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Semi-Weekly Telegraph. ST. JOHN, N. B. NOVEMBER 2, 1901.

SPECIAL NOTICE. As a great number of our subscribers are interested in the Census Guessing Competition...

THE TELEGRAPH PUBLISHING CO. OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 16. To PRESS PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION.

Official figures are Five Million, Three Hundred and Thirty-eight Thousand, Eight Hundred and Eighty-three, but they are not final.

IMMUNITY FROM DISEASE. The present views of scientists on the question of immunity from infectious diseases is naturally of some interest to our people at the present time.

of resistance by being fed upon vegetable diet. It is well known that the acquired immunity produced by vaccination against smallpox can be overcome and the vaccinated take the disease.

This brings up another feature of immunity. Certain infectious diseases are peculiar to man and others to animals, while others again can be transmitted from man to animals, etc.

The natural immunity from infectious diseases which is peculiar to certain animal species cannot be easily set aside.

The mildness of the type of smallpox which is just now prevalent in the United States and Canada is probably due to the fact that the persons who brought the original germs of the present epidemic to our shores had been vaccinated and thus the infectious virus had become to a certain degree less potent.

The pathogenic power of disease micro-organisms varies as widely as does the natural immunity to their action.

As soon as the Hon. Mr. Fisher has made the official statement showing the results of the Census, the coupons will be sorted out by the Press Publishing Association of Detroit, and the announcement made of the prize winners in the SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH for several issues, so that all may know who the successful competitors were.

This will save our readers and ourselves any trouble of correspondence in regard to the competition.

As soon as final figures can be obtained, the awards will be made by the Press Pub. Ass'n.

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A law that has done so much good as the above is certainly something better than nothing and upon this ground the New York Journal of Commerce claims that the proposal of its friends to amend the law is an invitation to its opponents to repeat it, an invitation which the Journal thinks, should not be extended, upon the ground that after the law has become established institutions of the opposition will abuse it and it may be amended safely. It is admitted that the existing law is too favorable to debtors, but it was impossible for years to get any law through Congress upon the subject and the present one was obtained by compromising with its opponents who professed to be solicitous for the interests of the debtors. The objection to the preference system is that it enables a debtor to make payments to a creditor by selling goods that other creditors applied, and it is feared that any attempt at present to alter the law might have the effect of increasing the inequality between creditors.

If there is to be a practical attempt to improve bankruptcy conditions in Canada it might be well for the improvement first to see what desirable features of present law may be advantageously preserved, then to study and operation of similar laws in other countries and by comparing conditions ascertain what features from abroad may be safely introduced in the Dominion.

NATIONAL DRINK BILLS. The old matter of comparison of the quantities of liquor consumed by various nations is up again with a new report from the British Board of Trade covering last year and previous years. It is shown that in the consumption of wine last year France as usual took the lead with 25.4 gallons per head of the population, while Germany took 14.5, the United Kingdom 0.39 and the United States 0.33 of a gallon respectively. In beer consumption the English led, of course, consuming last year 31.7 gallons per head of the population, Germany using 27.5 gallons, the United States 13.3 gallons and France only 6.2 gallons. In spirits as in wine, France leads easily, with Germany next. France using 2.2 gallons per head of the population, Germany 1.94, the United Kingdom 1.12 and the United States 1.05. The British consumption of beer in 1899 was 32.7 gallons, the decrease last year perhaps being due to the war, or to the arsenic scare, or both combined; but the average from 1885 to 1888 was only 27 gallons per head. Parts of Germany consume very much more beer than other parts, Bavaria last year resulting a record of 54.6 gallons per head of the population. Belgium also drinks some beer, as her record last year was 46.9 gallons per head of the population. The taxation of alcoholic drink in Great Britain last year yielded 39 per cent of the national revenue, as compared with 29 per cent in the United States, 19 per cent in France and 18 per cent in Germany.

CHANCE FOR TRADE WITH JAMAICA. Some interesting observations upon trade between Canada and Jamaica have been made by Mr. G. Eustace Burke, commercial agent for Canada in Jamaica, in a report just sent to the department of trade and commerce at Ottawa. The principal point of his remarks is that the Jamaica government may yet be convinced of its short-sighted policy of false economy in not meeting the Canadian government half way in a joint subsidy to a fast fortnightly line of up-to-date steamers, and that he strongly favors calling St. John a Canadian port of call, in addition to Halifax. St. John certainly has no objection to becoming a port of call for this line,

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We have a large assortment of Warm Clothing suitable for Lumbermen or men who are exposed to the cold, such as Heavy Underwear, Heavy Top Shirts, Cardigan Sweaters, Overstockings, etc.

Write for prices or call and see the goods. Heavy Reefers, Storm Collars, \$4 25; \$4 75 Lumbermen's Jackets, lined throughout, \$2.50 Lumbermen's Stockings, at 45c to 90c

J. N. HARVEY, Opera House Block, 199 Union Street, St. John, N. B.

IN THE COURTS.

North Packing Company vs. Merritt Bros., et al.—Cowan Company vs. Elizabeth J. Dean.

Before Judge McLeod yesterday afternoon in the case of the Cowan Company Ltd. vs. Elizabeth J. Dean W. Watson Allen on behalf of the defendant moved to have the writ set aside. His honor reserved judgment and the case was postponed till Monday next; J. D. Hazen, K. C., appeared for the plaintiffs, and A. W. Macrae for the defendants.

