STAFF OF CORRESPONDENTS

A Budget of News and Gossip. Personal Intelligence.—A Little of Every thing well Mixed up.

FAIRFAX

MONDAY, Aug. 19.—Thursday, the 22nd, will be Civic holiday at Vinegar Hill.

Miss Mary A. Lappin is visiting friends near Kingston.

Mrs. B. Gavin and sons left for McIntosh Mills on Saturday last.

How Island seems to be the chief summer resort for some of our young men.

Mr. J. D. H. Spondukle, J. Bolger's hired man, dug a well thirty-seven ft. in three days. John says he is a corker.

Mr. Owen Sullivan and lady paid McIntosh's a flying visit on Sunday last. They speak in the very highest terms of Mrs. Buckley and the bath.

The corn crop is a complete failure in this section.

Mr. Brien is getting along very successfully in our new factory.

T. Weart says we have got the right man in the right place.

HARD ISLAND.

MONDAY, Aug. 19.—We are pleased to learn that the accident that befell Mrs. Justus Robeson didn't result in anything serious. We hear she is able to attend to her household duties again.

Mr. Chas. Robeson and lady from Hammond, N. Y., is visiting his parents.

Mr. Ephriam Robeson intends taking his departure shortly for Uncle Sam's domains where he has accepted a situation as teacher and proprietor of a large farm and Indian school.

Our raspberry season is closed on the Island, but "by George" it was short and sweet.

The rag-bee on Saturday last was well attended at Mrs. Hitchcock's

Miss E. Hewitt spent last Sunday visiting her parents at Addison.

We are pleased to hear that Miss Ella Halladay was successful in securing a second at the last. exam.

Miss M. Wight has gone to Westport where she is engaged as a teacher in the school of that place.

Mr. Alex. Eaton has gone to the North-West.

The hen party given last Thursday evening at Lilac cottage was a very pleasant affair. Quite a number of chicks gathered early in the day and partook of a sumptuous pick, which they enjoyed very much.

Mr. Ed. Wight has returned to his home at Ottawa.

Our school started on August 19th. Our young friends join heartily in welcoming Mr. Taylor back to the section.

Scott & Hewitt have started threshing. They suppose the season will be short.

SOPERTON.

MONDAY, Aug. 19.—Our summer truants have come flocking home for school, only to find Soperton hotter, dustier and more busy than ever.

Miss Eila Sexton of Elgin has again taken up her abode at "Greengrove Hill" and resumed her duties at S. No. 2.

Misses Maude Washburn and Lydia Stafford, who have been sojourning at Alexandria Bay, returned home Monday evening.

Those who attended the great show in Brockville on Wednesday report a fine time.

Miss Blanche Soper arrived home on Thursday night after an extended visit with friends in Brockville and South Augusta.

A great dinner is to be held in Mr. Howard's grove on Wednesday 21st. Every effort is being put forth to make it a success.

Miss Maggie Frye and Miss Angie Sheffield were guests of Mrs. H. Johnson, Delta, on Wednesday of last week.

It will soon be the date for our annual corn roast. Let the directors see that everything is in smooth running order.

Miss Lizzie Connell, Athens, is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. J. Williams.

Miss S. M. Lambert is visiting friends in Forfar.

Miss Maggie Watson of Montreal, who has been rusticating at N. B. Howard's, has returned home.

Mrs. Alex. Fraser and children of Ottawa have left the cool seclusion of "Willow Bank" and once more sought the city.

Mr. William Johnson, Delta, was a guest at E. J Suffel's, Echo Hall, on Wednesday last.

Mrs. D. Foy, Toronto, is visiting at Mr. T. Sheffield's, Spruce Grove.

Mrs. M. Horton has gone on an extended visit to Newbliss, the guest of her grand-daughter, Mrs. John Kinch.

A goodly number from here attended the special service for the L. O. Lodge at Lyndhurst on Sunday.

Mrs. Jerb Suffle has added the finishing touches to his new drive house.

The foot-ball team still engage in semi-weekly practises.

Visitors are on the wane.

The soft notes of wedding bells tinkle in the distance.

Mr. Will Kendrick, Almonte, is a guest of his uncle, Mr. W. Kendrick.

