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#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

A Moscow correspondent writes concerning the expulsion of Jews from that city that the police have 12,500 Jews on their lists, and of these more than 7,500 have been expelled. To the Grand Duke Sergius is attributed the original desire of ridding the city of its Hebrew population, and he is said to have declared, prior to his assumption of office, that the Jewish question must be solved before his arrival in Moscow.

A large steel vessel has recently been built in Norway, among whose fittings is a patent oil-distributer, by which oil can be thrown on the waves during severe storms. Within the vessel there is an iron reservoir, from which a pipe extends alongside of the vessel near the water-line, and as close to the bow as possible. A valve in the pipe, close to the reservoir, regulates the distribution of the oil. This is probably the first case in which provision for throwing oil upon the waves has been made from the first designing and building of a vessel.

Few people can form a definite idea of what is involved in the expression, "An inch of rain." It may aid such to follow this curious calculation. An acre is equal to 6,272,640 square inches; an inch deep of water on this area will be as many cubic inches of water, which, at 227 to the gallon, is 22,000 gallons. This immense quantity of water will weigh 220,000 pounds, or 100 tons. One-hundredth of an inch (0.07) alone is equal to one ton of water to the acre. We leave it for some of our mathematicians among the fairer sex to estimate how many tons of rain fell in Nova Scotia during the past week. As the wind is still in the East at the time of writing this, we do not feel equal to making the calculation for ourselves.

At a meeting of the Scottish Horticultural Association, held at Edinburgh on the 2nd June, an interesting paper by Mr. Alexander Hutton, of Uundee, on "The Loaf," was read. When, it was stated, we looked cutually at the green leaf, we were apt to forget the important offices it performed in nature. Humble as its appearance was, without the leaf our world would be a desert. It was the great purifier of the atmosphere; it was in fact the source of all life in the world. By its agency inorganic elements were changed into organic matter, and the whole circle of life kept in healthy action. The paper went on to deal in detail with the functions of the leaf, it being suggested that were it not for these functions the conditions of the world would not be compatible with the existence of animal life:

A deputation of the Imperial Federation League recently waited upon the Marquis of Salisbury to request the Government to call a conference of the British colonies to debate the question of a unification of the empire. The Premier expressed his sympathy with the views of the delegation, saying that he considered federation the ultimate future of the great empire, and that an early maturation of the matter would be an advantage. He concluded, however, by telling the deputation that he could not summon a meeting of colonial statesmen until some definite scheme had been prepared. This statement has called forth a good deal of criticism, and it is thought that Lord Salisbury's sympathies are anything but great, and that he has adopted the above plan of defeating for a time the object of the conference. Still as long as the premier is responsible he has to act cautiously, and it is loubted whether the home Government is constitutionally justified in taking the active steps suggested by the delegation. The only course for the league to pursue, is to summon a conference on its own responsibility and devise a more definite policy. Should the promoters of the scheme fail in this, it will doubtless cripple very much the cause they have at heart.

A most curious religious order has recently been founded in Africa, called the Warrior Monks of the Sahara. It is intended that they should not only be ready to preach the word of God, but, if necessary, be also prepared to use the more worldly power of warlike arms. They will prepare the ground for the seeds of Christianity by first gaining the sympathy and goodwill of those among whom they are cast, and then, after showing them the advantages of civilization, they will gradually introduce the germs of their religion, which will more quickly flourish because of the previous preparation. Thus, although Christianity is the primary object, yet it will be the last in order in the operation of these novel missionaries. They hold that this is the proper and only way to convert the people among whom they will be engaged. Cardinal Lavigeric, the founder of the order, has given the subject long and careful study, and has come to the conclusion that the present conventional manner of making Christians in Africa is utterly wrong. He considers the heroism of our unarmed missionaries has been of no avail, and that the gospel must be supported if needs be by the sword. It is truly a new idea to us, and we shall await with interest the result of the scheme. The headquatters of the order are at Biskra on the Algerian borders of the Sahara Desert.

The inhabitants of Windsor, N.S., are evidently not afraid of the old traditional and erroneous idea that the planting of trees in close proximity to a house is injurious. In that pretty town we find wooden houses to a house is injurious. In that pretty town we find wooden houses completely overhung by masses of foliage, while the porches and sides are often partially covered with honeysuckle, rose or Virginian creeper. It is to this appreciation of arborculture that the place owes nearly all its beauty. No one is afraid of trees, and they are placed where the greatest effect is produced upon an artistic eye. There are few things more beautiful than a pretty house peeping shyly from masses of leaves or glancing with well-bred reserve from among tree-stems and shrubs. There is something so refined, so genicel and returing, about such a place, so different from the glating show which pleases a mind to which the charms of nature are less plainly interpreted. In the town in question the houses are seldom built on the street, but placed a little back, and nearly shut from view by elms, locusts, chestnuts and other trees, which lend an air of loveliness to the plainest building. It is a pity people do not more generally recognize this. A large house crected just on a public way has a flashy appearance, and is not in such good taste as the same building situated somewhat back and set off by foliage, which acts as a foil. The former reminds us of a face with-out eyebrows—the other features are beautiful in themselves, but the general effect is unfinished, displeasing. It is argued that trees, by keeping off the sun, produce dampness in a house—so, for the matter of that, does the roof. It is said that water drips from them and injures the woodwork-but water can only come from trees when rain is falling or the air is saturated with moisture, therefore the house is damp at such times anyway, and the trees need not be blamed. Everyone thought once that ivy produced dampness and decay, but it has been scientifically shown that the very opposite is the result. The old-fashioned and mistaken aversion to being surrounded by result. The old-issitioned and missisken aversion to being surrounded by trees is known to be a popular fallacy, and it is to an adherence to this belief that Halifax owes much of its dinginess and want of beauty. When our people acknowledge its incorrectness, or are willing to accept a little fancied inconvenience in order to obtain good results, they will begin to be worthy to hold a candle to Windsor in the present matter, bat not before. We have often heard people admire the latter place, but beyond vaguely saying it was owing to the trees, they did not seem to know exactly where the beauty lay.

