

A CHIP OF THE OLD BLOCK.

SIR JOHN,—Congratulate you my boy, the country safe again?

"HUGH JOHN"—Bravo, governor, we got there this time, didn't we,—shake?



For five more years the double headed snake with the "Annexation" rattles has been consigned to durance vile. Well done, Canada, keep him there. The Veteran Showman is in good form and will continue to debate upon the awful catastrophy which will befall the Dominion should the caged monster escape.

THE PRAIRIE

(Items Gleaned from Our Exchanges)

A REPORT has reached Lethbridge that a detatchment of police from Kipp are out in search of Mr. W. Herron, enumerator for the Cardston district, who is supposed to have become lost on the prairie while going between Kipp and the St. Mary's river. The police followed his track for fourteen miles but could trace him no further. We trust that he is safe at home ere this.

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word that Cons. Heron was discovered frozen solid, last Monday. His horse was found near the body of the unfortunate man, nearly dead.]

WE REGRET also to learn that Father Grattan, who was also lost on the prairie, was discovered dead only five miles from Regina.

RESIDENTS at Sheep Creek and High River will hear with much pleasure that Mr. Dewdney stated, while in Calgary on Sunday, that the bridges at those places would be built as soon as possible.

Mr. R. G. ROBINSON, has a number of Ontario horses (recently brought into the country) for sale. They can be seen at the Chipman ranche.

N. KEITH, tie-contractor for the C. & E. railway, has delivered 120,000 ties, and his camps are now breaking up.

Tim. we ther at Lethbridge is now quite warm and springlike, and the snow is rapidly disappearing. Spring is undoubtedly at hand. During the past three weeks the weather has been quite cold—the only winter experienced there this season.

THE Free Press states that the Canadian Pacific railway company is about to make very liberal concessions in cattle rates from Manitoba to Montreal, a concession which will be appreciated alike by the stock raisers and the shippers. This concession will be in the form of a 20 per cent reduction on the present rates. This step has been voluntarily taken by the company for the purpose of still further encouraging mixed farming in the the country.

A CABLEGRAM says A company, stiled The Canadian Horse Trading Company (Limited), has been registered on the London Stock Exchange, with a capital of £100,000. The object of the company is to import Canadian horses for the British market. Agents will be appointed in various sections of Canada, who will buy up good sound animals and see to their transportation in a proper manner to Great Britain, where it is claimed large prices will be realized for them. The Northwest will doubtless be a big supply for this company.

MR. REAMAN, M. L. A., has been presented with an address and a gold watch in recognition of his services to the district. We congratulate Mr. Reaman on the receipt of such tangible evidence of his popularity.

THE editor, of the Medicine Hat Times is having trouble over the elections, and some of his patrons have temporarily withdrawn their business. We use the word "temporarily" advisedly, because we feel sure that after the heat of the battle is passed, the absurdity of being angry with a man because he dosen't agree with you will be recognized, and the "happy family" spirit of the Hat, will resume its sway.