

The Story of Nelson and Trafalgar as Told in Collingwood's Despatches

Original Account of the Battle Fought One Hundred Years Ago, as Printed in the Annual Register of 1805.

The following account of the battle of Trafalgar and the death of Nelson as told by Collingwood's despatches is taken from the Annual Register for the year 1805:

BURYALUS, off Cape Trafalgar, Oct. 22.
Sir—The ever to be lamented death of Vice-Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson, who, in the late conflict with the enemy, fell in the hour of victory, leads to me the duty of informing your lordship of the motions of the admiral, that on the 19th instant it was communicated to the commander in chief, from the ships watching the motions of the enemy in Cadiz, that the combined fleet had put to sea; as they sailed with light winds westerly, his lordship concluded their destination was the Mediterranean, and immediately made all sail for the Straights' entrance, with the British squadron, consisting of twenty-seven ships, three of them sixty-fours, where his lordship was informed, by Captain Blackwood, (whose vigilance in watching, and giving notice of the enemy's movements, has been highly meritorious) that they had not yet passed the Straights.

On Monday, the 21st instant, at daylight, when Cape Trafalgar bore E. by S. about seven leagues, the enemy was discovered six or seven miles to the eastward, the wind about west, and very light; the commander in chief immediately made the signal for the fleet to be formed up in two columns, as they were ordered in order of sailing; a mode of attack his lordship had previously directed, to avoid the inconvenience and delay in forming a line of battle in the usual manner. The enemy's line consisted of thirty-three ships, of which eighteen were French and fifteen Spanish, consisting of twenty-seven Villeneuves; the Spaniards, under the direction of Gravina, wore, with their bows to the wind, and their line of battle with great coolness and correctness; but as the mode of attack was unusual, so the structure of their line was new; it formed a crescent curve, and was directed to the eastward down to their centre, I had both the van and rear about the beam. Before the fire opened every alternate ship was about a cable's length to windward of the second ahead and astern, forming a kind of double line, and appeared, when on their beam, to leave a very little interval between them; and this without crowding their ships. Admiral Villeneuve was in the Bucentaure in the centre, and the Prince of Asturias bore Gravina's flag in the rear; but the French and Spanish ships were mixed without any apparent order or order of national squadron.

As the mode of our attack had been previously determined on, and communicated to the flag officers and captains, few signals were necessary, and none were made, except to direct close order as the lines bore down.

The commander in chief in the Victory led the weather column, and the Royal Sovereign, which bore my flag, the lee.

The action began at 12 o'clock, by the leading ships of the columns breaking through the enemy's line; the commander in chief about the tenth ship from the van, the second in command about the twelfth from the rear, leaving the van of the enemy unoccupied, and the succeeding ships in their van in all parts, astern of their leaders, and engaging the enemy at the muzzles of their guns; the conflict was severe; the enemy's ships were fought with a gallantry and intrepidity, that the officers; but the attack on them was irresistible, and it pleased the Almighty Disposer of events to grant his majesty's arms a complete and glorious victory, about three p. m. many of our enemy's ships having struck their colours, their line gave way; Admiral Gravina, with ten ships, joining their frigates to leeward, stood towards Cadiz; the five headmost ships in their van attacked, and standing to the southward, and windward of the British line, were engaged and the sternmost of them taken; the others were obliged to leaving to his majesty's squadron nineteen ships of the line (of which two are first rates, the Santissima Trinidad, and the Santa Anna), with three flag-officers, viz. Admiral Villeneuve, the commander in chief; Don Ignatio Maria D'Alava, vice-admiral; and the Spanish rear-admiral, Don Baltazar Hidalgo Cienfuegos.

After such a victory it may appear unnecessary to enter into particulars of the particular parts taken by the several commanders; the conclusion says more on the subject than I have language to express; the spirit which animated all was the same, when all exert themselves zealously in their country's service, all deserve that their high merits should stand recorded; and never was high merit more conspicuous than in the battle I have described.

The Achilles (a French 74), after having surrendered by some mismanagement of the Frenchmen, took fire, and blew up; 200 of her men were saved by the tenders.

