

The Weekly Monitor.

BRIDGETOWN, OCTOBER 30, 1878.

"BETTER TIMES."

A brief phrase—nay, even a single word—often contains a volume of meaning. It is—more than a mental key, which unlocks the door into a storehouse of thought, and illustrates what Locke meant when he dilated on the "association of ideas."

The two words, which we have selected as an epigraph to our present remarks, are pregnant with a multitude of thoughts, hopes, wishes, longings and expectations. In all the bygone ages man has been looking to the future for the realization of better times.

Whether or not these aspirations for coming good is an innate principle imbedded in human nature, it is not for us to say. It may be that these are soul-paintings for immortality; and are the yearnings of our spiritual being, which are clogged by earthly impediments and are indications of a higher destiny than pertains to this mundane sphere; and that they will be fully satisfied in the experience of a higher life.

The present is a period of discouragement, of business depression, and of monetary stringency; but just such seasons, from time to time, were experienced by our fathers, if not by ourselves. We sometimes hear "the good old times" talked of; but times were never so good—so satisfying—that the longing for still better times was not as prevalent and universal as it is to-day.

If ever the unhappy condition of things, to which we have referred, is removed, and a better state of the world's business affairs realized, the change must be effected by industry, prudence, retrenchment and economy. We need not hope that Aladdin's magical lamp will come to the rescue, nor that extraordinary favors will come from the skies, like manna showered on the Israelites in the wilderness.

Providential blessings have been munificently vouchsafed; but we have perverted them. We have been too lavish in our expenditures—too stylish in our mode of living—too reckless in running into debt—and too indifferent to the claims of economy. Looseness in all these matters has ramified all ranks, classes and condition of the people.

Bankers, merchants, traders, professional men, farmers, artisans, mechanics and day laborers have all been infected by the prevailing lack of energy and prudence in managing their business affairs, and extravagance in modes of living. Even paupers, in some instances, have been affected by the prevailing mania for ostentatious show and style.

COLLEGIATE EDUCATION.

A century ago, in the highest educational institutions in the world, the only attainments required, in winning collegiate degrees, were the classics and mathematics. Instruction in the physical sciences was little thought of, and much less regarded as essential to a thorough course of study.

It seems to us that no youthful student should spend years in the study of the Greek and Latin languages to the almost utter exclusion of branches of inquiry that are better adapted to secure the principal object of all educational undertakings and efforts, namely, mental discipline—intellectual invigoration. Perhaps there is no exercise of the mind, which so much tends to its development and vigor as does a thorough mathematical training and study.

The study of languages, however, requires less exercise of the thinking, calculating powers. Without a very large amount of thought, a boy, with an ear for sounds and a retentive memory, may make respectable proficiency in learning Hebrew, Greek and Latin; he may be able to read Homer and Virgil with accuracy in the languages in which they are written, and yet have but an imperfectly disciplined mind.

At the opening of the present century the vast field of physical science was an unexplored waste. The properties of matter, organic or otherwise, were then little known, and less understood. To the genius and industry of Sir Humphrey Davy the world is indebted for the widening—we may say the opening—of a field of science which has greatly enlarged the circle of human knowledge, and which has marvelously contributed to the business interests of every day life.

It is no matter of marvel then that the physical sciences are receiving that collegiate consideration which their utility and importance demand. What has led to our present remarks is the fact that the Governors of Dalhousie College have added an Art Course, embracing the physical sciences, to the other courses of instruction in that institution, and we venture to predict that sister academical seats of learning will do likewise.

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Tomorrow will be the closing day of October. It has been a lovely month. It has scarcely been darkened with a storm, or chilled by a heavy frost. Golden sunshine has brightened its days, and the milder light of the moon and the stars has beautified its nights. In the gardens, autumn flowers have bloomed in defiance of the advanced season, and the aftermath is still deeply verdant on the marshes and meadows.

Our enterprising livery stable keeper, Mr. J. Worden Beckwith, has just returned from the United States with a handsome lot of carriages, suitable for the business in which he is engaged. He has also brought home a sack, such as those in use in Boston and other large cities. Mr. B. is now prepared to accommodate any person wishing a first-class fit-out.

Our course of Lectures was opened on Friday eve, Oct. 11th, by Rev. Robert Stewart, subject:—"Time and its uses." The lecturer was very methodical, and the subject was very suggestive to all present, especially to those who are just commencing a year's study. Dr. Binney lectured next Friday eve, Nov. 1st, subject:—"Our greater blessing." The Bridgetown Dramatic Club favored us with an entertainment on Friday evening last. The audience was not large, but the performance merited frequent applause from those present—indeed, we believe that the High School has opened with indications of even better success than last year.

