Port Lorne.

Miss Clara Brinton has been home from Halifax on a short visit.

Mr. Bentley, of Middleton, has been here conducting business for a short time.

Mrs. Susan Corbitt has gone to Nictaux to visit her brother and other relatives.

Mrs. William Grant has gone to visit her parents in Havelock, Digby county. Her father is quite ill.

Mr. Charles Cropley is home from the schooner Temple Bar, and Mr. Arthur Beardsley has taken his place.

Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Grant have returned from Wollaston, Mass., where they went to attend the funeral of their son.

Rev. E. P. Coldwell will preach next Sunday (29th) at St. Croix at 10 30; Hampton at 2.30. Conference at St. Croix on Saturday next at 2 30.

Mr. H. Ellis, of Cooper, Maine, has been visiting friends here, and on his return his daughter May accompanied him. She had been stopping with her aunt for some time.

Mrs. L. A. Starratt, wife of Arthur P. Starratt, the president of the common council and a member of the firm of Starratt, Higgins & Oakman, died on Wednesday, May 4th, at the hospital, aged 44 years. Her demise was a crushing shock to her relatives and friends, and many will mourn a kind and sympathetic woman and willing worker. She was taken to the hospital three weeks ago to have an operation performed for an old trouble. The operation was performed successfully, and it seemed that she would recover in good form. On Monday her vitality began to give out, and it became apparent that it was but a question of hours, or a few days at most, when life would leave her. Mrs. Starratt was quite widely known and had been a vigorous helper in many worthy causes.

Her husband was, until the new firm of which he is a member was formed, for many years a foreman at the W. L. Douglas Co'y factory. Miss Jennie Starratt, Miss Lena Starratt and Chas. Starratt are her three children who survive her. She was a member of the Central M. E. Church, and of the Brockton Colony of Pilgrim Fathers.

The funeral took place at her home, 251 Belmont Street, Saturday, at two o'clock. There were many sorrowing friends present, and beautiful wreaths of flowers were tributes of sympathy and respect. The interment was in Melrose cemetery. Mrs. Starratt was a sister of Mr. Silas Banks, of Arlington, and Mrs. William Clark, of this Port. They have the sympathy of friends in this bereavement.

Bear River Letter.

To the Editor of the Monitor:

DEAR FRIEND,—Have you a pair of spectacles or a field glass? Have you a searchlight or a big spy glass? Get up on a high hill, or the tallest mountain peak back of town; level your glass this way. Look sharp, and you may see this town in its beauty dress, its glorious garments of green and white. Oh, the wealth of buds and blossoms now bursting into bloom! The vigorous growth of leaf and twig! Look and see! Here, on a hill sloping south, are beech twigs and leaves nine inches long already, according to definite personal measurement. Note the four inch bunch of cherry blossoms I send you with this letter. This was picked from the first tree which came in sight this morning, I tried to count these prophesies of cherries, but it was like counting stars. I gave up in despair of accuracy, they are so thick, getting only as far as 80. There may be 90 or 100. You can pick them off one by one and get a *sure count*.

The shipping of lumber to Cuba now is at a standstill in this town. The schooner E. Norris came into port yesterday, and is now loading wood of Clarke Bros. for Boston.

The good people of this burg are nobly sustaining two temperance organizations, one of them, the W. C. T. U., meeting every Sunday at 4, p. m. The Sons of Temperance meet Saturday at 7 30, p. m. Interested in this momentous cause, they gladly greet the appearance in your columns, of the discussion of the irrepressible conflict.

In every good word and work,
I am, yours to the front,
J. L. M. YOUNG.

Paradise.

Queen's birthday. Long live the Queen.

Humming birds are feasting upon cherry and other blossoms.

Mr. Schaffner, of South Farmington and his men are rafting his logs down river. They find the water rather low for quick work.

Farmers are extremely busy putting in crops, perhaps more than an average of sowing is being done in this vicinity this spring.

Spraying orchards is also being attended to. The meeting of Messrs. Chipman and Sears last week probably aroused an interest in that direction.