Milan has a curiosity in a clock, which is made entirely of bread. The maker is a native of India, and he has devoted three years of his time to the construction of this curiosity. He was very poor, and, being without means to purchase the necessary metal, deprived himself regularly of his daily bread, which he devoted to the construction of this curiosity, cating the crust and saving the soft part for doing his work. He made use of a certain salt to solidify his material, and when the various pieces were dry they were perfectly hard and insoluble in water. The clock is of respectable size, and goes well. The case, which is also of hardened bread, displays great talent in design and execution.

According to a German railway journal, some interesting experiments have lately been made in Germany as to the wearing qualities of steel rails of different degrees of hardness. The chemical and physical characteristics of the rails tested had been accurately determined, and the test for wear consisted in letting more than twenty-six thousand trains pass over them during a period of about five years. The rails were then thoroughly cleaned and weighed, and the difference between the initial and final weights accepted as giving the loss from wear and rusting. The result showed that the wear was in inverse proportion to the tensile strength of the metal, so that high tensile strengths would appear to be the best.

In dropping the Cornwallis Street scheme and adopting the water front extension plan for furnishing additional rail terminal facilities in Halifax, we thick the Chamber of Commerce acted wisely. An extension of the Intercolonial along the water front, giving direct rail communication with the private wharves, would remove all possibility of delays for want of wharf accommodation, and the erection of a passenger station to or near the Ordnance, as suggested, would be an improvement that the travelling public, and especially the residents in suburban towns, would duly appreciate. The old station could then be turned into a freight depot, and large addi tional accommodation be thus secured. By all means let us have the water front extension without further delay.

McKinley, the author of the obnoxious tariff bill, which bears his name, and which acts so detrimentally to many of the industries of the Maritime Provinces, has been nominated by the Republicans of Ohio as their candidate for Governor. Ohio is a close State, having been carried last election by the democrats by a very small majority, and McKinley's nomin tion puts squarely at issue the question of high or low tariff. If there is a State that would profit by the Act it is Ohio, where the wool-growers are a power, and the Act was framed in their interest, so that the high tariff men have selected the most promising field for their purpose. Should they succeed, the McKinley Act will be boomed as a permanent plank in the Republicau platform. If they fail McKinley will soon drop out of sight, and the tariff reformors will have things their own way.

Nothing succeeds like success, is a truism that is being continually verified by, we regret to say, more examples of a negative than of a positive nature. Mons. de Lesseps, when he so triumphantly completed the Suez Canal and placed himself on the highest pinnacle of fame to be reached in his profession, was dined and wined and decorated, applauded and rewarded, until it is a wonder his head was not turned. Seeking for new difficulties to be surmounted, he originated the Panama Canal scheme and pronounced it practicable. Money was lavished on the work until it was feared that France would become bankrupt if it did not succeed; but the great engineer, full of years and honors, had undertaken an impossible task. He failed, and now we have the sad spectacle of this once-honored man being summoned to Paris, where he is to be placed on trial on the charge of "misleading" invostors who subscribed money for carrying on the Panama canal work. In plain words he is accused of common swindling. Mons. de Lesseps furnishes a striking example of the effects of both success and failure.

The steady and rapid advance of the age is evidenced by the almost complete removal of the obstructions, legal and otherwise, that in the past have hampered women in their efforts to maintain an independent existence. Physically, they may be the weaker sex, but morally and intellectually they are no way behind the sterner sex, and in fact their moral firmness and their comparative freeness from the smaller vices that are playing such havoc with men, vill in time place them as a body in advance in their ability to provide for their material wants. Their intellectual attributes are of the highest order, and now that the great universities have been thrown open to them and they are placed in a position to compete with men for the highest educational honors, results prove that they have more than held their own, as in many cases they have carried off the highest prices. That they have accomplished so much in spite of their physical inferiority to the male sex is certainly the more to their credit, and no man worthy of the name would to day think of hampering them in the steady advance they are making, or desire to see the old restrictions reimposed. We are led to make these remarks by the grand showing the sex is making in the Domin-ion, as is proved by the avidity with which they are availing themselves of the privilege extended by McGill College. Of the seventy-eight persons who have so far passed this year's entrance examination to the faculty of arts, just one half, thirty-nine, are women. As it is at McGill so it is at all other seats of learning where like privileges have been extended, and the results in all cases have proved the wisdom of what by many was considered a very objectionable departure.

K. D. C. has proved itself to be the Greatest Cure of the Age. Sample Package of the Rudyard Kipling, we gladly note, is not dying of consumption, as was currently reported, but is in England in the best of health, and busily employed in writing another book, which will soon appear to the delight of the thousands of readers to whom Kipling has become a favorite author.

Of all the legislative bodies of the world the British Parliament seems to be the most sensitive to public opinion. The strongest party ties are at once broken if measures are introduced that members on the Government side caunct conscientiously support, and opponents of the Government are often found voting with them entirely regardless of party. Especially is this the case in measures of a humane nature; a late striking example being the defeat of Lord Salisbury on an amendment to the Factory Bill Act. Sydney Buxton, liberal, moved an amendment to prohibit chi'dren under eleven years of age from working in factories. Mathews, Home Secretary, opposed, but the amendment was carried by a vote of 202 to 186, a large number of the Government supporters voting for the amendment. Would such a case be possible in Canada? We fear not.

