The Weekly Monitor.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1st, 1883.

As Others See Us.

Many persons abroad apparently think that the claims so often made by us in reference to the fertility and beauty of this valley are overdrawn. We ask all such therefore to read what Dr. Loring W. Puffer, has to say of his impressions and observations of the valley as published in the Bridgewater, (Mass.) *Independent*:—

To one who has always lived in Massachusetts, and is perfectly familiar with the silex filled soil, a short visit to Nova Scotia was a sharp and wonderful surprise. I expected to see a better soil than the one at home, but the reality was a marvel. The soil of the Annapolis valley is, so far as I examined it, is a strong, retentive red clay. The general appearance of the land in many respects is not unlike some portions of the valley of the Connecticut river; also, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and other portions of the United States. Its wonderful fertility did not seem particularly striking, but examination and enquiry soon brought out the fact of its enormous productiveness. The valley of the Annapolis is, and, so far as I could judge, I think justly claimed to be the most fertile portion of the continent of North America. The first work of the Pilgrims was to build schoolhouses; but the first work of the French Canadians was to build dykes. Those old French dykes are still doing successfully the work of more than two and one-half centuries, and produce to day two and one-half to four tons of English hay per acre—the average being about three tons—and never during all this period, so far as known, have been manured. I would hardly dare risk such a statement on one man's word; but the same story was told by all, the soil being about the color of a soft burnt brick. Those farmers living near the coast, cut holes in the ice, and at low tide dig out and cart home to the barn the mud from the bays and creeks that are easily accessible, and use it as we use muck, sand or loam in our manure heaps. It is stated that the result is satisfactory in every case, the deposits of those estuaries being of exceeding richness, this deposit being the same as that of the dyked lands. All manures here are applied to the uplands. The best farms are mentioned as valued at from $10,000 to $20,000. Weeds are conspicuous by their absence; at least they are not as plenty as with us, and the potato bug is only known in the books and papers. The dyke known as the "Wellington" is considered the most productive of any, the crop being plump four tons to the acre. Unlike the practice of the best farmers in Massachusetts, these dyked lands are pastured after September 1st, and the presence of cattle seems to do no harm. If, after a few years, the crop seems to be light, the sod is turned over, and for one year planted to grain, when it is again planted with herdagrass, and all without one particle of manure.

I judge by the results that these dyked lands are vast deposits of mineral manure, where disintegration and assimilation by the grass is nicely balanced. They sell for from $200 to $400 per acre. The land is all in cultivation except some parts of the mountain ranges that border the whole north and south portions of this country. The trees having been cut and burned on the land, more or less stumps remain, and it is plowed and oats sown the first year. Forty bushels to the acre is an average crop, no manure being used. The second year potatoes are planted, with a yield of 150 to 200 bushels without manure. Third year potatoes again without manure, and 150 to 200 bushels per acre. The fourth year, oats; still no manure, but the crop is raised of about thirty bushels. The fifth year, about four cords of manure are applied per acre, and herds grass sown, the result being about one and one half tons of hay. This description applies to the uplands, the dyked lands being those formerly covered by the sea. There is one peculiarity of the people that I noticed that seemed to be in universal use; it was the burning of all kinds of wood rubbish in a heap on the side of the road, in the dooryard, or in the field, the ashes being carefully saved and applied to the land in cultivation. The street gutters are cleaned out and carted to be barn yards. Whatever it may be to them, it would be a valuable manure for Massachusetts soils.

But this letter is too long now, and I must bring it to a close. After haying, it might pay some Plymouth County farmers if they would visit the beautiful Annapolis valley and see the garden of North America. It would do them good, physically and mentally. It would correct, to some extent, their ideas of the men and women of this province, formerly settled to quite an extent by people from this State. They would, as I have before indicated, see the most charming country in the world, with free schools quite up to our standard in quality, and with longer terms. They would see a people interested in, and kind to the stranger, and they would return with different ideas of farming in general, and of Nova Scotia in particular. The cost of going and returning is a trifle—about $10—and the Annapolis line of Boston steamers is the best way.

— If we may judge by the circular for July, lately issued by Dun, Wiman & Co., the business of this country and of the United States, is not in as good a condition as appearances seem to indicate. Attention is called in the circular to the increase of failures in the past six years. In the Un ted States the failures during the first half of 1883, exceed by 1,038 the number of the corresponding period of 1882. In 1883 the liabilities are $66,000,000 against $50,000,000 in the first half of 1882; and $40,000,000 in the first half of 1881. In Canada for the first half of this year, 687 failures were recorded with liabilities of $8,549,000 against 371 during the same period of 1882, with liabilities of $4,116,500, and against 349 with liabilities of $3,002,858 for the corresponding period in 1881.

