MANITORA

Manitoba Lake, which has given a title to the Province formed out of the Red River region, derives its name from a small island from which, in the stillness of night, issues a "mysterious voice," though there is no real 'mystery' about it. On no account will the Ojibways approach or land upon this island, supposing it to be the home of the Manitoba—"the speaking God." The cause of this curious sound is the beating of the waves on the "shingle," or large pebbles lining the shores. Along the northern coast of the island there is a long low cliff of fine grained compact limestone, which, under the stroke of the hammer, clinks like stee The waves beating on the shore at the foo of the cliff cause the fallen fragments trub against each other, and to give out sound resembling the chimes of distactured bells. This phenomenon occur when the gales blow from the north, a then, as the winds subside, low, waits sounds like whispering voices, are heard the air. English travellers assert that teffect is very impressive and have becawakened at night under the impression the they were listening to church bells.

Manitoba! I would bring thee
Honours meet to deck thy isle;
Deign to listen while I sing thee.
Cease thy tinkling chimes awhile:
Manitoba! Manitoba! Speaking god! upon me smile. Gods less noble crowd the pages Of the ancient scrowls of fame,
,Till the growing dust of ages
Hides one half their guilt and sham
Manitoba! Manitoba!
Thine be a more honour'd name.

God of mystery and wonder, Erst unsung in poets' rhymes Long ere Jupiter's loud thunder Shook the old barbaric times. Manitoba! Manitoba! spoke thy sad and plaintive chimes

Are they warning voices only
Calling to the Northern blast?
Was thy home not bare and lonely
Through the cycles of the past?
Manitoba! Manitoba!
Shall thy reign forever last?

Long respected by the savage—
Wilt thou still maintain thy power,
When the White Men come to ravage
And invade thy sacred bower?
Manitoba! Manitoba!
Dawns for thee the trying hour. When the steamer plows thy billows Dashing on thy shore the foam;
When the axe assails thy willow
And the furrows mark thy home;
Manitoba! Manitoba!
Will thy whisp'ring voices roam? THOMAS BEAVER, JR.

BEAUTIFUL LEAVES.

Fading beneath our passing feet, Strewn upon lawn and lane and street Beautiful leaves!

Dyed with the hues of the sunset sky, 'alling in glory so silently, Beautiful leaves!

Never to freshen another spring Beautiful leaves!
Withered beneath the frost and cold,

So will the years that change your tint Mark upon us their autumnal print, Beautiful leaves! so shall we fall from the tree of time. But when the harvest of life is past

d we wake in eternal spring at last, Beautiful leaves!

May He who paints your brilliant hue
Form of our lives a chaplet new
Of Beautiful leaves!

A POSSIBILITY

The thought of a mourning mother. By the author of "John Halifax, Gentleman." My little baby is buried to-day; yard clay.
Up in the sky so dim and grey
Who will take care of my little baby?

Who will kiss her ?-her waxen feet, where I left a lily, as was meet—
Who, who will kiss my little baby

Who will teach her ?-her wings to fly,

you give me something spiritin, some-thing to rouse me up, like? you see I's got bisness to 'tend to!' special bad bisness to 'tend to!' and his eyes were attachment which the boy had for his filled with a great anxiety and care.

A Virginia exchange says, at a con-cert recently at the conclusion of the song, "There's a good time coming," a farmer got up and exclaimed "Mister, you couldn't fix the date, could you?"

kind hearted master was almost wonder-

the onion-bed was weeded, and milking-time has come. Ned sprang to his feet, and hurried away in the direction of the

Ten o'clock at night. The village was dark and still Only the twinkling stars lighted the belated traveler on his was dark and still Colly the variables stars lighted the belated traveler on his homeward way, for gas was as yet unknown to the simple country folk. Ned's bed-chamber was at the back of the house, overlooking the yard and the barn.

As was the custom the boy had gone up stairs without a candle. "Kin see jes' as well in the dark, 'cause my eyes is big, you know!" he used to say. Leaning on the window-sill he gazed wondering on the window-sill he gazed wondering out into the calm clear night.

