St. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY, MAY 26.

THE OUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

"The twenty-fourth of May is the Queen birthday; it you don't give us a holiday we'll all run away," is the old schoolboy song, not less in this part of the world than on the other side of the ocean. Indeed, of recent years, it is left for the colonies to the natal day of their sovereign, while in England itself, the day is much the same as any other day. Canadians may not be any more loyal than their ins across the ocean, but they express their zeal abating as the years pass by.

And in truth if there was ever a reason

why people should rejoice on the natal day of an earthly sovereign, it exists in the case of Victoria, the Good. In her reign of less than three-score years, the British empire has advanced as if never did before in any one century since the days of the Norman Conquest. The record is stained by blood, it is true, but the two great wars were in their way unavoidable, and they were not like the wars of previous centuries prompted by the lust of conquest. The present generation knows only of international strife by tradition, and the trend of national sentiment is more than ever in accord with the prayer: "That it may please Thee Lord." The desire of the people is for peace, and the day when Britain's glory is estimated by her ambition to shed blood has gone to return no more. The Victorian era is essentially an age of peace.

In the compass of a generation, beginning with the "Trent affair," there have been times when war must have been the issue of an international dispute, had the traditions of the past been followed. Unbetween those of a common ancestry has been averted, and the most sanguinary predict that it will ever occur. The times have changed since kings and queens could set their subjects at slaughtering each other on the matter of misunderstanding a verbal specific proof of photosum in the matter of misunderstanding a verbal specific proof of photosum in the meantime of which they are, so far as they go, the very careful." message. There is too much of responsible government and there are too many

So it is that in the reign of VICTORIA. the Good, Britain and its possessions have prospered. There has been a wonderful progress in science, if not in literature and there has been a very material advance in the protection of that flag. There have been times of depression, and it must be that they will come again. Even in our own fortunate maritime provinces, where the extremes of great wealth and abject poverty are equally unknown, there are times when some of us feel that the nineteenth century is passing by while we and our environment are standing still. Yet ere our disquietude can voice itself, the without appreciating it. This has been the history of the past, and history is re-

We in the maritime provinces have much tor which to be grateful under the reign of VICTORIA. It is well that we keep the anniversary of her birth. It is a day to be hold the sceptre. And in the contempla-tion of all that has been brought about for good during her reign, it is a day to be remembered and honored when, in her allotted time, she shall have passed away

THE STREET LOAFER MUST GO. A Halifax correspondent tells Progress
that the police arrest corner loafers on
sight in that city, and that a fine is the
penalty for violating the law. So it is in
St. John. The trouble here is that the
will not having the reputation of being a
centre of great religious activity, has yet a
will leave religious activity, has yet a an habitual loater, and so contents himself with "shooing" the crowd off the sidewalk as he passes, leaving them, to resume their places when he has gone. He should have more authority Such a sight as a double or triple line of idlers staring at the passers by, whether from the edge of the sidewalk or the middle ot the street, should not be permitted. It

is not permitted in any other live city. It is not only those who have to escort ladies "through the lines," who have s right to complain. There are scores of working girls who are in all respects titled to be treated as ladies. They have relexation, but they should be able to do so without running the gauntlet of a crowd of loafers. As PROGRESS has already said, the problem is a serious one, and probably the police try to do their duty, as tar as they teel authorized to act. Something more is plainly needed however. If thing more is plainly needed newest, one there is no law to cover the situation, one should be passed in the next session. If premises on which to build, however fancishould be passed in the next session. If ful may be the deductions. Every method

curbstone and to keep "moving." He should be made to get out of the neighbor-

There ought to be law enough to per mit of this being done. If there is not, the sooner proper legislation can be obtained the better. In the meantime Chief CLARK will be pretty safe in assuming that public opinion will back him in utilizing all available machinery for the

