell show marks of the heavy weather through which they passed. The crew consisted of the following: Capt. Anthony Haghney of Toledo; captain's wife, two-year-old child of Capt. Haghney, Fred Haas, sailor, residence unknown; six sailors, unknown. The Nelson was formerly one of the creek vessels of the lake fleet and when she first came out in 1866 was considered an extremely large schooner. She measured 766 gross tons and 163 feet long and 32 feet beam.

most concourse of people at Rome to receive the special dispensations and indulgences allowed during jubilee year. It is expected, however, by the church authorities here that the jubilee next year will be quite generally celebrated throughout the world, thus giving it a more universal aspect, instead of being confined to the gathering there of distinguished churchmen. The jubilee next year is considered more important than that held every 25 years, as it occurs in a new century and comes at a time when Pope Leo is old and very feeble, his ninetieth year having been completed in March. Another Railway Accident. UTAICA, N. Y., May 13.—The special American express west-bound train crushed into the rear of the south-western special in the Central Hudson yard at 2.50. The Wagner car Paksanket, two express cars and the engine of the moving train were telescoped, derailed and smashed. There were three passengers in the Wagner car. Two escaped, but Mark Nest, assistant superintendent of the Wagner Company, a resident of Buffalo, was badly injured, he died about eight o'clock. Other injuries to persons were confined to bruises and shock from the force of the crash. The wreck immediately caught fire, but the Utica fire department was summoned and prevented conflagration. An investigation is being held as to the responsibility for the accident.

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Correspondence.

Spicy News Items Gathered by Gazette Correspondents. To EDITOR OF QUEENS COUNTY GAZETTE Sir: A copy of your issue of 25th April has just been sent me. Will you kindly permit me to correct the astonishing and miscellaneous falsehood contained in a paragraph, re. L. J. King and clerk of Baptist church. The facts are these: Lewis J. King who had already forfeited his membership by studiously absenting himself from the church was for this and other reasons justly expelled. His so called license which was merely a kind word in his behalf to sister churches—either to preach or to teach was there and then annulled. Hence, it is needless to say, he has neither countenance or membership here. The letter we gave him and of which he has proved himself quite unworthy, we have notified him to return. It is no longer of any value even should he presume to make use of it. Respectfully yours, G. A. HAMMOND, Clerk 2nd Kingsclear Church, Hammondville, May 10th, 1899.

Botestown. May 10.—The very commodious school building which has served the town for many years was completely destroyed by fire on Saturday afternoon. The wind was blowing a gale, and it is supposed that a spark from some quarter alighted upon the roof, as it was there the fire originated. Every effort was made to save the building but to no avail. Some very valuable apparatus, including an excellent library and a good chemical outfit, was saved, but the remainder of the fixtures were destroyed. Steps are being taken to erect a first class building, which will be ready for occupancy in August. In the meantime, Mr. Thorne and his scholars are comfortably located in one of the large rooms in the Forester's Hall.

Boston News. May 10.—We are having beautiful weather here. Miss Dany Higgins spent last Sunday with Miss Maud Higgins. The members of the I. O. G. T. Lodge will give a concert next Thursday evening in the Independence Hall, Union Square. The "grippe" seems to have disappeared but smallpox is taking its place as a few cases have been found in this locality.

St. John. May 8.—Your correspondent has had the pleasure of visiting Mr. N. C. Scott's farm on Mahogany Road, and has found that it is a beautiful farm—having all modern conveniences. There is water in all his buildings. It is, without doubt, one of the prettiest farms on Mahogany Road, and being so near the city, it is well worth any one's while to go and see it. Though the spring is very backward for farming, Mr. James E. Owens, who is foreman for Mr. Scott, tells me he has 45 bushels of oats now sown. Owing to the fog and rust very few potatoes are grown by the farmers of this place. Mr. James H. Gallagher, of "Summer Neath," has gone to Boston. It is expected that this will be a very good summer in St. John. Your readers are surprised to hear nothing from the Cross Creek gold fields of York, this spring. The water is very high at Indiantown—the people of Indiantown say the highest since the high freshet. Mr. William Gallagher, of Petersville, is engaged with Mr. Barnhill, of Fairville.

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To EDITOR QUEENS COUNTY GAZETTE. Sir: I trust you will not charge me with any infringement of the rules of courtesy which require us to deal more gently with the weaker sex if I ask for space in the columns of your paper to publicly disclaim the authorship with which I am credited by Alice D. Let me acknowledge at the outset, however, that her article in the GAZETTE of the 10th inst. was very cleverly done. Were it not that I really expect that she is a lady of the highest order, I would say to her, "Bully for you!" I read her letter to a number of persons who were gathered together at Douglas Harbor awaiting the arrival of the "May Queen," the other day, and they all laughed loudly at my expense. I heartily congratulate her. But while I can very readily imagine "Subscriber's" amusement at seeing me exonerated for his work, yet the serious disparagement occasioned by Miss Alice's egregious error in believing me to be the author of his hideous rhyme, and still more hideous metres, (argumentum ad ignominiam,) very naturally detracted from my own enjoyment. Mr. Editor, I do not at all object to being called "brother Jack" by your talented lady correspondent. Far from it. I have not the slightest acquaintance with her, have never seen her even in my dreams, but willingly and gladly accept of the relationship which she has very generously thrust upon me, without the slightest misgivings as to the consequences involved therein. Nor do I particularly resent being designated as "Wind-maker, the Big Chief of Indian Point." I do not feel the least aversion to, but the strongest commiseration for, the poor Indians. I think they have been hardly dealt with at the hands of our more highly favored race. I firmly believe in the grand doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man, and really love a good, honest Indian; for, although his complexion may be a little darker than mine—a fact, for which he is not at all to blame—yet he is my brother, and, if Miss Alice will pardon me, here, also. But, Mr. Editor, when it comes to being charged with confounding the great statesman, orator, and lawyer, with the eminent philologist, I find it more difficult to regain my equanimity. This is more than I can stand. Biographies of both of the great Websters have laid on my table for years, and being interested in the wonderful talents of these men who were so utterly unlike in character and temperament, even though my heart was so hardened (which God forbid) that I wished to crush with a deadfall of dictionaries one whose very name indicated that his punishment exceeded his offense. I would be the very

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