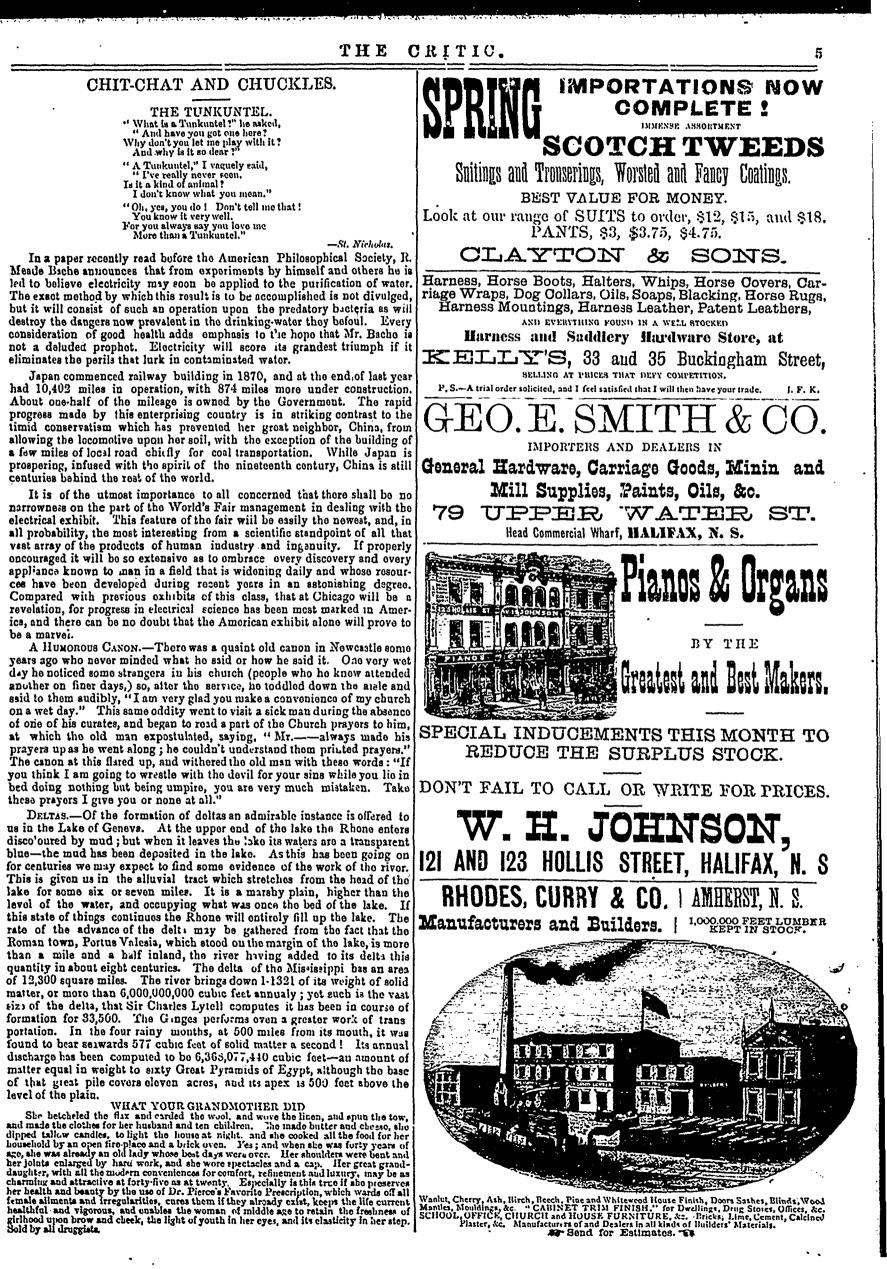
Common thyme, which wis recommended for whooping cough three or four years ago by Dr. S. B. Johnson, is regarded by Dr. Nevins, who writes a paper on the subject in a Finnish medical journal, as almost worthy of the title of a specific. During an epidemic of whooping-cough he had ample opportunities of observing its effects, and he came to the conclusion that if it is given early and constantly it invariably cuts short the disease in a fortnight, the symptoms generally vanishing in two or three days. They are, he finds, liable to return if the thyme is not regularly taken for at least two weeks. Regarding the dose, he advises that a larger quantity than Dr. Johnson prescribed be taken. He gives from one ounce and a half to six ounces per diem, combined with a little mirsh-mallow syrup. He never saw any undesirable effect produced except slight diarrhort. It is important that the drug should be used quite fresh.

A Parisian surgeon has the credit of having obtained a remarkable result in a case in which he operated upon a child. The patient was a girl eight years of age, who, at the age of eighteen months, had been noticed by her parents to be deficient in intelligence. Subsequently she became subject to epileptiform attack, and these had only ceased a year before she was seen by the surgeon. When she came under professional observation her physical development was normal, but her intelligence was that of an infant. The child had been sent to school, but she had never been able to learn the alphabet, neither could she talk intelligently. The conclusion was formed that the brain had ceased to develop, owing to the too early coslescence of the bones of the skull. The surgeon accordingly operated, removing several small pieces of bone from the top of the skull, and by this means relieving the pressure on the brain and allowing it to expand. The day following the operation the child took notice of every one, asked for something to eat, and crised for her parents. Before leaving the hospital she was able to talk well and amuse herself. The operation wound in the scalp had soundly healed in eight days.