A MESSAGE FROM JAIL

On another page of PROGRESS this week is a letter from Mr. C. BRUCE MACDOU-GALL, at present a prisoner in Dorchester jail. As stated in connection with the letter itself, PROGRESS does not endorse his comments on Messrs. HAWKE and STEVENS, but permits him to give his opinions further punishment will be inflicted on him before justice, from the standpoint of the ive to all nations unity, peace and cord, we beseech Thee to hear us, good satisfied. Nobody can ever tell how a prosecution will end in Westmorland. Se times, when everybody thinks somebody ought to he punished, an accused person is triumphantly acquitted, while again, especi-ally where a stranger is caught, nothing less than his conviction—and sometimes his life—will satisfy the demand of leading citizens for justice. It is therefore out of the question to predicate anything in regard to MacDougall. So far he is simplv a prisoner on an indefinite charge brought by individuals who did not molest him until he fired his shot in their direction. How far anything the Plain Dealer said warranted this course, or how far any specific proof of publishing indecent litera-BRUCE and his paper are out of the way, and at least some leading citizens of Moncton are able to breathe more freely.

It will be lobserved that Mr. MACDOU-GALL is philosophical under his trial, or rather want of trial. He trankly admits that he is not a martyr, and that he would be glad to get out of jail. He believes that he has been made the victim of a private all that is best for the people who claim prosecution, in which the nominal prosecutor, the QUEEN, has no interest. of Moncton. The only real complaint he makes in regard to his treatment in prison into his spiritual state. He justly considers that the exhibit of a motto proclaiming Divine love needs a fuller interpretation than is conveyed by the surroundings of a county jail. In this he appears to be quite right.

tells a great truth, so great that if men were to comprehend it in its fullness there would be no need of jails. The message of love is to the sinner who needs to have it explained to [him. In BRUCE's case, and is apparently ready to welcome those who would come with a view to improving ordinary policeman does not feel he has sufficiency of ministers to supply any de- be protestants, between ten and sixteen mand from the jail, and it is to be hoped some of them will; be impelled to do so. If BRUCE is not as bad as his prosepolices when he has gone. Now, any old policeman on the upper Charlotte street beat can name anywhere from one to fifty loafers, who make a practice of standing in rows on Saturday and Sunday nights, but unheeded.

DOWN TO HIS BOOTS.

theories in the study of human character, and now old boots are to the front in the same useful capacity. A man in France has evolved the science of Scarpology and claims to be able to discern the mental and moral qualities of his fellows merely by looking at their feet. A boot or shoe worn for a month or two will according to him, make it very easy to size up a stran ger. There is undoubtedly a pretty good basis for the idea, for shoes show the individuality of the wearer to even an ordinary eye. How far the matter can be made a science is another question.

Without knowing anything of the theories of this observing Frenchman, it is not premises on which to build, however fanciful may be the deductions. Every method of reading character from externals has

police. There are more than enough to been theorized to an absurdity from the old and men in the cargo department. Goods been theorized to an absurdity from the old have been in the cargo department. Goods have been stolen for the last two years, but under a liberal construction of the existing statutes.

Would it not be a good idea for Chief CLARK to see how far the present law will cover the case. He ought to understand that decent citizens want more than a however there is made an involuntary confession by the writer to the expert who has never seen him. Stripping any of these methods of their fancilial accretions, New York Herald in answer to a correspondent. that decent citizens want more than a technical enforcement of the law. When a man is ordered to move on, they want him to move further than two feet from the the sound principle of learning to reason from the observation of what are apparent

The art of scarfology, or the sizing up a man by his boots, is worthy of attention, though a tyro in it may very easily make mistakes. The old phrase of "down at the heel" and the more modern one of "on his uppers" are based upon actual conditions in the experience of humanity. Bad boots are always what, in the vernacular, is termed a give away. A man faultless as to the rest of his attire but with broken tootwear would be spotted by an hotel clerk in any of the big hostelries on this on Tuesday night. Captain Whitman discerk in any of the big hostelines on this continent. He would probably be a traud, though a man with much cheaper clothes and good boots could register without question. On the broad generalities alone, question. On the broad generalities alone, there is a good deal in the way a man regiment is this same Captain Alfred