"Dem stars is worlds, eh! Dat's what de teacher say. I reckon dey's a right smart piece from here. Wish I could go to em'! Maybe dey's different from dis. Iff! What dem men doin?" and in an instant the little fellow's attention was drawn to the dark forms of two stalwart men, who were advancing from the orchard toward the barn.

"What is the name of the town?"

"Dexter."

"Haskin," answered the boy.

"My old army friend! My little fellow, I believe your tale, fully. The thieves shall be found and arrested, if possible. I will remember the horse that Haskin used to ride, and can easily identify him. Be quiet until I return. Good-by;" and taking his hat the surgeon departed.

It was noon when he returned, and poor Ned slept. "I will not disturb him; sleep is the best medicine he can have," thought his new found friend.

All the long summer afternoon, until the western sun glinted through the ivy

Hurrying on his clothes, he crept noiselessly out of the house just in time to see the two men entering the barn. Following, he stationed himself outside where a wide crak in the boards gave him a good view of all that was going on The door was carefully closed, and

then one of the intruders pulled a dark lantern and a bag from under his coat. "Hi! Dey's going for de grain!" thought Ned, but he was mistaken. Advancing to the horse, the other man offered him a cob of corn, then loosened and led him from the stall, and quietly, but rapidly, harnessed him to the doc-tor's cevered buggy; while the fellow

reckon. If dat can had bust, Ned'd be reckon. If dat can had bust, Ned'd be a dead boy, now!" and, reaching out his hand he seized the dangerous can, and carrying it out of doors, examined it carefully.

will be relieved from embarrassment, and how he will be able to declare most solution that he had examined the whole region, and that after all his eloquence had been exhausted, one-half had not carrying it out of doors, examined it carefully.

"Yes, dat's powder, shure, but she's wet!" and he tossed it from him. Now for the men, the thieres. Listening carefully he heard the little rattle of the

"My poor boy," and the strong man's

"My poor boy," and the strong man's hand was laid earessingly on the child's head, "tell me your business; and I will do it for your."

"O, will you! will you! I'se so glad, and de doctor won't lose his horse!" and with a few hasty words, Ned told his story, and asked that the city might be searched and the robbers arrested.

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"Reckon I'd better get down dar!

Maybe dey's looking 'round fur something to lift!"

Lift was Ned's word for thing to lift!"

Lift was Ned's word for own dear master, Dr. Haskin. He had been telegraphed to and came up on the

"O, doctor! I jes' hung to 'em. They'd a burnt de barn, only I see 'em. Have you got de horse; have you found

"Yes, Ned, Billy is recovered, and Tom Kane and his companions are in jail: Now lie still, and don't become excited. If you are well enough, tomorrow we will go home."

Ned's eyes sparkled and he fairly

laughed with joy; then obeying the doctor's advice, he said no more, but lay quietly until in dreams he forgot his trouble and pain. Morning came, and the boy was

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been told. The "Manitoban" complains grievous-ly that all the official appointments are made to those who have in other Provinces secured the favour of the Ottawa authorities. Out of seventy Dominion

A good many year ago a weathy farmer owning several hundred acre of land remarked to a n wished he could hire for a buckwneat patch shows the regard in wished he could not be been held by the begood man's soul yearn cakes, but he could not willing to use his own productive acres on willing to use his own will sow Spring grain season, and ualess he swithout interruption he is again seeded. Buckwneat is popularly considered the poor may a's crop. I is almost always got in cather could be again seeded. Buckwneat is popularly considered the poor may a's crop. I is almost always got in cather could be again seeded. Buckwneat is popularly considered the poor may a's crop. I is almost always got in cather could be again seeded. Buckwneat is popularly considered the poor may a's crop. I is almost always got in cather could be again seeded. Buckwneat is popularly considered the poor may a's crop. I is almost always got in cather could be again seeded. Buckwneat is popularly considered the poor may a's crop. I is almost always got in cather could be again seeded. Buckwneat is popularly considered the poor may a's crop. I is almost always got in cather could be again seeded. Buckwneat is popularly considered the poor may a's crop. I is almost always got in cather could be again seeded. Buckwneat is popularly considered the poor may a's crop. I is not particularly rich, not particularly rich, not particularly and apprhehend as far as he may the laws which govern him both physically and apprhehend as far as he may the laws which govern him both physically and apprhehend as far as he may the laws which govern him both physically and apprhehend as far as he may the laws which govern him both physically and apprhehend as far as he may the laws which govern him both physically and apprhehend as far as he may the laws which govern him both physically and apprhehend as far as he may the the taws which govern him both physically and apprhehend as far as he may th

