

activity of Germany in the Pacific have, it is believed, brought this question more prominently than ever under the notice of the Colonial Office, and if the openly expressed wishes of the English colonists were attended to, there would be no further delay in hoisting the British flag. Notwithstanding the commercial treaties recently concluded between the chiefs of Samoa on the one hand, and Germany and the United States on the other, there are not wanting indications of a desire on the part of the natives to throw in their lot with Fiji. The Samoa or Navigator's Islands are situate about 600 miles to the North-east of Fiji, and 10 degrees south of the equator. The capital, Apia, is situate in Upolo, one of the largest size. The principal articles of commerce are copra, or dried coconuts, a cotton. The sugar-cane is cultivated by the natives for their use. With a little cultivation, sugar might become an important crop. Oranges, limes, lemons, mangoes, bread fruit, trees, bananas, and other kinds of tropical fruits grow in abundance. Considerable flocks of sheep and herds of cattle exist in the islands, and thrive well. Fowls of various kinds are abundant, and the seas swarm with edible fish. They are a well-built race; the men are tattooed from the waist to the knees. Their dwellings are of considerable size, with raised roofs; thatched with palm leaves. The climate is generally healthy, and there are two seasons, the wet and dry. Abundant forests of excellent timber exists, suitable for ship-building and other purposes.

One of De Lesseps' Stories.

M. De Lesseps speaking at Beauvais on the Panama Canal, and contending that the Monroe doctrine had nothing to do with it, told the following anecdote: "In 1855, when the Anglo-French alliance had reached the culminating point, Queen Victoria came to Paris. Do you know what was the first thing her Majesty said to the Emperor, when she had an opportunity of talking seriously with him? You could never imagine. She asked him immediately to have a stop put to the Suez Canal works. The Emperor twisted his long mustache, and replied that he had heard of M. De Lesseps, but that he was not personally acquainted with him; and that it was impossible to prevent him from continuing his work; that if he had gone and asked Queen Victoria to interfere with the work of any English contractor he would, in all probability, have been ill received. The conversation was not continued. Thus it was that the ill-will of England with regard to a canal she new considers so precious remained without effect."

An Unprecedented Diamond Robbery.

Cincinnati Commercial.  
A Mr. Hawthorne, who came here from New York a few days ago on a visit, had an experience on Broadway yesterday which is simply unparalleled. Setting of his very handsome dress was a \$600 diamond pin, the diameter of which was about half an inch. While sauntering up Broadway he stepped in front of Haggerty's produce establishment, and bent over a pile of coops to watch the antics of some of the chickens which were feeding. The diamond caught the eye of a silly fowl—a hen, of course—and darting its head between the laths it seized the gem. Unfortunately the fastening was not what it should be, and a sharp jerk tore it. The hen swallowed the diamond, and Mr. Hawthorne's attempt to catch it gave it such a fright it rushed among the other chickens and lost its identity, so far as he was concerned. He went into the store to complain and was delayed somewhat. When he came out again the coops had been moved, and Hawthorne could not even recognize the \$600 one. A conference was held with Mr. Haggerty, and was agreed that the only way to make sure of the jewel was to kill all the chickens in the coops. This was not a great undertaking, for the house supplies hotels with dressed chickens, and would not have much trouble in disposing of the lot. So Haggerty agreed that if he was allowed twenty-five cents a dozen for killing immediately he would find the diamond. The coops were carried to the dressing-room, and the seventy-two dozen chickens were killed. The eight hundred and fifty-eighth chicken had the diamond carefully stowed away inside, and Mr. Hawthorne gladly paid eighteen dollars for the killing and ten dollars to the woman who found the diamond.

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CARBONEAR, N. F., OCT. 9.

Quarter Sessions.

On Monday last, 6th inst., the Quarter Sessions for the Fall Term were opened at the Court House in this town, I. L. McNeil, Esq., J. P., presiding on the occasion. Upon the Grand Jury being called over, a Jury was empanelled, of which Frederick Bemister, Esq., was chosen Foreman. Upon the jurors being duly sworn and their names called over, His Worship the presiding Magistrate congratulated the Jury on the orderly and peaceable state of the community for the past quarter. He next referred to the unfortunate result of the Shore fishery in Conception Bay generally, for the past season, which he had every reason to fear would be the cause of much poverty and suffering on the Shore during the coming winter. The Grand Jury having retired to their room, shortly after returned into Court with the following PRESENTMENT:

GRAND JURY ROOM,  
Carbonear, October 6, 1879.