But a rascal may wear as good boots as can be had, says the doubter. Undoubtedly he can, and when he does he is not

Obviously, the deductions must be made from the way the person to be studied wears out his boots. Certain inferences er. It seems Horneman was at work get are not to be relied upon in connection with the science of scarpology. The man who first wears away the heel, the toe or the ball, does so because his locomotor muscles act in expression. The stamping of the heel in anger, or the creeping on toes in a precaution are simple illustrations of this, and as then the order came from Whitman: the average man uses his feet even more than his hands, there is every reason in the world why his character should be im-

world with their wits have had to learn how to size up a man at sight by a variety as circumstances would permit, he no of indicia, of which the boots are usually doubt observed her birthday with as loyal a heart as if he had a hundred bunches of cal purposes, it is doubtful if the evolution firecrackers to explode around the streets of the science of scarpology can ever do

> become a thing of the past except, perhaps, in ready-made, clothing where it always belonged and should, have stayed. It is said that ready-made now have the tailorstyle crease so prevalent that men of fashion are compelled to return to the old plan. The intentional crease in trousers was always bad taste, however good form it may have been considered. A gentle-man—and above all an English gentleman—never wants to look as though his clothes had just come from the tailor. The snob likes to lookinew, however, and one of the differences between him and the gentleman
> is the difference between ostentation and
> the lack of it. a Clothes do not make the
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> Location and environments would lead one to think that they were hearling in sympathy with the association and its aims.
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> A gentleman well known in the city tells man, but they usually serve to make the

rs old, healthy and fairly intelligent.

It is said that C. BRUCE MACDOUGALL'S lawyers will enter a protest against Judge Wells presiding in the case of their client. Mr. MacDougall has openly stated in his The face, the hand and the style of paper that the prosecution hopes to secure writing have all been made the base of his conviction by malice, and the use of political and other wicked influences, and ow he is going to swear to it in the shape of an affidavit. It is not often that a p soner sets up any objection to the judge who is appointed to try him.

[The letter of Mr. McDougall is published as he has written it. and represents his opinions rather than those of Progress especially in regard to Messrs. Hawke and Stevens. It is published as a matter of fairness to the prisoner, who has no longer his own paper at his command, and who is without counsel and has at least a right to be heard over his own signature. -Ed. Progress.]

The Cunard steamship company which

pendent. It may be that the persons are humbugs, but that writing is a very clear in-dex of character, is something that is pretty clear to people who get many letters.

Massachusetts is talking of adopting final disposition of criminals. Considering the number of murders in Boston, and the rarity of executions it really seems to matter little which method is legalized.

HALIFAX, May 24.—The Kelly drun Whitman. Certainly he has more than once been in trouble both with the men tic 66th man and thoroughly up in his drill edly he can, and when he does he is not under suspicion as a pest. The important point therefore is to know from a man's qualifications can be described by feet when he is a rascal, even though a prosperous one. This is what the science of the battalion, though they do not of scarpology will no doubt undertake to teach.

like him much more then did President Mackintosh and the directors of the Eastern and the care bestowed on their appearance, but the only solid test is to be found in the soles and heels. There are bestowed in the captain interferred drill. The Captain interferred the soles and heels. There are old rhyming adages as to what is, indicated by the ed rather curtly.

Said Horneman to Whitman: "If you wait a minute, and give me a chance, I'll The the does this objectionable manner."

Said Whitman to Horneman: I'll order There was another scene between officer

"Horneman, fall to the rear as a pris-

The command was obeyed, and Horne man went to the rear. Then he started To read it right is another matter.