For the past six or eight weeks, the wharves have been lined with vessels, small and large, taking in apples and produce for market. Since the advent of the railway, this port has suffered greatly in this respect—very few vessels calling here to load. This season the old state of things has returned, owing, no doubt, to the vast amount of apples in the county, and the prices obtained for them being so low, causing shippers to find the cheapest mode of transit for them.

Several serious accidents occurred in this town and vicinity since our last issue. Mr. Geo. B. McMill, of Wilmet, who was in the call of the leg, getting out of a wagon, after returning from chasing up a party who stole his horse. Mr. Morgan Esq., of Lawrence, who was hurt in a mill, while at work in mills belonging to R. Randolph, Esq. Mr. Samuel K. Mack cut his hand in the variety mill, in Mr. J. B. Reed's furniture factory. A son of Mr. Samuel Ruggles, of Albany, aged ten years, broke his left arm by falling when at play. Dr. Morse, of Lawrence, attended him.

Officers of Nictaux Grange, organized by the Provincial Deputy on the 25th inst: Master—Bro. F. Miles Chipman, Overseer—Bro. Thos. Jones, Lecturer—Bro. A. Burton Parker, Steward—Bro. Fitch Barcaux, A. S.—Bro. Guilford Morse, Chaplain—Bro. W. A. Morse, Treasurer—Bro. Norman Wiley, Secretary—Bro. Albert Gates, Gate Keeper—Bro. Shannon Morse, Curator—Mrs. F. M. Chipman, Ceres—Mrs. F. M. Chipman, Pomona—Mrs. Burton Nelly, Flora—Mrs. Shannon Morse, L. A. S.—Mrs. W. A. Morse.

Bro. James B. Neily, Albert Beckwith, Ingram E. Neily, and a number of others took an active part in the proceedings; and this first Grange in Annapolis County started with excellent prospects of success.

Our wish to draw the attention of our readers to the Musical and Dramatic Entertainment for Wednesday evening next, the 6th of November. The programme has been laid before us, and we can assure those who intend patronizing the entertainment, that it will be well worthy of their countenance in every respect. We have not space to mention the different features separately, but among the most prominent of the attractions is the excellent and refined comedy-farce, by Jerrold, the celebrated Dramatist, entitled, "Cool as a cucumber." This little play has been rendered popular by the eminent actor, the late Charles Matthews. We also notice several beautiful tableaux, which we are informed will be arranged in the most pleasing manner. Also, several celebrated character and costume songs, and a number of very taking choruses by the choir, &c., &c., which, altogether, tend to make the Programme one of the best ever offered to the inhabitants of our little town. These varied attractions will, no doubt, draw one of the largest audiences ever assembled in Victoria Hall.

The annual town-meeting for the Eastern Poor District of Granville, will be held at the Court House, Bridgetown, MONDAY, the 4th of November, next, at ten o'clock, a. m. The rate-payers of the district are requested to attend, as the property of purchasing a FARM FOR MAINTAINING THE POOR is contemplated. JOHN P. MERDOCH, Clerk. Bridgetown, Oct. 30th, 1878.

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Mr. John Z. Bent has opened a furniture establishment, opposite the railway station, where he intends keeping on hand a large variety of Parlor, Bedroom, Dining-room, Kitchen and Office furniture. He has likewise provided himself with a fine horse, and intends carrying on the undertaking business in all its branches. Our Baptist friends have had their Mission house thoroughly overhauled and painted for the reception of their present pastor, the Rev. Mr. Warren. The old front had a bay-window put in and looks exceedingly well. The work was executed by Mr. Robert Ewing, of Centreville, and the job reflects credit upon him.

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New Fall Goods. Consisting of:—Overcoats, Rubbers, Flannels and Basket Suits, Pants & Coats, Cloths, &c. —ALSO— DRESS GOODS and TRIMMINGS TO MATCH. LADIES' HATS, FEATHERS and FLOWERS. Fur Goods, Buffalo Robes in Jet, Black and Brown, Ladies' and Gents' Fur Caps, Mitts, and Boys' Fur and Cloth Caps, Kid and Fur Lined Mitts, Fur Trimmings, Ladies' Fur Mitts, Felt Hats, &c. Also—China, Earthenware, Lamps, Glassware, Boots and Shoes, Felt and Rubber Overcoats, Greenhouses, &c., all of which will be sold at LOWEST CASH PRICES.

Wanted! 500 Bbls. GOOD POTATOES. W. H. MILLER. Middleton, Oct. 15th, 1878.

