wild roses on one end and pansies on the other. Trailing arbutus, buttorcups, apple blossoms, violets, forns, grasses and autumn leaves are all pretty designs.

Boston.

Yours affectionately,

ELEANOR WYNNE.

THE REESOR VENTILATOR.

To the Editor of the Critic :--

Sin,-There is an "editorial note" in your last issue upon "a new method for ventilating reilway carrisges," which calls to my mind an enquiry which you, or some of your correspondents, may be able to answer.

As long ago as in 1858, I, in travelling through the (now) Province of Ontario, found myself in a train, the passenger cats of which were provided with what was then known as the "Reesor Patont Ventilator," it having been invented by one Mr. Reesor, Sheriff—if I mistake not—of one of the Midland Counties. In its effects this ventilator seemed to me to be perfect. Where used there was not a particle of dust perceptible, and the cir was continuously swept over by a delicious breeze, the level of the current being reised or lowered at pleasure. The more thoroughly the car windows and doors were kept closed, the stronger and steadier was this fresh air cur rent. It seemed to me a delightful arrangement. I would have naturally supposed that no passenger car would be launched upon the rails without this ventilator—that it would be considered by the travelling public as utterly indispensable. Thirty-two years have since passed, but, strange to say, I have never seen, I have never to my recollection heard of, a "Reesor Ventilator" since that one cccasion. Can you, or any reader of THE CRITIC, inform me why this is thus—why the "Reesor Patent Ventilator" is not now used. Provide the area of your of the set of the current of the set of the current Provided the set of the set o

INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

A Press reporter who visited the scene of the late disastrous fire at Messis. Robb & Sons foundry was surprised to find the boiler shop humming and full of activity. The steam hammer has been got in place, forges have been put up and the cupola has been taken down ready for removing to its place in the new foundry. The contract for the new temporary foundry and machine shop was let on Monday forenoon, and the timber and lumber is being put on the ground and the work of framing being gone forward with, as the work of clearing away has been already done. The Messrs. Robb will be caeting and have all their machine tools running within a week or two.

be casting and have all their machine tools running within a week or two. The work of picking over the stoves is being actively and carefully done, so that with what can be got out unbroken, together with those that can be completed with new pieces, the firm hope to be able to fill all orders that are sent in. Although a number of complete sets of patterns have been destroyed, the firm have been able to get together the sets of some of their most valuable stoves, which, with patterns that can be easily replaced, and put in sand in a very short time, will enable them to give their customers a variety of stoves as large and attractive as many of the stove foundries now running The firm have not decided as yet whether they will rebuild on the same lot as before or not, as they have in view the building of most of their works without an upper flat, this being the latest approved style.

It is very cheering to the firm to be getting inquiries from different parts of the provinces for boilers, and they say that they can handle all orders for engines and boilers without delay, also that they feel encouraged as they remember that they can supply all orders for steel furnaces, and some sizes, possibly all, of the coal farn ces. The firm have just received the sample of a new special steam pump which they are offering the trade. They state that they have made arrangements to supply promptly all kinds of planers and band saw, as well as the barber turbine wheels, the sample of which was saved from the fire, also church, fire and school bells of all sizes. The firm has now communced making the diamond crossing for the Ship Rai¹ may where it crosses the I. C. R.

The Burrell-Johnston Iron Co, Yarmouth, N. S. are employing their us ual force of workmen, and have just completed 4 turn tables for the Digby and Annapolis Reilway, and have during the past year made for the some road 200 tons or more of castings, as well as supplying the contractors, Messrs. O'Neil and Campbell, with a large amount of machinery, rock breakers, steam engines, etc. They busy chielly with their specialties, marine machinery, mill and mining machinery and steam pumps of all kinds. In the steam pump line they are prepared to compete with the world and arc con tantly turning out large number of pumps, comprising air and circulating pumps for steam boats, electric light stations etc., as well as steam pumps for all kinds of use. They are the owners of the celebrated "Patten" valve motion for Canada, a valve motion that has always given satisfaction on all the steam pumps it has been applied to. They also make a large line of crank and thy wheel steam pumps. They are always busy, and always ready to undertake any thing in their line and guarantee prompt delivery.

This is really the best season of the year for the exterior painting of houses, and although Halifax is fast improving in this respect, it would liven the city up immensely were more citizens to have their premises made neat and attractive by paint artistically applied. We are led to make these remarks in colling attention to the advortisement of Mr. David Roche, the well known house, ship and ornamental painter, as if any one can by magic change delapidated ruins into handsome stores and residences it is he. He has also a large stock of Euglish and American paper hangings and decorations and skilled mechanics to put them up. Mr. Roche's mein business stand is at 234 and 236 Argyle Street, but he also has a branch establishment at 15 Barrington Street.