The Dominion Franchise. Act is p very stringent measure, so stringent in fact that there are few constituencies where the elections could not be set aside for some of the innumerable petty offences that are sufficient to unseat and also disqualify. By tacit consent of both parties the Act is openly violated in most election contests, and unless the majority is very small the successful candidate is seldom petitioned against, although grounds are not wanting. When he is petitioned against, unless the petition is set aside for some irregularity, he generally surrenders at discretion and resigns his seat, happy in escaping disqualification. This being the general rule, the large batch of controverted election cases, some eighty in all, to be disposed of, have a most important bearing on the future of the two great political parties in the Dominion. A number of these cases will doubtless be "sawed off," but at least twenty or more will be tried, and there may be, as a result, elections in twenty constituencies. Whether the present majority of the Government will be reduced still remains to be decided, but as a change of ten votes would virtually defeat them, it will be seen that those election contests may result in a change of administration.

If there is one thing more than another that the Dominion of Canada has to be proud of, it is its banking institutions, and of all the Provinces Nova Scotia stands highest in this regard. As the general public have very vague ideas regarding the volume of business transacted by the banks, and generally look upon bank employces as lucky individuals with little work to do and large pay, the following account of the transactions of one bank, taken from the Montreal Gasetle, may prove instructive :—" Some figures given at the Merchants bank meeting last week will help the public to appreciate how immense are the sums a banker bandles in the course of a year. In twelve months in the Merchants, customers' cheques to the value of two hundred millions were cashed at the counter; over one hundred millions were loaned to customers; one hundred and sixty millions were received on deposit, and a hundred millions more were collected and transmitted from one point of America and Europe to another. The aggregate of all this is five hundred and sixty millions, and the profit to the bank on the work it did was under \$580,000. The claim that this is a smill remuneration for the trouble and risk involved in the care of such amounts does not seem unreasonable."

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Despatches from the Northern States report a continuance of devastating rain storms. The growing crops have suffered severely.

Cornelius A. King is under arrest charged with embezzling \$20,000 from the John Hirscheliffe Brewing Company of Paterson, N. J.

James A. Simmons, of the wrecked Sixth National Bank in New York, has been sentenced to six years' imprisonment at hard labor.

After three days and the examination of 162 men, a jury has at last been secured in New York for the trial of the supposed Jack the Ripper.

A despatch from Buenos Ayres says that a bloodless revolution has taken place in the province of Santiago, and that Senor Delestero, the president, has been arrested and forced to sign his resignation.

The new screw steamer La Touraine, of the French line, made the voy-age to New York several hours ahead of the best time made by steamers, taking what is known as the safe route from Havre, a distance of 3,125 miles.

Hon. John B. Alley, of Lynn, Mass., has assigned individually to the assignee of Alley Bros. & Place. His liabilities are \$500,000 to \$600,000, partially or wholly secured, owed to Alley Bros. & Place, and a small indebtedness outside of that amount.

Six thousand bakers have struck in Paris.

Mr. J. J. Kelso has resigned the secretaryship of the Humane Society. The Parnell O'Shea marriage took place Thursday week at Steyning, near Brighton.



Herr Meyer, a director of a branch of the German State Bank, has been sentenced at Vienna to imprisonment for 10 years for systematic forgery and fraud.

At Liverpool 29 men of the steamer Magellan have been fined five shillings and costs each for refusing to go to sea with non-union men.

The police of Paris have searched the offices of the Panama Canal Company and seized all the documents relating to the Company's affairs.



St. John, May 8th. '91. West End, St. John, May 9th. '91. Mr. Short, Mr. Charles K. Short, Dear Sir-Dear Sir-1 had been miserable for

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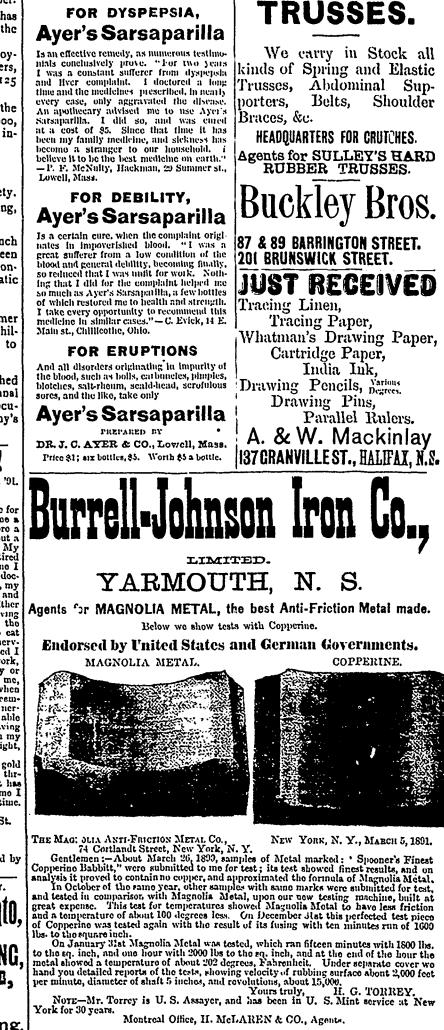
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A London despatch says Mr. McCarthy has practically withdrawn from the Irish leadership, owing to delicate health. The steamship Fuerst-Bismarck has broken the record of eastward

Atlantic trips. Her time is 5 days 21 hours 10 minutes.

The harvest prospects in Russia have become worse, and there are fears of a partial famine. Because of the bid condition of the crop, it is proposed to prohibit the exportation of corn.



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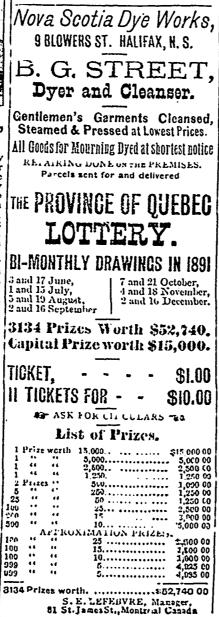
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- Rose TERRY.

