

NOVA SCOTIA.

Reception of the Governor
General at Truro.Lady Aberdeen's Address to the
Women of Halifax.

HALIFAX.

Halifax, Aug. 21.—The visit of the governor general and Countess of Aberdeen to Truro today was very pleasant to both the visitors and the visited. The town was lavishly decorated with bunting, flags, and the streets were lined with people. An arch was erected near the court house.

Addresses were presented in the forenoon from the town of Truro and the municipality of Colchester, to which a suitable reply was made. The vice-regal party left Truro at 10 o'clock for the farm at Bible Hill, where called on Rev. Dr. and Mrs. McCulloch. Lunch was taken at the Prince of Wales hotel, in the same room occupied by the Prince of Wales on his visit more than thirty years ago. The afternoon was spent at the Victoria park, where the farmers' picnic and agricultural conference was attended by 8,000 people. An address was presented from the Nova Scotia Dairymen's association. His excellency's reply was much appreciated by the immense assemblage. Speeches were made by Professor Robertson, ex-Governor Hoard, Governor Daly, Hon. W. S. Fielding, Professor Saunders, Wm. Blair and Professor Shutt, chemist of the Dominion experimental farms. The vice-regal party returned to the city by the St. John express.

A state dinner will be given tomorrow evening by the governor general at Maplewood.

Ralph, seven year old son of Joseph B. Bennett, wharf manager for Pickford & Black, fell into that dock today and was drowned. The father saw the dead body of the boy floating on the water and was one of the first to make the discovery.

Exchequer Judge Burbridge today awarded J. A. Sedgewick estate trustees, \$10,000 for a wharf property taken for Intercolonial Railway purposes. The claim was for \$2,000 and the government's offer was \$3,914.

"Squire" F. R. Parker, of Shubenacadie, died today in his ninety-fifth year. He was one of the wealthiest farmers and leaves an estate worth \$20,000. Mr. Parker was a member of the local legislature from 1855 to 1859 and from 1863 to 1867. For seventy years he has been a magistrate and member of the Presbyterian church.

Halifax, Aug. 22.—Chief of Police O'Sullivan last night arrested a man masquerading in woman's clothes. He has been known to be in that attire for some weeks and has misled the police by posing as a woman. The prisoner at first denied his sex. The following dialogue passed when the man was brought into the police station:

"Why am I brought here?" he asked.

The chief—"To satisfy my curiosity and the curiosity of many as to whether you are a man or a woman."

If you are a woman we will treat you as a lady; but I believe you are a man."

The mystery—"These are strange proceedings. I am a woman, sir, and I want no sympathy from you, only respect."

The chief and the would-be female entered into conversation and he finally admitted that she had been posing on the public. He gave his name as Thomas Cullen, a New Glasgow tailor. The prisoner engaged counsel today, who set up a plea that his client was a woman, and he defied the court to take evidence from her or to inflict any penalty, even if it was proved that it was a man dressed in woman's clothes. The court decided to send the man, who is feeble minded, home to his friends in New Glasgow.

Mrs. Daley gave an "at home" and garden party at government house this afternoon in honor of Lord and Lady Aberdeen. The festival, being prepared in advance, it was a glorious day and the affair was one of the most successful ever held here.

A despatch from Yarmouth says: The news that the Countess of Aberdeen and Lady Aberdeen would be able to arrive here Monday night and spend Tuesday in Yarmouth, as at first arranged, was received this afternoon with general pleasure. The festival, being prepared in advance, it was a glorious day and the affair was one of the most successful ever held here.

Mrs. L. J. Hessel, wife of the proprietor of the Halifax hotel, died last night. They were married only fifteen months ago.

Halifax, Aug. 24.—The governor general spent an hour at the Y. M. C. A. rooms this afternoon. President John Burgoyne made an extempore address, to which his excellency made an appropriate reply. He warmly endorsed the work of the Y. M. C. A. The vice-regal party leaves Halifax for Quebec on September 1st. Thereafter they go to the Northwest.

Fifteen hundred ladies crowded the Academy of Music today and listened to a stirring address by the Countess of Aberdeen on the duty and work of women in uplifting humanity and beautifying life. All denominations and classes in the community were represented. It was unanimously resolved to organize a branch of the National Council of Women. Mrs. J. C. Macintosh was elected president and among the other officers are Her Excellency the Hon. Mrs. Montgomery Moore and the wives of Governor Daly, Premier Fielding, Attorney General Longley, Bishop Courtenay, R. L. Borden, Q. C., Hon. H. H. Fuller and Judge Ritchie.