Governor Daley is trying for salmon with guide Luxie. None have so far been taken. It is supposed by some that they have been kept back by the logs in the river.

The spelling match in the Division on Saturday evening was interesting. Captains were Mrs. H. W. Longley and Miss Edith Balsor, teacher in the primary department of the school. The words were given, as by previous arrangement, from last week's issue of the MONITOR.

Principal Longley, of this school, and Mr. Frank Freeman, of Torbrook, attended the association held in Annapolis last week for the benefit of the teachers; indeed, judging by the passengers on the trains, the profession generally did themselves the honor of being present at that useful institution.

West Brooklyn.

Mr. Boyd Reagh left for the "Hub" on Saturday.

Miss Lottie Young spent a few days last week in Melvern Square.

Sergt. L. Young and A. T. Moore attended the parade at Annapolis.

Mrs. Edward Van Buskirk, of Melvern Square, spent Sunday in this place.

Miss Minnie Wright entertained a number of her friends on Saturday evening.

What fine weather we are now enjoying, and how the farmers are improving it.

Miss Aurelia Banks attended the teachers' institute which was held at Annapolis last week.

On account of the burial of Mr. Dobson there was no preaching in the Hall on Sunday last.

Mrs. Israel Bowlby, of Somerville, Mass., who has been visiting friends and relatives in this place has returned.

A young gentleman arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Reagh on the 18th. We hope he has come to stay.

Mr. William Wright, of Bridgetown, and Charlie Wright, of Canard, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wright.

Lower Granville.

The general sympathy of the community goes out to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Croscup on account of the death of their son James, which sad event occurred last Sunday night. Little Jimmy had only been sick a week, and notwithstanding the most assiduous attention of Dr. Smith and the unceasing care of fond parents and friends, continued to sink from the first. He was a general favorite with everybody, and his sudden decease has cast a gloom over the place. During the closing hours of his life he gave evidence of great christian fortitude, and called all he knew, who visited him, to his bedside and bade them good bye saying, "I will never see you again." The scene was most affecting and will long be remembered by those who witnessed it. Shortly before he died he walked across the room and returning to his bed lay down and peacefully passed away to be forever with the Lord.

Mt. Hanley.

Mrs. E. E. Locke and baby are at Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Miller's this week.

Mr. Burton Daniels and daughter Gertie, from Lawrencetown, were the guests of Mr. William Daniels over Sunday.

Mr. Lockhart Hines is at present very busy building himself a new house. John Bruce, Jr., is the boss carpenter.

Our esteemed young friend, Mr. Barpee M. Armstrong, who has been absent in Massachusetts for over a year, returned home last week.

Our pastor, Rev. E. E. Locke, had the privilege of baptizing four on Sunday last. He informed us that next Sunday, May 29th, at 3 p. m., he would speak to us for the last time in this field of labor, where he has so faithfully done his work.

Margaretville.

Mr. Wm. H. Harris, of Somerville, Mass., is on a visit to his old home.

Some anxiety is felt with regard to the schooner Elms, Capt. S. Baker, which sailed away on a voyage and has not been heard from for ninety days; though the voyage on which she went usually takes but sixty days.

The boys have a little sport, occasionally speeding their horses over the flat, through the village. The Capt's mare, Fracas, Lidie's Fred, and others, are at it two or three times a week, and J. R. Brown comes over now and then and makes it warm for the best of them.

Chilkoot Men Dig for Food.

SUPPLIES OF THE MINERS IN THE PASS BURIED UNDER TONS OF SNOW.

Bennett, Chilkoot Pass, May 18.—It is hardly possible that the world ever again will witness such a sight as is now to be seen on the Chilkoot Pass unless it be on the Chilkoot Pass. No mining excitement in the history of the world ever before caused the like of it.

Right on the summit of the Chilkoot are cached hundreds of tons of supplies. Hundreds of persons are trying to get at their stores, which are beneath hundreds of tons of snow. On either side of a narrow trail men are to be seen eight or ten feet down in the snow trying to find their cache.