A circumstance occurred during the action, which so strongly marks the invincible spirit of British seamen, when engaging the enemies of their country, that I cannot resist the pleasure I have in making it known to their lordships. The Temeraire was boarded, by accident of design, by a French ship on one side, and a Spaniard on the other; the contest was vigorous, but in the end, the combined ensigns were torn from the poop, and the British hoisted in their places.

Such a battle could not be fought without sustaining a great loss of men. I have not only to lament, in common with the British navy, and the British nation, in the fall of the commander in chief, the loss of a hero, whose name

will be immortal, and his memory ever dear to his country; but my heart is rent with the most poignant grief for the death of a friend, to whom, for many years' intimacy, and a perfect knowledge of the virtues of his mind, which inspired ideas superior to the common race of men, I was bound by the strongest ties of affection; to which even the glorious occasion in which he fell does not bring that consolation which perhaps it ought. His lordship received a musket-ball in his forehead, about the middle of the day, and sent an officer to me immediately with his last farewell; and soon after expired.

I have also to lament the loss of those excellent officers, Captain Duff of the Mars, and Cooke of the Bellerophon; I have yet heard of none others.

I fear the numbers that have fallen will be found very great, when the returns come to me; but it having blown a gale of wind ever since the action, I have not yet had in my power to collect any reports from the ships.

The Royal Sovereign having sent her masts, except the topmast foremast, called the Buryalus to me, while the action continued; which ship lying within hail, made my signals, a service which Blackwood performed with great attention;—After the action I shifted my flag to her, that I might more easily communicate my orders to, and collect the ships, and toward the day presented us to leeward; the whole fleet were now in a perilous situation, many dismasted, all shattered, in thirteen fathoms water, off the shoals of Trafalgar; and when I made signal to prepare to anchor, few of the ships had an anchor let, their cables being shot. But the same good Providence which aided us through such a day preserved us to anchor; the wind shifting a few points, and driving the ships off the land, except four of the captured dismasted ships which are now at anchor off Trafalgar, and I hope will ride safe until those gales are over.

Having thus detailed the proceedings of the fleet on this occasion, I beg to congratulate your lordships on a victory, which, I hope, will add a ray to the glory of his majesty's crown, and be attended with public benefit to our country.

I am, &c.,
C. COLLINGWOOD.

The order in which the ships of the British squadron attacked the combined fleets, on the 21st of October.

Van—Victory, Tamerlane, Neptune, Conqueror, Minotaur, Spartiate, Britannia, Africa, Buryalus, Sirius, Phoenix, Naiad, Pickle schooner, Buntrepanate cutter.

Rear—Royal Sovereign, Mars, Bellisle, Temeraire, Bellerophon, Colossus, Achilles, Polyphemus, Revenge, Swiftsure, Defence, Thunder, Defiance, Prince, Dreadnought.

(Signed), C. COLLINGWOOD.

Painful, Fatal Kidney Disease CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE AND ACTIVE TREATMENT WITH DR. CHASE'S KIDNEY-LIVER PILLS.

Kidney disease—marked by backache, pains in the limbs, scanty, dark colored urine, puffiness about the eyes, dropsical swellings, and gradual loss of flesh—is always to be dreaded, both on account of the suffering it entails and because of its fatality.

The kidneys and liver share alike the responsibility of filtering poisons from the blood, and it is therefore necessary to regulate both these organs in order to effect a cure of kidney disease.

This fact accounts for the extraordinary success of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, which is the only treatment obtainable having a direct and combined action on the liver and kidneys.

For years evidence has been piling up which goes to prove that Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills have positively cured obstinate and complicated cases of kidney disease which defied physicians and ordinary kidney medicines.

Nor is this to be wondered at when it is remembered that Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills are the result of the long and varied experience of the great American physician and author—Dr. A. W. Chase.

"About four months ago, I found my condition so serious that I had to leave work. I could not sleep nights, my appetite was very poor and my kidneys were so affected that I could hardly walk on account of backache.

"I resolved to try Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and Bachache's Plaster. After three weeks' time, I am glad to say, I was able to resume work and now feel as well as I ever did. I therefore say that Dr. Chase's remedies are excellent family medicines."

MR. ELLIS GALLANTY, Paquetville, N. B.

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GENERAL ORDER.