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To home, took off his regimentals and reMost men who have had to rub against the
turned to the held of drill and of strife with blood in his eye." Captain Whitman and Color-Sergeant Horneman appeared before Colonel Humphrey in the capacity of defendant and plaintiff respectively. The two men were disposed to argue out the officer should not discuss a question with The word comes that the carefully pressed crease in the legs of trousers is to colonel he could bring proof that Captain Vhitman had acted wrongly, and therepon the colonel stated he would hold a

vestigation. the tug of war.

LADIES WHO LOVE FLOWERS. And Take Them Boldly from the Public

The efforts of the Horticultural society beautity the public squares are strangely hindered sometimes. by people whose pos tion, education and environments would

PROGRESS a story, however, that puts facts forward in an uncomfortable fashion and proves beyond a doubt that there are some ladies in the city who do not respect the efforts of the Horticultural society, and steal the flowers from the squares quite as readily as they would pick them in their

It is not necessary to mention names, but No other qualifications are enumerated, so it is a fact that last Sunday morning two it may be inferred that the moral tone of ladies went to one of the flower beds on cutors claim, he may be in just the state to be approached on such subject. If he is be any higher than in some instances in tulips from it in plain view of a number of people on the square.

> squares? Why endeavor to impress upon the children the fact that the flowers in the square are not to be touched? Why sub cribe to plant flowers in the squares and thus beautify them for the sake of all the people when some of the people—those who should know better—will thus destroy

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Fully 1,000 colored men and women have been murdered by mobs in the Southern States during the last ten years. In 1892 there were 169 men and women lynched. In the first half of 1898 there were certainly 100 killed. If carefully compiled returns were available we should find that the number of deaths by violence under jurisdiction of Judge Lynch, at the present time, is something between 150 and 200 per annum.

Wanted to Be There

Taper—I should like two weeks' absence to attend the wedding of a very dear friend, Mr. Gingham—It must be a very dear friend, indeed, to make you want that much time. Who is it?

Taper—Well, sir, after the ceremony she will be my wife.

VERSES OF YESTERDAY AND TODAY

The Jist of the Paper The newspaper's come—I must read it through, If I drop everything I have to do; But I will never read the horrible lies
That are printed by people who advertise.

Well, here is a bit of biography,—
The a very fine poet in Tennessee;
But one never can know till the end, to be sure,
He sings the virtues of Celery Cure.

Turn, then, to a poem by Palmer Cox, Where peaky Brownies are going in flocks. To find at last, that each little fella

But I'll try this sermon, by Talmage preached; Though, before ever the end is reached, I fling down the paper, all flaming mad, For I know its a patent medicine ad.

A song is this—it is passing sweet—
Of brooks, and birds, and lovers that meet;
But it ends with something about Pink Pills,
A cure for the greatest of human ills.

You think how your mother used to serve
The bitter pill in the sweet preserve;
But you found the cheat out pretty quick.
When it stuck in your throat and made you sick.

A newspaper never again I'll try;— But an obituary catches my eye: Hang him! the man would still be alive If he had not neglected to use Lax-ive.

The painted windows in Gothic fanes,
The mountain summits, the spreading plains,
The press and pulpit—it he carries his plan—
Will be hired to the patent medicine man.

So complain no more, since it is not wise;

In heard a voice in a dream last night,
Like the cry of a mourning dove;
I wakened and summer laughed in my face,
And looked away to the purple rims,
Of shadows of mountain towers;
Then all the world awoke and sang
And dockad the earth with flowers.

Arrayed in bacutful robes and gems With lilacs in her hand;
A white rose blown in her golden hair,
And her brow by sea winds famed,
Her eyes to my longing language turne
And down in her sweet warm heart;
She saw in the light of the poet's soul
A glory beyond her art:

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She whispered to us the living name Of one who is nameless here;
But you my love know how we went With her, us three, that year.

She iolded her mantle around us too Along her violet ways:
And all her beautiful ruses grew,
In the paradise of our days.

In memory's lane is the glory still, And there dear heart alone: And there dear near.