Mr. Ed. and Miss Maggie Munroe, of Iroquois, are guests at E. J. Suffel's,

Mr. and Mrs. R. Sheffield, Lyndhurst, spent Sunday with friends here.

Our football team played their first matched game with Forfar on Saturday last. The usual story might be repeated of our best players—unable to play, poor grounds, and a different ball—but we do not deign to excuse our defeat. The Forfar team is old and established and are acknowledged good players, while this is our first season and the game of Saturday last our first matched game. We do not think our defeat ignominious, for we gave one of the best teams in the county a hard play. We do not wish to complain of the game nor the victors, but we say this much: if swearing and foul language is a requisite of foot-ball, some of the Forfar team are on the road to championship.

We were served to a bountiful tea in the cool shade and can speak well of Forfar's hospitality. Let us seek the first opportunity to return the compliment.

Jas. Wm. Gibson, jr., intends starting for Manitoba on Tuesday.

Mrs. Mark Chant was suddenly taken very ill on Monday night. She is getting somewhat better now.

Our teacher, F. H. Eaton, shot a fox yesterday.

Several from this neighborhood attended Sells Bros.' show in Smith's Falls.

ELBE MILLS.

MONDAY, Aug. 19.—Mr. Geo. Kincaid of Lake Eloida has moved and taken possession of the mills lately purchased from Mr. Nelson White.

Munsell Brown returned from Sells Bros.' Show in possession of a celebrated trotting horse.

Mr. Byron Brown is busy at present improving some rough land on the rear of his farm.

Mr. M. R. Bates is well pleased with his new McCormac binder.

Mrs. Tripp of this place is seriously ill.

The young ladies of South street are practising riding horse-back for the coming fair at Unionville.

Geo. M. Bates & Son have sold their old Wide-awake separator to Morris & Hudson of Charleston and have replaced the old one with an improved double cylinder Wide-awake with overshot blast and universal shake.

Haggarty & Simpson have nearly completed their contract of taking the rock out of the Elbe Mills creek.

NEWBORO.

NOTE—Mr. J. R. Kerr is our agent for the Reporter in Newboro and vicinity. News items for publication, advertisements for the paper, orders for job printing and subscriptions may be handed to him, as he is duly authorized to transact business for us.
B. LOVERIN, Prop.

MONDAY, Aug. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. James Noble left this morning for their home in Oxbow, N. W. T., amid a shower of farewells and good-wishes from a throng of people at the B. & W. depot.

From this section, we notice that Mr. W. H. Foster was successful in obtaining a 1st and Miss P. Gallagher and M. McGonigal 2nd class certificates. They are justly entitled to our best congratulations.

Rev. W. K. Shortt left this morning for Montreal.

A son of Thos. Taylor accidentally fell into the huge tub at Wright & Spicer's mill last week. He was employed in the mill and was working around the tub, which is used for seasoning elm logs from which the cheese box belts are made. It is usually nearly half full of scalding water and this time was no exception. The poor boy now lies in a very critical state with both legs scalded to the knees. He is doing as well as could be expected.

Mr. Josh. Robeson and Geo. Yelland were visiting friends in Singleton on Sunday.

Another large consignment of live stock will leave this port this week.

WIGHT'S CORNERS.

SATURDAY, Aug. 17.—Mr. Alf. Scott has started his threshing machine in our midst. We are glad to welcome his genial helper again.

Mr. Alex. Eaton and brother took their departure last Tuesday for the North West.

Mrs. Benjamin Derbyshire is convalescent.

An agent was through here last Saturday evening advertising perfumery. We understand he left a very profuse quantity with one young lady.

Mr. O. Eaton and Miss Ella Halladay were successful at the exams. this summer, the former securing a third-class and the latter a second. Congratulations.

Mr. Calvin Robeson returns to-day from Hammond, N. Y. He will be accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Robeson.

Mr. E. J. Halladay was hastily summoned to the bedside of his aged father, on Friday.

The Misses Wight, Lilac cottage, gave their young friends a very pleasing tea party on Thursday afternoon. An enjoyable time was spent.

We wish that the Plum Hollow correspondent would explain more clearly what is meant in his allusion to the Islanders in last week's issue.