The post office at Great Village and the fine house and barn of John M. Blaikie at Acadia Mines were burned by tramps last night.

Halifax, Aug. 25.—The at home and garden party given today by the Countess of Aberdeen on the magnificent grounds of the official residence of the British admiral, was a splendid success. There was a large attendance. Among the guests were: Gen. Schofield, commander in chief of the United States army; Dalton McCarthy, M. P.; Mrs. McCarthy, Archbishop O'Brien.

Bishop Courtney and all the leading people of the city. The weather was delightfully cool. The grounds, some fifteen acres in extent, command an unsurpassed view of Halifax harbor and the town of Dartmouth, and are in every respect an ideal spot for a garden party. Every guest was made to feel perfectly "at home." One of the features of the function was the entire absence of wines and intoxicating liquors.

Col. Henry Oldright, formerly a prominent lawyer, and one of the best linguists in eastern Canada, died today, aged 67 years. He was once professor of languages in Dalhousie college, Halifax and Toronto university. After being admitted to the bar, he applied himself to law with such application that mental trouble ensued.

The steamer Doris, 1,000 tons, from Picton for Montreal with a general cargo, went ashore off Cape Bear, P. E. I., in a dense fog, Friday night at last reports she was throwing cargo overboard, and was expected to float at high tide.

TRURO, N. S.

Truro, Aug. 22.—The Nova Scotia farmers' picnic and the reception of the Governor General and Lady Aberdeen took place here yesterday under very favorable circumstances.

The weather was pleasantly cool through the day. The heavy rain of the preceding night had effectively laid the dust of the streets.

From early in the morning until 10 o'clock a large number of people had driven into town from all parts of the country and a good many more came later in the day to attend the afternoon meeting in the park.

The morning trains from Halifax and Picton and the north were crowded with passengers, and a special train of twelve cars of visitors came from Amherst. The gathering of visitors was by far the largest ever known here.

The vice-regal party arrived from Halifax by the 10:15 train and were welcomed at the station by thousands of persons. The overhead bridge and other highly places were crowded with spectators. Carriages were in waiting to drive the party to the court house, the first stopping place.

Mayor Turner was seated in the carriage with Lord and Lady Aberdeen and their son. After the carriage was driven out a short distance from the station a halt was made, while the party was photographed by a camera placed on the overhead bridge.

The carriage, supported by a guard of honor, then moved on through Inglis and Prince streets. About 50 carriages joined in the procession. The streets were gay with flags and a handsome archway.

The governor general drove on to the Experimental farm at Bible Hill back to luncheon at the Prince of Wales hotel and shortly after 2 o'clock to the band pavilion at Victoria park, where an address was presented to him by the president of the Dairymen's association.

His excellency was replied to by his excellency in a speech which treated chiefly on the advantages of dairying in connection with other branches of farming. At the close of his speech other speeches, being mostly on the main subject of his discourse, were made by Prof. Robertson, Ex-Gov. Hoard of Wisconsin, Lieut. Gov. Daley, Premier Fielding, Prof. Saunders of the Experimental farm, Ottawa, Col. Wm. Blair of the Experimental farm, Nappan, and Prof. Shutt, chemist, of the Experimental farm, Ottawa.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen returned to Halifax by the 5 o'clock train. There was a band concert at the park in the evening, the Amherst band taking part with the Truro band.

Remarkably good order prevailed throughout the day.

FORESTRY RESERVATIONS.

The American Association Favors the Prohibition of Cutting Timber on State Lands.

Profile House, N. H., Aug. 26.—The American Forestry association devoted its last evening session to a consideration of forestry reservations, and in this connection discussed the action of the state of New York in setting aside the Adirondack preserve. As a result of the discussion, a resolution was adopted condemning the report of the McClure committee of the constitutional convention proposing to incorporate in the new constitution a clause forbidding the cutting of all timber on state lands, or the utilization of the same in any way for revenue. Strong speeches were made in favor of the preservation of the forest by forestry experts, and its unanimous adoption was the expression of the feeling of the association.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

A telephone message to the "Sun" Sunday night stated that at four o'clock in the morning, a barn belonging to James W. Belyea, of Wickham, N. S., was struck by lightning. The barn took fire and was entirely destroyed. The flames spread to another barn near by and it was also destroyed. Besides the two barns, Mr. Belyea lost forty tons of hay, a horse and colt and four head of cattle. The cattle were not in the barn but were near by. Mr. Belyea's house was saved, although at one time it was in great danger.