My weary self lies in the drear

Of a song with a vanished to

Oh laughing summer your kiss is life, To the green leaves where they lie; You waken the voice of a rose of love, In a day that can never die. Blow a breath in the silver reed,

Of the poets days of old;
And sing of the white robed marguerite,
In her bodiec of yellow gold.
And come with me to a jewelled strand,
O'er the storm washed harbor bar;
And sail on your beautiful sea of bloom
Under love's crimson star. CYPRUS GOLDE. In The Old Home Road,

Hey there, pink and white arbutus, Calling where your green leaves grow; Here's the boy who clasped about you,

Ho ye merry romps of blue bells, Lift your brightleyes up to mine; Spread your sweet boughs hemlock brancles Here must I awhile recline. Years have vanished! yes we know it,

Now the buttercups and daisles, See me from the meadow grass; Down the fern lined path of spruce trees Looking in the river glass.

Trailing buds and spraya of May time,
Blue bird's note and robin's tune;
Honey bee and woodbine climbing,
Take me to the marge of June.

On the pole fence sings the linnet, Teaching more than any tract; God's own glory all about him We're two poets; golden fact.

With the perfume of the pitch pine On our coats, we have our song; His is to his sweetness only, Mine is to a scattered with Mine is to a scattered with Mine is to a scattered with Mine in Mi

Whitsunday As on this day, thy grace divine
In fullness great did brightly shine,
In divers tongues of Heavenly fire,
So aid, support, direct, inspire.

Thy chosen ones assembled there At Pentecest, in praise and prayer, Heard the great sound in faith and fear, And knew the Holy spirit near.

And as the strength of that new life, Went forth to danger, hardship, strife, Sustained to fearlessly proclaim. Salvation gained through Jesu's name.

That quickening power, will ever strive Within the heart and keep slive, Deep love for God, His law, His day And guide upon the narrow way.

O God our Heavenly Father, friend, Still guide and guard, protect, defend, Through Jesus Christ, Redeemer, Lord, The Holy spirit's aid afford.

The Scribe and the Smoke.

Between 5 and 6 o'clock on Saturday afternoon a Telegraph reporter observed smoke issuing from under the shingles on the roof of the large wooden building on Pitts street and occupied by the Salvation Army as a home. Satistying himself that the building was on fire the scribe sent in an alarm from box 46. It was discovered that a brick in the chimney, just inside the roof, had become dialodged and caused the smoke to issue through the roof. No damage was done.—Telegraph.

PAPER MADE FROM A TREE.

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The rice paper tree, one of the most interesting of the entire flora of China, has recently been successfully experimented with in Florida, where it now flourishes with other sub-tropical and Oriental species of trees and shrubs. When first transplanted in American soil, the experimenters expressed doubts of its hardiness, fearing that it would be unable to withstand the winters. All these fears have vanished, however, and it is now the universal opinion that it is equally as well adapted to the climate of this country as to that of the famed Flowery Kingdom.

It is a small tree, growing to a height of leas than fifteen teet, and with a trush or stem from three to five inches in diameter. Its canes, which vary in color, according to the season, are large, soft, and downy, the form somewhat resembling that noticed in those of the castor bean plant.

The celebrated rice-paper, the product of this queer tree, is formed of thin slices of the puth, which is taken from the body of the tree in beautiful cylinders several inches in length.

The Chinese workmen apply the blade of a sharp, straight knife to these cy, ders, and, turning them around cittle by rude machinery or by hand (in which latter operation they display much skill and dexterity.) pare the pith from circumference to centre. This operation makes a roll of extra quality paper, the scroll being of equal thickness throughout. After a cylinder has thus been pared, it is unrolled and weights placed upon it funtil the surface is rendered uniformly smooth throughout its entire length. It is altogether probable that if rice paper becomes an industry in the United States these primitive methods of manufacture will be done away with.—[St. Loui: Republic.