Messrs. Dun, Wiman & Co., say that the result of the last six months of business have not "been nearly as satisfactory as there was good reason to expect." "The losses by bad debts, and the expensiveness of doing business," have gone far to "obliterate the margin of gain." "There is a derangement in our commercial and financial system which it is difficult to account for."

Considerable allowance undoubtedly must be made for the large number of new and inexperienced traders who are continually rushing into business, and not having sufficient capital or the proper amount of mental capacity for business which goes so far to counterbalance want of capital and experience, have to succumb after a two or three year's struggle against the keen tide of competition, which year by year grows stronger. Every year records instances of many such failures, and yet the example in no wise deters the numbers who ever stand ready to doubly fill the gap. New business centres are constantly being established, consequently the number business establishments are correspondingly increased, and the number of failures extend over a much larger extent of country every year. As an instance of this, many failures occurred in Winnipeg this year, of firms that sprang up almost like mushrooms during the boom, and having little or no capital to back them up, when the promises of last year bore so little fruit, they were obliged to close their shutters after an ineffectual struggle against the iron fate of circumstances. Quite a number of failures in the upper part of this County, and the lower part of Kings, took place during last year, within a short period. We do not think, however, that the number of failures among our business men in this county, have been much in excess over previous years; but although we have no figures at command, we think the aggregate amount of liabilities is considerably larger.

— The death of the Hon. William Elder, of St. John which took place on Monday, 23rd inst., was heard with deep sorrow throughout the two provinces, and leaves a blank difficult to fill. The immediate cause of his death was undoubtedly the result of overtaxing his brain, in giving that energetic supervision to his multifarious duties of journalist, statesman and citizen for which he was ever noted. Honors crowded thick and fast upon him, during the last few years of his life, and though apparently in good health the constant strain upon his strength was more than he could bear. Mr. Elder was born in Malin, County Donegal, Ireland, July 22nd, 1832; was educated for the ministry, and preached in New Brunswick for some years; but in 1856 he entered the field of journalism, which he ever afterwards occupied. In 1875 he entered the New Brunswick House of Assembly, and this year he was called to the office of Provincial Secretary; subsequently he was appointed President of the Board of Agriculture, and a few weeks ago the honorary degree of D. C. L. was conferred upon him by the University of New Brunswick. He was a man of sound education, and was an easy speaker and graceful and forcible writer. His funeral took place on Thursday, and was one of the largest ever witnessed in St. John.

— Some time ago in speaking of the sources from which fires originate, we spoke of the necessity of keeping matches secure from mice and rats. It was hardly believed by many persons that any danger could proceed from this cause; but the following item from the Digby *Courier* will show that we were correct:

"On Tuesday, while the workmen employed on the Oakes building were removing the foundation from under the store occupied by Mr. G. F. Stone, they discovered a mouse's nest containing 125 cards of matches which had, by degrees, been abstracted from Mr. Stone's stock and deposited in their nest by the industrious occupants."

— It is terrible to read of the loss of life by flood and field that is constantly appearing in the despatches. It seems as if on certain days or weeks crimes and accidents hold high carnival, and combine their terrible elements to affright the world. On the 27th, 28th and 29th ult., a ghastly record appears:—Fifty-five deaths among children on an emigrant ship during the passage between London and Honolulu; 933 deaths from cholera in Egypt; three thousand persons killed and many wounded by an earthquake in a town near Naples; twenty-two persons killed and fourteen wounded by a collision accident on the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg Railroad at Careloton, N. Y.; and by an explosion in a mine at Cattaniselta, Sicily, 35 miners out of a total of 70 lost their lives.

ANNAPOLIS ITEMS.

The Grand Roller Skating Carnival and Quadrille Assembly at the Rink on Friday evening last, was a very pleasant affair. Every one seemed intent upon enjoying themselves to the fullest extent, notwithstanding there were but few skaters in costume, owing to the costumer engaged for the occasion not being able to fulfil his engagement. Some eighty ladies and gentlemen took part in the roller skating. At ten o'clock dancing commenced, and was kept up with much spirit by a large number, until 12 o'clock. W. J. Shannon, Esq., was floor manager, and certainly did much credit to himself, and added materially to the pleasure of all, by the efficient manner in which his duties were performed. The excursion train brought about one hundred from Kentville, and intermediate stations along the line of Railway.

The Steamer "New York" arrived on Friday morning from Boston, with three hundred passengers.

Among the passengers by the "New York," were the Rev. W. A. Nicholson (Wesleyan Minister) and family. They were met upon landing, by a large number of friends who extended to them a hearty greeting and warm welcome. Mr. N. was formerly stationed in Annapolis and for the past two years has been in Burmuda, where he was obliged to leave on account of failing health. He intends taking a rest from his ministerial labors for a year, and will reside in Annapolis.

The Court House here is having its roof newly shingled. Mr. Rufus Hardwick is performing the work.

