

THE ACADIAN.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., MAR. 12, 1897.

Diphtheria at Kentville.

Our sister town of Kentville has been suffering from the fearful scourge of diphtheria for some weeks back. There have been a number of cases, a large proportion of which have proved fatal. The citizens of the town have no doubt acted, as they thought, in the interests of the town in keeping the matter as quiet as possible, and in minimizing the danger of the spread of the disease. The wisdom of such action is very questionable however, and the result in the present case has been that the disease is manifesting its presence in other parts of the county. The shire-town is naturally frequented by people from all parts of the county, and as very little care has been taken to isolate cases or quarantine premises where they have occurred, an excellent opportunity has been afforded for the spread of the plague. We trust that now, although it may be late, a different policy may be followed, and that the doctors and health boards throughout the county will put forth every effort to so far as possible prevent a further scattering of the disease.

President McKinley.

The ceremonies in connection with the inauguration of Major William McKinley as President of the United States on Thursday last were of a most elaborate nature. It is estimated that 40,000 persons witnessed the taking of the oath of office and listened, or tried to listen to the brief inaugural address. The President announced that Congress would meet in special session on March 15th to deal with the tariff question. McKinley's cabinet will be in some respects a notable one. The President is himself a man of indoubtful capability and he has with him as assistants, in the persons of Senator Sherman, as Secretary of State; John A. Porter, a skilled journalist, as private secretary; Gen. R. A. Alger, a soldier, as War Secretary; Lyman Gege, America's most famous banker, as Secretary of the Treasury; Hon. James Wilson, a practical farmer, as Secretary of Agriculture; a class of able and worthy officials in whom their country place every confidence. In fact no cabinet has been chosen anywhere that is more entitled to the popular favor.

Dominion Atlantic Railway Co.

A general meeting of this company was held at the head office, London, England, on February 19th. Francis Torhill, who presided, said: "They were all aware of the elections which had been held in Canada and of the political condition of affairs in the United States. This had caused temporary disarrangement of business, but nevertheless their traffic had maintained itself. The directors, considering the circumstances, thought the result had not been unsatisfactory. He concluded by moving the adoption of the report. C. Fitch Kempf seconded the motion. He stated that in his judgment, and according to the working of the line itself they had a property which was capable of considerable development. What they had to do was to encourage in every way in their power the development of traffic. Their traffic returns were, on the whole, going on satisfactorily. General Manager Campbell, who expressed himself as much gratified by the reception given to him by the shareholders, stated that there was little for him to add to the statement already made. The year had been a difficult one to contend with, but he had hopes that some considerable expansion of business ought to result shortly from the railway's strenuous effort to assist the development of the territory which it served."

Canada's Trade.

The Trade and Navigation Returns of Canada just issued give some very interesting figures. The total foreign trade of Canada during 1896 was \$259,025,360, which was fifteen millions more than that of the previous year, and eighty-five and a half millions more than it was the year the National Policy was adopted. Our exports in 1896 amounted to \$121,013,852, which was seven millions more than the previous year, and \$49,900,000 more than it was when the Conservative fiscal policy was adopted eighteen years ago. The imports for the year 1896 amounted to \$138,011,508, an increase of over seven millions as compared with 1895, and an increase of over thirty-six millions compared with 1879. Those who are carried away with the importance of trade with the United States will find some figures which should give them food for consideration. Canada's total trade with the rest of the British Empire is three millions and a half greater than our trade with the United States. Great Britain and other portions of the Empire took no less than \$71,116,000 of the products of Canada, while we only bought from them \$25,400,000. The British market is more valuable to us than the Canadian is to them. With the United States it is very different. Although a very large portion of our export trade with that country is really represented by goods shipped in bonds to be sent to other countries, we bought from them \$44,480,000 worth of goods to the United States, while we bought from them \$33,600,000. Our market is more important to them than theirs is to us. A despatch from Ottawa states that the Fisheries Department is making arrangements for re-opening the lobster fishery at Victoria. To facilitate the work, a new salt water tank is to be put in.

