Paradise.

Mr. B. R. Balcom has been again under the doctor's care.

The little 5-year-old daughter of S. Ritcey was bitten on the face on Saturday by a dog belonging to Allen Hinds. Dr. DeBlois dressed the wounds. Mr. Hinds shot the dog. The child is doing well.

Rev. R. B. Kinley, of Port Hilford, surprised and gladdened his many friends by making one of the congregation on Sunday, having arrived at his daughter's the day before. Since having lagripe he has been troubled with a cough, but since coming to the Valley it is much better.

Mrs. C. A. Longley returned last week to Annapolis after a short visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bishop are the happy possessors of one of the Lawson pinks for which Glavin the florist, of Boston, paid $30,000 for the exclusive right of growing. The flower has been picked over two weeks and still shows much of its beauty.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearson and son Homer and Mrs. W. E. Starratt, have moved from Newton, Mass., and taken possession of Mrs. Starratt's farm, "Maple Grove."

Miss Annie Young led the public service on Sunday evening and Miss Ena Morse the Sunday evening previous.

Robie S. Leonard is home for a few days attending to his farm work, but will return to Wolfville for the closing work of the college year.

We regret to hear of the death of Mrs. Augusta Bancroft, of Somerville, Hants county, the widow of the late Rev. Jeremiah Bancroft. She lived alone and the neighbors missing her found her dead in her chair, having been dead several hours. A sister, Mrs. Dimock, of Windsor, and one son Ernest, survive her.

Jackson's drive of logs is in, and operations at the mill are beginning.

Lawrencetown.

Services for Sunday, May 14th: Baptist, 11 a.m.; Methodist, 7.30 p. m.

H. H. Whitman has moved the Tomlinson store and dwelling to his east line, and will make it into two stores.

J. E. Schaffner has moved into his new house, and Dr. A. A. Schaffner has taken possession of the Stevens house.

Col. Schaffner was in town last week, and on Friday evening entertained the V. C. Band at the Elm House with a supper. The Colonel is voted as a first class fellow.

The entertainment and refreshments in the Methodist church next Friday evening, the 12th, is to be of interest, and an enjoyable time is promised to all.

Mr. N. Varner has gone to Bridgetown to work in Mr. Taylor's shop.

Farming has commenced, and a good deal of grain is being sown.

Shad are being caught in the river here in large quantities.

Owing to Rev. Amor being absent there will be no service in the Episcopal church next Sabbath.

Mr. F. G. Stevens, of Halifax, spent a day in town last week.

Inglisville.

Miss May Bishop is visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry A. Snow.

Miss Ruperta Chute, of Hampton, has visited her friend, Mrs. Arthur Beals.

Mrs. Edwin Banks has been ill for several weeks, but is getting better now.

Mr. Stanley Hinds started for the United States a fortnight ago.

Mr. Henry Bowles, of Centreville, Kings, is visiting his many friends.

Mr. Harry A. Snow is doing quite a business with his "Canadian Jersey" churns.

Several are ill with German measles. They affect the school somewhat.

Revs. Astbury and Wallace have just finished a series of meetings. Eight were baptized on Sunday last at Dea. A. Dunn's pond. This makes fourteen in all. A large number from Lawrencetown and Williamston were present. Rev. L. F. Wallace preached an appropriate sermon.

Victoriavale.

Preaching service in the hall Sunday morning, May 14th, at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Caleb Miller has moved back to his farm in this place.

Amariah Dodge is moving to Lawrencetown.

Mrs. J. W. Bowlby is very ill at time of writing.

Mr. Allen Chute from St. Croix, was a guest at R. C. Starratt's last week.

Mrs. William Clarke, of Prince Albert, is sicking very rapidly.

Miss Lizzie Slocomb, from Mt. Hanley, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Joseph Reagh.

Mr. F. Brown, who has been sick is some better.

William Morris will take possession of the A. Dodge place in a few days.

Wolfville.

The semi-annual examinations begin on May 22nd and close on June 3rd.