—We have issued a circular letter to several of our friends in the country asking for crop prospects and those who have replied report as follows:—

Of Paradise Col. W. E. Starratt says:—

Hay crop on marshes and intervales fully one quarter below last year, and in old fields about one-half. Potatoes and root crops all look well. The former have been extensively planted. Wheat not so much sown; but coarse grains looking well and largely cultivated. As the season has not been very favorable for pasturage, the *make* of cheese and butter will not exceed last year, if as large. The prospects of fruit are very discouraging—the estimate may safely be placed at one-quarter crop in the county—the late keeping varieties, such as Nonpareil, Vandivier, Greening, &c., are nearly a total failure, whilst Gravensteins, King of Tompkins County, Baldwins and Ribston Pippin give promise of a fair yield; small fruits a partial failure."

Of Wilmot, Mr. A. B. Parker says: Hay, hardly average; Apples almost a failure. Corn, Indian, fair prospect; sweet, being planted late does not look so well. Potatoes, excellent prospect; Root Crops in general promise an average yield.

Of Clarence, Mr. Elliott reports about the same condition of crops as in Wilmot.

Granville we have not heard from.

Of Round Hill, Hon. Geo Whitman reports as follows to the *Journal of Agriculture*.

Hay, an average yield, quality good. Grain, but little sown for want of rain, the crop prospects poor. Potatoes, a larger area planted than for many years, and look well. Turnips, mangolds and other roots came up well and promise a fair yield. Apples, less than for many years, may be one-fourth of an average crop.

Port Lorne.

— Fish continues plentiful.

— The new addition to the wharf is going up rapidly.

— Miss Nellie Eason, was thrown from a carriage on the 15th inst., and badly hurt.

— We need health officers to visit Port Lorne. The decaying fish refuse creates an intolerable stench all over the place.

ANOTHER SHOOTING ACCIDENT.— Last week added another to the long list of accidents resulting from the indiscriminate carrying, and careless use of deadly weapons. On Friday morning Charles Waitt, a young man sixteen years of age, son of Mrs. E. P. Waitt, of Forest Glen, was handling a loaded revolver, when, by the accidental discharge of the weapon, he was shot in the eye, the bullet coming in contact with the bone in such a manner that it did not penetrate far, nor injure the sight. As soon as the accident happened, the young man drove with his uncle to a physician, who extracted the bullet with ease, and at last accounts the patient was quite comfortable.

He has good reason to congratulate himself on his narrow escape from sudden death, and we hope this instance may prove a warning to those among us, who at a much earlier age, evince such a fondness for fire arms, and such recklessness in their use.

Local and Other Matter.

—County Court opens at Annapolis on Tuesday next.

—$200,000 loss was caused by freshets on the Alleghany River last week.

— Hat, Coat, and Wardrobe Hooks for sale by R. Shipley. 1i

—The Spanish Minister to the United States committed suicide on the 29th ult.

LUNENBURG ELECTION.—The trial of the election petition of Kaulback vs. Keefler is to begin at Lunenburg today.

CHEESE.—Mrs. Reynolds is prepared to supply constantly a prime article of dairy cheese, either by the whole cheese or by the pound. 2i

— The largest crop of hay in twenty years has been harvested in the Ottawa valley. $8 per ton is being asked for it.

— Our thanks are due the Queen's Printer for a bound copy of the Nova Scotia Statutes passed at the last session of the Provincial Legislature.

SHIPPING NOTES.—Schrs. Oddfellow, Amberman, and Ivica, Longmire, cleared from Tupperville on the 27th ult., with cargoes of brick for Apple River, Cumberland County.

Schr. Adah, Foster, cleared, for Boston 27th ult., with a load of cord-wood.

Schr. Meteor, Graves, arrived in port yesterday. She clears the last of the week.

PROPERTY CHANGES.—Mr. Zaccheus Phinney of Granville, has sold his fine farm to Mr.——Mack of Liverpool, for $8000.

Mr. Paul Morrill has sold his property at Carleton's Corner, to Capt. Charles Munro of near this place, for $300.

—The Rev. M. Maxwell of Annapolis, late pastor of the Chalmers Presbyterian Church, Halifax, will exchange with Mr. Greene, Sunday next, Aug. 5th, morning and afternoon.

—The American Rapid Telegraph Company, has acceded to the telegraph strikers demands, and have their staff now reinforced by some of the best operators in the Brotherhood, and can handle all business promptly.

— The next monthly meeting of the A. C. T. League, will be held at Bridgetown, in Temperance Hall, on Tuesday, the 7th of August, at 2 o'clock p. m. All the members of the League are requested to be present.