BURYALUS, Oct. 22.
The ever to be lamented death of Lord Viscount Nelson, Duke of Broome, the commander in chief, who fell in the action of the twenty-first, in the arms of victory, covered with glory, whose memory will ever be dear to the British navy and the British nation, whose zeal for the honor of his king, and for the interests of his country, will be ever held up as a shining example for a British seaman; leaves to me a duty to return my thanks to the right hon. rear-admiral, the captains, officers, seamen, and detachments of royal marines serving on board his majesty's squadron, now under my command, for their conduct on that day; but where can I find language to express my sentiments of the valor and skill which were displayed by the officers, the seamen, and marines in the battle with the enemy; when every individual appeared an hero, on whom the glory of the country depended; the attack was irresistible, and the result of it adds to our naval annals a brilliant page, that the Britons can do, when their king and their country need their service.

To the right honorable rear-admiral the Earl of Northesk, to the captains, officers, and the officers, non-commissioned officers, privates, of the royal marines, I beg to give my sincere and hearty thanks for their high and meritorious conduct, both in the action, and in the ordering forward, bringing the captured ships out from the perilous situation in which they were, after their surrender, among the shoals of Trafalgar, in boisterous weather.

And I desire that the respective captains will be pleased to communicate to the officers, seamen, and royal marines that participate in my high approbation of their conduct, and my thanks for it.

(Signed), C. COLLINGWOOD.

To the Right Hon. Earl of Northesk, and the respective Captains and Commanders.

GENERAL ORDER.
The Almighty God, whose arm is strength, having of his great mercy been pleased to crown the exertion of his majesty's fleet, in giving them a complete victory over their enemies, on the 21st of this month; and that all praise and thanksgiving may be offered up to the throne of grace for the great benefits to our country and to mankind;

I have thought proper that a day should be appointed, of general humiliation before God, and thanksgiving for His merciful goodness, in showing His divine mercy, and His constant aid to us in the defence of our country's liberties and laws, against the attempts, most efforts of man are made to direct, therefore, that be appointed for this holy purpose.

Given on board the Buryalus, off Cape Trafalgar, Oct. 22, 1805.

(Signed), C. COLLINGWOOD.

To the respective Captains and Commanders.

(N. B.—The fleet having been dispersed by a gale of wind, no day, as yet, has been able to be appointed for the above purpose.)

BURYALUS, off Cadiz, Oct. 24.
Sir—In my letter of the 22nd, I detailed to you, for the information of your lordships, the proceedings of the squadron on the day of the action, and that preceding it, since which I have had a continued series of misfortunes; the result of a kind that human prudence could not possibly provide against, or my skill prevent.

On the 22nd in the morning a strong southerly wind blew, with squally weather, which, as it increased, retarded the activity of the fleet; and the result of such ships as were manageable from getting hold of many of the prizes (13 or 14) and towing them off to the westward, where they were ordered to rendezvous; the Royal Sovereign, which towed by the Neptune; but on the 23rd the gale increased, and the sea ran so high, that many of them broke the tow rope, and were obliged to anchor; before they were held of again, and some of them taking advantage in the dark and boisterous night, got before the wind, and have perhaps drifted up the coast, and are now in the afternoon of that day the remnant of the combined fleet, ten sail of ships, which had not been much engaged, stood up to leeward of my shattered and straggled charge, as if meaning to attack them, which obliged me to collect a force out of the least injured ships, and form to leeward for their defence; all such retarded the progress of the hulka and the bad weather continuing, determined me to destroy all the leeward-most that could be cleared of the men, considering that keeping possession of the ships was the chief object, and the success compared with the chance of their falling again into the hands of the enemy; but even this was an arduous task in the high sea which was running, I entrusted to a considerable extent I entrusted it to skilful officers, who would spare no pains to execute what was possible. The captains of the Phoenix and Neptune cleared the Temeraire, and sunk her. Captains Hope, Bayntun, and Malcolm, who joined the fleet this moment from Gibraltar, had the charge of destroying four others.—The Redoubtable sunk astern of the Swiftsure while in tow. The Santa Anna, I have no doubt, is sunk, as her side was almost entirely beat in; and such is the shattered condition of the whole of them, that unless the weather moderates, I doubt whether I shall be able to carry a ship of them into port. I hope their lordships will approve of what I have said, in consideration of the destruction of the enemy's fleet; I have thought a measure of absolute necessity.

