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THE MINISTER'S OATH.

BY JULIAN HAWTHORNE.

CHAPTER III.—(*Continued.*)

He did not stop to think or to regret. The Rev. Mr. Morley was a madman, but that did not prevent him from carrying out the purpose which had made him mad. He stooped forward to lay hold of his little daughter. She thought he meant to play with her, and tumbled about so as to elude his grasp. It was some moments before he could get his hands upon her and raise her from the bed.

As he held her in his arms, hesitating how to begin his work, his wild eyes, wandering uncertainly hither and thither, suddenly fastened upon Sallie's face. She, so far from appreciating the gravity of the situation, straightway initiated a game of peep-bo, by holding up her small, blood-stained hands, and peeping coquettishly at the haggard minister between her fat little fingers, at the same time laughing with a bewitching tinkle.

The madman's gaze softened and wavered. He looken around him with a helpless, pleading, distraught air; what was he here for? what had happened? All was forgetfulness, uncertainty, mystification. How did he come here alone at this time of night, with Sallie in his arms? Was it not long after the time his child should be in bed and asleep? Why, he was tired himself—weary almost to death; and to-morrow was Sunday, too, when he must preach a sermon on sudden death. Oh, he must sleep—sleep at once and soundly, or he would be in no condition to fulfil the duties of his parish.

So he was found the next morning, plungled in heavy, brainless slumber, by the side of his dead wife and little Sallie, who had cried herself to sleep, was lying with her curly head pillowed on his arm.

CHAPTER IV.

The tragedy in the Rev. Mr. Morley's household was followed by his long illness, during which he trembled on the verge of utter intellectual death. Indeed, such an illness might have been expected even without the crisis which immediately compelled it. His whole life, since the night he took the oath, had been an unnatural and morally unhealthy one. Human and divine love had been at continval war within him, and he had beheld the demoralizing spectacle of the divine continually worsted in the struggle. To one of such exceptional fineness and delicacy of feeling as he, nothing could be more destructive of all balance and proportion. Meanwhile with the instinctive and incredible self-righteousness of the moral wrong-doer, he had been waging a simultaneous subordinate battle against the conscience which pointed out, with grim peristence, how fatal to the welfare of his soul was any conflict of the kind. The integrity, purity, and truth of the minister's nature were deeply compromised, the corruption having eaten into the very weapons and armor with which alone he could have hoped to keep corruption away. So when the crisis came it found him more than ripe to fall.

In the course of a few months, however, Mr. Morley recovered his health—thanks to the skill of his physician: that is, a creature wearing the outward appearance of the minister continued to have his being in the parsonage. This creature could eat and sleep; and at other times sit stolidly in his chair, looking before him with dull eyes, or mumbling unintelligibly to himself; or, if addressed, would pause, and ponder, and answer at random, with a foolish smile, or else with exaggerated solemnity and seeming-wise, unmeaning jargon. From a scholar of high culture and trenchant intellect, he had been transformed to something far below the innocent child which played about the floor at his feet. From the position of leader and director of all that was highest and best in the minds around him, he had fallen to be at the mercy of the most ignorant laborer.

Where does the soul of the insane find a resting-place? Not, surely, within the wreck of that fair instrument upon which it has been used to play such matchless harmonies. The soul informs its house, and can endure neither lack nor superfluity. If it may not fill every chamber and gallery—no less and no more—it must seek some other than a mortal dwelling-place. It goes, and leaves the ruined house to whatever sullen or mischievous spirits may choose to hold their wild and godless revels in it. It goes, and sits apart; yet ever and anon, perchance, turns sad and regretful eyes toward its former home, remembering the past, and musing what the future may contain

Doubtless the beclouding of Mr. Morley's intellect may have been a mercy to him. He could never know the calamities which lay in wait to crush him. It almost seemed, sometmes, as if he had a dim feeling that reason would be no true friend to him; he always and obstinately resisted all exercises or methods calculated to improve his condition in respect of intellectual power. The only avenue of approach to him was that of the affections; and the only person who could tread it was his little daughter Sallie. He worshipped her with the intelligence and devotion of an animal supplemented by an evanescent something, scarcely to be perceived, and yet of infinite fnaport, as being the last trace of that pure and holy sentiment, the one which lingers longest about the ruins of mind and heart—the love of a parent toward its child.