A TEST OF TACT.

"So you presided at the head of the table, eh?"

"Yes."

"You enjoyed the occasion, did you?"

"Well, I had to carve a goose and simultaneously entertain two spinsters on either side, who don't speak in such a way as not to unite them in conversation."

When horses are shedding their coats the operation may be greatly assisted by using a square of old rubber boot leg tacked to an old currycomb. If the rubber is kept in water it will remove the loose hair from the animal's coat rapidly, and prevent flyng.

The base ball pitcher, of all men, must know the ins and outs of his business.—Philadelphia Record.

Horses should be taught to walk fast until it becomes a habit.

BOSTON LETTER.

Must Pay for Sinking a St. John Schooner.

Lumber Market Slightly Improved in Some Directions.

Prices Holding Steady in All Departments of the Fish Trade.

(From Our Own Correspondent.) Boston, Aug. 25.—Judge Nelson of the United States district court gave his decision this week on the liability of the Metropolitan line steamer, H. F. E. I., in a dense fog, Friday night at last reports she was throwing cargo overboard, and was expected to float at high tide.

The schooner left New York, Aug. 5th, with a cargo of coal valued at about \$1,000, consigned to R. P. & W. F. Starr of St. John. When off Chatham, Mass., on the evening of Aug. 9th, in a dense fog, the H. F. Dimock running at a high rate of speed, crashed into the schooner, damaging her so badly forward that she sank in less than half an hour with everything on board, Capt. Golding, First Mate Bradshaw, and the crew barely escaping with their lives.

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H. C. Tower of this city, agent for the owners of the American schr. Charlotte, seized Tuesday at Arichat, Cape Breton, for violating the laws of the United States. He has never been in contact with the Dominion government, and is at sea how to act. He said he had been in collision at least half a dozen times in the past three years. She ran into her sister ship, the H. M. Whitney, and also distinguished herself by sinking Vanderbilt's \$50,000 steam yacht Alva in Boston harbor in 1892.

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Cape Cod, supposed to be the British schooner Golden Rule wrecked while on a voyage from Cuba to the United States, was found in the vicinity of the Cape Cod light, this week, with prices holding steady in all departments. The fleet out looking for mackerel has not reported any great success and only a few of the boats have been in the water. Several hundred barrels of "linkers" have been landed at Gloucester at about \$10 per bbl., and only a few barrels of large and medium. Fresh fish have risen somewhat higher. Lobsters are in light supply and firm. The quotations are:

Fresh fish—market cod, 2 to 2 1/2 c; large cod, 3 to 3 1/2 c; steak cod, 5 to 5 1/2 c; shore haddock, 2 to 2 1/2 c; white halibut, 10c to 12c; chicken, 12c to 14c; gray, 8c to 10c; cusk, 1 to 1 1/2 c; steak cusk, 2c; large hake, 1 to 1 1/2 c; small cod, 1c; pollock, 1 to 1 1/2 c; salmon, 20c to 22c; chilled cod, 15c to 18c; fresh Oregon, 15c to 16c; bluefish, 5c to 6c; scup, 4c to 5c; butter fish, 8c to 9c; large fresh mackerel, 12c to 14c; medium do., nominal; small do., 2 1/2 c to 3c; live lobsters, 12c, boiled cod, 14c.

Salt fish—Old Norway bloater mackerel, \$20 to \$22 per bbl.; No. 1, \$18 to \$20; No. 2, \$16 to \$18; No. 3, \$14 to \$16; No. 4, \$12 to \$14; No. 5, \$10 to \$12; No. 6, \$8 to \$10; No. 7, \$6 to \$8; No. 8, \$4 to \$6; No. 9, \$2 to \$4; No. 10, \$1 to \$3; No. 11, \$1 to \$2; No. 12, \$1 to \$2; No. 13, \$1 to \$2; No. 14, \$1 to \$2; No. 15, \$1 to \$2; No. 16, \$1 to \$2; No. 17, \$1 to \$2;