Two games of base ball were played last week, the Freshmen defeating the Juniors by 21 to 19, and the Academy vs. Seniors game, which was won by the former; score, 24 to 11. The game between Juniors and Sophomores was postponed.

Rev. Mr. White, of Hantsport, was in town during the early part of last week.

The Y. M. C. A. have elected J. A. Glendenning, '00, President; A. V. Dimock, '01, Vice-President; and R. W. Demmings, '02, Secretary, for the college term of '99-'00.

C. S. Atherton and R. W. Demmings spent Saturday, May 6th, at Gaspereaux on a fishing tour. They had excellent luck catching trout, and Mr. Demmings succeeded in landing a salmon of considerable size.

Port Lorne.

Deacon A. Johnson, of Harbourville, is the guest of his nephew and other friends.

Messrs. Johnson Corbitt, Thomas Beardsley, Isaiah Sabean, Elmer Brinton and Silas Beardsley, of Bridgetown, spent Sunday at their homes here.

Miss Saunders, teacher of Hampton, was the guest of Mrs. Coldwell one day last week.

Mr. Walter Graves has an outbuilding about completed.

Preaching Sunday, 14th, by Rev. E. P. Coldwell at Arlington, 10.30; Port Lorne, 2.30; Hampton, 7.30.

Ministerial Conference here 15th and 16th.

Sunday school again in good working order, Mr. Hiram Johnson superintendent.

Belleisle.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Eaton, of Granville Ferry, spent last Sunday with friends here.

Miss Jessie F. Dodge, spent a few days last week with her relatives at Lawrencetown.

Mr. George W. Young returned to Somerville, Mass., on Saturday last.

The weather here since the advent of May has been very fine and the farmer is a busy man just now.

We notice Capt. Goodwin started his milk team this (Monday) morning. He hauls the milk in this locality for the Bridgetown Cheese and Butter Co.

Halifax Fortifications.

Halifax, May 4.—There has been some misunderstanding as to the action of the military authorities regarding the famous old citadel in this city. The policy of the authorities now is to rely for defence on the strong batteries on both sides of the outer harbor and those on Macnab's and George's islands, rather than on the citadel, which is the old centre of the defences of the station. The batteries nearer the mouth of the harbor are being strengthened. The citadel will be used as a place for extensive barracks. The imperial government has awarded a contract to Brookfield for a barracks within its area to cost $35,000. But the citadel has not been condemned, and while the large obsolete guns which were on its ramparts are being removed and will not all be replaced, the authorities are putting in position a number of Maxims, which are better suited to the nature of the defence that would be carried on from that point were hostilities to break out. The authorities are vigorously strengthening the other fortifications of Halifax.

Light Ships for New Brunswick.

The former Gloucester schooner Frederick Gerring, Jr., which has been sold at auction at Halifax, under orders of the courts, having been condemned, will be converted into a lightship for the protection of the shipping on the coast of New Brunswick. At the mouth of the Miramichi river lies a sand bar, which has long been a menace to shipping, and on which several vessels have met disaster. There the Gerring will be placed, to guide the mariner seeking to sail up the river to Chatham, and other ports. Commander Spain states that the Gerring will be the first of a number of lightships which the government proposes to place at various points in the Canadian coast way.

[illegible] April 20, 1899, the United States public [illegible], less cash in the treasury, amounted [illegible] 172,787,204, an increase during the [illegible] of $23,081,701.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

John P. Ross, a native of Colchester, was recently shot and killed by his wife, in Sharon, Mass.

The D. A. R. steamer Evangeline has resumed her daily return trips between Kingsport and Parrsboro.

Dr. Farrell, of Halifax, left this week for Germany, to attend the International Medical Convention as delegate from Canada.

Halifax must be considered a very healthy military station. The year 1898 passed without a single death in the military hospital there.

Temperance people of Yarmouth are prosecuting liquor dealers for second offences. One conviction for $100 and costs was obtained last week.

The Kentville Pastime Club are arranging a programme of sports for May 24th. St. Mary's 1500 lb. tug-of-war team, of Halifax, will contest with a local team.