#### KING'S COLLEGE ENCIENIA.

The encuring at King's College, Windsor, last week passed over very successfully, with the weather somewhat less unpleasant than on the same occasion last year. On Wednesday evening the annual conversations was held in convection hall. It was attended by about 200 guests, who from 7 30 to about 11 o'clock, promonaded to the strains of the hand of the 78th regiment. Thursday morning showed no improvement over the previous day's weather, and the un was not visible at all. Service in the parish church at 10 30 was attended by a large number of visitors, as well as the professors and students of the college The sermon was preached by the Rev. R. D. Bimbrick, of North Sydney.

In the afternoon convocation hall was crowded with ladies and gentlemen to listen to the always interesting encounia exercises. Dr. Willets, President of the college, appeared f r the first time in his position of Vice Chancellor of the college, in the absence of the newly appointed Chancellor, Dean Gilgir. In his opening address Dr. Willets referred to the absence of the Bishop of the diocese from the effects of his late serious illness; to the death of Dr. Akins, to whom he haid a high tribute of praise; to the action of the Alumni Association in arranging a plan to obtain much needed funds; to the canvas of the Rev. Henry liow on behalf of the college, and to the pressing need of the college for funds to carry on its work as it should be done Canon Partridge spoke hopefully of the future of the College, although he said he could sco little good that had resulted from the centennary celebration of last year. The gathering this year, he thought, was not by any means as distinguished as those of former years, but still from the efforts the Alumni Association had resolved to make, he expected from the efforts the Alumui Association had recolved to make, he expected that brighter days would dawn. The Venerable Archdeacon Jones delivered the address on behalf of the Alumni Association, commonly called the "Alumni oration." He also referred to the clouds now hanging over King's, but spoke with hope of the future. He paid a feeling tribute to the memory of our late Premier, Sir John A. Macdonald, and pointed to him as a pattern of legal; y and self-secrifice for the students to emulate. In following up this idea the Venerable Archdeacon made a mistake in giving the impression, no doubt unintentional, that it was necessary for churchmen to eacrifice their sons in order to provide students for King's. We cannot imagine it being any sacrifice for a young man to be sent there for his collegiato course.

The Attorney General, Hon. Mr. Longley, spoke at some length, and referred to several college matters of interest. He appreciated the Venerable Archdeacon Jones' tribute to Sir John A. Macdonald, and expressed himself as being as full of what he preferred to call patriotism as any man in the country.

The excellent valedictory delivered by Mr. W. L. Payzant, B. A., was The excellent valchetory delivered by Mr. W. L. Payzant, B. A., was one of the most interesting features of the occasion, and the reading of parts of the prize essay on "Hinderances and helps to the spread of Christianity at the present time," by Mr. C. G. Abbott, was listened to with the greatest attention. The distribution of prizes to the boys of the Collegiate School by Dr. Trenaman brought the proceedings to a close. There were 21 students at King's during the past year, 2 of whom took their degrees.

On Thursday evening the students' ball took place, and was an immenso success. Mrs. Willets and Mrs. Kennedy were the chaperones, and until 2.30 a merry band of young people tripped the light fantastic toe to the excellent music of the 78th band. The hall was comfortably full, and the dancing was kept up with spirit until the programme of twenty one dances and two extras was exhausted. A great many visitors from Halifax were present.

#### ONE OF THE JUDGES.

Judge William Carter, of Shebuygan, and Judge Caswell Marks, of Selma, were both natives of Lexington, Ky. In boyhood they had jammed the same cat's head into the same tree, got trounced by the same farmers, were otherwise enviously intimate friends, afterwards chums at college, and then errand boys in the same office. Later in life they parted, and rose to sublime honors in their separate pleces. Last January they met for the first time since their parting in Lexington, and brewed a convivial bowl in henor of the event. About midnight, full of affection and enthusissm, they retired in the same Led. It was a huge affair, standing in the middle of the room and capable of being drawn up by ropes to the ceiling while the room was being cleaned. It was a very cold night, and they placed their clothing on the foot of the bed. Just after they fell asleep, four friends entered softly, drew the bed by the ropes nearly to the ceiling, and left them suspended about ton feet from the floor. They then locked the door outside and retired.

At 3 a. m. Judge Carter woke with that species which usually comes after Kentucky punch, and technically known as "hot coppers." Leaping lightly out of bed to get the ice pitcher, he went whirling down ten feet, alighting with a soul stirring thump on all fours.

There was a long and painful pause. Then he peered upward through the darkness and called :

Caswell! No reply.

Oh, Caswell !

Feeble cries.

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Eh !--- um ?--- what ? The Judge was awakening.

I've fallen through a trap, yelled the new affrighted Judge, get up and light a candle.

Where are you I queried Judge Marks, sleeply, framing his opinion that his honorable brother was drunk.

Down here. Foll through a trap. Don't get out of my side of the bed. All right. And Judge Marks springing out on his side, turned three somersaults and landed on the small of his back. Both thought they were now in a den of thieres and were possibly to be murdered. The inkers had closed the heavy wooden shutters, so no light could enter, and removed all the furniture. The judges grouped around on hands and knees, nearly frozen to death, and only at daybreak discovered the bad, climbed into it, and got warm enough to talk the thing over.

There were recently two temperance societies started under glorious auspices. The headquarters of one is at Solma, the other at Sheboygav.