MONEY TO LEND, at 6 per cent. THE ANnapolis BUILDING SOCIETY AND SAVINGS FUND. HAVE Money to lend on approved Security, and on Real Estate. Funds are loaned at Public Auction at the Office of the Society on the Wednesday after the first Monday of every month. All applications for Funds should be filed at the Office of the Society at least one week before the Auction. Address—Baltimore Annapolis. THOMAS S. WHITMAN, President. Oct. 12th, 1878.

WHOLESALE Hardware! Clarke, Kerr, & Thorne. In addition to our large stock of Hardware, Cutlery, Etc. we have received, during the last month: 86 Packages, Am. Hardware, 15 Casks and Cases Eng. do., 40 Barrels Pitch, Tar & Rosin, 250 Rolls Dry & Tanned paper, 4 Cases Planes, 10 cases slates, 9 Cases Saws and Saw Frames, 48 Bundles Shovels, 7 Casks and 116 pkgs. Paint, 5 Casks Chain Traces, 28 Cases assorted Goods.

NEW LANDING, Per S. S. Hibernian:— 43 Packages Eng. Hardware, 234 Pieces Bake Ovens, 128 Pieces Castings, 20 Barrels Paint Oil. ALWAYS IN STOCK: ROPE, GLASS, POWDER, SHOT, ZINC, &c. ALSO: LETTER AND NOTE PAPER, ENVELOPES, WOODEN AND CLAY PIPES, PURSES, NEEDLES, SPECTACLES, VIOLIN STRINGS, PLAYING CARDS, PENS, THIMBLES, FENCIBLES, HAIR PINS, and a variety of LIGHT GOODS, suitable for the Wholesale Trade. For Sale at very Lowest Prices.

Remember the Place. No. 42 and 44 Prince William Street, Old Stand of Messrs. T. & F. Burgess & Co. St. John, N. B., October 9th, 1878.

New Advertisements. JUST RECEIVED. Ladies' and Gents' Fur Caps, Mens' Fur and Felt Hats, Lined Gloves and Mitts. MUFFS, BOOTS and SHOES, RUBBERS & OVERBOOTS. J. W. TOMLINSON. Lawrence, Oct. 21st, 1878. N. B.—All Accounts due, must be settled by Cash or Note, on or before November 10th, 1878. J. W. T.

WHOLESALE WAREHOUSE, Canterbury Street. FALL. 1878. FALL. We have now opened 200 Packages containing New Fall Goods! making our stock complete in every department. OVERCOATING, BEAVERES; WORSTED COATINGS; SCOTCH TWEEDS; PRINTS, SHIRTINGS; DRESS GOODS, MILLINERY; and a large and well assorted stock of HABERDASHERY and SMALL WARES. We invite inspection of buyers before placing their orders. Terms Liberal. T. R. JONES & Co. St. John, N. B.

Notice! The Subscriber has on hand, for sale, two first-class silver mounted SIDE SPRING BUGGIES. Two Double Seated Carriages. And unless time change for the better, this is probably the last opportunity to get one of our carriages, except when ordered, and the public will please take notice that hereafter they must not suppose a carriage to be of my manufacture, unless my name plate is found thereupon. ISAAC W. MORSE.

Miller Brothers, Middleton, Annapolis County, N. S., or Charlottetown, P. E. Island, Now have THE AGENCY OF THE CELEBRATED RAYMOND SEWING MACHINE

being transferred (four months ago), from William Crown, of Halifax, to them, (excepting the County of Halifax). THE RAYMOND MACHINE is too well known to require any puffing; and there have been some important improvements put upon it of late, which render it, by far, the best family machine made.

The following are also some of the kinds kept in stock by us, viz:— Singer, Webster, Empress of India, Household, Weed, Wilson A, Wanaer, Champion, Osborne, Abbott, Royal, Howe, &c., &c. Second-hand Machines taken in exchange for new ones. S. Machines in price from \$5 to \$100. Sewing Machine Attachments, FIRST CLASS OIL & Needles of all kinds in Stock. All S. Machines warranted to give good satisfaction. Also importers and dealers in several First-class Make

PIANOS & ORGANS. Pianos in price from \$25 to \$1000 Organs " " 50 " 500 Instruments guaranteed for five years, and sold on very easy terms. Liberal reduction made to Clergymen, Churches and Sabbath Schools. Second-hand Pianos and Organs taken in exchange. As we have now been in the sewing machine business for ten years and import all our stock direct from the manufacturers on Cash Principles, and our expenses being much less than those would be in the city, we are prepared to sell on the very best terms. REPAIRING of all kinds of sewing machines promptly attended to by a first-class mechanic. LAWYERS' BLANKS. Neatly and cheaply executed at the office of this paper.