

## ON THE BORDER.

## Grand Army Men—A Monument—A Picnic—Pleasing Features.

Down in the office of the Exchange Hotel in Calais last Thursday morning a picturesque group ranged their knees in a circle and began to swap reminiscences. They were old men, from various parts of Maine, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, met in annual reunion.

They were old in appearance, but their hearts were as young as when they followed Old Glory to victory in the war of the rebellion.

"We're the longest lived family in Maine," cried one of them, slapping his neighbor on the shoulder. "My father was 102 years and 23 days old when he died last October. For myself—"

In lieu of further words the veteran got up and started to dance a jig in the middle of the circle. But in the midst of it a thought struck him and he sat down.

"Say," he remarked confidentially, "when I left home my wife said—'Now, old man, you go down there, and have the time of your life. Enjoy every minute of it—but don't make a fool of yourself.'"

"And," pursued the veteran, "I won't. But I'll have a good time." "That's what we'll all have," affirmed another, amid a chorus of assent. Then they got their heads together—soldier like—and plotted an invasion of Canadian territory. A few hours later the Star met them marching in line.

On a granite pedestal on the hillside in Memorial Park a bronze figure of a Union Soldier, very life-like, looks down the valley of the St. Croix, and tells to all comers that Calais, though a small town, has not forgotten those of her sons who fell, whether on land or sea, in order, as the inscription hath it, that "government of the people, for the people, by the people, may not perish from the earth." One can forgive the complacent assumption of all the virtues of government for the sake of the spirit which reared this monument to the heroic dead.

Last Thursday was a holiday in Calais. Its people joined with those of Eastport and other towns on the Washington Counties railway in a colossal picnic at Marion. It is hoped to make this an annual event, to promote good feeling and closer business relations among the various towns. These Maine folk combine business and pleasure with excellent results in both directions.

The Calais and St. Stephen street railway is a valuable enterprise. It is well conducted, and the ride in an open car through St. Stephen, Milltown, N. B., Milltown, Me., and Calais, all for a nickel, is a delightful excursion.

The border towns are becoming more and more friendly. There are beautiful homes and evidences of wealth and cultivated taste on both sides of the border. The hotels are good, the scenery beautiful, and for a holiday there are few places so attractive.

## HE COULD WAIT.

(Tribune.) In many Scottish families the old man-servant is something of an institution. He enters the service of a particular family when a boy, adheres faithfully to his place for a long number of years, and finally resigns when the infirmities of age are upon him. In time he becomes rather imperious in tone, and claims as his rights little things that were at first done to him as favors. If any objection is urged to his demands he usually asserts himself with a spirit of independence.

A lady tells an amusing story illustrative of this. Her coachman—a cruel old creature who had been in the service of the family in her father's time—gave her great trouble and annoyance on different occasions by not carrying out her instructions. At length, the matter became unbearable, and she determined to see what mischief would befall her if she dismissed him.

Calling him into her presence, she said with as much asperity as she could command: "I cannot stand this any longer, John. You will leave my service at the end of the month."

The old servant looked at her in amazement for a minute, and then the characteristic loyalty came to the surface. "Na, na, my lady," he said, "I drove you to the kirk to be baptized; I drove you to your marriage; and I'll stay to drive you to your funeral!"

## LORD SALISBURY'S WIT.

(New York Times.) Lord Salisbury, who has just resigned the premiership of Great Britain, is known as a statesman rather than as a wit; but that he is not lacking in humor is proved by the following "mot" to which he gave expression on the occasion of the recently deferred coronation exercises in regard to the knight of a certain Englishman whose wife enjoys the unenviable reputation of a second Mrs. Malaprop.

"Well," said the premier, wiping his brow as he entered the St. James' hall after the coronation of the king, "I have just done this which Providence showed its inability to accomplish."

"Why, what was that?" asked a fellow member.

"I have created Mrs. So and So a lady."

## OF PERSONAL INTEREST.

Richard J. Walsh, of Waterbury & Rising's establishment, is spending his vacation in Boston.

Jeremiah Regh of Boston is spending a holiday with old St. John friends.

Dr. E. F. Quigley arrived at Montreal on Friday from Paris via Liverpool.

Dr. W. Holt, of St. John, is giving testimony at Bangor.

Charlotteville Guardian: Andrew Rainnie, one of the most popular conductors on the C. P. R., and family, crossed to the Island Saturday evening. Mr. Rainnie only remains a short time, but his family will spend a few weeks at Long River, where they have many relatives and friends.

## MILLIONS IN IT.

"Great invention Werner got out of it," "Haven't heard of it. What is it?" "A rough shod cake of soap, warranted not to slide when you step on it."—New York Press.

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## SPORTING NEWS.

## BASE BALL.

## AFTERNOON GAME.

Alerts, 11; Roses, 2.

When the teams lined up for the afternoon contest the grandstand was crowded to its utmost capacity, the bleachers filled to the fringe, two people all around, the fences and in front of the club house.

Levekin, the Wesleyan College twister, was in the box for the Alerts, and Whely for the Roses. Mairs who they expected on the noon train, not arriving, Whely was very effective, struck five innings, holding the Alerts to five hits, but in the sixth he weakened and went entirely to pieces in the eighth. Sixteen hits were made off him. Levekin on the other hand was a problem all through, holding the Roses to six hits. He has an easy delivery, plenty speed, good control and shoots. McLean held him in fine style.

The score:

Alerts, 2b. 1b. 3b. 4b. 5b. 6b. 7b. 8b. 9b. 10b. 11b. 12b. 13b. 14b. 15b. 16b. 17b. 18b. 19b. 20b. 21b. 22b. 23b. 24b. 25b. 26b. 27b. 28b. 29b. 30b. 31b. 32b. 33b. 34b. 35b. 36b. 37b. 38b. 39b. 40b. 41b. 42b. 43b. 44b. 45b. 46b. 47b. 48b. 49b. 50b. 51b. 52b. 53b. 54b. 55b. 56b. 57b. 58b. 59b. 60b. 61b. 62b. 63b. 64b. 65b. 66b. 67b. 68b. 69b. 70b. 71b. 72b. 73b. 74b. 75b. 76b. 77b. 78b. 79b. 80b. 81b. 82b. 83b. 84b. 85b. 86b. 87b. 88b. 89b. 90b. 91b. 92b. 93b. 94b. 95b. 96b. 97b. 98b. 99b. 100b. 101b. 102b. 103b. 104b. 105b. 106b. 107b. 108b. 109b. 110b. 111b. 112b. 113b. 114b. 115b. 116b. 117b. 118b. 119b. 120b. 121b. 122b. 123b. 124b. 125b. 126b. 127b. 128b. 129b. 130b. 131b. 132b. 133b. 134b. 135b. 136b. 137b. 138b. 139b. 140b. 141b. 142b. 143b. 144b. 145b. 146b. 147b. 148b. 149b. 150b. 151b. 152b. 153b. 154b. 155b. 156b. 157b. 158b. 159b. 160b. 161b. 162b. 163b. 164b. 165b. 166b. 167b. 168b. 169b. 170b. 171b. 172b. 173b. 174b. 175b. 176b. 177b. 178b. 179b. 180b. 181b. 182b. 183b. 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