I have taken Admiral Villeneuve into this ship. Vice-Admiral Don Alava has been dead. Whenever the temper of the weather will permit, and I can spare a frigate for there were only four in the action with the fleet, Buryalus, Sirius, Phoenix, and Naiad, the Mars, and the Swiftsure the 22nd, and the Buryalus and the Scout the 23rd, I shall collect the other flag officers, and send them to England, with their flags (if they do not go to the bottom), to be landed at his majesty's feet.

There were four thousand troops embarked under the command of General Contamin, who was taken with Admiral Villeneuve in the Bellerophon.

(Signed), C. COLLINGWOOD.

Further Particulars of the Battle of Trafalgar, in a Letter from Admiral Collingwood to W. Marsden, Esq. Dated Buryalus, off Cadiz, Oct. 23. Sir—Since my letter to you of the

24th, stating the proceedings of his majesty's squadron, our situation has been most critical, and our employment the most arduous that ever a fleet was engaged in. On the 24th and 25th it blew a most violent gale of wind, which completely dispersed the ships, and drove the captured hulks in all directions. I have since been employed in collecting and destroying them, where they were at anchor upon the coast between Cadiz, and six leagues westward of San Lucar, without the prospect of saving one to bring into port. I mentioned in my former letter the joining of the Donegal and Melipomen, after the action; I cannot sufficiently praise the activity of their commanders, in giving assistance to the squadron in destroying the enemy's ships. The Defiance, after having struck to the Alge, as long as it was possible, in hope of saving her from wreck, which separated her for some time from the squadron, was obliged to abandon her to her fate, and she went on shore; Captain Durham's exertions have been very great. I hope I shall get them all destroyed by tomorrow, if the weather keeps moderating. The Santa Anna, which was captured at anchor upon the coast between Cadiz, and six leagues westward of San Lucar, I find, that on the return of the Donegal and Melipomen, immediately ordered to sea again, and came out, which made it necessary for me to form a line to cover the disabled hulks that night I blew hard, and his ship, the Prince of Wales, which was captured and returned into port; the Rayo was also dismasted, and fell into our hands; Don Enrique McDonell had his broad pennant shot, and from him I collected you a list of the prizes near Cadiz, and towed in by a frigate.

(Signed), C. COLLINGWOOD.

QUEEN, off Cape Trafalgar, Nov. 4.
Sir—On the 23rd ult. I informed you of the proceedings of the squadron to that time. The weather continuing to moderate, the wind blowing from the south, and seeing little prospect of getting the captured ships off the land, and great risk of some of getting them landed, and the ordering forward to delay the destroying them, and to get the squadron out of the deep bay. The extraordinary exertion of Capt. Capel, in saving the French Swiftsures, and his ship, the Phoenix, together with the Donegal, Captain Malcolm, afterwards brought out the Bahama. In service, Captain Hope fired and succeeded in bringing out the Lifedonia; all of which will, I hope, have arrived safe at Gibraltar. For the rest, sir, I inclose you a list of all the enemy's ships which were in the action, and how they are disposed of, which, I believe, is perfectly correct. I informed you in my letter of the 23rd, that the remnant of the Buryalus, 2 seamen killed, 3 seamen wounded. Total 11.—Orion, 1 seaman killed; 2 petty officers, 17 seamen, and 4 marines, wounded. Total 22.—Africa, 12 seamen and 6 marines, killed; 2 petty officers, 22 seamen, and 3 marines, wounded. Total 42.—Bellisle, 2 officers, 1 petty officer, 33 seamen, and 3 marines, killed; 3 officers, 3 petty officers, 68 seamen, and 4 marines, wounded. Total 107.—Colossus, 1 officer, 21 seamen, and 3 marines, killed; 5 officers, 9 petty officers, 115 seamen, and 31 marines, wounded. Total 200.—Achille, 1 petty officer, 6 seamen, and 2 marines, killed; 4 officers, 2 petty officers, 37 seamen, and 14 marines, wounded. Total 72.—Polyphemus, 2 seamen killed; 4 seamen and 2 marines, wounded. Total 17.—Defence, 4 seamen and 3 marines, killed; 23 seamen, and 6 marines, wounded. Total 33.—Thunderer, 2 seamen and 2 marines, killed; 2 petty officers, 9 seamen, and 1 marine, wounded. Total 16.—Defiance, 2 officers, 1 petty officer, 3 seamen, and 6 marines, killed; 1 officer, 4 petty officers, 39 seamen, and 2 marines, wounded. Total 70.