Those digging out their stores throw out their goods on the narrow trail, men tread over them with sleds or kick them back on top of their owners, and it is a wonder that many accidents do not occur, though there is not a day but some one is killed or injured. The summit of the Chilkoot is one awful tangle of human beings, sleds, supplies and thousands of tons of snow.

Looking down from the summit across Crater Lake and as far as the eye can reach there is one long sinuous stretch of prospectors. Immediately from the summit down to Crater Lake the descent is almost perpendicular. Down the hill the trail is wide enough to take seven sleighs broadside.

A man lies down in front of his sleigh, a pack on his back and the sleigh loaded with several hundred pounds of provisions resting against the pack. Behind, a sack of flour is dragging by a rope to act as an anchor down the declivitous mountain. The man's feet and body plough through the snow, and with a whoop away he goes down the hill. It is estimated that between here and Tagish there are now over 2,000 people.

Death of Gladstone.

The Right Hon. W. E Gladstone died at midnight on Wednesday. He was born Dec. 29th 1809 and has been the most prominent man in British politics for half a century. The whole nation mourns his death. He entered parliament in the 23rd year of his age, and was early initiated into official life. He made his mark in connection with tariff reform. He was a "Peelite," and in 1852 he broke with the Conservative party. From 1841 Mr. Gladstone was virtually a reforming politician. He was willing to adopt institutions and policies to present needs. In 1865 he became leader of the House of Commons. Once and again he was Chancellor of the Exchequer, and his budget speeches were models of eloquent exposition. He disestablished the Anglican Church in Ireland. He helped to widen the franchise, to reform the University, to reduce taxation and he did all in his power to promote the best interests of the country. In due time he became Premier, and he twice tried to give to Ireland a parliament of its own. In 1894 he retired from the premiership, and not long thereafter he resigned his seat for Midlothian. He continued in good health from year to year and devoted himself to literary work, till his last illness came. His death was a solemn and beautiful sun-setting of a great and beneficent career. In many respects Mr. Gladstone was a peerless man,—an orator of the first order, a financial reformer second to none, a fearless political reformer, a philosophic thelogian, a poet, a classic scholar. In private life most exemplary; a devout Christian.

Newfoundland Iron.

A writer in the *Boston Transcript* says: A new company has secured control of the unique iron deposits of Conception Bay, Newfoundland. These deposits contain immense quantities of ore so cracked by natural process that it lies in piles made up of ore lumps about the size of ordinary bricks. Experts say that this kind of ore can be mined more cheaply than any other ore known to miners. Steamers will be constructed to carry the ore from Conception Bay to Sydney, a distance of thirty hours sailing. There the Newfoundland ore will be mixed with a small portion of native Cape Breton ore, which is found in abundance at the proposed site of the works. The annual output of the company will at the outset amount to 75,000 tons of pig iron, which will require in the first instance 150,000 tons of crude ore, 60,000 tons of limestone and 200,000 tons of coal. But the company will not confine itself to the production of pig iron. It will enter extensively into the manufacture of steel rails and plates, and eventually the building of steel ships. Up to this time Canadian builders have not engaged in the steel shipbuilding enterprises, but the company now seeking incorporation will endeavor to establish that industry in this country. Some idea of the magnitude of the operations of this company may be gained from the fact that they will involve the annual consumption of four thousand tons of coal. The new works will be situated close to the valuable coal fields of the Dominion coal company, which will profit immensely if its coal is used in the manufacturing industrics of the new company.

Determined to Die.

SPANISH SOLDIERS IN CUBA WHO SAY THEY WILL DIE RATHER THAN YIELD.

Kingston, Jamaica, May 16.—A New Yorker who owns the large Santa Clara plantation, near Cienfuegos, has just arrived here. He says:

"The ignorance of the Spanish officers will force thousands of men to needless death. I have talked with many officers and men, and all stand doggedly determined to die to a man rather than yield even to overwhelming force. They declare that they will die on the island if they must, but will never leave Cuba, even though the Madrid Government should order them to do so.