germination, and the rop comes up unevenly, and this difference continues through the scason. The rough pulverization of the soil, and ro ing after seeding, will prevent this. Bickwheat should be sown with a drill, as his places the

cannot speak yet they have a certain mute eloquence in their lool and tell their tale with a force and point that are often more effectual t an words. Very often the rough, shage, staring coat the prominent ribs, droping head, buggy in the village street: If he stopped to waken his master they would be gone. He must follow them at once.

His bare, nimble feet fell noiselessly in the dusty road, and soon he was close in the rear of the buggy. It was a covered one, with narrow, flat boot, or shelf behind. "Why not ride?" thought Ned, and with a quick spring he tossed himself into the offered seat.

When the outskirts of the town was reached the horse was whipped to a solution of the favour of the Ottawa authorities. Out of seventy Dominion officials, only three we are assured, have been taken from the Province itself; and, therefore, it is humbly suggested that, instead of spending money for the purpose of letting agents see Manitoba for twenty-four hours, the better plan would be to have at least one immigration agent who had resided in the Province, and knew something practically about its soil and its people. However reasonable in an airy yard or in a barre pasture.

IN BEHALF OF UCKWHEAT. was raised. Cases of this kind are

Aristocracy was the consequence of this sort is the promote the exercised in prevention after sowing it no ads none, as the thisnest seeding quiety shades the ground to the entire exe usion of weeds, not even excepting this titles, and as a removator of weedy soils is not surpassed by any. The complete ground keeps it moists a the air; hence the soil creases rather than diminishes in feature. It is likewise said that in the prevent the air; hence the soil is creases rather than diminishes in feature. It have been without the first. The leaf the soil of known fields where buck heat was grown for ten years in success in

of all the queer uses to which tombstones have been put, the queerest is that of libeling the living. An English Court—the Consistory Court of Wells—Inas just now under consideration a case which a short time ago assumed great

they would often remo strate with their owner about the gleet and carelessness with which they are occasionally treated. And hough they cannot speak yet they have a certain mute eloquence in their lool and tell parent drawer would cash it at that time. The gentleman recognized the joke, and the holder of the document, placing it in his pocket, departed, and nothing more was said about it. Subsequently the holder was suddenly stricken with paralysis and died, and his executors finding the note, and having no knowledge of the joke attached to it, brought suit and recovered the sum

\$_\$500\$—for which it was drawn, thus

illusterating the danger of persons care-

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the country will be when they know all the facts—they know many of them now, and those they do not know, I shall endeavor presently to enter upon. But before I enter upon the subject which is most interesting to this House, the question whether the Government or any members of the Government were in any

ple was paramount, and when the Crown cessly writing their names on blank scraps of paper.

"Lame!" Sighed Mrs. Partington.

"Here I have been sufferin" the big-

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

SECOND SESSION.

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HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Monday, Nov. 3.

Sir John MacDonald then rose and was received with deafening cheers which lasted for some minutes. He said.

