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FRIDAY EVENING, OCT. 16.

Doubtful Popularity.

There seems to be a tendency to accept any kind of popularity as a proof of the greatness of its object, few stopping to think whethar its bases are sound or rotten. Thousands flocked to Twin Mountain House lately to hear Rev. Henry Ward Beecher preach, thousands are unable to find standing room in his church every Sunday, a thousand dollar fee has just been paid him for a lecture, and these facts are paraded over the continent by a thoughtless and admiring press as proofs of the preacher's great popularity. But are they proofs of popularity, proofs of popular admiration of Mr. Beecher as an orator, a teacher, an author, or are they not the manifestations of "a curiosity born of a surfeit of prurient and disgusting scandal"? The question is, Did not Mr. Beecher trade on the scandals that have been connected with his name when he demanded $1,000 for lecturing in Boston? There can be but one answer, and that an affirmative one. He got say $500 for his legitimate reputation and the rest for his scandal notoriety. Those who admire his course in this respect—his availing himself of the Tilton scandal as a source of profit—have queer taste. Mr. Beecher wil get back, in this way, more than he paid towards keeping Tilton's mouth closed. Mrs. Tilton, who has no reputation as a lecturer, reader or writer, might get large sums for appearing on Lyceum platforms, and the rush to hear her would only be second to the rush to hear Henry Ward himself. But what would be thought of her if she should exhibit herself in this way for pay? And yet she would be merely following the example set by her earthly divinity.

Official Scandals.

It used to be a favorite saying of those opposed to the Government, when the Pacific Railway scandal romance was being issued in parts by the Brown-Mackenzie-McMullin clique, that there must be some fire beneath so vast a volume of smoke. By applying the same rule to the scandals afloat in reference to the transactions of Cabinet members, scandals that are suoported by strong circumstantial evidence, we may safely conclude that there is something wrong in the manner in which the public funds are manipulated by the Mackenzie-Blank Government. Here is a batch of recent Ottawa reports:

A rumor is afloat here that the Government has sold, or is about to sell, the old Post Office in Montreal by private sale to a friend of "the Party" named Cuvalier for $100,000, and that M. Cuvalier has a promise of $55,000 on his bargain if he can negotiate the little transaction satisfactorily.

Another piece of scandal is current anent the visit of M. Jette and M. Langevin a few days ago. It is to the effect that, ascertaining the Government required a large plot of ground for the Lachine Canal enlargement, these enterprising gentlemen stepped in ahead and secured it. They then offered it for sale in lots, and got a friend to bid thirty cents per foot for the land. Having got the bid they came to Ottawa and submitted to M. Fournier and the Minister of Public Works, that if the Government required the land they would sell it to them (the Government) at the same price they had been offered by a private party. It is said the Government closed with the two patriotic men from Montreal, and M. Jette and his partner will pocket enough out of the business to enable them to give champagne suppers for twelve months to come.

Another movement on the part of the Government excites some curiosity. It is an advertisement which appeared in the *Witness* and *Herald* of the 1st October, calling for tenders for five thousand tons of steel rails, the tenders to be opened on the 8th of the same month. It is worth while asking two particular friends of Mr. L. S. Huntington, to rise and explain why it was withdrawn after some merchants in Montreal were put to the expense of cabling home to England and Scotland for information on which to tender.

The last paragraph refers to a transaction so similar to the one that was attempted in reference to parlor and sleeping cars for the Intercolonial Railway that our readers cannot help being struck by the resemblance. Here, as in Montreal, advertisements were inserted in certain papers asking for tenders on conditions that could not be complied with by anyone not previously aware of the little game to be played, and withdrawn when attention had been drawn to the fraudulent nature of the transaction about to be consummated.

The Congressional and State elections in the West have gone against the administration of Gen. Grant. While the Republicans have carried old strongholds of theirs like Nebraska, the slight Democratic majority in Indiana has been considerably increased, and the great State of Ohio is lost to them by a decisive vote. The vote in Ohio is prophetic, and may be taken by the party in power as a warning to clear their decks for battle by quietly settling the third-term and other questions in dispute. The West will, undoubtedly, go heavily against Grant in case of his renomination, and he would benefit his party by quieting the fear in its ranks that he may accept the nomination of the next office-holders' convention that meets to select a Presidential candidate.