#### MAGAZINE AND BOOK NOTICES.

A wonderful story of progress is S. N. Dexter North's account of "The Evolution of Wool Spinning and Weaving" in the July *Popular Science Monthly*. And this progress is portrayed still more vividly in the accompanying illustrations, which show the old spinning wheel, the combs and the hand loom, and in contrast with them the self-acting mule, the combing machine and the power loom with the Jacquard attachment. "A Coming Solution of the Currency Question," is forshadowed in a brief and readable paper by Charles S. Ashley. Paul Reichard writes on "Deportment of Savage Nogrees," describing their attitudes and gestures in performing familiar acts. Prof. Charles L. Parsons tells what has been accomplished by "Our Agricultural Experiment Stations," and sketches the rise of these institutions. "In Scientific Dreams of the Post," by Albert de Rochas, curious evidence is given which shows that the telegraph, phonograph and other developments of modern science were imagined centuries ago. Mrs. Fanny D. Bergen contributes a chapter on "Animal and Flant Lore," dealing with many strange modes of using saliva in folk-medicine. A delightful description of various ways that plants have for scattering their seeds is given under the rather restricted tille "On the Wings of the Wind." Georgo Catlin, the celebrated painter of Indian portraits and writer on the Indians, is the subject of the biographical "Sketch and Portusit." In the Editor's Table, "General" Booth's colonization scheme is discussed under the title "The New Jesuitism and Social Reform," and there are a few words on "Charity as a Fetich. New York : D. Appleton & Company. Fifty cents a number, **\$5** a year.

a number, \$50 a year. The July St. Nicholus has a rich abundance of the short and bright articles which children are so fond of reading, there being thirty items in the table of contents. The first story, "Rescued by the Enemy," deals with the defeat of a party of marauding "Whaleboat-men" on the north shore of Long Island, in Revolutionary days, by the timely arrival of some British Marine officers. It is illustrated by Birch, one of the pictures forming the frontispieco. There is an account of "Douglas Jerrold" by his grandson, Walter Jerrold, with a portrait; and there is a story of adventure, "Storm Bound Among the Clouds," describing a perilous cumb across a terrible icy slide. Two more of the humorous "Swimming-hole Stories," by Walter Storrs Bigelow, will delight the boys, and bring memories of happy days by the river to their elders. Mary Shears Roberts writes of "The Home of the Empress Josephine," and shows a photograph of the beautiful statue at Martinique of the Creale empress. The serials by J. T. Trowbridge and J. O. Davidson are full of incident, and the bright verses and funny pictures are too many to specify. A bright bit ci verse by H. A. Ogden is the third item where author and illustrator are one person, and there are many more nuggets, including a sunshiny sketch, by Brennau, of a little girl going to post a letter. Maurice Thompson has a lyrical poem, "In the Clover," illustrated by Harry Fenn, and for the other features wo recommend the adult inquirer to submit the number to his young friends, and to watch them read it.

If it is true that "not one American in a hundred knows how to take a vacation," the July number of *The Ladics' Home Journal* has a distinct educational value, for it quito overflows with new and good counsel for summerings; besides the hints for "The Mother in the Country," to which many clover women have contributed, there are helpful words from Mrs. Margaret Bottome and Dr. Talmsge; while in the bright page for "The Woman in the City" the lot of the stay-at home is shown to be not so dreadful, after all. One is conscious of the July sunshine flooding the department pages and, in fact, the whole number; better summer reading would be hard to find. One dollar a year, ten cents a copy; issued by the Curtis Publishing Co., 433-435 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

would be hard to find. One dollar a year, ten co.ts a copy ; issued by the Curtis Publishing Co., 433-435 Arch St., Philadolphia, Pa. THE NEW CANADIAN MAGAZINE — Canada, the new magazine published by Matthew R. Knight, at Benton, New Brunswick, is meeting with deserved success. Since it was started in January last improvements have appeared in every number. It aims to furnish pure, high class, patriotic Canadian literature monthly at the lowest possible price. Its contributors include many of the best writers in Canada. With the June number it is enlarged to sixteen quarto pages and cover, beautifully printed on a superior quality of paper. Beginning with the July number the subscription price will be one dollar per year, but all who send their subscriptions before July 1st need only remit fifty cents in stamps, and they will receive this valuable and interesting publication for a full year. Address :—" Canada," Benton, New Brunswick.

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#### INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

A. ROBB & SONS' NEW DEPARTURE .- Reference has been made in theso columns already to the fact that A. Robb & Sons, Amhorst, were fitting up to build high speed engines of a class such as will have no equal in Canada, and will not be excelled by any in the U.S. Our reporter upon visiting their works finds that for the before-named purpose they have put on a large number of extra hands, so that at the present time we may safely say they have from 20 to 25 hands directly connected with the manufacture either of the engines themselves or the small tools which are to be used in the process of manufacture. As our readers may be interested in knowing something of the engine, we may say the firm, after careful inspection and enquiry, as well as practical tests, as to the best Amorican engine for electric light, factory and other purposes requiring the greatest economy, combined with strength and simplicity, have a decided preference for the "straight line" which is controlled by patents of Prof. Sweet, Syracuse, N. Y. This engine, however, being peculiar in construction, the Messrs Robb, after having made arrangements with Prof. Sweet to use his automatic wheel governor and the value of his engine, have obtained the services of E. J. Armstrong, Esq., M. E., who is an expert on engine design, and they already have the most of the wood patterns and some of the heavier castings as well as quite a number of the small parts made, and expect within a very short time to put upon the market some of these new "Robb-Armstrorg" automatic high-speed engines, which, if we may judge from the expense and care that are being exercised in their construction and finish, will not only reflect great credit on the manufacturers, but will be a standing testimony to the possibilities of Causdian manufacture when rightly directed. We bespeak for our worthy and plucky firm a large and growing trade for their new ongine, slung with their celebrated Hercules engine and their already celebrated Munarch Economic builer. We are pleased to note that A. Robb & Sons have secured the contract for one of their new engines and the conomic builer for the new electric light station at Sackville, also the They engine and boiler for the electric light company at S, dney, C. B have under construction a large portable mill, in which is combined the Monarch boiler, Hercales engine and the Perfection rotary mill, which is proving itself to be the only first-class mill combining strength with the production of perfect lumbar.-Eschange.

