

THE ACADIAN

THE ACADIAN.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., DEC. 15, 1893.

Railways in the East.

The old world as the new has been moving of late in the matter of enveloping the more backward regions of the earth with the great boon of railway communication. In Siberia, in Australia and in South Africa the beginning has been made of what are destined one day to be giant systems like our own trans-continental. A line has long been talked about in British Government circles and discussed in the newspapers and periodical press is the Syria-Ottoman railway, which is intended to bring Charing Cross and Calcutta within reasonable time distance of each other. The work has been put at last into the hands of the contractors, and Englishmen are fervent in their self-congratulations on an enterprise which will, they hope, prove of the utmost importance to British political and commercial interests. At first it will extend from Haifa to Damascus, where it is hoped that it will be continued to Bagdad, from there to the Persian gulf and thence through Southern Persia and Baluchistan to Kurrachee in India. It is considered likely that England will hold a large proportion of shares in the new line. The trunk line would be supplemented by branches, one of which would go up by the Tigris to Constantinople. London mails would then reach the Persian gulf in six days. A second line would place the Persian gulf within a day's journey from the Mediterranean at Acre and by this route India would be ten days only from London. There has been amongst religious people a certain repugnance to the vulgarization by rail way traffic of places like Bethlehem, Bethany and other parts of Palestine sacred from their associations. But the advantages for travel will outweigh this feeling. It is not likely that the new line, if completed, will diminish the worth of the C. P. R.

The Game of Football.

An English athlete who does not believe in cultivating statistics at the expense of human life has some very vigorous things to say about the recent craze for the stirring game of foot-ball. In order to render his arguments the more effective he has backed them up by statistics on the sport which embrace the death recorded between the months of September and March of last year. He styles his list roughly but graphically as "the butcher's bill." No less than twenty-six young and promising men met their deaths in the game during that period, and in the majority of cases the deaths were horribly painful, the victims impaling for a few hours in indescribable agony. Those whose necks were broken or who died from sudden heart failure are to be esteemed far more fortunate than those who received fatal internal injuries, or who were kicked during the scrimmages until it was impossible to preserve the vital spark. The compiler of this record was unable to obtain the set of statistics which would have greatly increased the list of fatal accidents. This list would have dealt with those who died from the effects of injuries received on the fields, and it is probable that it would not have been shorter than the list of direct deaths. Manly and vigorous as the sport may be, these statistics may detract a little from its popularity, and the words of an aged divine may be echoed in many parts of our Dominion: "A battle, and sudden death, or from the combination of all three, the game of foot-ball, 'Good Lord deliver us!'

The Happiest on the Globe.

The Ottawa Journal says: A dispatch from Boston says there are forty thousand working people idle there.

Reports last week from Philadelphia said that seventy thousand working people were idle there.

An Australian paper which the Journal saw yesterday tells of thirty thousand working workmen parading Sydney.

This morning's cable despatches tell of one hundred and seventeen thousand idle miners in Scotland.

Old country papers contain reports of prevailing distress all over the United Kingdom.

English speaking countries are the most prosperous of the world, usually, and there is just one large English-speaking country to-day in which distress and starvation are not rampant, and that country is Canada, the happiest on the globe.

Mr. F. W. Shibley, of Kingston, Ont., a pronounced annexationist, when he could not take his country under his wing, thought he would annex himself, and accordingly left Canada to take up his residence in the land of his choice. He now writes to the Kingston Whig that his experience has taught him the Canada is much better outside than inside the American republic. Mr. Shibley's words should command themselves to those Canadian annexationists who have only looked on the apple from over the orchard wall without tasting it to have their mouths filled with the bitterness it contains.

There are now 10,000 Icelanders in Manitoba and still there's more to follow. The climate of the island is said to be getting steadily worse, and (if the Copenhagen authorities don't prevent) the whole population—some 70,000—may become Canadians. They are an industrious and moral people and will make good citizens.

Propylism.

By the kindness of the young ladies of Acadia University, a number of invited guests were present in College Hall on Friday evening, 8th inst., for the purpose of enjoying an open session of the Propylism Society. Promptly at eight o'clock, the President, Miss Parker, '94, and the Secretary, Miss Strong, '95, took their places on the platform, and the members of the Propylism to the number of 22, marched in to the strains of music, and occupied the centre seats. After a few well-chosen words of welcome to the guests, the President called for the reading of minutes of previous session, and the usual routine business was transacted. The programme which treated largely of Mrs. Browning's life and works, was then given. A synopsis of current events, prepared by Miss Caldwell, '95, gave a general outlook upon occurrences of interest, and contained beside some capital local hits, which were greatly enjoyed by the audience, being greatest at some points with loud and continued applause. Miss Brown, '96, followed with a well-written and interesting sketch of Mrs. Browning's life, a paper that was much enjoyed. Miss Blackadar, '94, then presented a paper on Mrs. Browning's style, showing in her treatment of her theme, measure thought, a keen appreciation and thorough understanding of the subject, clothing all in language exceptionally fine and poetical. It is not too much to say that Miss Blackadar did full justice to her subject. An instrumental duet was then given by Misses Seely and Crandall which was well rendered and warmly applauded, by the audience. Miss Archibald, '95, followed with a criticism of Aurora Leigh. Her analysis of the poem, appreciative definition of the characters therein portrayed, showed that Miss Archibald had made a thorough study of this great work that Sir John Thompson and Sir G. H. Tupper have met with in Nova Scotia on their recent trip. Among those papers is the Grit organ in this country. In a recent issue in speaking of the Pictou demonstration it says that Tupper abused Dr. Borden. As far as I can find out Tupper did not abuse him in fact, did not mention his name.