We would not be surprised if a great fire were to break out on the Island, as a "coal" is frequently dropped.

Mr. Geo. Taylor, Athens, was a guest at Maple Grove, Island, last Sunday.

Mrs. John Howe invites the girls to a carpet bee to-day. All expect a big time.

MCINTOSH MILLS.

MONDAY, Aug. 19.—Another big day to-morrow.

Mr. J. Barrington has purchased that well-known horse, William Ayre, from Ted O'Brine.

As we passed through Wexford we noticed one of the boys had a sliver driven in his lip by a well known pugilist of Sheatown.

Mr. T. Flood of fly creek reserve lost one of his fine Jersey cows last week.

The steady hum of the threshing machines can be heard around here for miles.

A large crowd may be expected from this place in Athens on the 27th to take in that grand R. C. pic-nic, which will be held in Mr. Taplin's grove.

As we passed through Wexford not long since we saw that the great mammoth silo is just completed. Willie Jinkins is the owner and builder of it. As near as we can find out he is a southern south down from Calabobin. He says there is nothing to equal the whortleberry leaves mixed in with a little gimlet seed for silo fodder.

Mr. Joe Male says the mosquito might have been highly praised as a singing bird if it had only stuck to that business alone.

A very large crowd assembled here on Saturday. Over 170 arrived from Warburton, Fairfax, and Malcomb. Out of that number 84 patronized the bath and got a thorough washing. They all went home tickled to death saying, "we will come again."

War was proclaimed at Gloom Vale on Friday evening.

...MARY.

ATHENS AND VICINITY WHERE LOCALITIES BRIEFLY WRITTEN UP.

Events as Seen by Our Knight of the Pencil.—Local Announcement Rolled Right Down.

Mrs. Jas. Brown, Elbe Mills, visited friends in Athens last week.

Miss Lenna and Miss Clella Day of Delta were in Athens last week on a visit to friends.

Chas. W. Robeson and wife of Hammond, N. Y., spent Sunday with the Robeson family of Hard Island.

Miss Lillie Brown returned to Boston to resume her duties as a member of the order of Deaconesses in the Methodist church.

Mrs. B. Loverin and daughter Bertha arrived home on Friday evening from a five weeks' visit to friends in London, Ont., and Kalamazoo, Mich.

Mrs. Horace Brown, Athens, and Mrs. O. L. Gardiner, Lyn, left last week on an extended visit to their sister, Mrs. Harvey C. Brown and family, at Langdale, Manitoba.

Mr. J. H. McLaughlin has been given the general agency for the Sun Life Assurance Co'y for Leeds and Grenville and is now vigorously prosecuting his canvass. Read his announcement next week.

Miss Jessie Addison met with a serious accident last week. While driving near the toll gate a rig collided with the buggy in which she was seated and the shock threw her violently to the ground. Her shoulder was dislocated and her arm broken.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Williams of Toronto are in Athens this week, guests at the Armstrong House. About a month ago Mr. Williams injured his knee and is only now able to move about.

Mr. Thos. Orr, graduate of the Brockville Business College, has a position with the G. T. R., Montreal. You will not make a mistake in attending the Brockville college. Fall term opens Sept. 2.

Mr. U. J. Flach was in Athens last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beach. He was arranging for the removal of his household goods to Sydenham, having been appointed principal of the high school of that place.

Miss Hattie Serviss, Smith's Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hewitt, Miss Sarah Hewitt, Mr. F. E. Eaton, Mrs. D. C. Eaton, Mrs. G. W. Eaton, Mr. M. S. Leehy, Frankville, were guests of the campers at King's island, Charleston, on Friday and Saturday last.

Delorma Wiltse, representing the firm of Douglas & Co., of Napanee, on his way east with Egyptian Liniment and Electric Pills, gave us a friendly call and left us a bottle of the liniment. It is said to have the largest sale of any liniment in the market. Mr. Wiltse's turnout is one of the finest we have seen and would be a credit to any firm.

On the 27th inst. the annual R. C. pic nic will be held in Mr. Taplin's beautiful grove. The committee are sparing no pains in putting everything in the best possible condition to make it one of the most successful pic-nics ever held here. A very large attendance is expected and if weather is favorable, it may be termed the biggest event of the season.

