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OTTAWA SEPARATE SCHOOLS.

Ontario papers are busily discussing the report drawn up by the commission that inquired into the condition of the separate schools in the city of Ottawa.

Other instances are given of defective teaching among the boys, and a general failure to teach the English language is particularly noted.

"The teaching of the Sisters showed good general scholarship. From the way in which they taught their lessons they evidently understood that education is training, and can be secured only by the self-exertion of the pupils.

"Although the knowledge of the pupils was in some cases defective, their written answers were generally such that the papers of whole classes might be put on exhibition as specimens of good penmanship, and of care and neatness in systematic arrangement, and they showed clearly that a successful effort had been made to lead the pupils to think.

TOUCHED A RAW SPOT.

The few remarks made by the Times agent the failure of the Victoria Conservatives to organize a party demonstration in honor of the premier have apparently rubbed a sore spot on the party's anatomy, judging from the querulous outbreak they have provoked from the organ.

speaks—the organ forgets to be logical. It snappishly affirms that the doing of the local Conservative managers are no concern of the Times' and one might have expected that taking this view of the matter it would have scornfully refused to offer any explanation in reply to our inquiries.

THE FRASER VALLEY AFFAIR

The Colonist comes to the defence of the local government in the matter of the Fraser Valley improvement scheme. This commission of inquiry, it must be remembered, was appointed in compliance with the request of Catholics, who felt that their schools were not conducted as they should be and that their children were not given in those schools a chance for education equal to that enjoyed by the pupils attending the public schools.

FRASER DYKES.

The Vancouver World in regard to the Fraser valley protection scheme makes answer like unto the Colonist, therefore it must be concluded that the explanation given comes officially from the provincial government. The World puts the explanation in this way:— "As is well known throughout the district it was contemplated by the provincial government to have a survey of the Fraser valley made, as already stated, for the purpose of determining what would be the best way to proceed with a comprehensive dyking system of the whole valley affected by high water."

"Under these circumstances the landowners appealed to the provincial government, which, recognizing the urgency of the case, consented to guarantee the cost of the dyking commissioners as provided by the Drainage and Dyking act, for repairing and extending existing dykes, and the work is now nearly completed.

"The people of the Fraser river valley will be apt to reply that all this is news to them, that they had no knowledge of their debt of gratitude. At any rate this much would appear from the fact that their spokesmen at Vancouver and New Westminster thought it necessary to call the premier's attention to the matter.

WESTMORELAND.

It is manifestly a very hard task for the Conservative press to make a show of jubilation over the result of the Westmoreland election. If the fact were not on record that in 1891 the Conservative candidate secured a majority of 2,147—defeating his Liberal opponent by more than two to one, in fact—there might be some room for rejoicing over the return of Mr. Powell on Saturday by a majority of about 800. There is the awkward fact, however, and it forces upon the Conservative ministers and their journalistic champions the unpleasant necessity of explaining how this enormous reduction in the majority was brought about. To talk about the difference in the personality of the candidates as the cause is rather absurd; few men will be so unintelligent as to accept that explanation. The circumstances connected with the candidates themselves could not have wrought so great a change. Whatever the government organs and apologists may say,

the people generally will see for themselves that a large number of the Westmoreland electors must have changed their opinions as to the merits of the Ottawa government since 1891 in order to affect the vote so materially. It is the worst of nonsense to say that over 600 men who voted for Mr. Wood in 1891 voted on Saturday for Mr. Killam and against Mr. Wood's Conservative successor on personal grounds alone.

LADYBIRD AND DRAGON FLY.

Two Insect Friends Whom People Ignorantly Prosecute. The ladybird, so quaintly marked that it is hard to find two of them just alike, is one of the gardener's best friends, says the New York Tribune, yet hundreds of them are killed because people in their ignorance don't know what a help they have in this pretty, buxom little insect.

"Another insect that is forever being killed owing to the ignorance of the general public is the dragon fly, also known as the damselfly. He is one of the most useful insects of this climate. In his larval stage he subsists almost entirely on those small squirming threads which can be seen darting about in any still water, and which hatch out into the sweet sizzling mosquito.

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may have changed his mind; or third, Mr. Wallace may not have meant what he said when he was addressing his Orange brethren. Fortunately it does not make much difference which of these is the true explanation of this Clarke Wallace mystery.

Columbian: The policy of the government, said Premier Bowell, in his address to the Board of Trade, on Tuesday (in substance), had been, and would be, to keep up the duties, and expend the surpluses thus obtained on public works.