A number of industrial establishments in Maine have recently tested trial lots of slack coal from the Springhill collieries, and report that it has been eminently satisfactory.

The Bridgewater *Gazette* which has been published by Mr. J. H. Hall, is not to be again printed. Mr. Hall will confine himself to the stationery and job printing business.

Recent returns from Great Britain of some autimony ore from Rawdon, Hants Co., gave as high as $18 per ton in gold values alone, and that in material taken from the dump.

The Burrill-Johnson Iron Company, of Yarmouth, have notified their several hundred employes that the entire plant is to shut down for an indefinite period. The men are requested to seek employment elsewhere.

Nova Scotia Pork Packing Co.

A special meeting of the above company, was held at Middleton last Thursday, a large number of stockholders being present.

President Davison explained the circumstances of the company and asked if the directors should seek to increase the stock of the company, start on a smaller scale or abandon the project for the present and endeavor to interest practical men with capital in the scheme. Capt. Amos Burns gave a financial statement of the company to date.

After W. H. Chase, W. H. Weatherspoon, G. B. McGill and others had spoken, F. E. Cox moved, seconded by F. Andrews the following resolution: "That if after thorough inquiry on the part of the directors it is found practical to erect and equip a pork packing establishment, with a capacity of 100 hogs per day at a cost not exceeding $15,000 completed and ready for operation and with a *bona fide* subscribed capital of not less than $25,000, that the advisability of carrying out such a policy be commended to the directors."

After lengthy discussion the motion passed unanimously.

A general discussion of the affairs of the company followed during which the President, Capt. Burns, T. R. Jones and other directors stated that one of the greatest hindrances to the progress of the enterprise was the fact that $8,000 of the subscribed capital had not paid the first call of ten per cent. and emphasized the necessity of the subscribers paying their call if they desired the scheme to materialize.

Kings County Desperadoes.

(Halifax Herald.)

Provincial Constable Harry Wright has returned from Kings County, where he has been chasing alleged desperadoes near Aylesford. The district mentioned has been of late infested with robbers and burglars. The robberies were so numerous that the attorney-general finally decided to send Constable Wright after the culprits as the local constable could not catch them. Wright succeeded in spotting his men, but they escaped him and ran in the woods. Wright tells an exciting story of his chase. He met the men on the road one day. They were in a two horse team. As soon as Wright appeared they whipped up their horses. Wright followed and caught up with them. They then jumped out and escaped into the thick woods. The constable chased one of the men, but did not succeed in capturing him. He then returned and took charge of the runaway team. One of the horses in it was a stolen one. The next day the constable spotted another of his men, but the "bird" flew into the woods. Wright followed and he gave the other such a hard chase that he threw off his coat and then his vest, to make his escape easier. He finally evaded the officer. The latter had his revolver, but did not use it, as he did not think it necessary. The men whom Wright was chasing have a hard name and are called desperadoes by many in the neighborhood.

Important Insurance Decision.

New York, May 2.—The appellate division of the supreme court in Brooklyn today handed down a decision in the case of Greef against the Equitable Life Assurance Society in favor of the plaintiff. Greef sued the society for $8,087, which he claimed was his proper share of the surplus of the society. The character of the company provides that each policy-holder is to be credited with an equitable share of its surplus. Greef's policy was a 15 year non-tontine endowment policy, and contained a provision that it was entitled to share in the surplus of the society, according to such principles and methods as should be adopted by the society for such distribution.

The society claims that its policy-holders are only entitled to a share of such portion of its profits as the board of directors choose to set apart for the payment of dividends.

The plaintiff, on the other hand, claimed that he was entitled to a share of the entire net surplus, which amounted to about $43,000,000 on the 31st of December preceding the maturity of his policy, and the appellate division in an exhaustive opinion has sustained the plaintiff's contention.

Retaliation on Lumber.