Mr. Speaker, I had not intended to address you on the two motions now before the House, and the reason why I did not intend is that I had already given my testionny on oath, and in that testimony I had endeavored notwithstanding the Hon. Gentleman who has just taken his seat to state the whole case as I knew it secording to these of my onscience, concealing nothing and revaling overything, and therefore I did not think it well according to the to ordinary rule that I should attempt in any way to supplement my statement on oath by my statements not on oath [cheers.] However, I have been keeping back, and it elsewhere and have seen it in the press of the like was received to withdraw the Bill, and when the Record distinct when the knock of the ush was a Royal Charter given for the purpose of building a Pacific Railway to the Pacific Railway Company. They was an outburst when the knock of the usher of the Black Rod was made at the course, friends because they had no opportunity of expressing their feelings against the course when the state of the Male areas a Knock and the reason why I did not intend is that I had already given my testionny on oath, and in that testiment of the Reform Bill in 1831. We can remember how the House was a Royal Charter given the head there was a Royal Charter given for the back of the Pacific Railway Company. They was an outburst when the knock of the usher of the Black Rod was made at the door—an outburst of hearty idigination that arose at the state course, we can be supported to were the land according to the very moment the usher of the Black Rod was a Royal Charter given for the Black Rod was a nothurs dignation the usher of the Black Rod was a nother that I was passed by the Pacific Railway Company. They was an outburst of hearty ideal, and the course friends the course from the

day shall come that the Sovereign cannot send a message saying that the representatives of the people & the Upper Chambers are prorogued at the will of the Sovereign. Therefore, it occurs to me, and it must occur to every hon, gentle man who has considered the subject

but rapidly, harassed him to the doctor's excreted buggy, while the fellow with the lantern, meantine drew from this bar a small time, and stached a cord to fix, and set it on the floor in the corner. Not a word had been spoken as yet, and both men were mediad almost to the low of the spoken of an action of the the men art fire to the one and there to the desired, which was attached to the consumerate of the three of three of three of three of the three of three o Shadow of the fence toward the road. Suddenly he remembered the string in the barn.

Agents. These gentlemen came post of scattered seed, it will n ver become a favorite with the best farm rs, but there to burn de things up.

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The gentleman of wealth, one day, while practising pen manuship, wrote his name upon a blank slip of paper, hat we ought to lice upon his desk. It at two desk. It at twe days when the prorogative of the poople that was committing an anachronism; there were days when the prorogative of the poople that advised the sovereign to the wonder of a neighbour, while practising pen manuship, wrote his name upon a blank slip of paper, hat we ought in the best farm rs, but there was committing an anachronism; there were days when the prorogative of the Crown and the provides of the sovereign to the wonder of a neighbour, who, for a joke, filled the space above the signature in the form of a promissory note, and a fever days when the prorogative of the box of a light that the proposition to the will of the people and the revive them in the country who, for a joke, filled the space above the signature in the form of a promissory note, and a fever days along one.

The box passed his hand over listening t prorogation on the 13th day August. Sir, if they had not given that advice they would have advised the sovereign to break his word, they would have the presence of this House in the presence of the country, and of the world—if the world were listening to world—if the world were listening to The motion of the hon, member which the motion is the motion of the hon. our rather unimportant affairs—that if ever a pledge, if ever a bargain if ever opposed it by prorogative the head of the Sovereign rolled on the scaffold.

But, Sir, those days do not exist now, But, Sir, those days do not exist now, and I am happy to say at this moment in this age the prerogative of the Crown is a portion of the liberty of the people [Cheers.] If we wish to preserve our liberties—if we wish to preserve our present constitution—If we do not wish again to have a 'Long Parliament' or a Sir, the House had nothing to do with it. It is not a matter of agreement be-

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it was resolved to withdraw the Bill, and there was a Royal Charter given for the or unparliamentary, patriotic or unpa-triotic, one thing is certain that the direct object, and the point at which that motion and that statement were directed was to kill the charter in England. (Cheers.) The weapon was aimed with that object—not so much with the desire of destroying the administration—not so much with the purpose of casting a George Cartier, and when they had no opportunity of defending either them-selves or the charter which they obtained. The House must remember also that he moved on 2nd of April, was not to enquire into the facts that he mentioned the statements upon which he based his motion, but to go into the