In giving the results of the examn. for third-class certificates last week we overlooked the splendid record made by the Elgin school, which passed six candidates, as follows: C. Baker, A. Bulger, A. Dillon, A. Kennedy, T. McGuire, B. Sherwood. This is a record that some high schools would be pleased to own and is one of which Elgin's head teacher, Mr. John Dunn, has every reason to feel proud.

Through the kindness of Capt Phillips a large party of lake-dwellers and Athenians enjoyed a delightful trip on his staunch little yacht, the Idle While, on Friday last. About 4 p.m. the boat cleared from Goose Island with about a dozen passengers and ran to Lake View cottage where the number was increased to over thirty. The trim little craft was then headed down the lake and a quick run made nearly to the Outlet, returning via Buck-horn Point, Democrat, Hogsback, Fisher, Tar, and Pic-nic islands. It was a highly enjoyable trip and the thanks of all were warmly tendered the Captain and Mrs. Phillips for their hospitality and kindness.

Obituary.

Died, at his residence near Unionville, on Sunday evening last, Charles Knapp, aged 61 years. Mr. Knapp was born in Plum Hollow and has always resided in this locality. He was a brother of Ithamer Knapp, postmaster, Plum Hollow.

Sarah Holmes, wife of Horace Booth, died on Monday last at her residence near Lake Eloida. Mrs. Booth was born on the farm adjoining the one on which she died and has always resided in that neighborhood. She was in her 71st year at the time of her death. The funeral will take place at the Lake Eloida school house at 10 a.m. to-morrow (Wednesday).

Camp-meeting Sunday Services.

In fixing the time of the Unionville camp-meeting, the committee of management thought it necessary to hold it over the Sabbath, but foresaw a difficulty in case large numbers should be present on that day. The seating accommodation in the fair building is limited, and should more come on Sunday than can be seated, the overplus of people would not be profited, as they could not hear, and would spend the Sabbath less profitably than if they remained away, and attended their usual places of worship. So it was agreed to discourage the attendance on Sunday of people from a distance, inasmuch as those tenting on the grounds and the people in the immediate neighborhood are quite sufficient to fill the building on that day.

The fullest possible welcome is extended to the public for all week-day services, but for the reasons alleged it is hoped that our Sabbath-keeping friends from a distance will see the propriety of the request to attend their own places of worship on Sunday, and not over-crowd the camp-meeting.

J. M. HAGAR,
Chairman com. of management.

Athens high and public schools reopen on Monday next.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. DeWolfe were in Athens last week visiting friends.

Call and see the new dinner, tea and 5 o'clock tea sets at Mott & Robeson's.

Mr. E. Mack, Toronto, was a visitor in Athens and at Charleston last week.

Rev. J. Wilson and wife with a party of friends are occupying his cottage at Charleston.

Miss Jennie Thompson of Spring Valley spent Sunday in Athens, the guest of Miss Mary Ennis.

Dr. C. M. B. Cornell of Brockville joined his wife and daughter at Point Geraldine, Charleston, last week.

Mr. A. Kincaid, Miss Kincaid, and Mr. S. B. Williams left Athens last week for a sojourn at Massena Springs.

The grocery of Mr. A. W. Kelly is proving a great convenience to lake-dwellers and is being liberally patronized.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jacob, Athens, and Mr. A. Howarth, Toronto, are occupying Camp Jolly, Charleston Lake, this week.

Tired women need to have their blood purified and enriched by Hood's Sarsaparilla. It will give them strength and health.

We are pleased to say that Rev. Wm. Wright is recovering from an illness that has confined him to the Rectory for several days.

The ladies of the Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church are to-day (Tuesday) enjoying an excursion on Capt. Phillips' yacht, Idle While.

On account of funds accumulating quickly, will lend money on real estate at the very lowest rate—$12,000 on hand now. Mortgages also purchased. —JOHN CAWLEY, Athens, Ont.

The annual harvest dinner of Christ church, Athens, will be held in Taplin's grove on Thursday next. Arrangements are now completed for the event, which promises to be in every respect highly enjoyable.