Detroit, Mich., May 4.—A Washington special to the *Free Press* says that Secretary Hay has called a halt in the programme of retaliation upon Canada for the prohibition of the exportation of logs cut from stumpage owned by citizens of the United States. The secretary has written a letter to the Treasury Department suggesting that no action be taken until after the meeting of the Joint High Commission next August, and the Treasury Department has acquiesced in the suggestion. The status of the matter is so delicate at the present time that it is difficult to secure an authoritative statement concerning the probable course of the administration, but Assistant Secretary Spalding said to the *Free Press* correspondent that "The Treasury Department has decided not to take precipitate action in the matter." It is understood that Senator Fairbanks, chairman of the United States delegates to the Joint High Commission, is opposed to invoking the retaliatory provisions of the Dingley act and will so advise Secretary Gage.

The Transvaal Crisis.

London, May 5.—The *Outlook* publishes a special despatch from its Cape Town correspondent, in which it is stated that the British Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, has despatched a firmly worded demand upon the Transvaal republic that it must observe its obligations to the queen as the paramount power, by securing peace and order within the republic. This demand, the despatch says, is supplementary to the demand for the cancellation of the dynamite concession and is taken to mean that the British government deems that the time has come to invite President Kruger to observe the letter as well as the spirit of the London convention. It is not stated how far the demand takes the form of an ultimatum or if a period is to be fixed within which redress of the grievances of the Uitlanders shall be made.

Anthracite Coal in Hants.

(Hants Journal.)

An esteemed correspondent informs us that Mr. Albert Burgess has struck a vein of anthracite coal on his place a short distance from West Gore. The vein is about twelve inches thick, and the writer says he has been told on reliable authority that it has been tested and proved to be the genuine article—a free burning anthracite. Pieces of coal have been found about that locality, for many years, but this is the first find of any importance.

The Bisley Team.

Toronto, May 6.—Hon. J. M. Gibson, president of the Dominion Rifle Association, states that the appointment of Lieutenant-Colonel McLean, of St. John, as commandant of the Bisley team, and of Captain Helwer, 43rd batt., Ottawa, as adjutant, has been officially agreed to. The team will sail for England on the Gallia early next month and will proceed direct to Bisley instead of indulging in preliminary practice at Staynes.

A MARCH TRIP

To the "Isle of Springs," the "Isle of Perpetual Summer," the "Isle of a Thousand Fruits and Flowers"—a British Gem—Jamaica.

(Continued.)

PALM SUNDAY.

Christ's Church, Port Antonio, is a large stone edifice, a plain oblong square in shape, with a rather low tower at the end toward the street, a sort of spire rising from its centre, on which is resting a curious looking weather vane. The church is upon a fine elevation, spacious and commanding, and yet retiring with that air of taste for fitting as is seen always in such matters in the mother land. It was, undoubtedly the established church at home which placed all these old sanctuaries here.

The African negro everywhere is famous for his religion—fervent and conspicuous. He shows the same enthusiasm when rituals and forms are to be observed, as when the spirit is supposed to find its expression in a voluntary and spontaneous way.

When we arrive at the churchyard gates, crowds are pouring in from all directions, and very soon the big church, which must seat a thousand, is filled. The pulpit is of the old style, elevated over the lectern and reading desk. Opposite, in the gallery, which extends its wings down each of the long sides, is the choir, with the large gilded pipes of a fine toned organ at its back.

This is a land which enervates, but we see and feel none of it here, as the notes of the organ begin the strains of prayer and praise, and the choir boys are heard approaching.

Every window, every door and every transom is open wide, that the soft trade-wind which is now upon its accustomed midday track may cool and invigorate the worshippers. The graceful palm leaves, with their many streamers—some of these leaves twenty or thirty feet in length, are gently rustling, hundreds of fans moving, the dainty ribbons of countless pure white hats softly quiver. And here under the inspiring influence are a thousand souls that find God their consolation, Christ their mediator, and a thousand voices seem to join with the choir as the services begin.

Nearly all of this assembly of worshippers are dressed in white, men, women and children. All have shoes upon their feet, sometimes these are carried in the hand to the churchyard gates. And nearly all are well supplied with books, and away in the galleries we see the boys giving the utmost attention to the hymns and prayers.

