

Daph's apprehensions were soon quieted, and, at the suggestion of the captain, she prepared to remove her baggage from the steamer...

The children did not wake while she laid them gently in the berth, and stretched herself beside them on the floor. Daph began to be troubled at the soundness of their long-continued sleep...

"Oh! Cap'n! I'm a-ferred I've just killed my pretty ones! dey do sleep so. Dem was such little pills, dey doctor'd soon as I fud dey could be so mighty powerful!"

"I'll say the captain, with a start; 'what have you given them?'"

"I jus don't know myself," said Daph demperly. "Daph had de ear ache mightly bad last week, and missus dear creber—she was always so kind—she gibs me two little pills, and she says, 'Here, Daph, you take dese when you goes to bed, and will sleep so sound, de pain will all go away!'"

"I says, 'Tank'ee, de missus, 'of course, and she goes to de house quite satisfied. Daph neber did take no doctor's stuff, so I fud dey little pills in my pocket, and just roasts an orange ear, and ties it warm outside my ear, and goes to bed, and sleeps like a lizard. Now, when I thinks of putting de children in de basket, something says to me, 'You gib dem dese little pills, Daph, dey'll make 'em sleep sound 'nough. So I've just did like a poor, foolish darkey.'" Here Daph began to cry piteously.

"Captain Jones went immediately to the cabin. The natural color and healthy breathing of the little sleepers soon assured him that all was right.

"'Courage! old girl! said the captain cheerily, 'turn in yourself, and I'll warrant you the youngsters will be none the worse for your doctoring!'"

Thus consoled, Daph lay down again beside her charge, and the silence of deep sleep soon prevailed, not only in the little state-room, but throughout the 'Martha Jane,' save when the measured steps of the watchman's out through the stillness of the night.

(To be continued.)

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To THE PUBLIC.—Parties forwarding subscriptions to this office will please remember that on the 1st of May last we resumed the old rate of the paper, \$1.50 per annum, in advance. We were compelled to pursue this course, finding that after 18 months trial of furnishing the paper at \$1.00 per year, we were heavy losers.

EXHIBITIONS.

The success of the late exhibition at Halifax, which was mentioned in our last issue, seems to have excited the belief in some, that the time has now arrived in which much good may arise from an inter-provincial exhibition of the products and manufactures of the three Maritime Provinces.

We know of no definite reason why such an exhibition should not take place, and though it may be needless to record any argument of ours in its favor, it is very necessary to ask, what interest the northern counties of New Brunswick should take in the enterprise, or how the people of this district may best show, by the produce of their labour, what industry and skill prevail even in this remote part of Canada.

Annually we are made conscious of the fact that in Miramichi there is an association among some of our farmers for the promotion of our agricultural interests.

The ploughing match which takes place every year, brings this society and its efforts into notice, while the district exhibitions of produce and household manufactures, though probably not so interesting as they might be, have always had a beneficial effect upon our agricultural prospects.

While the people of the three provinces by the sea are considering the propriety of having an inter-provincial exhibition, would it not be well for the people of the four counties bordering on the Gulf of St. Lawrence to discuss the possibility of practicability of having a local exhibition, at which might be brought together for competition the products and manufactures of the whole northern district?

The position of Kent, Northumberland, Gloucester and Restigouche, the character of their soil and its products, and the similarity of the pursuits in which their inhabitants are engaged, are all in favor of such a scheme. The products exhibited for competition would evince industry more than the fertility of certain localities, and the improvements shown would be improvements which our farmers might make on their own property, and in their process of cultivation, without being accompanied with the chance of successful experiment or failure. They could see at such an assembly what was being done by others, with the same natural resources at their com-

Annual Competition.

73rd Battalion Matches.

According to announcement the Annual Competition of the 73rd Battalion, commanded by Major A. D. Shirreff, came off at the Chatham Rifle Range on the 6th inst. The prizes to be competed for were the Brigade Major's Silver Challenge Cup, (which was won two years in succession by Company No. 2, Capt. Fenton), a Silver Watch and Gold Chain, and some money prizes. The first competition was for the Cup, the ranges being 400, 500 and 600 yards, 3 shots at each range, seven men from each Company competing. The scores were—

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Induction of Rev. F. B. McDonald.

The Paisley and New Brunswick Gazette of September 26, contains the induction of Rev. F. B. McDonald, of the charge of the Martyrs' Church, was by the translation of Rev. G. W. Strang to Campbellton. Mr. McDonald has been acting as assistant to the Barony Parish of Glasgow, since he resigned his charge in Newcastle, and his many friends here joyfully welcome him to his new sphere of activity. We take the following extracts from speeches made in prospect and replying to those at the dinner, &c.—

The Chairman then gave the toast of the evening, "The newly inducted minister of the Martyrs' Church." These gentlemen, he said, who were former acquaintances, probably knew him well enough to require no introduction to his behalf. To commend him to his new charge, he said, was to commend him to the hearts of those who were only now making his acquaintance. The fact of his being inducted to night, happily, is a proof of his health and strength, and that he is sufficient proof of having been the toast of his health enthusiastically.

It is not on this occasion, however, that we should recount what I know of him. Everything that I do know is highly to his credit. My acquaintance with him began in our college days, and at that time he was esteemed as a distinguished and an active student. Those spheres in which his activity was then displayed will not act as a preparation to make him serviceable in a high degree in the sphere of labor to which he is now called. Passing from the university, he proceeded in the spirit of apostolic zeal to the necessities of the Dominion of New Brunswick. He spent a few years of his life there, ministering with great success. He had a very important charge in that country, which he filled with great acceptance, and I am aware that a great many improvements were carried out in the congregation during his pastorate. Since his return to this country he has held a most respectable charge in the Barony Parish of Glasgow. He has done good work, and has had an opportunity of increasing that experience which he can expect will prove so successful in his new sphere of activity. Then gave the toast which was received with enthusiasm. (Applause.)

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Rev. Mr. McDonald, in returning thanks, said that he was gratified that people met with in the world to express themselves easily when they feel very much and would like to say much. So it is with me at this time, but I can at best express only my most sincere thanks for this excellent word and the elegant Bible and psalm book that come with it. (Applause.)

But, however, that I may receive from on high a holier band which may enable me to lead you to the higher life; and while I have this book to lead me and guide me in the proper way, I shall not be long if I read it with a grateful heart, and I trust you will accept my thanks, as I hope in the future to be able to show how I appreciate it. (Applause.)

Rev. Mr. Cameron, who was introduced as a gentleman who professed, by his having left the charge to which he had been called, to have indirectly brought about the connection between Mr. McDonald and the Martyrs' Church, expressed his pleasure at being present. He had known Mr. McDonald for many years, and he was glad to see present, and he appreciated very highly, not only him, but even all the family to which he belonged. They had not a transient acquaintance, but he had known him since Mr. McDonald was a man who would do his own work faithfully, not only as pleasing his congregation, but as pleasing the great Master. The congregation had to be congratulated on securing such a man, and he congratulated Mr. McDonald on having become the minister of the Martyrs' Church. (Applause.)

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