—Thos. Kelly has received a large lot of elegant Boquet Stands, in different styles, marble and wood tops, also a nice assortment of Camp, Rocking and Children's fancy chairs, Brussels and Tapestry, all of which he offers at very low prices. The most tasteful articles in this line ever seen in Bridgetown. Masonic building, opposite Post Office, side entrance. tf.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT. — The Revere House of this town, which has become so well and favorably known to the travelling public, under the popular management of its genial landlady, Mrs. Russell, is about undergoing extensive repairs and improvements. Another story is to be added, new windows and frames are to replace the old ones, etc. Further notice will be given as the work progresses. Mr. Ewing of Centreville, has the contract.

Mr. J. W. Beckwith is having built a handsome fence in front of his residence on Queen St., a decided improvement to both street and residence.

— On the 10th of March, 1882, the brigantine Addie Benson, of Bear River, Captain Malett, fell in with and rescued the crew of the American ship Screamer, in mid ocean, she being in a shipwrecked condition. The rescue was accomplished under most dangerous circumstances. The American Government, in recognition of the bravery displayed by the Addie Benson's crew, have presented to Captain Mallet a valuable gold medal, bearing an appropriate inscription commemorative of the event; to the steward, Mr. J. W. Doane, a handsome gold chronometer watch, manufactured at Waltham, Mass.; and to each of the crew $14.28 in cash.

— Work has been suspended for some reason on the Great American and Short Line Railway. According to a despatch to the *Herald*, Col. Snow the chief engineer, says the trouble proceeds from the difficulty of coming to satisfactory arrangements with the New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Governments; that a large amount of money has been spent, and no subsidy from the Government has yet been paid. The *Chronicle* states that no obstacles whatever have yet been put in the Company's way by the Government of this Province at least.

—The progress of mining operations, in Lunenburg County is thus reported in the *Times*:

The output of gold at the Owen mine, Millipsics Lake, for the past week has been as great as heretofore. The managers are this week rigging a windlass and sinking gear preparatory to making more extensive excavations. There have been nine new leads discovered on the adjoining Nelson-Wade properties. Something very rich is shortly expected.

—The New Germany Coal Mining Company have secured the services of Mr. Pitblado of Truro to manage their boring operations. He arrived last Saturday evening with the boring machine and went to work on Monday morning, quite hopeful of a successful termination to his labors, as he thinks there is every indication of coal. Mr Pitblado is a man of experience in this business and his opinion is of weight. However, a few days now will settle the disputed point and we will know whether we can have a coal mine or not.

— "Pride of America" Soap, for sale by R. Shipley. 1i

— D. W. McLellan, of St. John was sworn in as Provincial Secretary of New Brunswick, on the 26th inst. He is also gazetted President of the Exhibition Committee.

— Chas. W. Copeland & Co., boot and shoe manufacturers of Boston, have suspended. Liabilities, $750,000. F. Shaw & Bros., of the same city, the largest tanners, have assigned, it is reported, with liabilities of $5,000,000.

— A fine single scull race took place at Fulton, N. Y., on the 26th ult., between Hanlan, Hosmer and Lee, over a three-quarters of a mile course rowed over twice. Hanlan won in 19 m. 49s., with Hosmer next in 19m. and 50s., Lee coming in a second later. Hanlan did not do his best of course.

— Seventy persons were drowned at North Point, Tivoli, ten miles from Baltimore, Md., by the giving away of of the outer portion of a pier on which a large crowd was standing waiting for a boat to return to the city.

— Mr. John F. Stairs has been duly elected without opposition to the seat made vacant in the Dominion House of Commons, vacated by Lieut.-Governor Richey.

— It is getting dangerous to be alive now anyway. The London *Lancet* informs its readers, that dangerous diseases may be transmitted through books, letters, newspapers, &c., that have been previously handled by persons sick with infectious diseases.

— In an appeal from an arbitration decision to the Supreme Court of Canada, the Halifax Street Railway Co., have been awarded $8000, costs and interest from date of arbitration, against the Intercolonial Railway Company.

— An attractive looking pamphlet has just been issued by the Canadian Pacific Railway, called the "Official Guide Book to the Canadian Pacific Railway Lands." It is profusely illustrated with diagrams of the different sections, and gives directions for the guidance of intending settlers, that would undoubtedly be of great benefit. The book is compiled from manual of survey, and C. P. R. land examination reports.

— The b. m. Bonny Belle, lately purchased by Mr. H. Harding, of Maitland, Hants Co., has been re-sold by him to Mr. J. W. Beckwith of this town. Bonny Belle is well known in sporting circles, and is a very fine animal. She will be quite an addition to the trotting stock of Bridgetown.

— Just received a supply of Nuts, Baked Beans, with a full line of other Canned Goods. R. Shipley. 1i

— The statement made last week that Amero was on his way to Boston, in charge of an officer was incorrect, as he is not yet extradited, some delay being caused in obtaining the signatures to the warrant, by the absence of the Minister of Justice, and the Premier from Ottawa.