As the service goes on we are impressed with the reverence and decorum manifested, though the singing is so hearty, the responses so animated and the observance so genial. The sermon is good, and very appropriate to the occasion. The rector, the officiating clergyman is a negro, the sergers and officials are all negroes and so are the choir and choir boys. Not more than thirty whites are seen in the audience, and these are principally visitors from the hotels.

In another tangible way these worshippers prove their genuine faith and fervour. The offering is a complete surprise, for it fills the plates to overflowing.

So here in the tropics, as well as mid the trying experience of our northern homes, the work and the care incident upon the temporal, and even their choicest fruits do not satisfy, do not meet the demands of the being. How universal the desire to link ourself to the unknown, to delightful fancies of the possible. Yea! perhaps the inevitable. Who knows? We will trust and hope. And then, how delicious to realize after the fearful terrors of our narrow passage, and how cheering the possibilities promised in the events that these days commemorate.

"Ride on! ride on in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes Hosanna cry:
O Saviour meek, pursue Thy road
With palms and scattered garments strow'd

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
In lonely pomp ride on to die;
O Christ Thy triumphs now begin
O'er captive death and conquer'd sin.

Ride on! ride on in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wondering eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice."

It is done, and even for "you," my black brother, and for "me."

About 100 yards away the Methodists of Port Antonio are also worshipping in their spacious chapel. Indeed it would result in troublesome complications, if nothing worse, for these two heaven-bound bodies to pitch their tents nearer to each other, though presumably pursuing the same great and glorious object. Since they do not agree as to the mode of procedure, and as, in this country of open doors and windows, it is quite impossible to keep one's light and acrious confined within the consecrated area, a goodly space between is imperative. Even now there is a rumour that when the wind is contraward the singing of the one seems too hearty for the other and the prayers and praise get mixed.

A conference of the Methodists of Jamaica of some kind was held here last week. We were asked to look in at their place of worship one evening to see something of the preparations that were being made to receive Dr. Clarke, of Christian Endeavor fame, who came down on the boat with us from Boston. The trimming was very grand, with the rich and gorgeous tropical plants and flowers.

It is rumoured in town that Mr. Clarke is here through the solicitations of Mr. Baker, President of the Boston Fruit Co., who pays his fare and entertains him here, and in many other parts of the Island. Be that as it may, Mr. Clarke, with his wife are on a regular tour of the Island, going to Cuba after visiting the chief places in Jamaica.

There are a very few Baptists and only about a dozen Roman Catholics in Port Antonio. No other denominations are represented here.

An Eight Hour Day.

A bill has been introduced in the Dominion House of Commons to determine the length of a working day for workmen and laborers. The bill provides for an 8 hour day. Any employer violating it renders himself liable to a fine not exceeding $1,000, or six months imprisonment, or both.

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LAST MONTH

The school children's competition for $100.00, cash presents offered by the WELCOME SOAP CO., St. John, N. B., closes on the last day of May, and is causing quite a lively rivalry amongst the school girls and boys of the Maritime Provinces, who have an ambition to earn some easy pocket money for the holidays.

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1 third " "	10.00		
5 presents of $5.00 each	25.00		
10 presents, $2.50 each	25.00		
	$100.00		

essays to be sent in before **May 31st,** when they will be submitted to a committee of three disinterested leading teachers, upon whose decision the presents as above will be awarded. Essays to be written plainly with pen and ink, signed with name and address, also statement of age of the writer, and that the essay is his (or her) unaided work, name and grade of school attended and name of teacher, this statement to be certified to by one parent or teacher.

All essays must be accompanied by 50 WELCOME SOAP wrappers.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

The war with Spain cost the United States $300,000,000 up to May 1st.

McGill University, Montreal, has conferred the degree L.L.D. on Rudyard Kipling.

The Bankers' Association, in session at Montreal, passed a resolution against establishing a Canadian mint.

Advices from St. John's, Nfld., state that the seal fishery of this year is the most successful within the last dozen years.

The New York Mutual Gas Light Co., has reduced the price of gas to its customers from $1.10 to 65 cents per 1000 feet.