Meanwhile the years passed on, and Sallie was growing far into girlhood. She was brought up at home, under the charge of a maiden aunt—one of those estimable individuals who are created for and appear in only such emergencies—a lady whose breadth of person was only equalled by that of her mind and affections. It was always a marvel to those who listened to her sometimes interrupted but never-ended discourses, that they should contain so disproportional an amount of sound and entertaining matter; and how she found opportunity, while pouring forth this continual chaos of wisdom and information, to accomplish the work of several times her own bulk of ordinary men and women, was a greater marvel still.

This lady and the physician, who had taken a house next door, were about the only intimates of the whilom minister and his daughter. The physician had come to Northcote only the day before the tragical occurrence, and Mr. Clarke had he had at once presented himself at the parsonage, and taken upon himself the care of the shattered husband. Ever since then he had been unremitting in his attendance, and had done all that science could do to make existence easy for him. It was no holiday task, certainly, and yet, with the physician, it was a labor of love; he would hear of no material recompense, and, if pressed, would turn away, and color, and mutter something about a debt which nothing lie might do could cancel. These debts are delicate matters, and there is very apt to be something noble and touching connected with them. It is not well to pry too deeply into them, however, lest we light upon some sad, nameless grave, where Hope and Opportunity died in each other's arms.

The physician was likewise a widower; but he had a son, some two years or so older than Sallie, who, from being her childish playmate and slave, grew up to be her slave and boyish adorer. It would be an interesting study to trace this acquaintance through all the varying lights and shadows which successive years cast upon it. Child love is a subject of surpassing psychological interest, and has never yet received proper attention and treatment. It is common to call it unimportant, and laugh at it as fleeting; but it contains all the elements which distinguish the love of mankind from that of animals, and probably comes as near the ideal love we may expect to meet with in a happier world as any thing can.

(*To be Concluded.*)

Nine Thousand People in a Religious Folks!

TWENTY VILLAGES DANCING TO A SAINT'S SHRINE.

At Echternach, in Luxemburg, every Whit-Tuesday, a singular religious ceremonial takes place, consisting of a procession of some thousands of invalids and their friends who make a pilgrimage to the shrine of St. Willibred, in the hope of obtaining relief from their afflictions. This year the procession numbered about 9,000, mostly invalids. The others joined in the ceremonies in behalf of relatives too ill to make the pilgrimage themselves. About twenty villages were represented, and the procession entered the town about nine o'clock in the forenoon. First came the priests headed by banners, with several hundred men in blouses chanting. Then followed the great body of the pilgrims, four or five abreast, either holding hands or holding on to handkerchiefs, sticks and umbrellas to preserve their lines. But the most curious feature of this ceremony consisted in the peculiar manner in which the multitude advanced. Instead of marching in the ordinary way, they moved with a kind of polka step, four forward and three back. This was sometimes modified by the necessity of gaining ground or marking time. In effecting the last-named movement, they danced slowly, occasionally turning themselves round, when the effect was something like that of a Scotch reel. The procession was interspersed with bands of the most motley description, but all played the same air of four bars, incessantly repeated. The whole was brought up by a dense crowd, half chanting, half repeating a short prayer in German. The pilgrims proceeded through the town to the church, where they ascended a steep flight of steps, and entering the building passed round the shrine of the saint and into the street again, keeping up the dancing step all the while. The procession has taken place every year, except for a short period, during which it was supposed, since the death of St. Willibred, who, according to local tradition, was an Irishman, and the first preacher of Christianity in the Eifm and its neighborhood.

The Daily Tribune.

ST. JOHN, N. B., JUNE 29, 1872.

☞ The DAILY TRIBUNE will not be issued Dominion Day, Monday.

Election Prospects in the Upper Provinces.