LOST,—Between J. E. Walker's and the Baptist Church, Bridgetown, on Sunday, the 22nd inst., a crape bow and small gold pin. The owner will be very much obliged to have it left at this office. 1i

A CHURCH MEMBER WORTH HAVING.—Z. Chipman, Esq., a prominent member of the Methodist Church at St. Stephens, N. B., being anxious to have the debt removed from the church, offered to give as large a donation as could be raised by the entire congregation. The other day Rev. Robert Duncan reported that the congregation had subscribed $3,654, which amount included a private subscription from Mrs. Chipman of $1,000. Mr. Chipman adhered to his offer and gave his cheque for $3,654.

—The Garden Party given yesterday afternoon, on the grounds of the Methodist Parsonage, was a very enjoyable affair, and, we understand, quite a success financially. The tables were spread in a tempting manner, and a bountiful supply of refreshments was served. The general management reflected great credit on the ladies in charge.

FOUND.—Anyone having lost two keys and a brass trunk check, can recover their property by proving it and paying expenses of advertising on calling at this office. 2i

Not "O K."

The Western Union Telegraph Company, yesterday, issued this reassuring bulletin to the public:—

East, every wire O K; north, O K on all points; south, way wires all O K; through wires also O K to all points west; at West, all routes O K; business clear for all points this morning, and to-day's business moving in good time. Chicago reports overland wires O K and business about clear.

There is a general "O K" appearance about this which is very refreshing. It would make it seem that the telegraph service is re-established. But such is not the fact. The wires are "O K" it is true; so are the poles; but the offices, except in the principal cities and large towns, are practically closed. The wires have been disconnected privately from numerous villages and towns, and although messages are still accepted there by the company's receivers, they are uniformly sent by hand to the nearest city where the wires are still working irregularly, and where they must after their journey wait their turn. The public should understand this.—*N. Y. Herald, 27th.*

MOTHERS DON'T KNOW.—How many children are punished for being uncouth, wilful, and indifferent to instructions or rewards, simply because they are out of health! An intelligent lady said of a child of this kind: "Mothers should know that if they would give the little ones moderate doses of Hop Bitters for two or three weeks, the children would be all a parent could desire."

The Postal Service.

The following new Post Offices were established in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and P. E. Island, on July 1st: Victoria, N. S.; Beresford, Gloucester, N. B.; Brooklyn, Yarmouth, N. S.; Canobie, Gloucester, N. B.; Clover Hill, King's, N. B.; Douglasfield, Northumberland, N. B.; Colchester, N. S Ferguson's Point, Gloucester, N. B; Glengarry, Inverness, N. S.; Glen William, King's P. E. I.; Gondola Point, King's N. B.; Green Point, Gloucester, N. B.; Head of Hillsborough, Kings, P. E. I.; Indian road, Hants, N. S.; Little Mahon, Inverness, N S.; Lime Hill Inverness, N. S.; Lorne Vale, Colchester, N. S.; Lower Abougoggin, Westmoreland, N. B.; Mackville, King's N. B.; Moran, Northumberland, N. B; McKee's Mills, Kent, N. B.; Oban, Richmond, N. S.; Pinsville, Prince, P. E. I.; Pointau Can, Northumberland N. B; Rocky Point, Queen's P. E. I.; South Nelson Road, Northumberland, N. B.; West Newton, Queen's, P. E. I.

The following Offices were closed:

Clyburn Brook, Co. Victoria, N. S.; Debert Village, Co. Colchester, N. S.; Vernon Mines, Co. King's, N. S.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS THIS WEEK.

N H Phinney.....Business
Mutual Relief Association Yarmouth...Insurance,
R Ewing.....Wanted
John I Phinney.....Lumber
F C Nutt.....Green Peas
W J Glencross.....Hotel
Municipality.....Tenders

WANTED IMMEDIATELY!
4 Good Carpenters
To work on the REVERE HOTEL.
Apply to R. EWING.
Bridgetown, July 31st, 1883. 16tf

New Advertisements.

Green Peas!
WANTED AT THE
Canning Factory,
at Bridgetown, Green Pass, either shelled or in the pod. Same price will be paid as last season. F. E. NUTT.
Bridgetown, July 31, '83. 3it19

MUTUAL
Relief Society,
OF
NOVA SCOTIA!
HOME OFFICE, YARMOUTH.
A. C. ROBBINS, Presd't.

THIS Society was organized for the purpose of establishing an equitable safety plan of Mutual Benefit Insurance, avoiding heavy expense and large accumulations. It requires and insists, that each and every member shall contribute in each year to the indemnity fund, a just and equitable share, in proportion to the risk as borne by the Society. It requires from each member each year the cost of that year, no more, no less.