In the case of the London House vs. Piddington & Merritt, summons was returnable to show cause why the writ should not be set aside, on the ground that in the special endorsement on the writ the incorporation of the company had not been set out. Judge McLeod decided this point in favor of the plaintiffs in a similar application which came before him last week. The writ was also issued in the name of Victoria instead of Edward VII, and the defendant claimed that for this reason also it should be set aside. The plaintiffs were allowed to amend under section 218 of the supreme court act, on payment of costs; Hanington & Hanington appeared for the plaintiffs, and W. Watson Allen, K. C., for the defendants.

Judge McLeod delivered judgment in the case of The Cowan Company, limited, against Elizabeth J. Dean, an action brought to recover the amount of a bill of exchange accepted by her, as Dean & Co., by special endorsement writ, dismissing the defendant's application to set aside the service of the writ of summons; and directed the defendant to pay the plaintiff the costs of the present proceedings before him. The ground of defendant's application were that, as the plaintiffs being a foreign corporation, the writ of summons should have disclosed how and where the company was incorporated and the plaintiff claiming notarial fees must proceed in the ordinary way by declaring, His honor held that the writ was good in form, as he had already decided in the North Packing Co. vs. Merritt, and that under section 57 of the bills of exchange act the plaintiff's application to set aside bank charges and notarial fees as part of the bill of exchange; W. Watson Allen, K. C., for defendant; J. King Kelley for plaintiff.

County Court Chambers. Before Judge Forbes yesterday morning the case of Phillips vs. Stackhouse was postponed till the 23rd of November. Macrae & Sinclair, plaintiffs' attorneys; C. A. McDonald defendant's attorney.

In the case of Shaw vs. Chamberlain, a review case from the St. John city court, before Judge Forbes, the judge made order to have the judgment set aside and a non-suit entered; Bernhill & Sanford, plaintiffs' attorneys; Scott E. Morrell, defendant's attorney.

COUNTRY MARKET.

Well Supplied—Staples Are Reasonable in Price. The trade at the country market has been a little slow this week. The market, however, presents an attractive appearance, and the various stalls contain everything seasonable in the way of meats and produce. Vegetables of all kinds are unusually plentiful with the exception of squash, which is very scarce. Poultry is very plentiful and lowest prices prevail. As yet fancy stock in turkeys has come only in limited quantities owing to the mild weather. Lamb is plentiful. Turkeys are cheaper than usual. Following are the corrected retail prices for the week:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes Country beefsteak, Western, Lamb, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams and bacon, Hides, Poultry, Turkeys, Chickens, Ducks, Wild ducks, Woodcock, Sausage, Venison, Deer, Moose, Vegetables, Potatoes, Parsnips, Carrots, Squash, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Cider, Butter, Eggs, Honey.

Very Rev. Monseigneur Lauriat. Lindsay, Ont., Oct. 31.—(Special)—Very Rev. Monseigneur Lauriat, pastor of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church, this report died today after a short illness from bronchitis. He had been pastor of St. Mary's seventeen years, was much beloved by his large congregation and very popular with all classes in the community.

"Don't Leave It To Chance." You may need to use Kendrick's Liniment at any time in the house, or perhaps in the stable. Always have a bottle or two on hand.

Bubonic Affecting Liverpool Port. Home, Oct. 31.—The port of Liverpool, England, has been declared infected with the bubonic plague. Arrivals from Liverpool at Italian ports will undergo the customary disinfection.

"Don't Forget Your Corns." If they give you pleasure and you have them as an ornament, don't apply Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor, for twenty-four hours they will be entirely removed and their beauty destroyed. Now this is known to everybody, including your druggist; ask him if it is not so.

Don't Go Home, if you have not got at least one bottle of Kendrick's Liniment in the house. Don't go home without it. There is nothing better. (If equal to Kendrick's as a household remedy.)

"That's what!" shouted a "voil" in the crowd; "it would become truly a freak country then?"—Catholic Standard and Times.

WANTED—A case of Headache that KUMFORT Powders will not cure in from ten to twenty minutes.

Boston Brokers Surrender Themselves. Boston, Oct. 31.—J. M. Fisher and Fred E. Betts, of J. M. Fisher & Co., the brokers of State street, against whom warrants were issued charging the use of the mails for a scheme to defraud, surrendered themselves this afternoon. They were released on \$2,500 bonds.

Thomas E. Shea appeared in Boston Wednesday in the first presentation of a new play, A Pledge of Honor, a dramatization of Calbed Back.

Editor Hearst in Trouble Again.

Chicago, Oct. 31.—Judge Edridge Hancock, of the Circuit Court, issued an injunction against Hearst's newspaper, the Chicago American, before 10 o'clock next Monday morning the owner of the Chicago American, William H. Hearst, and six employees of the paper, to show cause why they should not be enjoined from contempt of court. The publication on which this action was taken were recent editorials and cartoons bearing on the motive of the judge in a recent decision in which the People's Gaslight and Coke Company, of this city, was interested.

New Steamboat Line for Maine. Ellsworth, Me., Oct. 30.—A company has been formed here for the purpose of establishing next season a new steamboat route from Stirlington to Ellsworth, touching at Swan's Island, Tremont, Pretty Marsh and Shady Nook. It is known as the Ellsworth, Tremont and Stirlington Steamboat Company.

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Methodist Bishops in Session. Cincinnati, Oct. 31.—Bishop Fowler presided today at the biennial session of the Methodist bishops. The work of hearing reports from the bishops in their respective fields occupied the session.

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