"This is a foolish decision for this century, but it is not bluster. They will fight terribly, but not intelligently. It is a mistake to think that the Spanish troops are underfed. They have plenty of food. A commanding officer told me that Spain was preparing to send a number of supply ships to the island, and that the Cadiz fleet was waiting to convey them.

"The action of the American government in declaring war against Spain has increased the forces of the insurgents, of whom, however, there is not a large number, by inspiring them and attracting to the field men who are unable to support their families on $16 silver a month, which is all they can get."

The Ruling Power.

Baron Rothschild said to Lord Salisbury in 1896: "This century will not close before we shall have a general reorganization of international relations throughout the world, and alliances and combinations, on new lines to meet conditions which have long been changing silently and slowly and have now reached the stage where the bud must burst into flower." Yes, "silently and slowly" the veteran usurer has been getting in his work, and even when the Greek fleet was not permitted to do battle in the Turko-Grecian war, the people continued to sleep and were unable to see the controlling hand. So now, also, they are unwilling to believe that in the war between Spain and the United States the destinies of nations is being determined by a power greater than the combined power of the nations themselves. Cuban bonds are owned by Rothschild, and the United States is more able to redeem them now than Spain.—*Citizen and Country.*

The Baker Millions.

HAMILTON, Ont., May 20—In reference to the report of a few days since to the effect that John Ira Flatt, of Hamilton, ex-M. P. P. for North Wentworth, was one of the heirs to the millions of the late Jacob L. Baker, of revolutionary fame, who had a mint of money on deposit at the Bank of British North America in Philadelphia, and also owned valuable property there, the bankers sent out a circular to the numerous claimants which read:

"The Bank of British North America, Philadelphia, hereby gives notice both to the general public and the very numerous so-called heirs of the estate of one Jacob Baker of revolutionary fame, whose letters of enquiry are being daily received, that it has no knowledge of Mr. Baker or of his wonderful possessions or his business connection with the bank at any previous period of its history."

Eleven Lives Lost.

THE DEADLY TORNADO AND CYCLONE.

Rockford, Ills, May 19.—Eleven people are known to be dead and two score badly injured as a result of a destructive cyclone which swept over Ogle county last evening. The storm came from the north west and was from 300 to 400 feet wide. It levelled everything in its path, demolishing hundreds of farm houses and barns and killing much live stock. The storm was the severest at Stillman village, where it wrecked fifteen buildings, two churches and a depot. Great damage was also done at Adeline, many buildings being razed. The railroads report many washouts. Telegraph and telephone wires were badly affected.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

The exports from S. Joan last month were valued at about $5,000,000.

Twenty-seven men were killed on the Spanish side at the bombardment of San Juan.

Only 70,000 of the 125,000 volunteers asked for by President McKinley have been enrolled.

The Jamaica legislature has authorized the expenditure of £35,000 on the defences of the island.

Three Klondikers were killed in a snow slide on the Valdez Glacier, on May 1st, and several others are missing.

Remenyi, the eminent violinist dropped dead while playing at a concert in San Francisco on Sunday afternoon.

General Garcia, the second in command of the Cuban insurgents, has a son attending the Sackville N. B., Academy.

A tornado in Clinton and Jackson counties, Iowa, caused the loss of a score of lives and immense damage to property.

Within a fortnight, one hundred thousand tons of coal and large quantities of ammunition have been landed at Gibraltar.

Lord Salisbury is reported to be in a very weak condition and a breakdown, if he continues his present work, is almost certain.

Governor-General Augustus of Manila says he will distribute every rifle and cartridge he possesses and defend the city to the last.

The Newfoundland government is taking steps to prevent the Spanish Cadiz squadron from getting coal in Newfoundland waters.

Edward Bellamy, author of "Looking Backward," "Equality," etc., died at his home in Chicopee Falls, Mass., on the 22nd.

William J. Bryan is to organize a third regiment of Nebraska volunteers to tender their services to the president as soon as mustered.

Contracts have been let for the construction of a railroad from Skaguay to Lake Bennett, via the White Pass. It is said that work will begin at once.

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Mr. Wm. Johnson, of Belleville, Ont., has been selected to represent Canada at the World's Sunday-school Convention at London, Eng., on July 11th to 16th.