The business of the Society is confined to the Maritime Province, in which the rate of mortality is low, as compared with some other countries. The expense of management is light, and hazardous risks are avoided.

The advance assessment being deposited in Bank, offers sufficient security. The Society pays the beneficiary promptly, as evidenced by the annexed receipt. Applications received, and all necessary information given by the general and local agents of the Society, as well as the undersigned.

THOMAS B. CROSBY,
TREASURER,
Yarmouth, N. N.

General Agents,
Joseph R. Raymond & W. H. Fairn.

(Copy.)
Yarmouth, June 27, 1883.

To A. C. Robbins, President, and Thomas B. B. Crosby, Treasurer of the Mutual Relief Society, of Nova Scotia.

Gentlemen,—I beg to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of the indemnity accruing to me, as the Beneficiary named in bond 361, and made payable in consequence of the death of Mrs. Sarah B. Chute.

The promptness with which the claim has been paid, furnishes another proof of the satisfactory management of your Society, and commends this institution to the confidence of the general public.

(Signed), H. E. CHUTE, 1i

Yarmouth, July 17th, 1883.

Office of the Mutual Relief Society of Nova Scotia.

It having been brought to my notice that certain persons have pronounced our plan of affording protection to the widow and orphan a humbug, and have recommended to the public a certain Society, having its head office at Hartford, in the United States, I hereby republish the following extracts from "The Insurance and Real Estate Society," of Montreal, to which the attention of the public is called.

THOMAS B. CROSBY,
Treasurer.

The Hartford Life and Annuity Insurance Company.

"This Company, as most of our readers are aware, has for some years been doing business chiefly on the co-operative or assessment plan. It was founded in 1867, apparently with the hope that it would be able to reap the benefit, to some extent, of the success which other Hartford Companies had achieved. These companies were known among a large section of the public merely as "Hartford Companies," and the Hartford Life and Annuity, sought to take advantage of the ignorance of the public, and to gain thereby a standing, which it was not entitled to. Its success in this direction, however, has been but very moderate. Its assets even now amount to but little over a million dollars.

Seeing that their Company was thus comparatively a failure, its officers looked around for some other way by which they could draw money into their coffers. They decided to begin the co-operative or assessment business, and to make use of the funds they had gathered in the business of legitimate life assurance as a bait. The public are not aware that the large figures which they see advertised are not available for the protection of the holders of the co-operative policies. There is a "Safety Fund Department," from which alone these claims must be made. And some of our American contemporaries have pointed out that even this much-lauded "Safety Fund," from which so much is expected, has not been honestly administered, for a large deficiency exists in it already.

But it is not with the financial soundness or stability of the Hartford Life and Annuity Company, or of its plans of assurance, that we have to deal particularly. It is an American Institution, and if it confined its operations to the United States, we could safely leave our American friends to deal with it, but it is well known that it is doing a large business in the Maritime Provinces of the Dominion. It has of course made no deposit with our Government, or in any way complied with our laws, made for the protection of Canadian assurers. Its agents are therefore liable to the penalties imposed by the Consolidated Insurance Act of 1877, viz: $1000 fine, or six month's imprisonment, or both, for every policy delivered, or premium collected by them. Prominent among these agents in Nova Scotia is, we believe, an ex-clergyman."

Lumber for Sale!

THE subscriber offers for sale at his Lumber Yard, Spa Springs, the following:—

Hemlock Boards, do. Plank and Long Shingles, Pine Boards and Plank, any quality, Spruce Boards and Scantling. Ash clear and Good, which he will sell at bottom cash prices.

ALSO,—Will saw any size dimension lumber required.

Buyers invited to inspect—Prices can't be beaten

JOHN I. PHINNEY,
Spa Springs July 30th, '83 5i21

Read & Consider.

SUPERIOR FLOUR!
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Oatmeal and Cornmeal at bottom prices,
Cornmeal from Brown's Mill at mill prices.

25 LBS.	REFINED SUGAR	FOR..	$2.00
25 "	MUSCAVADO	do ..	2 10
20 "	GRANULATED	do ..	2 00
4 "	GOOD TEA,	do ..	1.00
5 "	RAISINS,	do ..	.50
5 "	SODA,	do .	.20
5 GALS.	MOLASSES,	do ..	2.75
FANCY BISCUITS, PER LB.....			.12

General assortment of
GROCERIES,
at equally LOW PRICES,
CHOICE DIGBY CHICKENS
Smoked and Pickled.
Terms strictly CASH—CASH paid for eggs.
N. H. PHINNEY.
Lawrencetown, July 26th, 1883. 4y
P. S.—Flour and Meal at A. P. PHINNEY'S Shop.

New Advertisements. New Advertisements. New Advertisements. New Advertisements.