Total—21 officers, 15 petty officers, 283 seamen, and 104 marines, killed; 41 officers, 67 petty officers, 870 seamen, and 198 marines, wounded.—Total 1,487.

(Signed), C. COLLINGWOOD.

(Last Official Letter of the Immortal Nelson.)

ADMIRALTY OFFICE, Nov. 9.
Letter from the late Lord Viscount Nelson, Esq., to W. Marsden, Esq., dated Victoria, off Cadiz, October 13. Sir—I herewith transmit you, for the information of the lords commissioners of the admiralty, a letter from Captain Collingwood of the Buryalus, dated the 21st instant, together with the list of vessels captured, as therein mentioned. I am much pleased with Captains Hope and Thomas for their exertions in getting the Buryalus so expeditiously off the shoal, particularly as she is stated to have received no damage.

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Noon, Cadiz, E.S.E. 16 leagues.

My dearest beloved Emma, the dear friend of my bosom, the signal has been made that enemy's combined fleet are coming out of port. We have very little wind, so that I have no hopes of seeing them before tomorrow. May the God of battles crown my endeavors with success, at all events I will take care that my name shall ever be most dear to you and Horatia, both of whom I love as much as my own life, and as my last writing before the battle will be to you, so I hope in God that I shall live to finish my letter after the battle; may heaven bless you, pray for Nelson and Bronte. Oct. 20th in the morning we were close to the mouth of the Streights, but the wind had not come far enough to the westward to allow the combined fleets to weather the shoals of Trafalgar, but they were counted as far as forty sail of ships of war, which I suppose to be thirty-four of the line and six frigates, a group of them were seen off the Lighthouse of Cadiz this morning, but it blows so very fresh, and thick weather, that I rather believe they will go into the harbor before night. May God Almighty give us success over these fellows and enable us to get a peace.

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GUILLE DE VALVERDE.
Edecan de S. E. To Vice-Admiral Don Ignatio Maria D'Alava. Sent under cover to Adm. Gravina.

BURYALUS, off Cadiz, Oct. 30.
Sir—It is with great pleasure that I have heard that the wounded you received in the action is in a hopeful way of recovery, and that your country may still have the benefit of your future service. But, sir, you surrendered yourself to me; and it was in consideration only of the state of your wound, that you were not removed into my ship; I could not disturb the repose of a man supposed to be in his last moments; but your sword, the emblem of your service, was delivered to me by your captain; and I expect that you consider yourself a prisoner of war, until you shall be regularly exchanged by cartel.

I am, &c.,
C. COLLINGWOOD.

Killed and Wounded on Board the British Squadron.