Editorial Chat.

The Review of Revue remarks that everything that is happening in Africa seems to be making somehow for the growth of the British Empire.

An item which appeared in the *Orchardist* on Tuesday was very misleading and calculated to leave the impression that diphtheria had broken out in Wolfville. This is one of the misfortunes of having a Kentville paper have the name Wolfville in its headline. Fortunately no cases have yet appeared here.

At a meeting in Halifax on the 4th inst. of the Liberal Conservative Union of this province, Dr. McKay resigned the leadership of the Conservative opposition in Nova Scotia, and suggested J. F. Stairs as his successor. Mr. Stairs accepted on the understanding that the Provincial Legislature was to be dissolved.

The constituency of Wright, Province of Quebec, has been opened by the appointment of C. R. Devlin, Immigration Commissioner to Ireland, at a salary of \$2,000 a year. The acceptance of this office of emolument, will create a vacancy in the House of Commons, that will probably be filled a few days after Parliament meets.

Half a million of dollars worth of one metal, taken out of the earth in twelve months, is a not unimportant fact for this little province, but this is the showing made in round numbers, by the gold mines of Nova Scotia during 1896. If Rosland proved this yield the whole world would talk about it. Nova Scotia is the richest Province in the Union.

An exchange remarks of the present year: "1897—a peculiar combination. The first and second figures when added together produce the third, and when subtracted produce the fourth, while the second and third added together express the same as the first and fourth. Astrologists say these are uncommonly good omens. Let us hope so. We can stand a little luck this year."

The women of Nevada wish to be admitted to see the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight. Prize-fighting has not generally been accounted a sport for women, but as Mr. Dan Stuart remarks, they are themselves the best judges. Probably the women of Nevada will enjoy the mill as much as the women of Spain enjoy bull fighting, or as the women of ancient Rome enjoyed the gladiatorial combats. Blood-thirstiness is not always a purely masculine characteristic.

J. D. Rockefeller has already given the University of Chicago \$8,000,000. Dr. Harper, the President, says it requires an endowment of \$20,000,000 to get the necessary \$1,200,000 annual revenue, which is wanted to meet expenses. The great Standard Oil king has now promised \$10,000,000 more to help this great University out of any financial troubles. Chicago can now "blow" over having probably the largest endowed University in the world. That will suit the "windy" city—the "greatest in the world" is its heraldic motto.

The *Eastern Chronicle* says:—The Local Legislature has concluded its session; and yet amongst all the bills and measures passed there, we have not seen one referring to the permanent improvement of our public highways, in other words an effective road bill. We were living in hope that such a bill would be passed but we are disappointed. Now, when there is such a public awakening all over the United States and Upper Provinces in favor of legislation that will secure the people the best of roads, Nova Scotia should not be behind in this. Our Province has led the van as far as education, temperance sentiment and such; and we would rejoice to see her keeping pace with Ontario in the matter of good roads reform.

The *Toronto Mail and Empire* says:—Aryopos of the beginning of the Lenten season, it is of interest to note that Ramadan, the Mohammedan Lent, has also begun, and during the whole of it, a rigorous fast from sunrise to sunset is commanded by the Koran. The followers of the prophet abstain not only from taking drink and food, but from using tobacco, and without the latter sedative to the nerves, the Turkish character, always prone to fanaticism, becomes exceedingly difficult to manage. The hatred of the "unbeliever" assumes an acute form, and the Ramadan is in consequence always regarded by the Christians in Mohammedan countries with a certain degree of apprehension. In the present unsettled condition of affairs in the Ottoman Empire, no surprise need therefore be felt if at any moment popular disturbances are reported, either from Constantinople or from Asia Minor.

Hantsport.

Miss Mumford, of Horton Landing, was the guest of Mrs J. R. E. Churchill on Saturday last.

Miss Rathburn and Miss Parker are the guests of Mrs Chas. Elderkin, of Wolfville.