The number of Doukhobors brought into Canada this year has been 4,072; Finlanders, 162; Mennonites, 16, and Galicians, 1,494.

Last week 4,952 Italians landed at New York. The number of all other nationalities arriving during the same period reached 3,955.

There have been 2787 cases of typhoid fever reported in Philadelphia since January 1st and 618 deaths have resulted from the disease.

It is now proposed to extend the boundaries of Montreal to take in the whole island by annexing the 25 odd other municipalities established there.

The Klondike telegraph line is completed as far as White Horse Rapids. It is expected messages will be received from Dawson City by the close of the summer.

The Sultan has promised to pay the American claim of $100,000 for losses sustained by Americans in Turkey during the Armenian massacres in 1895.

Great Britain has demanded of the Chinese Government satisfaction for the recent attacks made upon the British authorities in the Kau Lung extension of Hong Kong.

The Russian Minister of Railways says that when the Trans-Siberian railroad is completed it will be possible to make a journey around the world in thirty-three days.

Last Wednesday for the first time in the history of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the stock of that company sold above par. Sales were made on the London stock exchange at 101¼.

A Madrid paper says that of 700 sisters of mercy sent by Spain to the war, 100 perished by bullets and illness, 300 remain in the hospital service, and 300 returned with sick soldiers.

Seeding is now general in Manitoba. The land in southern Manitoba is in excellent condition. There will be twenty five per cent. more land under cultivation this year than there was last year.

The Royal Regiment of Canadian Infantry will mobilize in Ottawa in July for instructional purposes. A sergeant instructor of Scots Guards is to be brought from England to impart the instruction.

President Seth Low, of Columbia College, Captain A. T. Mahan, U. S. N., and Mr. Frederick W. Holls, the American delegates to the peace conference at The Hague, sailed last week on the American Liner St. Louis.

The Salvation Army have thirteen rescue homes in Canada, situated in Winnipeg, Hamilton, London, Ottawa, Halifax, St. John's, Newfoundland. They have two in St. John, New Brunswick, and three in Toronto.

An interesting discovery in the Crimea is reported from Odessa. The President of the Russian Archæological Society has unearthed in the neighbourhood of Sebastopol an ancient city which has been preserved in its entirety through many age.

The London correspondent of the New York *Journal* says that the Queen has expressed a desire that all the members of her family who can possibly be in England shall attend at Windsor Castle on May 24th, when she celebrates her eightieth birthday.

The California Packers' Association have incorporated with a capital stock of $2,500,000. It is composed of some of the largest fruit packing interests in State, and its objects will be to control and regulate the prices of canned fruits, which it will ship to all parts of the world.

A thousand artizans of Toronto went on strike last week. They include the bricklayers who want 40 cents an hour, cloakmakers who demand 5 to 10 cents more per garment, moulders who want 25 cents an hour, stone cutters who seek to get 43 cents an hour and cigarmakers who object to the number of apprentices.

Negro Secures Damages.

Louisville, Ky., May 6.—George Dinning, colored, was awarded $50,000 damages by a jury of white men in the United States court yesterday afternoon. The defendants are farmers of Logan county. The award is the full amount sued for. Dinning killed Jodie Conn, who, with the defendants against whom judgment was rendered, visited his home at midnight in January, 1897, to drive him therefrom.

Births.

GIBBONS.—At Bridgetown, May 8th, to Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Gibbons, a son.

PRATT.—At Savage Mills, Quebec, April 27th, to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Pratt, of a son.

Deaths.

SHAW.—At West Paradise, May 10th, Mrs. Sarah Jane Shaw, widow of the late James Shaw, aged 75 years. Funeral at 10 o'clock Friday morning.

BOWLES.—At Bridgetown, at the residence of his brother-in-law, May 9th, James Allen Bowles, son of the late Woodworth and Charlotte Bowles, of Waterville, aged 15 years.

MACK.—At Upper Granville, May 9th, of pneumonia, Allen Mack, junr., aged 34 years.

WILSON.—April 19th, at Bridgetown, Hiram Wilson, aged 65 years.

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