The Grand Jury would call the attention of the Government to the Public Pump in front of Doctor Nelson's premises in consequence of the present sewer being so near the pump, the water is entirely unfit for use. Would also suggest the necessity of the well being cleaned out immediately.

The Grand Jury would also recommend that a Public Pump be erected near Howell's property, as people located in that neighbourhood find it difficult to obtain water.

The Grand Jury would most earnestly suggest the necessity of having six or eight Public Lamps for the use of the town.

For self and fellow Jurors,  
FRED'K J. BEMISTER,  
Foreman.

Public Improvements.

We are much gratified to learn from the Presentment of the Grand Jury which appears in our columns, to-day, that one of the suggestions recently offered in our columns, namely that of the erection of public lamps in this town, is in a fair way of being carried into practical effect. We congratulate the Grand Jury on the wise course which it has thought fit to pursue in connection with a subject to which we would direct the particular attention of the Executive, as a much needed public improvement. With regard to the fire organization also referred to, some time since in the columns of the HERALD, we are much pleased to learn from good authority, that it is also attracting the serious attention of our leading men, and it is most earnestly to be hoped that ere long Carbonear may be in a position to boast of a fire organization with all the necessary appliances, equally as effective as that of any other town in the colony.

A man named Clement James, of Carbonear, was recently lost from the 'Racer,' off Venison Island, a strong squall of wind blowing him from the topmast of the vessel.

OBITUARY.

It is with feelings of sincere regret that we have to record in our present issue, the demise on Friday last, 3rd inst., from a severe attack of low nervous fever, at the early age of twenty-four years, of Miss ELLEN FLYNN, youngest daughter of Mr. M. J. Flynn, an old and much respected inhabitant of Harbor Grace, in which town he has resided for upwards of half a century. The early and we might say, almost unexpected demise of this estimable young lady, the youngest sister of the Rev. S. Flynn, of Carbonear, and of Professor David and Mr. John Flynn, of Harbor Grace, has not only been the means of plunging her respected family into grief and affliction the most profound, as might naturally be expected from the sudden loss of one so near and dear, but the poignancy of domestic grief has been still further augmented, from the intimate knowledge of the many prominent and leading virtues of her character, to which may be superadded brilliant musical, artistic and literary talents of a very high order. Not alone has the decease of this truly amiable young lady been the source of much sorrow and affliction to her aged parents, immediate relatives, and a large circle of sincere and devoted friends in Harbor Grace, Carbonear, and the metropolis, to whom she had endeared herself by her many rare virtues and acquirements; but her death has caused a universal gloom and depression to pervade all sections and classes of society throughout Conception Bay, by whom her early and premature death is deeply deplored. During the entire time of her illness and the three days subsequent to her lamented decease, the almost constant and uninterrupted stream of anxious inquirers and visitors at her father's residence was alone sufficient to testify to the affectionate endearment in which she was universally held by the communities of Harbor Grace and Carbonear. On Monday last after the Requiem Mass at the Cathedral, her remains were conveyed to the Roman Catholic cemetery for interment, the funeral procession consisting of a large and respectable assemblage of the citizens of the sister towns of Harbor Grace and Carbonear, flags at half-mast and other appropriate indications of mourning marking the entire line of route through which the procession passed on its way to the cemetery. To the sorrowing parents and relatives of the deceased, we tender our most sincere and heartfelt sympathy and condolence in their hour of trial.

On Monday morning we bore to their last resting place the remains of one whose death has caused a void which it will be found difficult to fill. To the deceased may be ascribed those leading and amiable qualities which dignify and adorn the human character. In the demise of Miss ELLEN FLYNN society in Harbor Grace has lost one of its brightest ornaments. She was indeed a young lady of rare talent. As a musician Miss FLYNN had few equals in Newfoundland. Her kindness, gentleness and affability, endeared her to all who enjoyed the pleasure of her acquaintance. Would I could fittingly portray her varied merits. Her death has caused a breach in the affections of the circle in which she was best known, and in which her goodness could be most thoroughly appreciated. The lamented deceased on her death bed, was surrounded by her family, who during her brief illness made every effort that could be made by fond and loving relatives, to restore her to health, but all of no avail,—it pleased the Almighty to will it otherwise. She has left this, let us hope for a brighter and happier sphere; and it cannot but afford much consolation to her bereaved family to experience from all sections of society such sincere expressions of sympathy and condolence in their hour of affliction. May she rest in peace.—Communicated.