Union Agricultural Society of King's

The annual exhibition of the Union Agricultural Society of King's County came off yesterday at Kingston. Quite a number of interested parties were to be found during the day discussing the relative merits of this or that animal or product with more vehemence and earnestness than forethought, but every thing passed off pleasantly. A large number of spectators were present and all seemed to be taking pleasure in the proceedings.

The show of horses, cattle, sheep, &c., was very good, especially in the thoroughbreds. The 3 year old horses were all of an extraordinarily good quality and style. Inside the show was not so good as regards quantity, but quite as good in quality. Here were to be found all the agricultural products, and also dairy produce, which conjured up before the mind a picture of the smiling, rosy cheeked milkmaid as she merrily trolled her song. Here also were to be seen comfortable woolen garments, which are far superior to the more elegant and polite silk dresses of our city belles.

Space will not permit of our giving a full list of the prizes, but we will just say that a herd of Devon cattle exhibited by Jas. S. Marven, an Ayrshire herd by S. B. Belding, together with Ayrshire and others by Messrs. Sterrill, Gorham, Dann, Foster and others were much admired. A very fine 3-year old colt, exhibited by D. D Northrup, was earnestly sought after by many, as she exhibits good running qualities, but the owner having no desire to sell could not be tempted by any offers.

After the Exhibition was over the sale of the stock imported by the Society took place, consisting of bull calf, Grade Devon, and 16 sheep. W. P. Flewelling purchased the former at $25. The sheep were purchased by a variety of persons. The only two Leicester ewes were purchased by J. D. M. Keator, Esq., of Hammond River, who has already a large flock of pure bred Leicesters, some of which carried off the highest honors at the annual Exhibition at Hampton last week. Mr. Keator has as rapidly as possible secured some of the best Leicesters in the Province, and intends parting with all others.

CURRENT COIN.

The Turkish town of Akhiolyi, containing 5,000 inhabitants, and situated on the Gulf of Burghas in the Black Sea, has been totally destroyed by conflagration.

A little girl in Boston only five years old said to her mother the other day, when she proposed reading to her the last number of the *Nursery*: "No, mamma; don't read me that childish stuff. Read me about the Beecher case."

An amiable citizen of Burlington called to see another who was dangerously ill. Attracted by a festive pair of boots in the room of the invalid, the visitor tried them on, when turning to the sick man with much sympathy he remarked: 'Supposing the worst to happen, I'll take these boots."

A telegraphers' newspaper, speaking of the employment of women as operators, says that their power is already felt in the higher style of conversation between male operators over the wires. Low jests and vulgarity have grown less frequent, and an intimation that there is a female operator on a circuit puts a quietus on the most virulent of blasphemers.

On Sept. 28 hundreds of people assembled at Hungry Hill, near Aldershot, in England, to witness a cricket match between 24 women, married and single. The married included one old woman 60 years of age, who, while batting, received a severe blow on the face with the ball, and had to retire rather precipitately. On the unmarried side 13 runs (the highest) were scored in one innings; one woman made 12 for the other side. At a former match, this being the return, one woman scored over 40 runs.

A Boston deacon made a sad mistake the other night. Riding home in a horse car, he was accosted by a friend with: "Ah, deacon, getting home rather late, eh?" "Well, yes," replied the deacon, "'tis a little late, but I have attended a prayer and conference meeting over in Chelsea this evening, and the interest was prolonged." Just then he inadvertently removed his hat, possibly to relieve his conscience, when two theatre checks fell out on the floor. It is needless to add that Jones and the deacon pass without speaking now.

The Prussian authorities in Schleswig have hit upon a new and ingenious mode of persecution against the Danish papers advocating the nationality and the rights of the Danish population of the Duchy. They have issued official lists changing all the Danish names of the towns, villages, farms, rivers, forests, &c., into German-sounding words without any meaning, and now they endeavor to compel the papers to use only these distorted names. This measure has deeply irritated the population, and is likely to have just the opposite effect of what was intended

A public meeting was held in Birmingham last Tuesday, at which resolutions were adopted protesting against illegal use of the public moneys to defray the expense of illuminating the city on the occasion of the anticipated visit of the Prince of Wales. The speakers denounced the Mayor and accused him of seeking favor with the Court in order to obtain a knighthood. Opprobrious epithets were applied to the Prince of Wales and other violent language was used, which called out strong expressions of dissent. The proceedings throughout were very disorderly.

