"The climate of Nova Scotia is milder than that of New Brunswick, which is milder again than that of the Province of Quebec. So far as natural advantages are concerned Nova Scotia is exceptionally favored. Her mineral wealth is far beyond that of any other Province of the Dominion; her seaboard is of immense length and studded by harbors innumerable; the farms and orchards of Cornwallis and the Annapolis Valley are probably unsurpassed; and her fisheries—are they not of an importance scarce to be overestimated? With coal and iron mines practically inexhaustible the manufacturing preeminence of Nova Scotia, will sooner or later be assured, in pointing out that no part of the world has greater advantages than Nova Scotia for the manufacture of iron and steel, and that a policy especially adapted to the fostering of the iron industry should receive the immediate attention of the Dominion ministry, the STAR has taken a step, the wisdom and justice of which none can fail to appreciate."

The above was written by Mr. Carter Troop of Montreal and appeared in the columns of the *Star*. It gives a very fair idea of the estimate put upon Nova Scotia by intelligent men in other parts of the Dominion. If some of Nova Scotia's own writers would devote more time to pointing out some of her good qualities rather than to belittling the Province and its resources it would be much better for all concerned. Nova Scotia suffers most from the hands of her own press. We think that many who are now wont to run down their country and to oppose every effort to develop the resources of this Province, would do well to take a hint from the above clipping. We recommend it as a text for the consideration of the entire Grits Press of the Province. It seems to have escaped their notice entirely, but they very seldom miss anything from the American papers which is derogatory either to the country or its ablest statesman.

Arguments.

It is seldom that we hear an argument conducted in a thoroughly truthful manner. Whatever be the subject, whatever the ability to discuss it, whatever the views held, in nine cases out of ten the effort of the contestant is to bring all the proofs, reasons, and testimony that he can find to bear upon his own side, to refute all objections, and finally to triumph in having silenced, if not convinced, his opponent. Such an effort conducted in such a spirit can result in no accession of truth for either party. Indeed it is not truth that they are seeking, but victory. Defeat means for them mortification and unmingled regret, whereas, if they were truth-seekers, it might be the means of their being shown that they had gained a knowledge of some new revelation or new method that had never dawned upon him before.

MASONIC.—At the last Regular Communication of North Star Lodge No. 74, A. F. & A. M., the officers for the ensuing year were duly installed by P. M. Cook and were as follows:

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G. W. Cox—Senior Warden.
J. Esau—Junior Warden.
R. Choate—Treasurer.
M. J. Docherty—Secretary.
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D. Ferguson—Sen. Steward.
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The officers for Steel Edge Division no 461 S. of T. for the present quarter are as follows:

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Miss Maggie Smith—W. A.
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Miss Lizzie Cox—A. R. S.
Miss Susie Thomas—Con.
John Hoskin—A. Con.
Miss Annie Brown—I Sen.
Fred Simmonds—O. Sen.
Andrew Durning—P. W. P

RECEIVED for the museum, from Mr. T. Rutherford specimens of silver and copper ores from New Mexico; from Mr. Wm. McCulloch a preserved bird, Grosbeak (Coccothraustes vulgaris); specimens of tin from Harvey Smith, Selden McDonald, and Jas. Cox; specimens of Limonite from John and Harry Steele.

THE TERMINAL EXAMINATIONS of the schools will take place as follows:—

Miss Ryan's dept., April 14, 9 a. m.
Miss Copp's " " 1½ p. m.
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