Both sides appear to be working vigorously in Ontario and Quebec. In Montreal City, each of the divisions will be contested by the "Liberals," or Oppositionists. Sir George E. Cartier will be opposed by a Mr. Jette; and Mr. Penny of the *Herald*, and Mr. Cassidy, at present M. P. P., will offer for the other divisions in the same interest. Mr. Barney Devlin's name is also mentioned on the same side. The Montreal Opposition men hope to advance their interests by a Banquet to Messrs. Holton and Dorion. It will be attended by Messrs. McKenzie, Blake and other Opposition leaders and will, no doubt, be a big affair. It comes off on the 3rd July. Mr. Holton offers again for Chateaugay and Mr. G. W. Stephens, a Liberal and a capitalist of Montreal, opposes Mr. Carter, who was returned recently in Judge Dunkin's constituency. Nearly every constituency in Lower Canada will be contested vigorously, and the election will probably be one of the most fiercely fought in the history of Canada. The Toronto *Globe* sees in the condition of things much to gratify the Opposition, but persons less prejudiced are of opinion that the Government will carry two-thirds of the seats in Quebec.

In Ontario, the fight is opening with great activity. Conventions and political assemblages of one sort or other are being held daily, and a huge demonstration on the Government side is expected to take place in Peterborough on the 9th July, when Sir John A. Macdonald and some of his colleagues will be *feted* and address the country at large on public affairs. The *Peterborough Review* says of it:—

The universal interest manifested in the approaching visit justifies us in promising our friends throughout the country that it will be one of the greatest, if not the greatest demonstration of the kind which has ever taken place in this county and perhaps in the Province. The gentlemen who are taking an active part in the matter, are not only located in every part of the country, but are determined to make it a success in every respect. Under the circumstances we know that it is quite unnecessary for us to remind the people that they had better make no arrangements which will interfere with the 9th of July.

As we have frequently quoted from the Government Press in reference to political affairs in Ontario, it may not be out of place to republish what the Toronto *Globe* has to say in reference to Grit prospects:—

Sir John A. Macdonald's special organ, vainly attempting to raise the spirits of his followers, has declared that the Reformers throughout the country have shrunk from the contest which their opponents. It is said that Mr. McKenzie was shrunk in North Norfolk; that other leading Reformers were actuated by similar fears. Dr. Clarke declined the contest very naturally, since he was already a member of the Local House, and his place was immediately taken by Mr. Charlton, a man not less popular nor less able, and who has every prospect of defeating Mr Walsh. Mr. McKeough has taken the field with a certain prospect of sending Mr. Rufus Stevenson to the right about Never was there more confidence of success on the part of Reform candidates and never, we are happy to say, more disposition to sacrifice personal interests in order to secure the triumph of Liberal principles On Saturday Mr. James Somerville was nominated for North Huron, and accepted the trust. For years the Reformers of Huron have endeavoured to secure his services, but hitherto without success. His nomination is a guarantee to all who know the circumstances that North Huron will be won. We are happy to announce also to day, that Mr. Bigger has accepted the nomination for East Northumberland, which is equivalent to saying that that county will be redeemed from the Reliteś. Every day in fact, brings its announcement of candidatures which show how thoroughly earnest, devoted, and unanimous are the Reformers of Ontario at the present moment. Not one single Reform member of the last House retires from the field because there is any danger of his defeat. A very few will not present themselves again on account of ill health, or their own business demanding their attention. All could have been re-elected if they had so desired.

If we look at the other side, however, we find a remarkable shrinking from the contest. Mr. Harrison retires from East Toronto. Mr. Dobbie retires from East Elgin. Mr. Crowell Wilson retires from East Middlesex. Mr. Ferguson retires from Cardwell. Mr. James Crawford retires from Brockville. Mr. John Crawford retires from South Leeds. Mr. Ault retires from Stormont. Mr. Charles Perry retires from East Peterboro.' Mr. Holmes retires from Carleton. Mr. Angus Morrison retires from Niagara. Mr Munroe retires from West Elgin. And there are at least ten others who are shivering on the brink, afraid to take the plunge

The ranks of the enemy are disarranged and disheartened. Let Reformers push on their columns, and a greater victory will be the result than has been achieved for many years.

Such a style of stating the case for and against the Grit Party might carry weight, if the *Globe* had not indulged in similar flights just previous to each of its most serious disasters. Nothing could exceed the shouts of exultation sent up by the Grit Press, about a month before the General Election just five years ago; and yet that election resulted in a Waterloo defeat for the *Globe* and its friends. The boastings of the present campaign bear too striking a resemblance to those which were then "all the rage" with the Grits to be accepted as strictly reliable

☞ A Montreal corespondent informs his paper in New York that the Canadian women spend most of their time mourning because they are so homely, and the men wear No. 12 shoes, cheap clothes, and spend their extra time cursing the Yankees.