The first American relief expedition left San Francisco last week for Manila. It is the intention of the government to send at least 15,000 soldiers to co-operate with Dewey.

The Kingston, Ont., Board of Education has adopted progressive ideas in regard to cheap school books. Each pupil will be supplied with an outfit of books at a small yearly fee.

The Quebec harbor commissioners have decided to take proceedings against the pilots who were in charge of the steamers Labrador and Parisian on their outward trip May 14th for racing.

Gen. Carvell, St. John, has been temporarily reinstated by the National Trotting Association on payment of all fines and penalties against him. Carvell will pay the fines at once.

"Kid" McCoy got a decision over Rublin in the twentieth round of a light at Syracuse, N. Y., last Saturday after a spirited contest, in which both men showed remarkable fistic cleverness.

A terrible cyclone has destroyed a great part of Bima, a seaport town of the Island of Sumbawa, Mala Archipelago. The shores of Sumbawa Bay are covered with the bodies of thousands of victims.

The Spanish government, it is said, has received a despatch from Havana saying that the rebels have pronounced for Spain and are now making common cause with the Spaniards to defeat the Americans.

James Hamel, of Shediac, N. B., was arrested last week for the murder of his brother, Owen Hammel, in November last. Deceased, aged forty-five, was found dead in a box car on a wharf used for a coal shed.

Japan intends to protest vigorously against America seizing the Philippines. She has already sought the assistance of Russia, and conferences are occurring between the Japanese ambassador and the Russian foreign minister.

Orders for four boats for the new fast Atlantic steamship line have been placed with R. and W. Hawthorne, Leslie & Co., Helburn-on Tyne. When completed these will be the largest and fastest passenger vessels ever built on the Tyne.

St. John despatches state that when Admiral Dewey wanted coal for his fleet at Manila he didn't stand on ceremony, but helped himself to the cargoes of the St. John ships J. V. Troop and Honolulu, and also from a Yarmouth vessel.

A deputation representing the cigar manufacturers of Canada, waited on the Government at Ottawa on the 19th, to ask a rebate of 10c. per pound on all cuttings when exported from cigar factories where solely foreign leaf tobacco is used.

It is understood Jordan & Marsh, the big department store firm in Boston, have discharged over three hundred clerks on account of the slack business. White's big store also has discharged a regiment of clerks for the same reason. Hundreds of Nova Scotians will return home for the summer on account of the slackness in business, caused by the war.

The Cost of News.

It is doubtful if the great newspapers in New York, London and Paris make any more money in war time, than they do in the "piping time of peace." The regular tariff of cable from Manila to New York is $2.45 for every word. Thus for 1500 words which with head lines would fill an ordinary newspaper column $3675 would have to be paid. From St. Vincent in the Cape Verde Islands, the tariff is $5.59 per word, or $8,500 for a newspaper column. Some of the great newspapers publish at this time from ten to thirty columns of despatches from all quarters of the world, every day, costing all the way from one dollar to twenty dollars per word. The *Boston Herald* and *New York Herald* received their special despatches in condition and divide the expense and a similar course is pursued by others among the great dailies. The cost of the Associated Press despatches is paid by its patrons all over the country. It is probable that since the Spanish—American war broke out hundreds of thousands of dollars have been paid for news daily by the Associated Press and the great newspapers of the United States and this country.—*St. John Gazette.*

Canada's Next Governor-General.

Earl of Selborne and the Earl of Hopetoun, whose names are given as possible successors to Lord Aberdeen, are men under forty and both have received much practical training in office. Both are also happy in possessing wives, admirably adapted. Lady Selborne, a daughter of Lord Salisbury, inherits the gifts which have passed down to the members of the house of Cecil since the day of Queen Elizabeth. Lady Hopetoun, a daughter of Lord Ventry, has already wielded the vice regal scepter during Lord Hopetoun's term of office as governor of Victoria, Australia.

Russia and the Philipines.