If the Grit editor can find one word about Dr. Borden, either flattering or otherwise, I should like for him to give her full share of praise or criticism, good-natured but keen. Round after round of applause and laughter followed each well directed rally, and when the audience rose to sing the national anthem, and dispersed, the universal verdict was that the evening had been most enjoyable, and reflected great credit upon the lady students of Acadia University.

Kentville News.

The young people of this town have recently organized a literary society to meet once a week. Debates, original papers, and discussions on various literary topics will occupy the attention of the members.

Judge Weatherbe, of Halifax, was in town last week.

H. H. Wickwire, barrister, of Digby, passed through Kentville Wednesday on his way back to resume his practice.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

Dr. D. W. of Wolfville, was in town on Tuesday last.

Minnehaha Lodge, I. O. G. T., has received an invitation for a fraternal visit to the lodge at Wolfville for Saturday night.

It seems to be a settled fact that we are to have a skating rink here this winter. The exhibition building will be fitted up for the purpose.

W. S. WALLACE, MERCHANT TAILOR.

New Goods! Latest Patterns!

My trade has increased so fast that I have been obliged to procure another lot of Fine Scotch Suitings and English Trouserings—all of the very latest Styles. Call and have a look at them. No old stock to select from.

N. B.—Ladies wanting buttons covered to match their dresses or sashes should see my Button Coverer.

Agent for "White" Sewing Machine.

PARNERSHIP NOTICE!

The undersigned have this day entered into co-partnership under the firm name of Brown Munro & Co as manufacturers agents and general commission merchants.

E. A. BROWN,
C. R. MUNRO,
WALTER BROWN.

SLEIGHS!

IN STOCK AND TO ARRIVE:

First-class Sleighs from the McLaughlin Carriage Co. and other manufacturers.

We are showing new and stylish designs in these goods at reasonable prices.

Office for the present in the Larkin Building.

BROWN, MUNRO & CO.

Wolfville, Dec. 4th, 1893.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of THE ACADIAN.

DEAR SIR:—The Liberal papers seem to be worried about the splendid reception which Sir John Thompson and Sir G. H. Tupper have met with in Nova Scotia on their recent trip. Among those papers is the Grit organ in this country.

In a recent issue in speaking of that of the Pictou demonstration it says that

Tupper abused Dr. Borden. As far as I

can find out Tupper did not abuse him in fact, did not mention his name.

If the Grit editor can find one word

about Dr. Borden, either flattering or

otherwise, I should like for him to give

her full share of praise or criticism,

good-natured but keen. Round after

round of applause and laughter followed

each well directed rally, and when the

audience rose to sing the national an-

them, and dispersed, the universal ver-

dict was that the evening had been

most enjoyable, and reflected great credit upon the lady students of Acadia University.

X. Y. Z.

Wolfville, Dec. 13th.

Jack & Bell's Prizes.

The following are the names of the

gentlemen who have obtained the Prizes

for the best quarter of an acre of Turnip

Grown with the "Ceres" Superphosphate.

The results show what quantities can be

raised by proper cultivation in competi-

tion for these prizes no other manure was

used, simply the "Ceres" Superphosphate.

Terms Moderate.

W. J. BALCOM.

PERRY DAVIS' PAIN-KILLER

IS THE BEST REMEDY FOR

SPRAINS, BRUISES,

SCALDS, BURNS &

CUTS.

Mail Contract.

SEALD TENDER.—Addressed to the

Post Office General, will be received

at Ourville, until noon, on Friday,

for the conveyance to Mr.

Majesty's Mails, once per week each way,

between Aylesford and Dalhousie Road,

under a proposed contract for three years

and ten months from the 1st March,

next. Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Office of Aylesford and Dalhousie Road, and at this office.

CHARLES J. MACDONALD,

Post Office Inspector,

Wolfville, 8th Dec. 1893.

Card Receivers!

Cake Baskets!

Biscuit Jars!

Berry Dishes!

Butter Dishes!

Pickle and Table Castors!

Carevers, and Bread Knives, Table and Pocket Cutlery, Skates in Nickle and Plain Steel, Sleigh Bells, Robes and Blankets.

J. L. FRANKLIN.

Wolfville, N. S., Dec. 13th, 1