☞ At Harvard commencement on Wednesday President Grant and Governor Washburn received the degree of L L. B.

The Hon. G. L. Hatheway is reported to-day much worse, inflamation having set in.

"Let us have Men to represent us."

[From the Moncton Times.]

We have looked with astonishment and pity on the men that have been selected by several constituencies to represent them at Ottawa during the past five years. They have given their annual attendance at the capital, and have drawn their pay, and what more can be said of them? Of what service have those men been to the Province or to the respective Counties which sent them? As to matters of national importance, it could not be supposed that they would aspire to enter upon their discussion, or even form in their minds an intelligible idea of their leading features; so far they have been mere cyphers. But in the circumscribed limits in which they might be supposed to act, we ask again,—What have they done? What honour have they conferred on New Brunswick, or what influence have they exercised for its weal? Who by their presence or discussions in Parliament has been induced to modify in the least the low impressions at first formed of the constituencies which elected them? We pause for an answer. We have suffered too much by trusting our interests in the hands of such political children. Let us have Men to represent us hereafter.

The past five years should have taught us all a lesson; and if we have learned it, let us take heed to the instruction. We have seen ambitious Ontario, not merely emulating to rise to the first rank in Provincial greatness, and to hold a corresponding influence in the councils of the nation, but assuming the less commendable attitude of flaunting her towering proportions as if to keep in awe the cringing sycophants of the east, and giving us to understand, as plainly as if expressed in words, that the dictatorship of the Dominion is her birthright, or will soon be hers by the fiat of a "manifest destiny." We have seen Quebec marshalling her forces with the imperious demand, that not even the most indisputable claims of New Brunswick shall be taken into consideration, unless our Local Legislature is first made subservient to her will and pleasure. More than this we have seen, and could urge, did our space permit, as good and substantial reasons why the Representatives of every constituency in New Brunswick should be "every inch a man,"—skilful to devise and strong to enforce such measures as will best conduce to our material prosperity and the maintenance of our provincial dignity, and a power to hold in check the unscrupulous demagogueism of the west. When the public lands of the Dominion are being dealt out in tens of millions of acres to promote great undertakings, and our anticipated revenues for long years to come pledged to carry out the same, the electors of every constituency in New Brunswick should feel that they have a man who can thoroughly comprehend the situation, and speak and act understandingly as the occasion may require. Let there be then no excuse offered for sending to Ottawa such a set of political dwarfs as a number of our Representatives for the past five years have been.

Fredericton's Taxes.

THE HEAVIEST TAX PAYERS IN "THE HEAVIEST TAXED CITY IN THE WORLD."

[From the Fredericton Reporter.]

An effort is being made by certain parties in Fredericton to quash the present city assessment, and to secure this object we understand they have retained a legal gentleman of high standing in the profession. They complain that the amounts assessed for two years past for the administration of justice have never been appropriated for that purpose, and they are this year re-assessed for an amount already paid. They complain also that no discrimination has been made between productive and non-productive real estate.

There is a point beyond which forbearance ceases to be a virtue, and we have certainly reached that point in Fredericton.

The following is a list of the heaviest tax payers:—

Allan, John C.	$146 00
Peoples Bank	885 36
Barker, Spafford	208 75
Beckwith, John A.	165 47
Botsford, George	118 27
Brayley, John W.	152 78
Central Fire Ins. Co.	512 12
Chestnut, Henry	139 64
Colter, Michael	134 35
Coy, John S. Estate	108 50
Edgecombe, John	161 49
Fenety, George E.	315 28
Fisher, Judge	252 68
Gas Company	206 32
Grieves, William	153 95
Hatt & Sons	127 23
Hogg, Thos. H.	130 19
Hunt, Geo. O. Jr.	113 30
Inches, Andrew	245 84
Jack, W. B.	158 15
Ketchum, H. G. C.	187 65
Minchin, G F. H.	341 46
McCarty, Timothy	189 42
McDonald, John	106 96
Nealis, Simon	112 78
Odell, W. H.	195 42
Odell, G. M.	123 37
Pickard, John	184 36
Quinn, W. H.	105 86
Randolph, A. F.	378 18
Robinson W. H.	224 14
Saunders, John S.	166 94
Temple, Thomas	540 26
Weldon, Judge	141 68
Wheeler, Wm.	166 42
Whitaker, Steven	118 44
Wilmot, Edward	128 10
Wilmot, L. A.	334 19

Sketch of the New Governor General Lord Dufferin.