Messrs. Rhodes, Curry & Co., manufacturers and builders, of Amherat, now employ the usual number of men, about soventy, in and about the factory. They have lately added a 36 inch double "Ross" sandpaper and polishing machine, a large sized band saw for the same, and two variety moulders. They are shipping a good deal of work (made to order) to the West Indies. They find the demand for better class of work increasing every year. Since putting in the same they are prepared to supply picture backing at Montreal prices.

Edmund M. Estey, of Moneton, the Pharmacist who has established a high reputation for his proprietary preparations, first became an extensive advertiser in 1883 when he introduced Philoderma. This fine toilet article at once became a success and in spite of numerous imitations thousands of bottles have been and are sold every year. Four years later he introduced Estey's Iron Tonic and Estey's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil, the sales of which advanced so rapidly that he was compelled to build a laboratory, and during 1890 largely increasing business forced him to give up his retail business and devote all his time and attention to the preparation and sale of his specialties. The laboratory is supplied with improved machinety, and this fall the premises will be enlarged to meet the growing demands of the trade. Four hands are now employed constantly and the power to run the machinery is supplied by an electric motor, which has given perfect satisfaction since the start. A. present Mr. Estoy advertises in seventy eight newspapers and business directories all over Canada and Newfoundland and recently a large order was received from Jamaica.

Amherst is now noted for its manufactories, and one of the flourishing concerns is the carriage factory of Delahunt & Savage, which is situated opposite the station. From eight to ten men are employed the year round, and from thirty to thirty five carriages, both open and top, a number of heavy trucks, 25 to 30 cutters, and a large amount of repairing are the yearly product. Their business extends from Cape Breton to Vancouver, B. C., and for finishing light custom work the firm are second to none.

The Moncton Times, H. T. Stevens & Co., proprietors, furnishes employment to 32 hands. Five steam presses and three hand are on the premises, and a large business is done in book binding, paper ruling and job printing, in addition to the work of printing and distributing the editions of the *Daily and Weekly Times*. The rule of this liberal establishment is nine hours per day for ten hours pay.

D. Fullerton & Son are the proprietors of the Pictou sish and door factory. They employ nine mon in the factory and report business fairly good. They have made considerable improvement in their michinery and have also added a new engine of 45 horse power.

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#### PARLIAMENTARY REVIEW.

DOMINION .- The proceedings in Parliament during the past week have proved more amusing than profitable.

The Liberals are most aggressive and have adopted the principle of hit-ting a Tory head as soon as they see it, and they are plainly "agin" any measure introduced by the Government, be it good or bad.

After the Budget speech, in which the Minister of Finance had clearly outlined the Government's policy of placing raw sugars on the free list and raising the large loss of revenue that would follow by a largely increased tex on intoxicants and tobacco, further debate of the Jameison prohibition resolution was sheer waste of time.

However, on this resolution and the submarine tunnel to Prince Edward Island, a day was lost.

Foster's speech was unique. He was thoroughly in favor of prohibition but was prohibited from prohibiting as the Government would be attacked. In his case party was away ahead of principle, at least prohibition principles, and this, with one or two doubtful exceptions, may be said of nearly all the members. He rather clumsily shelved the matter by moving the appoint-ment of a Royal Commission to deal with it.

The proposition to subsidize the Winnipeg and Hudson Bay railroad to the extent of \$80,000 per year was debated at length and finally passed committee and a bill has been introduced to give effect to the resolution.

On Friday a resolution authorizing the sale of the Carleton Branch railway to the city of St. John was passed and it was decided to adjourn from Friday night to Tuesday-Monday being one of the innumerable saint days -but to sit on Wednesday, Dominion Day.

A long discussion took place on Sir John Thompson's bill to provide for the exercise of admiralty jurisdiction in Canada under the Imperial Act of 1890. Sir John said that the Imperial Act required that the court authorized to deal with admiralty business must be one having unlimited civil jurisdiction all over Canada, hence he proposed to give the Exchequer Court authority in such matters. The bill was passed through committee.

After recess Mr. Foster moved the second reading of his tariff resolutions, and Sir Richard Cartwright presented his amendment. The debate on the budget was lively and continued up to adjournment.

On Tuesday the House again met, when Mr. Tupper introduced a bill to amend the Fisheries Act by prohibiting the use of purse seines. On motion to go into supply the Government's Indian policy was warmiy attacked by the Opposition, and defended by Sir John Thompson, and so the session drags along

The sensation of the week was the testimony of O. M. Murphy before the committee of privileges and elections, when he stated that he had paid direct to Sir Hector Langevin the sum of \$10,000 in cash. We may add that Sir Hector strictly donies this, and that he also assorts that he had nover seen Murphy until he was pointed out to him on the witness stand.

On Saturday night the above witness was brutally assaulted in St. Laurence Hall, Montreal, by Michael Connolly, one of the partners in the now notorious firm of Larkin, Connolly & Co.

#### COMMERCIAL.

Although more than a week has elapsed since the changes in the tariff were made there has been as yet very little actual change in business to note. For some days the collectors of customs and of inland revenue were directed by telegraph to pass entries "subject to amendment" and to await mail directed by telegraph to pass entries "subject to amendment" and to await mail advices. The telegraphic reports to the newspapers in many cases so conflicted as to details that the greatest uncertainty prevailed. In due time the "mail advices" came to hand and then the department named could instruct the public. It would appear only right, in the light of this incident, that changes so vitally affecting the business interests of the country should be officially advertised in all papers published. However, we expect to have

the pleasure very shortly to note a much increased activity in trade generally. The weather throughout the whole of June was a serious deterrent to the effecting of transactions in all lines and, though the rain has undoubtedly very greatly benefitted the growing crops, which were previously drooping, and will increase the income of our farmers as a body by millions eventually still, for the present, it renders business slow. Returning fine weather will undoubtedly liven up business in most standard lines.