A very pleasant evening party was held at Bertha Island, Charleston, on Friday at which a number of Athenian young people joined the lake dwellers and had a very enjoyable time.

CASH.—$8000.00 worth of crockery china and glassware at Bankrupt prices Sale continues for a short time only —T. W. Dennis, Tea Store and China Hall, Brockville, Ont., nearly opposite the Revere house.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Wiltse returned home from Hamilton last week and were favored with a reception at the home of Mr. Chas. Wiltse, where they will reside. During the evening the Citizens' band serenaded the party and were hospitably received.

Mr. C. C. Nash, J. C. Eaton, E. W. Moles, and Misses Gertie Kilborn, Etta Livingston, Edythe Bates, and Mrs. N. Hutchinson of New York, who have been camping at King's cottage, Charleston Lake, for the past week, returned home on Saturday last and report having had a most enjoyable time.

We learn with regret that Mr. Wm. H. Warren, Rockfield, has had to fight and watch fire for six weeks, night and day, on the rear of his farm. This loss of labor and time, added to the severe drought, is a calamity indeed and merits the warm sympathy of his many friends, which he undoubtedly has.

The annual harvest dinner of Plum Hollow Baptist church takes place on Wednesday, Aug. 28. This has always proved to be one of the most enjoyable events of the season. A good dinner, good company, and an entertaining program are assured. Free-will offering at the table.

Athens baseball team met their Waterloo at Merrickville on Friday last, being defeated by 18 to 8. They were outplayed at every point, but think they stand a good chance to win the deciding game and will arrange, if possible, to have it take place here in the near future. Our team has plenty of pluck; what it needs is practice.

Just received, a fine assortment of goods—rug and plush parlor suites, bedroom suites, sideboards, fancy chairs and tables—which I am selling very cheap, and to any person paying cash for goods to the amount of $12 and paying $3 extra I give their portrait in large size, framed in first-class style.—T. G. STEVENS, Athens. 3 in.

I would respectfully inform the residents of Athens and surrounding country that I have recently taken a course in optics and secured a diploma for the correction of defective vision by lenses. To those who may be in need of spectacles, eye glasses, etc., I would solicit a share of your patronage, and trust by keeping the goods you require and attention to your wants to merit a continuance of the same.—H. R. KNOWLTON, jeweller and optician.

The dwelling house of Theodore Livingston, about a mile out of the village on the Delta road, was burned to the ground on Friday evening last. Livingston and his wife were both from home at the time of the fire, and its origin is shrouded in mystery. Some of the neighbors saw the fire and put it out, as they supposed, but shortly after it broke out again and the house and contents were all consumed. The house was insured in a company represented by A. James.

S. E. Barnes, cheesemaker, a son of Williston Barnes of Lake Eloida, was severely injured on Friday last while engaged in running a cheese factory at Cranworth, a short distance across Rideau Lake from Portland. He was working around the engine, when the supports holding it in position gave way and the boiler fell on him, severely injuring him about the hips and back. He was able to be removed to his father's on Monday and is able to be around with the help of a cane.

RELIEF IN SIX HOURS.—Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New Great South American Kidney Cure." This new remedy is a great surprise and delight to physicians on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by J. P. Lamb, druggi

I am again ready for school opening with a full line of high, public and model school books. My stock of scribblers and practice books comprise new and attractive designs, and is unusually complete. Call and examine before buying. Any information regarding school books, etc., that I may be able to give will be cheerfully afforded.—R. R. KNOWLTON.

NEW DUBLIN.

MONDAY, Aug. 19.—Frequent showers are visiting this section.

The people in this section will soon have their grain all in and will have room to spare in their barns, as straw is very short.

The heavy wind on Saturday evening did considerable damage in the orchards around here.

The Sherman brothers have Mr Thos. McBratney's house all first-coated. It will soon be ready for the carpenters to finish their work.

Mr. Johnnie Lickes has left the employment of Mr. Byron Cadwell.

FAIRFIELD EAST.

MONDAY, Aug. 19.—Farmers are at their harvesting and report a very light crop.

The Foresters are getting along with the hall—slow but sure.

It is reported that a young couple residing in this neighborhood never heard a rooster until one morning last week when they got up about three o'clock and ran to the barn to watch one crow. Wonder if they have ever seen the cars.