AMERICAN
HAYING TOOLS!
DIRECT FROM THE MANUFACTURERS.
10 DOZ.
AMERICAN CLIPPER SCYTHES!
Price, $1.00 Cash.
6 DOZ.
AMERICAN SILVER STEEL SCYTHES,
Price, 90 cts. Cash.
5 DOZ.
AMERICAN SWEEPSTAKE SCYTHES
Price, 75 cts. Cash.
HAY RAKES, NO. 2, AT 15 CENTS CASH.
HAY RAKES NO. 1, AT 20 CENTS CASH.
Hay Forks, Whet Stones, Snaths, &c., at Equally Low Prices.
Do not forget that the above prices are for spot Cash only.

FLOUR!
JUST ARRIVED
A Cargo of Flour of the following Brands:
STAR, VICTORIA
OCEAN, ALBION.
Also:
OATMEAL, CORNMEAL,
SUGAR,
SALT, RAISINS, ETC.
A FULL ASSORTMENT OF
FRESH GROCERIES
ALWAYS ON HAND.
J. W. BECKWITH.

GRAND CENTRAL HOTEL.
Bridgetown, N. S.
FIRST-CLASS Accommodation. Modern improvements and appliances. Every attention paid to the comfort of guests.
6mt42] W. J. GLENCROSS, Prop.

JUST RECEIVED!
PER SCHOONER
"Effie Young,"
PART OF A CARGO OF CHOICE
Barbadoes Molasses
WHICH I WILL SELL CHEAP FOR CASH.
ANSLEY ELLIOTT.
Port George, July 15, '83.

NOTICE.
A. W. LONGILL has opened a shop in the room over the store of F. C. Harris, Esq., on Queen St., Bridgetown N. S., where he is prepared to perform Surgical Operations on
Boots and Shoes,
by the adding of Feet making good the Legs, binding the broken, healing the wounded, mending the constitution, and supporting the Body with a New Sole.
My Custom-Made Boots and Shoes will be found as Elastic as an Act of Parliament, and admirably suited for those who tread only in the paths of rectitude. Their durability is to equal truth itself, and they fit the feet as fairly as innocence the face of Childhood. Also, supply the Ladies with their Rights as well as Lefts. 1-it28

STOCK FOR SALE!
THE subscriber offers for sale the following stock:—
3 MILCH COWS;
2 TWO YEAR OLD HEIFERS;
1 COLT, RISING THREE YEARS.
For further information apply to
MELBOURNE MORSE.
Bridgetown, July 24, '83.

FARM FOR SALE!
SITUATED NEAR
NICTAUX FALLS.
Containing over two hundred acres of land, with a suitable variety of intervale, tillage and pasture land, and is naturally, as well as by locality, a very desirable property. For further particulars, apply to
W. G. HOLLAND,
July 16, '83. 14 3m Torbrook.

NOTICE.
I am instructed by the attorney for the creditors of the estate of
WM. M. TUPPER,
an absent debtor, to leave all accounts and claims on the book of the estate for immediate collection, without further notice, and all parties indebted, are hereby notified to settle their accounts with F. C. Harris, Esq., after the date.
JNO. P. MURDOCH, Agent.
Bridgetown, July 18, '83. 14tf

Farmer's Attention!
New Barrels!
The subscriber has imported a quantity of the
CYLINDER STAVES,
such as are used by American apple shippers to the English market, and is now prepared to furnish apple barrels made from these staves at reasonable figures. Call and see them. W. W. CHESLEY.
Bridgetown, July 18, '83. 9it23

NEW STORE AT WILMOT!
The subscriber begs to notify his friends and the public generally, that he has removed his place of business from Victoria Vale, to the
E. C. Cummings Store, Wilmot,
where he will keep constantly on hand a general stock of Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes, Glass and Crockery Ware, and other goods usually kept in a country store. Have also received a car load of Goldie's People's Brand of flour, which I will warrant to give best satisfaction. Also, Meal and Feeding Flour at prices that can't be beat.
GEO. ARMSTRONG.
Wilmot, June 25, '83. 11tf

BRIDGETOWN
GROCERY!
The friends in Bridgetown and vicinity will find at the newly fitted-up and commodious Store under Masonic Hall, an excellent assortment of
Choice Groceries,
comprising the usual varieties in
FLOUR, TEA,
SUGAR,
CANNED GOODS,
OATMEAL,
MOLASSES,
SPICES, ETC., ETC.
A carefully selected assortment of
Hardware,
consisting of Carpenter's Tools, Tinware, Nails, etc., will also be found, together with a small stock of
Stationery,
of superior quality.
A share of public patronage is respectfully solicited, and we hope to merit the good opinions of our patrons by careful attention to business, and by supplying them with the best articles at the lowest prices.
W. W. Saunders
Bridgetown, May 28th, '83.