St. Petersburg, May 20.—The public and the press here are evincing great interest in the future of the Philipine Islands. Much hostility is manifested towards any scheme by which the United States, Great Britain or Germany, individually or jointly, are to retain possession of the islands and some of the newspapers urge the Russian government to endeavor to obtain from Spain a lease of some of the Philipines in order that they may serve as a Russian food supply in the Pacific.

It is reported that the British government proposes before long to fortify Sydney and Louisburg harbors. Should hostilities occur between Great Britain and France, these two places being two very important coaling stations, would probably come in for a fair share of powder and shot—*North Sydney Herald.*

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'Mid The Welsh Hills.

HAWARDEN.

By J. R. E.

It was in the lovely spring time of England and Wales—the month of May—when we first visited Hawarden. That time when:

"The dells are rich with primroses,
The leas are white with snow of daisies."

Then, again in the early days of June, when "the air is fair and faint with the wealth of the rose," we had our first fair glimpses of this delightful home of the "Grand old Man" of England's palmy days of the Victorian era. It was only in this following springtime that he was taken away to the more beautiful land of gracious promise to those who have so well earned their rest.

Hawarden is prettily situated upon the first forming of the higher grades which gradually rise to the wild, wild Welsh Hills. Below, and to the northward flows the river Dee, and lie the rich meadows and grassy lands by its side.

From the walls of the historic old city of Chester, a wide, interesting and pleasing view is obtained of this delightful country—the river Dee leisurely winding towards its broad estuary, and the Irish Sea, which is plainly seen in the mellow distance: the meadows and lowlands, rich with vegetation; and here and there the cluster of smoking chimneys by the waterside; rising back, the tree-clad hills, where rests the village of Hawarden, and away beyond the wild, wild hills of bonny, bonny Wales.

It was by the rail which carries you past the fields and sheep flocks, 'mid the acres of daisies, that we glided down by the Dee, and then in toward this cheery and famous but now mourning Welsh town. Rising, 'mid the hills and vales and blossoming trees and hedges, and richly appointed homes and by an excellent roadway, we were indeed there.

We like Hawarden—its clean, well kept streets, its comfortable looking and neat homes, its air of quiet, thoughtful ways. It has its library and reading room, its lecture hall, and its bath and game rooms. Of the interesting things shown the visitor is the old cottage, once the home of Lady Hamilton; another, an attempt at Grecian architecture—the old House of Correction.

But, next in interest to the castle and its occupants is the parish church. Upon the brow of the hill upon which rests the castle is the quaint old church, having a history beginning in the 13th century. In 1857 it was badly injured by fire, but was restored by Sir Gilbert Scott, at a cost of many thousands of pounds. Its tower and chancel are embattled, and being low have a massive and durable appearance. For more than half a century Mr. Gladstone was its most constant and liberal supporter. His son, Rev. Stephen Gladstone, has for a space been rector of Hawarden. It was in this church that the late Archbishop of Canterbury died, while assisting at a service, little more than a year ago.

From the church we look for our entrance to the Park. We missed the main entrance and went down by the private way. One of the sons of Gladstone was passing in. We were granted the privileges of visitors, and entered with him. An American gentleman and lady asked for the same privilege, and received it.

We were down at the bed of the vale, and by the stream which runs the length of the park. On the one side, to the left, is the ridge on which rests the castle; on the right is another hill slope, and dotted over all are the grand trees, thick upon the whole 250 acres. We gathered blossoms from the lordly beeches—Gladstone's favorite trees. Truly these are magnificent types; they seem to speak their desire to extend their bounds, and though old, retain their vigor like their owner, who has only just succumbed. The coming Gladstones will surely prize these trees, that have seen their grand old sire a youth in their mature years, and were vigorous when he had passed away.

We saw, lying about, the trees felled by the venerable old statesman. Let them lie and decay and be a reminder to all who pass how transitory, at best, is all we have to do with here.

The leas and the slopes were indeed white as snow with the blossoming daisies. Their little short season of beauty is soon, too, a thing of the past. A mower was cutting grass across the gravel roadway opposite the castle. We had a talk with the man of labor. He told us much of the occupants of the castle, and evinced a great respect for the great statesman and his devoted wife.