Since our last issue intelligence has been received of the decease at Montreal, on Thursday last, of Mr. H. C. Fallon, for many years Chief of Police at Harbor Grace. The deceased who had occupied the position referred to for a period of upwards of twenty-one years was much respected by all classes of the community. His remains which were shipped on board the Vanguard for conveyance to Newfoundland, arrived yesterday at St. John's,

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the 'Carbonear Herald.'  
BRIGUS, Oct. 7th, 1879.

DEAR SIR,—  
Since my last communication, little of any note has occurred in our vicinity. The Labrador people are arriving every day, the majority having done very well, that is to say, as far as having a large quantity of fish, but yet few are expecting to make anything like good wages in consequence of the low prices for fish and oil. All are however in good health and spirits, no accident, I am happy to state, having occurred so far to any of our people during their hazardous voyage.

The mining fever is still raging and seems to have infected our neighbors of Harbor Grace, and several other parts of the Bay. During the past week some Harbor Gracians and others have been exploring and prospecting in our neighborhood. A few blasts were put in about a mile or so from this town where indications of gold were found, and some very good specimens, we are told, were extracted and carried away. I visited the place myself on Saturday in company with some gentlemen of scientific knowledge, who declared that the rocks were undoubtedly of the gold bearing description, but whether the precious metal will be found in any considerable quantity, remains yet to be discovered. Farther up the Bay, copper ore has been found in large quantities and in numerous places, and specimens are as common as beach rocks. All required now is enterprise and capital to open up the mines and carry on the work. The news of the death of the senior partner of the world's known firm of John Munn & Co. was received with feelings of regret by the numerous friends of that gentleman in this town. Many of our people having had business transactions with his house for years, he also being closely allied to our worthy, enterprising and respected townsman Captain A. Munden whose brother-in-law he was. The flags of the shipping, mercantile houses, &c. were hoisted at half mast, and every possible mark of respect shown to the memory of the deceased. The sad intelligence of the unexpected death of Miss Ellen Flynn of Harbor Grace, sister of the Rev. S. Flynn, the venerated priest of Carbonear, was also heard by many with profound regret, many here being on terms of most familiar intimacy with Mr. Flynn and his amiable and talented family, and not a few being personal friends of the lamented young lady. Feelings of deep sympathy are felt for the family of Mr. Flynn on their recent melancholy bereavement.

The general Court of Quarter Sessions was held here to-day, our worthy Chief Magistrate, J. Wilcox, Esq., presiding. Having thanked and complimented the Grand Jury of whom W. Horwood, Esq., was chosen foreman, on their punctual attendance and the absence of any serious matter to be brought before them, he dismissed them to their room for the purpose of considering any matter of public interest that may occur to them. But one case of a criminal character came under the notice of the Court, which was for petty larceny. The accused having spent some time in Harbor Grace jail and having acknowledged the theft was again transferred to Harbor Grace, there to complete her term of an additional month's imprisonment. There being a more serious charge against her she will have to again appear before the Judge on Circuit the coming term. The Grand Jury having made some presentments of a purely local character and being again complimented by the Magistrate on the satisfactory state of the town in every respect, were dismissed and the Court closed at one p. m.

Yours, &c.,  
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Jottings by the Way.

No. 7.