His Excellency Frederick Temple Blackwood, K. P. K. C. B., Lord Dufferin and Clanboye, the new Governor General of the Dominion of Canada, in succession to the Right Honorable John Young, Lord Lisgar, arrived in Quebec on Tuesday, 25th inst. He was accompanied by Lady Dufferin and suite, and received by Sir Hastings Doyle, Sir John A. Macdonald and others. The new Governor General was sworn in at three o'clock in the afternoon the same day. His Lordship embarked at Londonderry, Ireland, and thus landed directly on the soil of the territory which the Queen of England has committed to his charge.

Lord Dufferin is the only son of the fourth peer of the title, by Helen Selina daughter of the late Thomas Sheridan, Esq. He was born in the year 1826, and succeeded to the peerage in 1841. He married, in the year 1862, Harriet Hamilton, daughter of the late Archibald Hamilton, Esq., of Killyleagh Castle, County Down, Ireland. He has served the English Government as Under Secretary at War, and was a Lord in Waiting on the Queen from 1849 to 1852, and again from 1854 to 1858. He was appointed Commissioner of the Crown in Syria in 1860, and Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in 1868. The new Governor General is an excellent scholar, an accomplished writer, and a humorist of quiet, but effective merit; the latter accomplishment coming naturally to him almost by inheritance, his mother being of the famous Sheridan family, and a sister of the Hon. Mrs. Norton, the best writer, perhaps, of humorous Irish songs of the present day. His Lordship has himself published a satire on high life, entitled, "Hon Impulsia Gashington," which would have done credit to the author of "Potiphar Papers." The story of his voyage to Iceland in 1859 is given in "Letters in High Latitudes," which is entertaining as a tale. There is evidently a happy humanity about the writer of the book, and a sympathetic charm, so that it is possible that many a fair reader has excused, if not envied, the old Norse landlady, who thought it necessary to see that the seeming youth in that cold region, as he himself tells us, "was properly cared for to the extent of tucking him in bed and kissing him as she would a baby." Through a perversity of fortune, or some lack of that pragmatic and self assertive habit of mind and temperament which seems to be a condition of political success in England, Lord Dufferin has seen himself outstripped in the race of Parliamentary and official life by many interior men. There was no present chance of the Cabinet opening its doors to receive him. The post to which he has just been appointed may amply gratify reasonable ambition, as it must certainly serve to compensate him for the many small efforts which have been made at different times to veil the eyes of his Sovereign against a true estimate of his full worth and official value to her service.

LOCALS.

"The Telegraph and Journal" will be issued on Monday as usual.

Mails for England via the United States will close at the Post Office every Monday morning at 7.30, leaving Boston per Cunard steamers on Tuesdays.

English Mail.

The English Mail per steamer "Peruvian" arrived here at 2 p. m, to day.

Three Trips a Week.

The steamers of the International Line on and after Monday the 1st inst., will make tri-weekly trips between this port, Eastport, Portland and Boston, leaving Reed's Point Wharf, Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at the usual hour.

Personal.

Hon. B. Beveridge, of Victoria, is at the Royal Hotel.

Prof. Selwyn, of Montreal was at the Victoria, last evening.

Hon. S. L. Tilley is sojourning at the Victoria.

J. W. Lanergan and Doctor Shirley France arrived in the "New York" yesterday.

O. D. Wetmore, M. G. W. P. of the National Division, S. of T of North America got home from Chicago yesterday.

Miss St. Clair who lectures next week on the Great North West, is at the International.

C W. Couldock the tragedian is in town. He opens at the Academy next week.

Steamers.

The "Commerce" left for Yarmouth yesterday afternoon.

Chalybeate.

It was after drinking some of his own soda and syrups, that Stewart, the Pharmacopolisticaloptic Pharmaceutist, composed those direful verses on "Chalybeate." There is only one bottle left now. See verses in advt columns.

Street Parade.

Stone & Murray's Circus Band, with a very handsome band chariot, and drawn by eighteen horses, paraded the streets this morning, followed by admiring crowds of youths.

