

The Weekly Monitor.

BRIDGETOWN, MARCH 21, 1877.

GAME.

Most of our readers are aware that by a statutory enactment of this Province the killing of Moose, for the past three years, has been made an illegitimate pastime, and, if indulged in, made punishable by a heavy fine.

The increasing scarcity of this animal in our forests, was no doubt, one of the main reasons that induced our Legislature to place sportsmen under this restriction, and the marvellous increase of the antlered tribe in the almost pathless woods, has abundantly justified the Legislation, which at first was thought to be too stringent.

This prohibition closes this season, and unless some restrictions are again put upon sportsmen it will place the Moose roaming in almost countless numbers through our forests again at the mercy of the hunter's rifle and his dog.

Although advocating a system of protection to the moose we are yet strongly of opinion that there should be a fair open season whereby those enjoying the sport might indulge in one of the most exhilarating and delightful sports of our country.

If an open season were to be made to extend from the middle of September, until about the first of February, an opportunity would then be afforded of allowing our sportsmen to indulge in their favorite sport without we think at all seriously diminishing their number.

The great slaughter of Moose in this Province, in the past, has been effected mainly through the agency of dogs trained to hunt the animal in the deep snows through the months of February and March, and at a season when the female was within two or three months of bringing forth her young.

This system of hunting proved most destructive, for in addition to killing the mother, the young moose was also killed, and it is a fact well known to sportsmen that after the female moose arrives at the age of five or six years, she almost invariably bears twins.

By allowing the season suggested, to be an open one, sportsmen would then have the full benefit of the calling season, and also be enabled to enjoy a portion of the season for hunting on snow shoes. We trust the Legislature will pass an enactment which though not so strict as the expiring law, will yet tend to keep for years to come, our forests well stocked with this choicest of all kinds of game.

ENDING A LONG LIFE.

CAPTAIN LAHRBACH'S ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH BIRTHDAY—A WOODRUFF CASE—SEE DRAWING TO A CLOSE.

From the N. Y. Herald. Yesterday was the 111th birthday of the well known Captain Lahrbach, the oldest man in New York, if not of this country. In former years the birthday of this remarkable centenarian was celebrated by a festive dinner, partly given in his honor by the city of New York, and which was usually attended by a large number of distinguished people. A few years ago, however, an exceedingly violent attack was made upon the gentleman, so to speak, of Captain Lahrbach's wonderful age, and since then this genial customer has fallen into disrepute. It remains an amusing fact that the man of 111, looked scarcely over seventy. His frame was bent, to be sure, but not more so than that of most men at sixty-five or seventy, while his skin and complexion retained a freshness which together with the extraordinary absence of those tell-tale indications of old age, drew the attention of the world to him. He has been the subject of the most curious legends, and it is even stated that Captain Lahrbach has received for a long time a pension from a wealthy citizen deeply interested in his extraordinary history. While living on the second floor of a plain, single house on Third Avenue, just above Third Street, he would often breakfast at the residence of the wealthy on Fifth Avenue, who would be anxious to hear him recount his reminiscences of a gentleman slumbering in their graves for the last fifty years. But it is due to Captain Lahrbach to say that the weight of evidence is in his favor, and that nearly all the prominent men who have investigated his case, and made inquiries at the British War Office, proclaim their belief in his claim to be considered one of the very oldest men of the world.

THE END AT LAST SEEN AT HAND. Captain Lahrbach's birthday yesterday was not celebrated even in the retirement of his home because of his serious illness. It is sad to contemplate that this eventful life is fast drawing to a close. On Thursday he called Mr. McGrath, an old friend who keeps a furniture shop in the same house, and told him in mournful and feeble accents that he knew he could never recover. He was stretched upon a lounge and looked worn and pallid. His voice had weakly failed, his skin was shriveled, and the change that had come over him was indeed sad to look at. He complained that his appetite was entirely gone, that he suffered much pain, and seemed to be utterly prostrate. He was greatly depressed mentally, and in spite of his 111 years the old man seemed both to depart from a world the sweets of which he had enjoyed far beyond the period allotted to most men. Mr. McGrath stated that he had contracted the present serious illness some five weeks ago, when he went out one raw and bitter morning to call upon Mrs. A. T. Stewart. He was urged not to go, but replied he had not seen Mrs. Stewart, who was an old friend of his, since the death of her husband, and would not be dissuaded. Immediately on his return from that fatal visit he was stricken down, and the neighbors who have seen him all declare that the end cannot long be deferred. His life is fast ebbing away, they say, and they all kindly regret the

FOOLISHNESS WHICH HE PROVOKED HIS PRESENT ILLNESS.