Upon landing at Fogo, after some difficulty I succeeded in securing comfortable quarters, and early next day notwithstanding the unfavorable state of the weather owing to a change of wind to the south east accompanied by rain, I immediately entered upon business arrangements, so that I might be enabled to leave for other adjacent harbor with as little delay as possible. The scenery in the immediate vicinity of the harbor of Fogo, as pretty generally throughout the entire island is picturesque and ro-

mantic though considerably less attractive than that of Twillingate, owing to bold and rugged appearance of its mountain ranges, which though towering to a considerable elevation above the level of the sea, are almost entirely devoid of vegetation. The harbor of Fogo like that of Twillingate has been long famous for its commercial enterprise in connection with the trade and fisheries of the colony. Here as at other points of the important district of Twillingate and Fogo, the seal fishery, which in the past was a source of much local wealth and profit to the inhabitants, has of late years deteriorated considerably, owing as it is generally believed, to the introduction of steam into the prosecution of this once most important and truly valuable industry. Be this as it may, is a most important fact, that the quantity of seals annually taken on this portion of the coast, has within the past few years fearfully diminished, as compared to that prior to the period referred to. The leading mercantile firms here are those of Edwin Duder, Hodge, Waterman & Co., Owen & Earle, &c. During my brief sojourn at Fogo as elsewhere, I availed of the opportunity to visit the principal inhabitants, not a few of whom I received the most unmistakable demonstrations of welcome and hospitality accompanied by the most satisfactory assurances of future patronage and support to the Herald. In connection with this, my first visit to Fogo, I would here in an especial manner, give expression to my warmest acknowledgments of the marked kindness, courtesy and hospitality of which I was the recipient at the hands of J. Fitzgerald, Esq., J. P., and family, H. Earle, Esq., of the firm of Owen and Earle, Thomas Duder, Esq., and others. Having been detained at Fogo, rather longer than I expected, owing to the prevalence of adverse winds and bad weather, I determined to avail of the earliest opportunity to visit the thriving settlements of Barred Islands, Joe Batis Arm and Tilton Harbor. At length the long wished for opportunity presented itself on the morning of the fifth day from my arrival and all necessary arrangements having been concluded, I took my departure by Mr. Britt's craft, as passenger for Barred Islands, en route for Tilton Harbor. The day being remarkably fine the sun shining out in all its brilliancy, with a favorable westwardly breeze filling our sails, the short cruise was rendered particularly enjoyable from the favorable opportunities afforded for familiar converse with the captain and crew on various topics of local interest and for viewing the scenery as we glided on our way, in all its interesting and varied features. At length after a pleasant run of about from two to three hours between both points, the entrance of the prosperous and thriving settlement of Barred Islands, with the myriad stages, flakes and picturesque cottages of its fishing population burst upon the view. The harbor having been entered in safety, the craft was moored and all hands stepped ashore, I being for the time the guest of the worthy proprietor Mr. Britt. My stay here though short, was still sufficient to create a favorable impression in my mind, as to the future progress of this interesting harbor, which cannot fail to strike the most superficial observer, from the marked evidences of thrift, industry and systematic arrangement which meet the eye on every side. At the time of my visit to Barred Islands, the entire population amounting, as I should say to about from two to three hundred, were busily engaged in the prosecution of the summer's fishery, the amount of fish already on shore, being in my opinion sufficient to ensure the season's voyage. Having partaken of a hearty supper and having enjoyed a comfortable night's rest, I next morning left with a friend at an early hour for Joe Batis Arm, distant about half a mile from Barred Islands. Shortly after our arrival at this picturesque little settlement, we had the pleasure of meeting with Mr. Thomas Deady, a leading business man of the harbor, and an old St. John's friend. Here again I have to acknowledge the marked kindness and hospitality of Mr. Deady, extended towards myself personally in this remote region, and that in a manner calculated to reflect credit even upon the most favored denizen of the metropolis. After partaking of a sumptuous dinner at the hospitable board of our friend and host, we started on our journey for Tilton Harbor a distance of about nine miles, the road for about half the distance being little more than a mere foot-path, in many places almost impassable.

Within the past few days 10 or 12 vessels of our Labrador fleet have arrived. A number of vessels have also arrived at Harbor Grace within the past week.

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It is with much interest that we learn from a recent report, that Mr. Newfoundlander and esteemed countryman, John Currie, recently, after a long and arduous journey, has returned to our shores, and is now residing at the residence of Mr. Currie, on the 11th inst. We are also happy to learn that Mr. Currie, his way north, and other musical talents, from St. John's, are in the vicinity of the harbor, and are to give a series of entertainments, for the benefit of the poor, at the residence of Mr. Currie, on the 11th inst.

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