Many persons have recently been poisoned in different parts of France by lead used in lining or coating cooking utensils. Instead of tin which was formerly used, an amalgam of three parts of lead and one part of tin is now employed for lining sheet iron or copper pans and vessels. This amalgam is brighter and less durable than tin, two reasons for its being liked by the cooks, as their pans look better and wear out sooner, thus giving them a commission oltener from the tinsmiths.

Over £3,000,000 are annually given to public charities in London. The hospitals receive the largest sums; next come the exclusively religious institutions. Charities for children are well supported, and are rapidly increasing. The Children's Dinner Society, which gives the pupils of the ragged schools a meat dinner once a week for a penny, has 43 dining rooms in different parts of the city. Many antiquated charities are still kept up. The Westmoreland Societies' School founded in 1746, "to educate poor children of natives of Westmoreland, born in or within 10 miles of London," has received £600 this year. Over £1,000 are this year's receipts of the Cumberland Benevolent Institution (1784), which gives thirty shillings monthly to aged and infirm natives of Cumberland and their widows, residing within ten miles of St. Paul's Cathedral. Smith's Charity, founded in 1620, "to give 23 poor godly ministers £20 each," now gives that sum to 24. The "Aged Pilgrims' Friend" distributes £5,700 a month among 940 "aged pilgrims." The pilgrims must be above the age of 60, and be able to prove that they are "of the household of Faith."

LOCALS.

For advertisements of WANTED, LOST, FOUND, FOR SALE, REMOVED, or TO LET, see Auction column.

New Advertisements.

Advertisers must send in their favors before 12 o'clock, noon, in order to insure their appearance in this list.

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Opera House— Pete Lee.
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Flour, Meal, Provisions, &c— F Tufts
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Flour, Pork and Oatmeal— Hall & Fairweather
Brooms, Soices, &c— Sweeney & Stafford
Cake Baker Wanted—
Feed and Oat Store— J B Penaligan

AUCTIONS.

Bankrupt Stock— E H Lester

Brevities.

Thermometer—at noon to-day—56°.

The *New Dominion and True Humorist* to-morrow will contain "The Dream of a Church Mouse," a satire on Ritualism. Everpbody should read it.

One of Messrs. Blakslee & Whitnect's painters, while lifting a ladder from a cart on Orange street, this morning, tripped and fell, the ladder falling on his chest. His head struck on the pavement and received rather a deep cut from which the blood flowed freely, but otherwise he was uninjured.

It is reported by Fredericton people that there are 250 cases of typhoid fever in that city. The citizens attribute the disease to impure water.

The parents of 60 or more children were astonished yesterday morning when upon ordering their children to prepare for school they were informed by them that it was Thanksgiving Day, and that their teacher, Miss Moore, of the Madras School, had given them a holiday.

Between two and three hundred barrels of potatoes came down by steamer Rothesay yesterday from different points along the river.

The second championship game between the Athlete and Shamrock base ball clubs will come off this afternoon at the Barrack Square.

Yesterday afternoon Coroner Earle held an inquest on the remains of Mrs. Hannah Gosman who died suddenly Wednesday morning, a *post mortem* examination showing nothing but natural causes for death a verdict was rendered accordingly.

The Baptist Mission Union met yesterday afternoon in the vestry of the Germain street Church. A large number sat down to tea at 6 o'clock, and many more dropped in during the evening. Short addresses were delivered by different Baptist clergymen of the city, and the evening was enlivened with music, readings, &c. The collection amounted to $18.35.

A second attempt was made Wednesday night to burn the new building belonging to Mr. D. Cathcart, on McCoskery Road. This is the house which was discovered to be on fire some weeks ago by a young man when leaving his lady love, and it seems as if some one was determined to burn it.