It is no easy task even for one who has read a sketch of Captain Lahrbach's life, and who is familiar with the date of his birth—March 6, 1766—to realize the number of fact-filled and dignified years. It is not difficult to realize that this man was born three years before Napoleon I, who has been dead these fifty-six years; that at his birth Louis XV, King of France, and Frederick the Great, Emperor of Austria, and William Pitt were still a boy of seven, and that Mrs. De Staël was born in the same year? We may think of those things by an effort of memory, but who can call that time vividly before the mind and associate it with the life of one who, until a few weeks ago, took his meals regularly and might be seen riding down town in a Third Avenue car any fine day a hale and hearty old man? The dim and faded historical past seems to spring into life and flesh at the presence of this living remnant of an epoch long gone by. It seems almost impossible to believe that this man was a friend of Blücher, knew Marshal Ney, Eugene Victor and Letevre; that he fought under Sir Arthur Wellesley in the Peninsular war, and kept guard at Napoleon's prison at St. Helena 60 long eventful years ago. His strange history would fill a thrilling chapter of romance. Entering the British army at an early age fighting against Napoleon's heroes during the campaigns of 1794 and 1795, retiring finally at fifty-two from active service, and marrying the wife of his bosom, then suffering shipwreck and losing both wife and fortune—the latter the savings of a whole life—and finally living to be revered for his venerable past by the members of a generation who look upon him, as it were, as a wondrous monument of antiquity, and as a relic of a bygone era, and as a being even more astonishing when the perilous scenes through which he passed unharmed are remembered. It almost seems as if he were a charmer, and as though a special Providence had watched over him in order to preserve him to us as one of the greatest centenarians of the age.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinion of our correspondents.

HALIFAX CORRESPONDENCE.

HALIFAX, March 16th, 1877.—During the present week there has been a number of reports of the Provincial Board of Agriculture. The agricultural committee of the House of Assembly had a conference with them yesterday, and a general discussion relating to farming interests and aspects took place. A condensed report of that conference appears in one of the morning papers of this city. One thing is certain, and that is—that the soil and climate of Nova Scotia—formerly much underrated and now beginning to be appreciated. Thinking men are earnestly considering the necessity of putting forth practical efforts to enlarge the sphere of agricultural enterprise and operations. Every body who is interested in resources and capabilities of the fine acres of soil in the Province, is being aroused to a keen sense of the importance, that pertains to the improvements in agriculture of which it is susceptible. The Exhibition at Toronto last year clearly demonstrates that parts of Nova Scotia are not inferior in productiveness to the most valuable agricultural lands on this continent. As regards the harder kinds of fruits, such as apples, pears and plums, dairy products and vegetable roots, a higher display any where has scarcely ever elicited. Some fine horses, cattle, sheep and hogs were exhibited, and proof was given that much might be profitably done improving the breeds of those animals, which in a grazing country like ours, are identified with agricultural prosperity. It was also shown that success in farming is being promoted by the modern improvements made in the implements of husbandry that are now being brought into general use.

As the influence and utility of such exhibitions are acknowledged, preparations are now being made for one this Autumn in King's County. It is the hope that it has been decided, with the farmers in the western Counties, to make it a disgrace or an honor to the Province. Your splendid valley, extending from the Basin of Minas to Annapolis, can scarcely be surpassed in natural fertility; and the exhibition next Autumn will illustrate whether or not industry and proper culture are in the ascendant in that part of the Province.