Lying before us now, as we write, is a picture of the modern castle and its garden, in which Mr. Gladstone was stooping down to assist a little grandchild with its flowers. We in this see how it was that he should have sent us a note of thanks for our communication and little gift of our work. We mention this in pain and humility and not as once we thought. And now we reverence his memory, once we only admired it.

The new castle of Hawarden is a comely, well-kept, modern looking mansion of the Tudor style, though it has a great many embattled turrets and towers. In the front is a garden of flowers, with well trimmed lawns about.

The old castle is upon an elevation farther up, and about fifty rods away, commanding a fine view of the country below and about the park. This was once a stronghold of Prince Llewellyn. Then it became the property of the Stanley family. The Earl of Derby was executed, and then it came by purchase to Sergeant Glynne, who was made by Oliver Cromwell, Lord Chief Justice. Mrs. Gladstone was Margaret Glynne, a descendant, and by whom came Hawarden and its ancient castle.

In the days of the Welsh princes it was an embattled fortress of great strength, now its ivy clad towers peacefully stand sentry over the generations which come and go. Once it was defended by a broad deep fosse, now it is but a delightful wooded ravine. A drawbridge once conveyed hurrying warriors to and fro; now the beautiful ivy twists and twirls about it, year after year, and never a visible action breaks a thread—and so may it do through many coming generations of Gladstones—worthy men—noble examples for us of weaker fibre.

The Russian ambassador in London has been directed to demand from Lord Salisbury, it is reported, an explanation of Mr. Chamberlain's assertion that Russia is ineligible for an alliance because of her perfidy.

GENTLEMEN,—While driving down a very steep hill last August my horse stumbled and fell, cutting himself fearfully about the head and body. I used Minard's Liniment freely on him and in a few days he was as well as ever.

J. B. A. BEAUCHEMIN.

Sherbrook.

Church Services, Sunday, May 29th.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—Rev. F. P. Greatorex, Rector. In St. James', Bridgetown: Sunday-school at 2; Evening Prayer and Sermon at 7.30. On Wenesday, Service at 7.30. In St. Mary's, Belleisle: Service with celebration of Holy Communion at 10.30. Service on Thursday at 7.30. Service on Sunday at Young's Cove at 2.30. All seats free.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. F. M. Young, Pastor. Bridgetown: Bible Class and Sabbath-school, 10 a.m.; Preaching Service at 11 a.m.; Evangelistic service 7.30 p.m. B.Y.P.U. Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. General social service Friday evening at 7.30. Service at Centreville on Sunday afternoon.

PROVIDENCE METHODIST CHURCH.—Rev. J. Strothard, pastor; A. S. Tuttle, assistant pastor. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; Sunday-school at 2 p.m. General Class every Monday evening at 7.30; Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 7.30; Epworth League every Friday evening at 7.30. All are cordially invited.

Granville: Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., alternately. Prayer meeting every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.

Bentville: Preaching every Sabbath at 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., alternately. Epworth League on Tuesday and prayer meeting on Thursday at 7.30 p. m.

Mountain Mission: Preaching fortnightly, Durling's Lake at 10.30 a.m., Hill at 2.30 p.m.

ROUND HILL.—G. J. Coulter White, pastor. Preaching service on the 1st Sunday of the month at 11 a.m., and on other Sundays at 7 p.m. Prayer-meeting Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday-school after morning service, other Sundays at 2.30 p.m.

LAWRENCETOWN CIRCUIT.

METHODIST CHURCH.—REV. J. H. TOOLE, Pastor. Preaching service at Lawrencetown at 11 a.m.; Mt. Hope at 3 p.m.; Inglisville at 7 p.m. Epworth League at Port George on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock, and at Lawrencetown on Friday evening at the same hour. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

Deaths.

CROSCUP.—At Karsdale, May 22nd, of appendicitis, James, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Croscup, aged 13 years.

FOSTER.—At Clarence, May 17th, after three days' illness of perlionitis, May Cleaveland, only daughter of Norman B. and Agnes A. Foster, aged 10 years and 10 months.

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