Bank of New Brunswick,

The additions to the Bank of New Brunswick are going on quite rapidly now, and the employees of that prosperous institution will soon have more elbow room, to carry on its immensely increasing business.

Immigrants.

Thirty English immigrants, who came out in the *Peruvian* to Halifax, will arrive in the *Empress* this evening.

Duke Street Chapel.

Elder Garraty, having returned from the United States, will preach to-morrow, at 11 o'clock (D V.) Theme: "The Christian Soldier's Girdle. Evening: "The first Cross bearer after Jesus was a colored man. Seats all free.

Rev. Mr. Punshon.

The Rev. W. Morley Punshon lectured on the "Men of the Mayflower" in Halifax last evening.

Sunday Services.

The Rev. J. Edghill, Chaplin to the Forces, Halifax, will preach to-morrow, Sunday, at St. Paul's, Portland, at the morning and afternoon service—11 a. m. and 3.50 p. m.,—and at St. George's, Carleton, in the evening at 6.30. At the morning service at St. Paul's, the annual subscriptions to the Diocesan Church Society will be taken up.

Pitt Street Church.

There will be religious service held in the Pitt Street Baptist Church, conducted under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association, to-morrow, at 3 p. m. Seats free.

Disaster.

The steam dredge "New Dominion" broke one of her "spuds" on Thursday, and will not resume dredging at the Ferry floats till Tuesday next.

Union Sunday School Convention.

A convention of the Teachers of the Union Sunday Schools of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland is to be held at New Glasgow on the 19th, 20th and 22nd of July. The Committee have made arrangements with a number of prominent speakers who will give addresses during the convention. Arrangements have been made with the steamers and trains to convey delegates, from the different Sabbath Schools, at one fare.

Presbyterian Synod.

This Synod met in Poplar Grove Church on Tuesday evening. About 120 members were present. Rev. William Duff preached an able and appropriate sermon. Rev George Patterson was unanimously elected Moderator for the ensuing year. The Synod met again this forenoon. The attendance was considerably larger than last night. The whole attendance will be about 180—the largest ever held in the Maritime Provinces.—[Halifax Reporter.

Quick Despatch.

It takes five days for a money letter advice to reach St. John from Dorchester. The postmaster there wants stirring up with a long pole.

Academy of Music.

Miss Reignold's dramatization of "Pink and White Tyranny" was produced for her benefit at the Academy last night to a highly respectable and good sized audience. The drama is infinitely more attractive than the story, and was played so well that Miss Reignolds was called before the curtain three times. The afterpiece the "Four Sisters" was very amusing, Miss Reignolds, Mr. Norris and Mr. Owen taking the principal parts. To-night Miss Reignolds is the last she will ever play here, and it is to be hoped her brilliant talents will draw a good house. The pieces for this evening are "Richelieu at Sixteen" and the musical farce the "Bonnie Fishwife." A more than ordinary attractirn is offered in the Academy of Music for Monday evening July 1st. A Hymn set to music by Professor F. A. Muller, leader of the Orchestra adopted as a prayer for the welfare of the Dominion of Canada, will be produced with an accompaniment of twenty one instruments, comprising the Orchestra and the Carleton Serenade Band, which is now under the instruction of Professor Feeny will render service on this occasion.

Bishop's Opera House.

The Opera House had a crowded audience in every part last night, for the benefit of Hogan and Mudge, the lively song and dance men of that popular institution. They appeared in four pieces,—the first, "Riding in the Street Cars," displayed Hogan to great advantage, attired in a dress which was magnificently made, and must have been very costly, as the richest silks and laces constituted the get up. During the evening some fine dancing was displayed by the recipients of the benefit, and Hogan is about the best exponent of that kind of performance who has been here. The first piece on the programme, "More blunders than one," was rather long. Pete Lee's tamborine solo was excellent, but "Lively Skirmishes," by Lee and Roome, was decidedly vulgar. The St. John Gymnasts, Clifford, Hoyt, Berton and Patton, gave some daring exhibitions in gymnastic skill on the magic ladders. Jerry Cohan appeared for the first time, and made a good impression. There will be a Matinee this afternoon, and a good bill this evening.

Stone & Murray's Circus.