Victory, 4 officers, 3 petty officers, 22 seamen, and 12 marines, killed; 4 officers, 3 petty officers, 59 seamen, and 9 marines wounded. Total 122.—Royal Sovereign, 2 officers, 2 petty officers, 29 seamen, and 13 marines, killed; 2 officers, 7 marines, wounded. Total 141.—Britannia, 1 officer, 8 seamen, and 1 marine, killed; 1 officer, 1 petty officer, 33 seamen, and 7 marines, wounded. Total 53.—Prince, none.—Neptune, 10 seamen killed; 1 petty officer, 20 seamen, and 3 marines, wounded. Total 44.—Dreadnought, 6 seamen and 1 marine, killed; 1 officer, 2 petty officers, 19 seamen, and 4 marines, wounded. Total 33.—Mars, 1 officer, 2 petty officers, 17 seamen, and 8 marines, killed; 4 officers, 5 petty officers, 44 seamen, and 16 marines, wounded. Total 68.—Bellerophon, 3 officers, 1 petty officer, 26 seamen, and 10 marines, killed; 2 officers, 20 seamen, and 4 marines, killed; 2 officers, 20 seamen, and 4 marines, wounded. Total 150.—Minotaur, 2 officers, 1 petty officer, 2 officers, 17 seamen, and 3 marines, wounded. Total 38.—Revenge, 2 petty officers, 18 seamen, and 3 marines, killed; 4 officers, 38 seamen, and 9 marines, wounded. Total 78.—Conqueror, 2 officers, 1 seaman, killed; 2 officers, 7 seamen, wounded. Total 12.—Leviathan, 2 seamen and 2 marines, killed; 1 petty officer, 17 seamen, and 4 marines, wounded. Total 22.—Amegmon, 3 seamen killed; 1 petty officer, 10 seamen, and 2 marines, wounded. Total 17.—Orion, 1 seaman killed; 2 petty officers, 17 seamen, and 4 marines, wounded. Total 22.—Africa, 12 seamen and 6 marines, killed; 2 petty officers, 22 seamen, and 3 marines, wounded. Total 42.—Bellisle, 2 officers, 1 petty officer, 33 seamen, and 3 marines, killed; 3 officers, 3 petty officers, 68 seamen, and 4 marines, wounded. Total 107.—Colossus, 1 officer, 21 seamen, and 3 marines, killed; 5 officers, 9 petty officers, 115 seamen, and 31 marines, wounded. Total 200.—Achille, 1 petty officer, 6 seamen, and 2 marines, killed; 4 officers, 2 petty officers, 37 seamen, and 14 marines, wounded. Total 72.—Polyphemus, 2 seamen killed; 4 seamen and 2 marines, wounded. Total 17.—Defence, 4 seamen and 3 marines, killed; 23 seamen, and 6 marines, wounded. Total 33.—Thunderer, 2 seamen and 2 marines, killed; 2 petty officers, 9 seamen, and 1 marine, wounded. Total 16.—Defiance, 2 officers, 1 petty officer, 3 seamen, and 6 marines, killed; 1 officer, 4 petty officers, 39 seamen, and 2 marines, wounded. Total 70.

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IMPORTANT JUDGMENTS.

In equity court yesterday judgments were given in the case Ouellette vs. LeBell, and in the case of the Eastern Trust Co. vs. Jackson. The first case was held at special sittings of the court held at Andover. The plaintiff conveyed land to the defendant with the understanding that he should maintain and support him. There was a mistake in the deed of conveyance as to the property conveyed, as admitted by both parties. The plaintiff had a lien on the property and the question arose as to whether he could enforce the lien having ceased to reside on the property. A reference was ordered. W. P. Kertonson of Grand Falls, for the plaintiff and Fred LaForest for the defendant.

The case of the Eastern Trust Co. vs. Jackson arose over a dispute over certain bonds and money belonging to the late George R. Jackson, of Charlottetown county, who made a will in which he devised his estate to his wife, a number of relatives and Sutton Clark. His business partner, in definite proportion after Mrs. Jackson's death, provided for Mrs. Jackson, and also because Mrs. Jackson's evidence was not clear as to the deceased making any statements at the time showing that he intended for her personal use, the gift could not be supported and ordered the package to be handed over to the plaintiff, the costs to be taken out of the estate. Jas. A. Belyea, for the Trust Company, Dr. Eble for the residuary legatees and A. J. Gregory for the defendant.

NOW HE HAS A GOOD STRONG BACK

WHAT DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS DID FOR H. M. SPEARS.

Thought he Would have to Stop Work but the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy Made him Strong and Active.

ANTIGONISH, N. S., Oct. 20.
(Special)—Mr. H. M. Spears, a well-known farmer living near here, is shouting the praises of Dodd's Kidney Pills. "When I came to Nova Scotia about six years ago," says Mr. Spears, "I was so troubled with backache, I began to think I could not attend to business. However, I got a box of Dodd's Kidney Pills and was able to attend to my business.

"I had taken enough to root the kidney disease out entirely however and the following winter I was troubled with pains in my back and limbs. Then I got more of Dodd's Kidney Pills and after taking three boxes all my pains and lameness left me.

"I can't say too much in favor of Dodd's Kidney Pills. They put me in a way to attend to business after two doctors had failed to do so, and a cheese-maker for years, but now I am a farmer with a good strong back."

"Lame back is the first symptom of Kidney Disease. Cure it with Dodd's Kidney Pills and you will never have Bright's Disease."

AMHERST NEWS.

AMHERST, Oct. 22.—The funeral of the late Mr. Ryan took place on Saturday from St. Charles' church. Mr. Ryan had been Inspector of weights and measures for a number of years under the conservative government.