Yesterday afternoon a fire was discovered in Price & Shaw's factory, and Mr. John Roberts rushed to the scene with a Fire King Extinguisher; but he's sorry he didn't stay away, as his machine burst, and some of the chemicals flew in his face and burned it slightly. The fire was put out with a few pailsful of water.

The examination of William Agnew was continued at the Police Court yesterday afternoon. The Clerk of the Peace gave evidence, after which the testimony was read over, and the charge, to which the prisoner pleaded not guilty. He was remanded to jail to be tried at the next session of the County Court.

The N. B. Engineers' Rifle Club intend having a competition, to close the season, in a few days. A number of handsome prizes will be given.

Justice Tapley and Mr. Henry Maher, with ex-policeman Wood as a body guard, leave for Black River this morning on a fishing excursion.—*News.* Here's a good chance for a libel suit. This is a charge against a dispenser of justice of going fishing contrary to law, it being after the first of October. The party are out looking for game.

Mr. John O'Brien, corner of Mill and North streets, keeps a large stock of Tobaccos, Cigars and smokers' requisites of choice qualities, and at such prices as will secure him a large patronage. See advt.

Alexander Ferguson, a Kincardinshire emigrant, who lives on the farm belonging to the Water Commissioners on the Loch Lomond Road, lost a valuable cow yesterday. He purchased the cow with its young calf from Mr. Armstrong but a few days before for $60. The loss is a serious one to Mr. Ferguson, who has been but one season engaged in farming in this Province.

In the Police Court, this morning, $40 were collected for assault cases.

Mr. Wyzeman Marshall, the distinguished actor who has been engaged to take Mrs. Scott-Siddons' place in the Academy course one evening, will be entertained at a complimentary dinner by the prominent members of the Masonic brotherhood in this city.

The hundreds of ladies and gentlemen who will attend the Barnabee concert to-night will be pleased to find that the floor of the Academy has been scrubbed and the seats dusted.

SICKNESS is an affliction that waits on us all. None are exempt, and there are none but need relief from its attacks. Whoever can furnish this becomes our benefactor. A conviction prevails that DR. AYER does it. Disorders of the blood have been healed by his SARSAPARILLA, and affections of the lungs by his CHERRY PECTORAL, too frequently and too distinctly to be disputed. His AGUE CURE is said, by those who use it, to never fail. Reader, if you must have medical aid, take the best of medicine. Poor remedies are dear, as good are cheap, at any price you have to pay for them.—*Charleston Courier.*

Card and Cabinet Photos, in camco and enamels, at Notman's.

Militia and Customs Affairs.

The Minister of Customs is going to prevent any further occupation of the Customs Building by the militia, either for drill or for storing arms or ammunition. The munitions of war that have been stored in the Customs Building have all been removed, and are now at the Barracks. In future the Barrack property is to be used altogether for military purposes, says the Minister of Customs. He inspected the place a few days ago and was apparently much disgusted at seeing the Square occupied by base ball players. It is said he has ordered them all off within a few weeks, and announced that in future no sports except military will be allowed there. This will show the superiority of the Hon. Minister of Customs over all former persons in authority. The British Government allowed the Square to be used by ball and cricket clubs, even when their soldiers were drilling there. The late Government also allowed this, and, after considerable red-tape, the militia authorities opened the grounds this year. What Mr. Burpee has to do with militia affairs is a question, but it is a first rate chance for him to show a little authority and he is bound to do it.

Shipping Notes.

Disasters in August.—The Committee of Management of the Bureau Veritas has just published the list of maritime disasters reported during the month of August, 1874, concerning all flags. The list gives the following statistics:

Sailing vessels reported lost, 74, viz.: 36 English, 9 French, 8 American, 6 German, 4 Danish, 4 Greek, 3 Norwegian, 2 Chilian and 2 Italian. In this number are included 10 sailing vessels reported missing.

Steamers reported lost, 14, viz.: 8 English, 2 German, 1 American, 1 Brazilian, 1 Japanese and 1 Russian.

The ship King Cenric, hence for Liverpool, was left off Yarmouth by pilot on Wednesday morning, all well.