Mr. John H. Murray will give two exhibitions to-day at the Ballast Wharf commencing at 2.30 p.m. and the other at 8 o'clock, this evening. A good feature of his performance is that every performer announced on the bills, appears, and a good entertainment is afforded. Only two performances will be given in the city, afternoon and evening.

Amusements of all Kinds.

The well known minstrels, Eph Horn, Hughey Dougherty, Bob Hart and Gus Williams are playing at St. James Hall in London.

Duprez & Benedicts minstrels will make a tour of the Dominion of Canada and Newfoundland next Fall.

E. A. Sothern is in New York. He will commence an engagement at Wallack's Theatre, Sept. 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. Dion Boucicault are to commence an engagement at Booth's Theatre, Sept. 9th.

Maggie Mitchell is playing a very unremunerative engagement at San Francisco.

E. T. Stetson is playing to good business in Toronto "Neck and Neck" is his specialty.

June 25th, George F. Ketchum and the Chapman Sisters commenced an engagement at Toronto.

The Chapman sisters will be at Bishop's Opera House, Thursday evening, July 4th.

Miss Effie Warren is dangerously ill in Boston.

Kate Denin is at the Arch Street Theatre, Philadelphia.

John Wilson is in San Francisco.

Cool Burgess and Prof. O'Reardon and his Tumbleronicon are at Fox's Varieties, Philadelphia.

Laura Honey (Mrs. Wentworth Stevenson) claims two plays as hers, "Christie Johnston," and the "Woman in White." She is in California.

Oliver Doud Byron is running the Park Theatre, Brooklyn.

Frank Roche is at the Park Theatre, Brooklyn.

Dominick Murray is at Wood's Museum, New York.

Miss Carlotta Leclercq has been engaged for a short season at the Academy of Music. She is called the best actress in America. The following speaks for itself:

A San Francisco paper, speaking of the performance of the "School for Scandal," in that city, says: "But there was one remarkable point about the production which should be referred to. Out of pure love for Miss Leclercq as a woman, and a profound respect for her as an actress all the actors of the company who wore moustaches, shaved, so as to render the performance as perfect as possible for her sake, and for once 'School for Scandal' was not marred by the anachronism of bearded men in bag wigs. It was a great sacrifice for some, Harry Edwards in particular, his moustache being of twenty years' growth."

The Hillsboro Fire.

The buildings of the Albert Manufacturing Company at Hillsboro, which were destroyed by fire Thursday night were built at a great expense and the buildings and machinery were valued at a hundred thousand dollars. There were three mills, one for grinding grain, one for sawing lumber, and one for plaster crushing. One hundred and fifty men are thrown out of employment by the disaster.

Not in the Field.

Though Mr. Fogarty has important interests at stake in Albert County, he will not be a candidate for the Commons, as reported on Change. He is at present engaged in a suit to oust some parties who have unlawful possession of several ship yards and farms of his in Hopewell Village, Albert.

Living in the Country.

The 5 o'clock afternoon train on the Eastern Road is a great convenience to persons who prefer living in the country in the summer season. The train out every afternoon is crowded with city people who are scattered all the way along the line from St. John to Sussex, who go out every afternoon and return every morning.

For the Benefit of the Public.

The Ferry Boat "Western Extension" will be on the route Sunday all day. Parties who visit Carleton for the good of their health will govern themselves accordingly.

Certificates for Competency.

Masters of vessels registered in Canada, will see by advertisement in another column that before clearing their vessels they must produce certificates of competency both of themselves and Mate.

Moosepath Park Races.

LIST OF ENTRIES.

Purse—No. 1—Three Minute Horses.
R. Bunting, of St. John, N. B., names a bay gelding "Dan Godfrey."
James Murray, of Campbeltown, N. B., a bay gelding, "Campbeltown.
Richard Welch, of St. John, N. B., a bay mare, "Flora."
Wm. Mahoney, of St. John, N. B., a chestnut horse, "Mash."

Purse—No 2—Colt Race—4 years old.
Geo. Stockford, of St. John, N. B, names ch. stallion, "Bald Hornet."
Wm. Mahoney, of St. John, N. B., ch. gelding "Green Eastern Boy."

Purse—No. 3—Gentlemen's Driving Race.
Dr. Jas. Christie, names chestnut gelding, "Bismarck."
R. Bunting, bay gelding "Dan Godfrey."
R. Welch, bay mare, "Flora."

