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HALIFAX PRESS RUINING NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAXIANS recently returned from New York declare that the reputation of the port has been greatly injured by the sensational reports of the alleged dangers of the harbour telegraphed to American papers in connection with the wreck of the Daniel Steinman.

—Halifax Herald.

We are pleased to see that at last Halifax papers are beginning to see the incalculable amount of harm they have all along been doing to this province. The case referred to above is only a mere speck as compared with what has been done in the past. All are now coming to the conclusion that Halifax as a port has been greatly injured by the reports of the state of the coast of Nova Scotia. But do they realize or can they ever wipe out the great blots they have cast upon this beautiful and fruitful province while carrying out their own distorted political ideas. They as party representatives say they are aiming for the advancement of the country, but who can see it in items like "complete failure of crops here due to the N. P." or "not a building has gone up in Halifax this year," etc. etc. These are not quotations but are poor imitations of the distorted style of stuff that has been placed before Nova Scotians since they were large enough to read. The consequence is plainly seen in the numbers who are daily driven out of the country.

Do you suppose that if you were to tell a man that his farm, even though better situated, was not as good as his neighbor's, that his neighbor only had to throw the potatoes on the ground and never again touch them till time to gather them, that the store he bought from was higher than his neighbor's store, we say if you told him all this and proved it to him day after day by a mass of confusing figures (mostly lies) would it not be natural for him to want a change, even though the real truth was that while he lay in bed his neighbor was out hoeing. While he

left his implements to rust out his neighbor preserved his and wore them out. That the difference was largely a question of laziness and ignorance versus industry and scientific knowledge.

And that is just the whole trouble. The Halifax papers tell our young men that while they have to toil and labor with very small results, out somewhere in the Northwest or the United States men are coining money by working half as hard. Just think who the persons are who are leaving Nova Scotia and see if you can find among them even a small percentage of those who have worked their farms as they should be worked and have thereby in the great majority of cases where they have not become rich, at least made a good, aye even what might be called a luxurious living. On the other hand you will find that the advocates of the plan of letting the crops sow, hoe and gather themselves, in a large part compose the exodus to a land where grows grapes on thorns and figs on thistles. In a great many instances they even there gather the thorns and thistles and after a hard summer's work in "Boston on a farm" getting two to three dollars per day and paying nine tenths of that for living they come home to live on the "old man" for the winter.

And this can be traced almost directly in the first place to the influence of our papers crying down our country. We do wish the Halifax Press would try to get some life into their own city in place of trying to spoil all the rest of our noble province.

A Moncton correspondent to the Post says:

"The mud is now in depth and quantity enough to submerge anything from the small boy to the Weldon House coach. The tax-payers are enquiring where is the \$2,500.00 worth of gravel that the street committee put in last fall."

Wolfville is away ahead of Moncton in this matter. Our rate-payers know exactly where all the stuff is that the street commissioners put in last year. In fact it is supposed that several small boys, some of the evidence of the Fergery Case, a prominent medicine man, and the Cemetery trustees have all been lost in the mud of this village this spring, as the boys did not get to school for some days, and the evidence, the medicine man, and the trustees cannot be found at all.

We received this week a copy of the Golden Argosy, a boys' paper, published in New York. It seems to have the right style about it, ranking with such papers as the 'Youth's Companion,' 'Harper's Young People,' 'St. Nicholas,'

'Wide Awake,' etc., etc. The New York World in speaking of it says, "The Golden Argosy is as far removed from the prosy inanity of Sunday School Literature as it is from the demoralizing sensationalism of the half dime dreadfuls."

We also received this week a copy of the Chiegnecto Post of which Mr. E. Woodworth formerly of the Kentville Bulldozer is Editor. It was a sorry day for the Bulldozer when Mr. W. left it and every issue of that paper shows the great loss it sustained.

The Post is a live paper and will rank favorably with any of our maritime papers.

A murder was committed at Calgary N. W. T. on Feb. 8th and in Fifty days the murderer was tried, condemned and hanged. Here with our higher civilization and knowledge of the law he would probably have died of old age before his preliminary examination was completed. There is a large field for Missionaries in the Northwest.

We wonder if it would not have been more to the purpose if our Dominion representative had worked harder for that wharf grant, and left Blake and the Orange question alone. It may be good fun to check Mr. Blake but we will venture the opinion that our people are vastly more interested in having a good pier at the mouth of the creek.

The Halifax Herald will oblige by giving us credit for any items it may appropriate from our columns in the future.

We see by the Bulldozer that a man by the name of Albert Trenholm has been committing forgery. Who is he?

CRICKET.

A number of the young men of Wolfville met on Tuesday evening and formally reorganized the Wolfville Cricket Club. There is a sum of money due to the old club for sale of implements which will be forthcoming, and so the club starts on a good financial basis. The following officers were elected for the season:—

President—F. L. Brown, Sec'y—A. M. Hoare, Treas.—G. W. Munro. The office of Field Capt. to be filled after the club gets to work. The following are enrolled as members thus far:—

F. L. Brown, Geo. W. Munro, E. G. Woodworth, D. R. Munro, Winfield Wallace, C. A. Patriquin, J. E. Farrell, Walter S. Evans, B. O. Davison, A. M. Hoare.

The club will hold their next business meeting on Thursday evening May 1st. A new set of implements has been ordered and will probably be here by next night of meeting.

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