Although our general provincial revenue overflowing, the Legislature, it is here understood, will this year grant about fifteen thousand dollars, in the aggregate, for the encouragement of agriculture. About one fourth of this sum will be donated to the Kentville Exhibition. The legislative sessions is dragging its length along; but it is hoped that the session early in April, and the commencement of public expenditures is seriously engaging the minds of the members of Government; and it is not impossible that before many days there will be an economical scheme of financial policy propounded to the Legislature. The huge annual grants to education and the road service, to say nothing of the ordinary expense of carrying on the public business of the country, swallow up a very large proportion of our diminished revenue, leaving a small margin for other purposes. The panic about the Great Seal is about subsided—and most people begin to conclude, that though a mistake may have been made as respects the use of the right seal, the sun will still continue to rise and set—the tides will ebb and flow—the grass grow—the flowers bloom—and the birds sing. If some official has innocently neglected his duty, or wilfully done wrong, the wheels of nature will not thereby be deranged. The property of the Government or the affairs of Nova Scotia, touching its material interests, is not to be affected by the failure of a Lawyer's gown. It is of little importance to the world at large whether it is made of stuff or silk.

I have just had a most interesting interview with the venerable Judge Marshall—a nonagenarian. He has outlived three generations; and yet he seems sound in health, and enjoying the use of his limbs. His mental perceptions still seem clear—his reasoning faculties are unimpaired—his memory is retentive—and his spirit buoyant. Sixty-nine years ago he was enrolled a Barrister of the Supreme Court; sixty-six years ago he was elected a member of the House of Assembly; and fifty-

three years ago he was raised to a Judgeship. He was the contemporary of prominent statesmen in public and official life. Moss has gathered thick upon the tombstones of all his early co-peers on the militant arena of politics. His protracted term of life has been a grand and useful. He has not been an idler in the doings of the world. As a moralist, he has performed a useful mission in the cause of righteousness. He has not been a mere passion theorist, as respects virtue, but his principles have been practically illustrated by vigorous action. To promote the interests of Temperance he has journeyed by sea and by land—he has crossed oceans and traversed foreign countries and his lectures, in behalf of teetotalism have stirred the hearts of thousands. With his voice on the platform and with his pen in his private study, luminously and effectively he has denounced vice and advocated the claims and interests of morality. Although the frost of ninety winters is on his brow, his brain is still busy and his pen active; and ever and anon, through the Press, the wrongs of the world and the rights of the oppressed, are not only respected for his mental ability, but also for his moral influence on three generations. God bless him; he is a good old man.

ROBBERY BY TELEGRAPH.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 14.—A well planned express robbery was perpetrated here last night. Superintendent Bingham, of the Express Company, gives the following particulars: Express train arrived when the robbery was perpetrated. Bingham, a telegram was handed to Thomas Bingham, express messenger, instructing him to transfer the express matter to the depot, to deliver the goods and report to the Superintendent. Bingham, in company with the express matter to the depot, and the officer, Brooks, having jumped from the wagon, unnoticed by the driver, when less than five miles from the depot, the watch-house there, the money packages, amounting to \$4,000, being missing. Brooks took the railroad telegraph wire in charge of the express matter to the depot, to deliver the goods and report to the Superintendent. Bingham, in company with the express matter to the depot, and the officer, Brooks, having jumped from the wagon, unnoticed by the driver, when less than five miles from the depot, the watch-house there, the money packages, amounting to \$4,000, being missing. Brooks took the railroad telegraph wire in charge of the express matter to the depot, to deliver the goods and report to the Superintendent.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

To be sold at Auction on Monday, the 2nd day of April, at 2 o'clock, p. m., the following articles:—

1 Yoke of Oxen, 4 years old, 1 Yearling Heifer, 1 or 2 Wags, 1 or 2 yearlings, 1 yearling Colt, 1 Riding Wagon, 1 Sleigh, 1 Harness, 2 Ploughs, 1 Harrow, 1 Grand Stone, Hay and other articles, such as Rakes, Serrins, Shovels, Hoes, Ox Yokes, and Chains, Plows, Broad-axes, a quantity, Barley, and Oats and Hay and other articles not mentioned.

NOTICE!

ALL PERSONS having legal demands against the estate of GEORGE W. WOODRUFF, late of Wilmet in the county of Annapolis, deceased, are requested to present the same to the undersigned within six months from this date, and all persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Auction Sale.

Will be sold at AUCTION, at the Willett Marshall farm (so called), on Tuesday, the 3rd day of April, One yoke of Oxen, 3 Cows, 2 yearlings Heifers, 1 yearling Heifer, also a good driving Mare, a quantity of Hay. Terms made known on day of sale.

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