Point Lepreaux, Oct. 16, 9 *a. m.*—Wind W. N. W., strong breeze; one schooner outward.

City Police Court.

The court opened shortly after ten o'clock, seven prisoners quietly waiting their doom.

Valentine Piereth was obliged to spell his name twice before the Magistrate could get it correctly, as his name on the sheet read William Pearce, and he repudiated the idea of owning such a common name. To a charge of drunkenness in Prince William street he pleaded not guilty, but the evidence of the policeman proved him not only drunk, but lying in a very dangerous position. Fined $6.

James McDevitt, to a charge of drunkenness, pleaded guilty and was fined $4. He wanted to address the court, which was allowed. He described the launch of a noble specimen of marine architecture, on Wednesday, admiration for which, with the knowledge that his hands had helped to mould the vessel, caused him to indulge too freely. Then he offered to pay his fine if a policeman would accompany him to a certain office.

Jane King, to the charge of drunkenness in St. John street, shook her head, which was enveloped in a grey shawl. A policeman raised her head covering, and one of the worst imaginable faces was presented. It was cut, bruised and covered with clotted blood. How she got such a face she could not tell, but the charge being proved she was sent to the penitentiary for two months.

John Peacock said, in answer to the charge of drunkenness in King Square, that he had just "a couple of glasses too much." That couple cost him $4, which he said was more than he ever paid for two glasses before.

Richard Graham confessed to drunkenness in Carmarthen street, and was fined $4.

Martin O'Brien was charged with assaulting John Duffy, and did not pretend to deny it. The complainant wanted to withdraw the charge, on account of the young man's parents. After hearing the account the Magistrate did not think he was justified in permitting his doing so, and fined the youth $10. The assault occurred in Brussells street, and was entirely unprovoked.

William Brady was charged with assaulting Alice Voysey. He denied the charge, but the evidence of the complainant fully proved it and Brady was fined $10.

Leonard P. Crear was present to answer the same charge, on complaint of William J. Thompson. To the charge he pleaded guilty and the full penalty of the law—$20—was imposed, which was paid at once.

Buying $300 Worth of Furs for Forty Cents.

Mr. John Bellony, picture dealer, of Dock street, had occasion to use a wooden box yesterday afternoon, and sent his young man to Lansdowne & Martin's dry goods store to purchase one. After some higgling about the price 40 cents was agreed upon, and the box was purchased. The young man shouldered the box and marched off to Dock street. It remained in the store until evening, when it was opened and found to contain a quantity of furs. Mr. Bellony then carefully nailed it up and put the box in a safe place up stairs. The loss was discovered at Lansdowne & Martin's this morning, and, in company with two policemen, one of the partners went and demanded the return of the goods. Mr. Bellony refused to deliver them. He had bought the box, he said, and paid for it. If the firm were kind enough to fill it with furs worth $300 he was obliged to them. It was his now and they could not get it from him. Quite an animated discussion ensued, but the owner of the furs was determined to have them back. He got mad at last, when the policemen interfered, and Mr. Bellony could carry out his "little joke" no longer. He then delivered the box up, but is very much incensed that it should have been thought necessary to employ policemen when he was taking such excellent care of the goods, and would have given them up on being asked for them, only for the joke of the thing.

The Loch Lomond Robbery—Detectives Investigating the Affair.

There are as yet no tidings of the robbers of Des Forges, nor has any idea been formed as to who they are. After mature deliberation the Chief of Police determined to move in the matter, and yesterday morning started for the scene. He proposed to take the victim out with him, but when he called for Des Forges that young gentleman could not be found, and then he took Mr. G. W. Day. They called at the Five Mile House, at the Allandale, kept by Mr. Poole, at the Brown House (Paddy Brown's it is generally called), at several other houses on the road, and then arrived at Bunker's. The brace detectives could get no tidings of the movements of Mr. Des Forges, nor did any rascal confess the robbery to them. Perhaps they were a little nervous for fear highwaymen might attack them, as they took good care to come in before the shades of night commenced to fall. The result of their thorough inspection of the locality gives one important fact to the public. *There are no bushes near the sides of the road where the alleged robbery is located.* The Chief has determined to go over the road again to-day, and will probably report the number of unlicensed taverns, on the road, that are selling liquor all the time. Or, as there are warrants out for Nicholson, Fleming and John Conolly, perhaps he will secure them.