The funeral of the late Sheriff Logan took place on Sunday and was largely attended. He had many friends, having a pleasant, genial nature.

Rev. J. E. Warren of Pugwash officiated in Christ church on Sunday. He was the guest of Barry D. Bent.

The town of Amherst has been well remembered by the Dickey family, the late Senator Dickey donating the town clock, the land for the cemetery, and land for the hospital, and his son, James A. Dickey, giving the land for a park, and a further donation this week (as noticed) of one thousand dollars to the hospital fund.

Mrs. Stopford left on Saturday for Fredericton, after spending the summer at Tidnish.

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When accidents happen in the home quickly get the bottle of Pond's Extract. It is always ready—always sure, at any time. It is a relief to the body in all cases of cold, cough, croup, whooping cough, influenza, and all other ailments. It is a powerful, powerful, powerful.

Sold only in sealed bottles under this wrapper.

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A LYRIC.

The charming lyric which follows was written by Edward Fitzgerald, the translator of Omar, when he was 22 years old, and first appeared in *Hone's Year Book* in 1831, and again in *The Athenaeum*, slightly altered, in July of the same year—

"Tis a dull sight
To see the year dying,
When winter winds
Set the yellow wood sighing;
Sighing, oh sighing.

"When such a time cometh,
I do retire
Into a room
Beside a bright fire
Oh, pile a bright fire!

"And there I sit
Reading old things,
Of knights and lord damasels
While the wind sings—
Oh! dearly sings!

"I never look out
Nor attend to the blast,
For all to be seen
Is the leaves falling fast:
Falling, falling!

"But close at the hearth,
Like a cricket, sit I,
Reading of summer
And chivalry—
Gallant chivalry!

"Then with an old friend
I talk of our youth—
How 'twas in our youth, but often
Foolish, forsooth—
But gladsome, gladsome!

"Or to get merry
We sing some old rhyme,
That made the wood ring again
In summer-time—
Sweet summer-time!

"Then go we to smoking,
Silent and snug;
Naught passes between us,
Save a brown jug—
Sometimes!

"And sometimes a tear
Will rise in each eye,
Seeing the two old friends
So merrily—
So merrily!

"And ere to bed
Go we, go we,
Down on the ashes
We kneel on the knee,
Praying together.

"Thus, then, live I,
Till 'mid the gloom,
By Heaven! the bold sun
Lies with me in the room—
Shining, shining!

"Then the clouds part,
Swallows soaring between;
The spring is alive,
And the meadows are green!

"I jump up like mad,
Break the old pipe in twain,
And away to the meadows,
The meadows again!

—Edward Fitzgerald.

A SMALL BOY'S DIARY.

(Philadelphia Telegraph.)
—There is a certain nine-year-old kid in this city who is keeping a diary. The book was given him last Christmas by a relative, and his father had forgotten all about it until he accidentally found the volume the other day. Curious to see what his small boy had written in it, he opened the book and found that the diary had been faithfully kept. Here are a few of the entries: "I am 9 years old to-day. Looked in the glass, but whiskers ain't sproutin' yet."

"Sassed a boy. Got licks."

"Pop borrid ten cents for car fare, that makes him owe me. Wonder if I'll ever get it."

"Jimmy stole my ball. I lict him for it."

"Ast Pop for some of my money and he give me a nickel. I want that doler."

"We feloes got to a baseball club to-day. Ime pitcher. If I had doler 15 I could get a uniform."

"Pop got paid to-day and giv me my money."

"Mamma borrid a doller. Darn these people anyway. A feloe cant save nothin'."

"Ast Pop about banks. I want to put my money ware carfair ain't so ekars."

"Got licks again."

There was more of this, but "Pop" had read enough. As a result there was a conference, and now the arrangement is to pay 5 per cent. a week interest and settle every payday. The kid got his "uniform."

BOSTON ENJOYING EXCELLENT WEATHER

BOSTON, Oct. 22.—Summer weather has prevailed here for a week or more, but at last a cold wave has started from the westward and a rough spell is anticipated. The fall has been one of the mildest in years, and has fully atoned for the long, cold, dreary spring. The grass is still as green as it was in June, and the foliage of the trees has not yet fully assumed its autumn tint.

start not break day... if we get to would... They... "On always it was fair... "Just train you... roll of... of food