WANTED.
A FIRST CLASS TEACHER FOR
BENTVILLE SCHOOL SECTION, NUMBER 42.
Apply immediately to
RALPH BENT.
Bentville, July 23, '83. 2it17

Mrs. W. H. Miller
Has just opened a Select Assortment of
Fashionable Millinery.
Call and see her Choice selection of
Feathers and Flowers
Laces and Embroideries in black and White, Children's Embroidered Dresses in colored Cashmeres, also, White Cotton Dresses in different sizes.
A full line of Hats and Bonnets in the latest styles. ap23n2tf

BROWN'S
GRIST MILL,
LAWRENCETOWN,
IS not frozen up, but continues to give satisfaction to all who patronize it, and in addition to the supply of Flour, Corn &c., heretofore kept in stock, is daily expecting from Montreal a Carload of Grain, in which will be found by those who apply early a quantity of
SEED WHEAT,
BARLEY,
PEASE & OATS,
which will be sold for CASH only.
Will continue to fill all orders for MIXED FEED at short notice. Have purchased a SHINGLE MACHINE, and will be prepared to saw or furnish long or short tapered shingles. Are now negotiating for a
Rotary Saw and Stave Mill,
all to be in operation this spring.
TERMS AS USUAL.
John A. Brown & Co.
Lawrencetown, February, 20th, 1883

THE SUPERIOR and WORLD RENOWNED
Brussels, Tapestry, and Milton
CARPETS!
IN NEWEST DESIGNS, manufactured by
Messrs JOHN BRINTON & CO., of Kidderminister.
Are sold in NEW BRUNSWICK, only by
MANCHESTER, ROBINSON & ALLISON,
Wholesale and Retail,
27 & 29 King St., St. John.

C. L. EATON
Commission Merchant
and Auctioneer, would respectfully solicit
CONSIGNMENTS
of all kinds of Country Produce.
Particular attention given to the following goods:
Butter, Cheese, Eggs, Fruits, Berries, Vegetables, Meats, Poultry, Smoked Fish, Etc., Etc., Etc.
HIGHEST PRICES AND PROMPT RETURNS GUARANTEED.
OXFORD BLOCK,
Halifax, N. S.
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1883. Haying Season 1883.
Just received, a large stock of
HAYING TOOLS
consisting of,
SCYTHES,
of the most improved shape and warranted first quality.
SNATHS
of the newest styles.
HAY FORKS
in all sizes,
HAY RAKES
—AND—
SCYTHE STONES.
Those requiring any of the above Goods will find them of best material and sold as cheap as any in the market.
R. SHIPLEY.

Wants Supplied
AT
J. W. Whitman's, Lawrencetown.
The wants of the House in choice
FLOUR,
with P. G. Baking Powder, Spices and Fruits, Choicest Canned Goods, Jellies and
BISCUITS,
Superior Tea and Coffee, 25 to 60cts. per lb., Oatmeal, Rice, Salt and Vinegar, Brooms, and Carpet Sweepers.
CHINA, GLASSWARE AND EARTHENWARE IN SPECIAL LINES.
Extra value in Grey, White and Printed Cottons and Shirtings.
Preserving Kettles & Jars.
Men's Wants met in
HATS, CAPS, SHIRTS,
HOES, RAKES, FORKS, SHOVELS.
Mowing Machines and Horse Rakes.
Houses furnished with Patent Ex. Shades in all Colors and Widths, or Linen or Opaque Blinds.
OILCLOTHS.
June 22nd, 1883.

ANOTHER LOT OF THOSE
SUPERIOR EXTENSION
Dining Tables,
Just received and for sale very low. Also on hand a good supply of
Spring Beds,
which will be sold at a small advance on cost
Parlor and Drawing-Room Suits, a Specialty.
SOFAS,
LOUNGES,
ROCKING & EASY CHAIRS.
ON HAND AND MADE TO ORDER AT SHORT NOTICE.
Masonic Building opposite Post Office. Side entrance.
THOMAS KELLY.
Bridgetown, July 3, '83.

MRS. REYNOLDS
has just received a fine assortment of FANCY GOODS, in the way of
Assorted Biscuits,
Candies, Pickles,
Canned Goods.
Jellies, etc., etc.
A table is also opened on the premises at which Lemonade, Ginger Beer, Syrups, etc., together with Cakes, and other light Refreshments may be procured at all hours of the day.

Manchester House!
GRANVILLE FERRY!
Just opened at Bottom Prices, a very nice assortment of Mens' and Boy's
FELT AND STRAW HATS IN ALL STYLES.
ALSO TO ARRIVE IN A FEW DAYS, ANOTHER LOT OF
LADIES KID BOOTS, SHOES AND SLIPPERS,
AT LOWER PRICES THAN EVER.
FARNSWORTH & AMBERMAN.
June 14th, 1883.

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