Rumor says we are about to have a school for lady pugilists in the near future, and then Willie wants to look out and have good backing or he may not come out in the second round as well as he did in the first.

There are some from this vicinity taking the Manitoba fever. Hope it will not end with any serious results.

Now, boys, the next time you go to a social, try to not go in at the eleventh hour, so you will be in time for supper.

ADDISON.

SATURDAY, Aug. 17.—Mrs. Prichard has returned home after spending the holidays with friends in Shelburne and vicinity.

Mr. Walter Lewis and lady are recuperating at Charleston for a few days.

Mr. James Cummings of Lyn passed through our village this week. He made a short call at the residence of Mr. W. Lewis of King st. east.

Miss Addie Barlow has returned home after spending a few days at Massena Springs.

The proprietor of the Model farm at Mt. Pleasant is sparing neither time nor money to make his herd of trotters the most famous of any in this section, having purchased the celebrated Mayflower from Mr. A. Church at a most fabulous price.

Miss Viola Wiltse is visiting friends in Kitley this week.

Dr. Brown, of Mt. Pleasant has been quite indisposed for a few days. We hope it will not prove serious.

Our little machine agent intends making some fine exhibits at the Unionville fair next month and will make a discount of 10 per cent off all orders taken at the fairs this season.

SEELEY'S BAY

MONDAY, Aug. 17.—Mr. T. H. Russell is able to be around again and is fast recovering from the effects of his late accident, caused by being struck on the leg by a sledge hammer while holding a drill to make a hole in a boulder for blasting it, a few days ago.

Dr. Bower, president of the Gananoque Carriage Co., and Mr. Hinds of the Merchants' Bank, Gananoque, were here Wednesday on business.

There is a splendid opening here for a first-class harness maker.

Miss L. Putnam returned home Friday from a visit to friends at Newboro.

Rev. J. Holmes, Kingston, paid a pleasant visit to old friends here and in this vicinity this week.

Mr. Geo. E. Gilbert left Thursday for his home at Peterboro after spending a week's holidays with old friends

Mr. Wm. Chapman has gone to Havelock to visit to his two sons who reside there.

Mrs. James Warren, Wahnapatae, is visiting friends here and in this vicinity.

Mrs. D. Smith, South Lake, paid a short visit to friends on Friday.

Braken & Landon are buying large numbers of cattle and sheep for shipment to Montreal.

Farmers generally are nearly through with their harvest. Wheat is not as good a crop as expected—the heads short and not well filled. Oats are a fair crop. Corn bids fair to be a good crop.

Moore & Neil finished burning a fine large kiln of brick and tile on Friday morning.

Dairy School and Veterinay College.

The new Veterinary College to be be opened next October in connection with Queen's University will occupy the building on the corner of Barrie and Clergy streets, the gift of the city of Kingston to the Governors of the School, and valued at $20,000. It adjoins the Dairy School. Any farmer's son, 18 years of age and possessing a good public school education, may enter the college and graduate as a veterinary surgeon in two sessions, if he has the ability to pass the required examinations. William Mason, Esq., Kingston, the Bursar of the new institution, will gladly furnish any other information required. Dr. Herald, ex-Mayor of Kingston, will teach materia medica in the new college, and Dr. Knight, Professor of Physiology in Queen's University, will teach the physiology.

D. McAlpine, D.V.,

Graduate of McGill Veterinary College. Office and stables, Buell st., Brockville. Telephone No. 18. Calls day or night promptly attended to.

FROM THE CAPITAL.

Increase of Voters Throughout the Dominion—Interesting Statistics.

Ottawa Aug. 17.—Chief Engineer Schreiber, who has just returned from another inspection of the St. Lawrence canals, states that foundation of the lock at Morrisburg is completed, and it is expected to have the work finished this season. The masonry at the Galops Rapid will be completed this season, but the cleaning up will go over till next year. In reply to the statement that defects in the Sault canal will prevent the opening this season, Mr. Schreiber says he knows of nothing, except the obstructions to the entrance, that is likely to cause delay. One of the contractors for the removal of the boulders has just returned from the Sault, and his partner leaves for the scene of operations to-morrow. The work is being done by Messrs. Allen and Fleming, of Ottawa.