Mr and Mrs G. W. Churchill are visiting their daughter, Mrs DeBarre, of Hebron.

Miss Jordan who has been visiting friends in Newcastle, N. B., returned home last week.

Miss Mitchell is visiting friends in Annapolis.

Miss Toys who has been visiting friends in Falmouth, returned home on Monday last.

Miss Ester, of Windsor, is the guest of Mrs J. H. White.

Mr J. E. Green, of New York, is visiting old acquaintances here.

Mr F. E. Webb, of St. John, was in town on Wednesday last.

A Picnic for the Birds.

The sweet singing choirs, sent here from above, Are tokens and gifts of the Infinite Love. Berobed in their vestments much richer than gold, Their souls they bring from the Eden of old.

They come in the morning, sweet singing in trees, While rising on branches that rock in the breeze; Like the men and the maidens with love in their hearts, Coquetting, they practice their own little arts.

They come in the height and heat of the day, And visit our homes and gardens in May; Domestic in nature, and looking for rest, They build in the bowers their own little nest.

Dear lady forgive my impertinence here, If now in my boldness, you think me severe; To plead for the birds is my mission of love— Commissioned I am, from our Father above.

Oh, how can you go to the altar of days, With tokens of murder adorning your hair! Much out of their place on your own pretty head, Are feathers of birds that have suffered and bled.

And what would you think if the angels on high, Should clip off your curls, and should pluck out your eye; In charms not their own, just themselves to adorn, And leave you a-bleeding your kindred to mourn?

The birds in their beauty, that sing in the bowers, Have rights here to live as sacred as ours; Then of your own feathers at home and abroad, For the sake of the birds, and the glory of God.

D. O. PARKER.

Personal Mention.

Contributions to this department will be gladly received.

Mr A. M. Bonnyman, boiler inspector, was in town this week.

Miss Smith, of Windsor, spent Sunday last with friends in Wolfville.

Mr B. H. Armstrong, barrister, of Halifax, was in town this week.

Mr David Thompson left on Saturday last for a visit to Boston and vicinity.

Mr J. Knowles, of Windsor, is now in the employ of Mr J. F. Herbin, jeweler, of this town.

Mr Will Parsons, of Halifax, was the guest of friends in Wolfville for a few days last week.

Mr C. E. Starr arrived home on Monday evening from a visit of some weeks to the United States.

Miss Kate Munro, who for a number of weeks has been visiting friends in the city, returned to her home in Wolfville on Friday last.

Lieut. Paul Weatherbee, of Halifax, son of Judge Weatherbee, graduate of the Royal Military College, has been appointed architect of the militia department.

Mr H. W. Sangster, of the legal firm of Shaw & Sangster, Windsor, spent Sunday last in Wolfville, visiting his sister, Miss Bertha Sangster, who is attending Acadia.

Mr E. J. L. White, lately of the Fraser-ville, (Que.) agency of the Peoples' Bank, is to fill the vacancy in the local agency caused by the transfer of Mr Webster. He entered upon his duties last Wednesday.

An Ottawa correspondent in a private letter says: "Everyone will regret to hear of the illness of Dr. Borden, Minister of Militia, as a result of the accident he met with on the train wreck on the Intercolonial railway a few weeks ago. His medical attendant has advised complete rest for some time to come. The injury was to the muscles of his back, which, although not of a permanent character is painful and tedious. There is not a man in the cabinet to-day that gives greater promise as an executive head than Dr. Borden."—*Sackville Post*.

One of the best ways to be loved in a community is to seek its welfare by refusing to hear and to retail gossip, by fair, kind, generous and helpful action; by showing respect for other's opinions; by expressing one's own in a polite but firm way, and by discharging duty with courtesy, consideration and fidelity.—*Ex.*

The town of Truro at a public meeting of its citizens held last Thursday, voted the sum of \$50,000 as a bonus to have the Millard Railway Co. bridge the Shubenacadie at Millard and Black Rock.

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