London, Aug. 26.—Ethelbert G Woodford, who recently arrived from Africa, has been interviewed here upon the subject of the war in Madagascar. He said: "My month at Tamatave was almost like a month's stay in a charr-house. Many funerals were held nightly. At Antanarivo the Hovas are confident that the French will not reach the capital. While I was there many of the native deputies arrived and offered the services of their tribes against the French. The capital and roads to and from Tamatave were teeming with troops—drilling continuously. Large bodies of spearmen were coming in from the hills. It is not intended that the advance of the Hovas shall be made until the French are near the capital, although skirmishes have been sent out to harass the vanguard of the French army of occupation.

"The Hovas will be dispatched to surround them. Should the French succeed in approaching the capital, the natives have planned to cut an embankment of the Ikopa river, and surround the capital with water. It is probable that if they are then driven out by the French, they will turn the capital into a plague spot by the slaughter of thousands of cattle on the streets. They will then leave the carcasses of the animals to decompose and await the results. There is a strong anti-fever feeling in Madagascar.

The prime minister spoke to me denouncing bitterly the American and British governments, and the injustice and ill treatment that the natives had received at the hands of the whites. Much distrust of the whites is apparent in all parts of the island of Madagascar. This is manifested by the refusal of the natives to serve as bearers for white commanders. It is feared that a general uprising of the people would follow the breaking of the Hova government, in which event the whites would be forced to death or otherwise butchered.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 26.—In an interview today U. S. Senator White said Labor Commissioner Fitzgerald, of San Francisco, has asked him to introduce into Congress a bill similar to the Chinese exclusion act, which shall exclude Japanese. Senator White has promised to do so if Fitzgerald will furnish the data to prove American labor. He does not believe, however, that it will be as easy as it was to say the Chinese bill through.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—The Chronicle says important negotiations are on foot in this city looking to the formation of a new steam line to touch Central America ports and connect with the Panama railroads, with the evident intention of entering into direct competition with the Pacific Mail Co. on what has been for years an undisputed ground. Matters have progressed far enough to permit the announcement that three passenger and freight steamers will in all likelihood be on the run to Panama within 2 months. The details are guarded very carefully, for the reason that the corporation with which the Panama Railroad Co. desires to form the coalition has a present a peculiar business relationship with the Pacific Mail Co.

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Portland, Aug. 26.—The wife of James Tetherow, a well-to-do farmer living near Lachlan river, arose before the other members of the family were awake and wrapping her six year old boy in a quilt took him to the river and held his head under the water until his life was gone. Throwing the body into the river she returned to the house, awakened her husband and asked him to go for a doctor. The husband put her off and rolled over.

If you are feeling run down, don't take medicine, but NOURISHMENT. Johnston's Fluid Beef Strengthens—Use it.

MATTERS IN MADAGASCAR.

Hovas Preparing a Warm Reception for the French. London, Aug. 26.—Ethelbert G Woodford, who recently arrived from Africa, has been interviewed here upon the subject of the war in Madagascar.

VICTORIA MARKETS.

Retail Quotations for Farmers' Produce Carefully Corrected.

Table listing market prices for various goods including flour, wheat, and other commodities.

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AN ACCOMMODATING PASTOR.

He Had the Interests of His Congregation at Heart. The minister of a congregation in an agricultural district was greatly annoyed Sunday after Sunday by the unruly conduct of the Junior members of his flock.

Weak, Tired, Nervous

Women, who seem to be all worn out, will find in purified blood, made rich and healthy by Hood's Sarsaparilla, permanent relief and strength. The following is from a well known nurse: "I have suffered for years with female complaints and kidney troubles and I have had a great deal of medical advice during that time, but have received little or no benefit."

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Don't be fooled with imitations of Adams' Tutti Frutti. See that Tutti Frutti is on each five cent package.

again to go to sleep. The wife again left the house but this time was followed. She went to the river, threw herself in but was quickly rescued, though she found her rescuers with desperation. Mrs. Tetherow is thought to be insane.

Washington, Aug. 26.—Mr. Thos. O'Hara, United States consul at San Juan de los Rios, Nicaragua, informs the state department of a report that is current there of money has been subscribed for the building of a railroad between the towns of Mazatenango and Rama. The road will be 100 long and will open up a fertile section of the country. It also says there is much talk of the establishment of telegraph and telephone lines between Bluefields and Rama.