The above are the entries for the Races which are to come off on the above named Park on the afternoon of Dominion Day. As the rules require that three or more entries are necessary to constitute a race, it will be seen that the Colt Race did not fill, but it place of it some equally attractive amusement will be provided, and ladies and gentlemen attending will doubtless find that the Directors of the Park have arranged a very pleasant afternoon's recertion for them.

Between the Races, the celebrated trotter, "Andy Johnson," and other fast steppers will be given a few "brushes" up and down the home stretch, which will afford fully as much satisfaction to the spectators as if the colt race had been filled.

Dominion Day—Excursions—Races &c.

On Monday next the fifth anniversary of the Union of the Upper and Lower Provinces will be celebrated. Excursion Trains will be run on the Western Extension and Government Railways at one fare, tickets issued to-day, good to return on Tuesday. The "Empress" goes to Digby and Annapolis, leaving her wharf at 8 a.m. on Monday and returns same day. The Coronet Band of the Christian Brothers will accompany the excursionists. The fare to Digby and return is $1.50, to Annapolis $2.00. The "Fawn" with the Temperance Excursionists leaves her wharf at Indiantown at 8 a.m. on Monday and proceeds to the Washademoak Lake where they will land and will be received by members of the order residing in that locality. Strawberries and cream and other refreshments will be furnished. The band of the 62nd Regiment will be in attendance. A good time generally may be expected.

Arrival of a French Frigate at Halifax.

The French frigate "Minerve," the flag ship of Admiral de Survelles, the Commander of the French fleet in North American waters, arrived at Halifax on Wednesday evening three days from New York. The "Minerve" will proceed to Sydney, C. B., and St. Pierre, Miquelon.

The Gunboat "Britomart,"

60 horse power, commanded by Lieutenant Basil E. Cochrane, arrived in the harbor this morning. She belongs to the North American and West India station. John H. Woolward is Sub-Lieutenant; Edward Matthews, Henry W. Ross, and Lewis P. Lewis, Engineers, and Edward Munn, Gunner.

Auction Sales.

Mr. Stewart sold at auction at Chubb's Corner, at noon to-day, a mortgaged property consisting of 94 acres of land, and buildings attached, in the parish of St. Martens. John A. Wright, Esq., was the purchaser for $7.30.

Mr. Lockhart sold at auction, at the same time and place, a nine months share of the Lower Cove Market Slip to John Moran, for $460; also 10 shares of Suspension Bridge Stock, A. H. DeMill and John Wishart, Esqrs., being the purchasers of 5 shares each at $15 per share, the original value being $25. He also disposed of 24 shares of the Bank of New Brunswick Stock. J & R. Milligan were the purchasers of 7 shares at 55¼ over par; Joseph Hall, Esq., 14 shares at 53¾, and Charles W. Weldon, Esq., 3 shares at 53¾ over par.

City Police Court.

Alfred Crowley, 13, John Byron, 12, Walter Stafford, 9, Walter Sewell, 9, Edward Sewell, 11, all small boys, but with an itching desire to break windows, practiced on the windows of John Watters, probably to encourage the new Glass Factory. They were let go on condition that the windows be replaced, and all damages repaired.

John G. Kelly, 27, N. B., drunk on Union street; find $4. It will be $8 on Monday morning, if he his hauled up.

Martha Frizzle is bound not to fizzle out of existence, but contumaciously and persistently gets drunk. She is 37 years old now. When she gets out of the Penitentiary she will be 37 years and 2 months old, and will probably miss the Dominion elections.

On Monday morning the usual mixed crowd of black and white, old and young, sea-faring and landsmen, land rats and water rats, will put in an apperance.

The Chief is home from the Jubilee, and having seen the good effects of temperance in the moral city of Boston, will whoop up lively among the bar rooms till Monday morning.

— Among the ludicrous incidents of the Boston Jubilee was the mistake of a member of the Executive Committee, who, presuming that the servant of Herr Strauss, with his gold laced hat and knee breeches, was a Turkish naval officer, busied himself for an hour in endeavoring to get up an official reception for his supposed Excellency.

— A telegram was received in Boston, Mass., Wednesday, June 19, from Vladivostock, in the extreme eastern part of Siberia, on the coast of the Japan Sea, in the unprecedented short time of twenty-four hours. The distance is about fourteen thousand miles.