About Clove Trees

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The average length of life of the clove tree in Zanzibar appears to be from 60 to 70 years. Such terrible devastation resulted from the hurricane of "1872, when nearly all the clove plantations on the island were destroyed, that the average age of the trees now growing may be put down as below 20 years. The trees in the sultan's plantation, the larges in the island, are from 16 to 17 years old.

Had Heard of that Kind.

Old lady—I want a watch that won't ick so loud. tick so loud.

Jeweler—They all tick like this ma'am; there's no other kind.

Old lady—Sho! I know better., I've beard of them silent watches of the night since I be in separation.

A Pointer on Coffee.

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A useful recipe for making good coffee was promised in an advertisement on receipt of 10 cents. A women of Hamden, Ohio, sent a dime and received this important advice: "Practise till you get the coffee exactly right; then keep on making it in that way."

Positive and Negative.

"You don't mean to say the cashier has gone P"
"Yes," replied the bank official.
"Dear me! He had such a pleasing ap-

pearance."
"Yes. And such a displeasing disap-

Dumley (who has been asked to carve and is meeting with poor success)—Whew!
Landlady—Isn't the knife sharp, Mr.
Dumley? I had it ground to-day.
The knife is all right, madam. You ought to have had the fowl ground!

[PROGRESS is for sale in Newcastle by Max [Phoories is for sale in Newcastle by Max Atakin.]

Max 22.—We have been enjoying rather sner weather than usual, but the dread east wind has sprung up again and no doubt the rain will follow.

There is a report that Dr. Pedolin has bought the yacht "Kittoch" from Mr. J. C. Millar. Though somewhat out of "swim" for the last year or two, this boat is a spiendid saller and under the Dr's. skillful management will no doubt take a prominent place in future races.

Hon. Peter Mitchell, and his daughter Miss Blanche Mitchell are in town staying at Hilltop, the residence of Mr. James Mitchell.

The W. C. T. U. concert was held before a rather small and select audience; Mr. W. C. Analow performed the duties of stage manager in a very satisfactory manner. The selections by the band were very good.

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A number of our young people are preparing to go to Moncton where great attractions in the way of baseball and sports are held forth.

Mr. F. P. Youton goes over to Fredericton on Thursday to take the degree of M. A. at the Univ

ersity. Mrs. Bruce, of Moncton, was in town last week. BUCTOUCHE.

MAY 22.-Mr. Alex Curren of West Branch spent Rev. John Reed, of Moncton, is here the grathe Rev. Mr. Mclaughlin. He and Mr. Mclalin expect to hold an educational meeting this c

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Irving spent a day in Richibucto last week.

Mrs. Roberts left on Monday morning for Bos

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Irving and Miss Gladys ag
Sunday at Mrs. Irving former home in Milhown

Mr. Clarence Gross, of Moncton, and Mr.
lunis of St. John were at Bay View this week.

May 23.—Mrs. Allen Perley and Mrs. Charles
Miles spent a tew days in Woodstock last week,
Mr. T. Burke Inspector of Inland Revenue, St.
Joha secompanied by his daughter, Miss Burke
were in town on Monday.
The Presbyterians have secured the services of
Rev. Mc. Craye during the summer.
The Andover cornet band will celebrate May 24th
with a game of base ball in the afternoon, between
the Fort Fairfield Me. and Andover clubs and a
supper and ball in the evening. The proceeds will
be for procuring uniform suits for the band.
Mr. Allan Perley and Miss Louise Perley drove
to Woodstock yesterday.

Saturday Night Hair Cutting

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To THE EDITOR OF PROGRESS:—I would like to call attention to a certain matter which is a great injustice to many fair minded men, that is those people who get their hatr cut on Saturday night who have pients of time all week, and also men who send their children to the barber shop on that evening. Now, Mr. Editor, don't you think it an injustice to the young men of our city who are closed up in an office all week, to have to spend sometimes an hour on Saturday evening waiting aturday evening they pull themselves up for a hair at just when you would think of stepping to the air. Hoping you will refer to this in your next use, I remain.