The flour market, already in an uncertain state, has been further stirred up by a report in Hungary flour by D. H. Ross & Co. That firm have put the price down to 35 per bushel, which is a cut of 35 cents. The local market is simply glutted with flour. The stores cannot take all that is offered, and the mills factories are refusing them at any price. They are down to 25 cents in the retail houses and large quantities being sold at that very low figure. One-quarter sales are reported. They retail at 40 cents.

Delta Creamery has been advanced. The supply has not nearly kept up with the demand, although R. B. reports better receipts. The creamery is turning out 250 pounds daily. It is expected that if the milk supply were better, the butter would favor here, selling well. The butter is quite fresh, one-quarter of it is turned out to the pound being the proportion of salt.

Retail quotations on staples are as follows: Ogilvie's Hungarian Flour, 5 to 5 1/2; Lake of the Woods Flour, 4 1/2 to 5; Super, 4 1/2 to 5; Flour, 4 1/2 to 5; Olympe, 4 1/2 to 5; Wheat, per ton, 30 to 32; Corn, per ton, 20 to 22; Middlings, per ton, 20 to 22; Bran, per ton, 20 to 22; Corn, whole, 20 to 22; Corn, cracked, 20 to 22; Cornmeal, per 10 lb, 20 to 22; Rolled oats, per 10 lb, 20 to 22; Potatoes, sweet, 20 to 22; Cabbage, per ton, 20 to 22; Hay, baled, per ton, 20 to 22; Straw, per bale, 20 to 22; Green Peas, per 100 lb, 20 to 22; Onions, per 100 lb, 20 to 22; Cucumbers, per doz, 20 to 22; Green Corn, per doz, 20 to 22; Onions, Riverside, per doz, 20 to 22; Lemons, California, per doz, 20 to 22; Bananas, per doz, 20 to 22; Apples, Idaho, per doz, 20 to 22; Apples, Oregon, per doz, 20 to 22; Peaches, per 100 lb, 20 to 22; Plums, California, per box, 20 to 22; Tomatoes, California, per lb, 20 to 22; Nectarines, per lb, 20 to 22; Pine Apples, per doz, 20 to 22; Eggs, Island, per doz, 20 to 22; Butter, Island, per lb, 20 to 22; Butter, Creamery, per lb, 20 to 22; Apples, per 100 lb, 20 to 22; Hams, American, per lb, 20 to 22; Hams, Canadian, per lb, 20 to 22; Bacon, Boston, per lb, 20 to 22; Bacon, London, per lb, 20 to 22; Bacon, Canadian, per lb, 20 to 22; Shoulders, per lb, 20 to 22; Lard, per lb, 20 to 22; Sides, per lb, 20 to 22; Meats, per lb, 20 to 22; Veal, per lb, 20 to 22; Mutton, per lb, 20 to 22; Spring Lamb, per lb, 20 to 22; Pork, fresh, per lb, 20 to 22; Chickens, per pair, 20 to 22; Turkey, per lb, 20 to 22.

He had the interests of his congregation at heart. The minister of a congregation in an agricultural district was greatly annoyed Sunday after Sunday by the unruly conduct of the Junior members of his flock. When any one of the younger representatives of the gentler sex got weary of the evening service she would invariably rise and go out. A moment later her admirer would seize his hat and sheepishly follow her. To such an extent would this course of action prevail that by the time the discourse was finished only the old people remained for the conclusion of the service. Mr. Jones concealed his chagrin for several weeks, but at last he firmly resolved to act. One youth grew drowsy one Sunday evening, and picking up his hat, stepped into the aisle. But the minister's keen eye was upon him, and, to the culprit's dismay, he stopped short in his sermon. "Young man," said he, "the girl who went out last is not the one you wish to go home with. When she goes I will let you know at once. Please sit down. After this, when a young woman goes out I will call on the preacher young man to take care of her."

The minister resumed his discourse. There was much tittering and considerable anger, but the sermons were not interrupted again.—Hartford Times.

For Forget Sound Points.

The fast steamer Scheme, Chas. E. Clancy, master, leaves every morning, excepting Sundays, at 9 o'clock for Port Townsend and Seattle, arriving at Seattle at 4 p.m., connecting with N.P. R.R. train for a long time. Every body is pleased with them and they sell at first sight. Weller Bros.

The Line of Lace Curtains which we have lately received, is the best value we have had for a long time. Every body is pleased with them and they sell at first sight. Weller Bros.

New line of pocket cutlery just opened at Fox's, 78 Government street. Shaving outfits a specialty, guaranteed.

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