Increase of Voters.

The names on all the voters' lists, as recently revised, have been counted, and show that for the approaching general elections there are in Canada 1,353,735 electors. This is an increase of 231,489, or twenty-seven per cent., above the votes recorded in the lists of 1891. While it cannot be claimed that the growth of the electoral lists is an absolutely reliable gauge of the increase of the population of the country, it is obvious that they give an approximately accurate idea. The lists for 1887 contained 993,914 names, so that in six or seven years the number of voters has increased by 359,821 or no rethan thirty-five per cent. This expansion of the electorate could scarcely be effected without an increase of population very nearly approaching it. As might be expected, British Columbia shows the most rapid rate of increase. In 1891 the voters of that province numbered 14,400. There are now registered 38,010, or an expansion of 163 per cent. Next in order of development comes Manitoba. Its electorate has increased by forty per cent since 1891. It now numbers 65,848, a growth of 18,920. The Territories have an increase of thirty per cent., there being now 20,878 in the Territorial constituencies. The same ratio of increase is observed in New Brunswick, but most of this will, perhaps, be attributable more to the activity of politicians than to the growth of the population. New Brunswick has 91,607 voters, an increase of 21,176 since 1891, or 30 per cent. The voters of Nova Scotia number 1,124, an increase of 21,079 since 1891, or 23 per cent. West comes Quebec, where the electorate numbers 351,076, an increase in five years of 49,418 or sixteen per cent. Nearly half the voters of the Dominion are in Ontario. This province has 650,021 men who are entitled to cast ballots. In 1891 they numbered 568,799, so that since then there have been added to the lists 81,222, or fourteen per cent. Prince Edward Island comes last in point of electoral growth. It has 25,245 voters, or five per cent. more than in 1891.

Exports to the United States.

The advance sheets of the United States Consular reports for the quarter ended March 31, 1895, which have been received here, show that the exports from the Dominion to the United States were very much greater than for the same quarter in 1894. Commencing with the Maritime Provinces, including Newfoundland, the total exports reached $783,582, compared with $767,067 for 1894. In Ontario the exports increased from $2,476,762 in 1894 to $21,623,301 for the same quarter in 1895. From Quebec the increase was still more marked, the amount for 1894 being $507,519, compared with $961,517 for 1895.

Repatriated Families.

Father Paradis, who had charge of the repatriation of some hundred French-Canadian families from Michigan, was in the city to-day, and denied the story that the majority of those immigrants have returned to Michigan, discontented with the country. He states that not one of the one hundred families whom he brought out from Michigan have returned. The people are happy and contented in their new homes, and are working industriously clearing up farms in what is the best farming country in the district of Nipissing. All the people who settled had sufficient money when they arrived to meet the first and second payments to the Ontario Government for the Crown lands they acquired. The settlers already have farms of ten acres cleared and in seed. On all the farms fine log houses have been put up, and the new settlers are happy and contented. Many of them are now cutting fields of peas and oats. In the winter the men find employment in the lumber woods near their homes at $1.25 and $1.50 a day. The families, which represent a population of 500 people, are settled in the townships of Caldwell, Springer, Badgerow, Kirkpatrick, and Hugel.

A Great Secret Society Man.

The greatest secret society man in America is Abner Markoe, of Chicago—at least that is what Mr. Markoe says himself, and he would like some person to dispute his claim. "I am 53 years of age," said Mr. Markoe, "and I am a member of forty-two societies. I have taken the highest degrees in Masonry, Odd Fellowship and the Knights of Pythias, and hold chairs in several of the fraternal insurance orders. I don't think there is another man in the United States who has such a record. A man in Philadelphia comes the nearest. He belongs to thirty secret societies."

"Don't you get your grips confused sometimes?"

"No," said Mr. Markoe, "because I use the signs and grips of only three orders. It would take a man with two heads to remember forty-two of them."

Nervous Prostration

It is now a well established fact in medical science that nervousness is due to impure blood. Therefore the true way to cure nervousness is by purifying and enriching the blood. The great blood purifier is Hood's Sarsaparilla. Read this letter:

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