The other detective who is investigating the alleged robbery is Capt. Jones of the Portland Police force. He has a farm out there, yesterday he had an auction sale, so by his journey he will kill two birds with one stone. The authorities in Portland say that the Captain is prepared with every facility for measuring the road, and for sounding the lake. Some new geographical or typographical information will no doubt be obtained.

THE DAILY TRIBUNE and all the most popular Canadian, English and American newspapers and magazines can always be obtained at the bookstore of Mr. W. K. Crawford, King street. aug 8

Portland Police Court.

John Duffy was the only prisoner, and was disgusted to find that he had to pay $4 for a simple drunk.

Another Highway Robbery.

Last evening Samuel Neeves, with other employes of the Water Commissioners, was engaged in cleaning out the catch basin in Prince William street. About 10 o'clock Neeves, who is a teamster, drove to the Ballast Wharf to empty the load of filth taken from the basins. While there he was accosted by two men who demanded money. He replied that he had no money to give them, when they at once seized him and threw him on the ground. While one ruffian held him there the other rifled his pockets. His pocket book which, fortunately, only contained a small quantity of money was taken from him and everything else of value he had. They then left him, and he drove up town in search of a policeman. Near Reed's Point he met an officer and told what had been done to him. He wished the officer to go back with him to see if they could find the men, but he positively refused, and laughed at the man. The officer on duty at that place made no report at the Police Station this morning. Neeves has been for some time in the employ of the Water Commissioners, and is a perfectly reliable and sober man.

Nova Scotia News.

The Lawrence Woolen Mill at Maccan, N. S., was sold at Sheriff's sale on the 13th. J. A. Donkin, Esq., purchased it for $9,000.

A telegram to the Halifax *Express*, from Digby, says: The Sheriff opened his Court this morning at 10 o'clock, and after preliminaries were gone through the Hon. Mr Vail and W. H. Taylor, of Digby, were nominated candidates. Both gentlemen spoke, the latter briefly, and was well received. A. W. Savary followed at length. Messrs. Vail and Taylor followed. Savary replied to Vail a second time.

TIMELY TOPICS.

The Government schooner La Canadienne, just arrived at Quebec from the Magdalen Islands, reports the fisheries along the North Coast to have been very poor so far.

Prince Frederic William, oldest son of the Crown Prince of Russia, has been placed in the second class of a gymnase at Cassel. The Crown Prince and Princess went themselves to announce the entrance of their son to the teacher of his class, Dr. Heussner. This was done in the most simple and easy manner possible, no ceremony being observed, at the request of the Prince's parents, who likewise desired to have him addressed with "You," as the other boys, the title "Highness" being dropped, of course. The Crown Prince exhorted his son to do all in his power to give satisfaction to his teachers and acquire all the knowledge he could.

In Sicily a few days since a gentleman was captured not far from Mussomeli, blindfolded and carried off. On arriving at a secure place the bandage was taken from his eyes, and he received the order to write to his family for 25,000 lire, equal to $5,000, as the price of his liberty. He was then again blindfolded and left in charge of a guard, from whom he managed to escape, though shots were fired after him. Between Vitalial and Roccapalumba the mail was stopped, and one of the passengers, a Canon, whose apostolic benediction was first asked for, was mulcted to the amount of 2,000 lire, or £80. He escaped, however, the ill treatment which many in his position meet with.

The interesting suggestion has been made by a writer in *Nature*, that the white telescopic appearance in many parts of the moon's surface, so strikingly resembling snow, may, in fact, be a coating of salt on extinct volcanoes of that satellite. The dazzling, snow-white effect, so familiar in the appearance of the lunar mountains, is commented upon, and it is thought that a clew to this well known but hitherto unexplainable phenomenon is furnished by some of the more recent eruptions of Mount Vesuvius. In this instance a crust of crystals of salt, very definite, was formed over the entire surface of the lava on cooling, the effect of which, in the sun, being quite similar to the whiteness of some portions of the moon viewed by the telescope.