Locally, there is little to say as to finance. Mercantile discounts are steady and unchanged at 6 to 8 per cont., according to names and dates. In London, in the open market, money was easier, being at 13 per cent. In New York it ruled at 2 per cent. No ge'l has been engaged for shipment from New York so far as reported during the past week, and this has had a steadying effect on the money market and has greatly strengthened that of New York. A noticeable feature in the sterling exchange markets is the reluctance of American bankers to cover their drafts with commercial bills. Owing to advices from abroad they discriminate very sharply in buying these bills and, in consequence, the bulk of their drafts have to be covered by gold shipments. The internal demand in England for gold to meet barvest and holiday requirements is near at hand.

WREKLY FINANCIAL REVIEW OF HENRY CLEWS & Co.-New YORE, JUNE 27, 1891. "Wall Street is still in an expectant mood, but the good things hoped for fail to put in an appearance. There is little the matter with the conditions; the main trouble appears to be in the lack of buyers; and why they are not forthcoming is not altogether an agreeable question for contemplation. It is ordinarily taken for granted that, when things are on all sides concoded to be cheap and yot nobody wants them, the trouble is to be autributed to the buyers. And in this case it is not at all unreasonable to suppose that there may be an unnoticed something that is preventing to 11c.

people from availing themselves of profits from a prospective improvement in the intrinsic value of stocks. When it is considered that, no more than eight months ago, Well Street was visited by a cyclone that swept away every vestige of speculative margins and left many operators without the means of recovering the whorewith to operate, it does seem sanguine to expect that already the places of these disabled operators should have been refilled by a new contingent of well equipped buyers. Ordinarily, the bond market is regarded as affording a good criterion of what may be expected in the share market; and it is sound reasoning, when we find nobody wanting unexceptionable mortgages yielding 4 to 5 per cent on their market value, to conclude that there is a scarcity of funds seeking investment; and the reasons that make money scarce for investment are likely to make it still more so for speculation. This obstacle to buying is the more important when, as in the present case, it applies not only to our own market but also to the foreign markets that deal in our securities. And it is further to be considered that the market is still struggling against an extra supply of stock, which was in part sent here pending last Fall's break in the foreign markets and in part contributed by the large local realizing on both investment and speculative holdings at about the same time.

These factors are not cited as amounting to a really insurmountable obstacle to any advance in prices in the comparatively early future, but rather as largely explaining the past and present quiet of the market and as suggesting reasons for moderate expectations for possibly some time to come. It would be a mistake to infer from them that the promised abundant harvost, the comparative ease in money, the relatively strong condition of the bank reserves, and the probable return of large amounts of gold from Europe within the next three months, will have no effect upon the demand for stocks during the Summer and Fall months. Such contributions to the national wealth and to the operations of trade as must come from an extraordinary harvest cannot fail to materially augment the funds seeking investment and to swell the floating balances that constitute an important part of the resources that contribute to transient speculation. It is not impossible that these reinforcements may suffice to compensate for the loss of speculative means above referred to.

Considerable surprise is felt at the continued exports of gold, though they are on a reduced scale. It is inconceivable that, after the extraordinary amount of cash liquidations this country has lately made, there can be still outstanding against us an adverse foreign balance. We must therefore regard the continued shipments as due entirely to special causes. The principal cause appears to be that while there is an abundance of exchange being made to meet all necessary requirements for remittances, yet a con-siderable portion of the bills are unavailable in consequence of the credit of the payers having been unfavorably affected by the prevailing financial distrust in Great Britain and on the Continent. This causes a scarcity of negotiable exchange, and the result is that we are remitting gold at a time when the balance of our account with the rest of the world is in our favor. While this causes an unsettling drain upon our cash resources, there is the satisfaction that it correspondingly augments the amount of gold to be returned at a later stage.

Taking the situation as a whole, I regard it as favorable to an ultimately higher range of prices; but at the same time the immediate future seems to warrant nothing beyond moderate purchases on the raids for small profits." Special London correspondent of Henry Clews & Co. says: "I sm

glad to be able to present a more hopeful view of the market. Money is lentiful here and in Paris. Argontine matters are assuming a little more hopeful shape. No embarrassments of houses are spoken of, save one that has been embarrassed for a long time. America would doubtless have had a great boom ere this if it had not been for the gold shipments, which prevonted several railroad companies from negotiating their bonds. Altogether the situation is much more favorable, and the best financial heads see 'no breakers ahead.'"

Bradstreet's report of the week's failures :---

Week	Prov.	Weeks	correspon	ding to					
Juno 20	b. week.		June 26.	<u> </u>	Failures for the year to date				
1891	1890	1890	1889	1888	1891	1890	1889	1881	
United States227	230	165	211	204	5957	5400	5885	5252	
Čanada 31	27	17	35	25	969	860	880	914	

DRY GOODS .- The dry goods situation shows no improvement over last week. The few orders sent in by travellers are all for future delivery, and the absence of sorting orders appears to mean that country retailers are fairly well supplied for present demande. The fact seems to be that everyone is holding off at present, but if once sesured of a good harvest, and the recent copicus rains justify us in expecting it, the dry goods trade would spring up at once. The city retail trade is quite good, and men in that branch seem to be satisfied. Remittances, however, continue unsatisfactory, and the total volume of business falls under the average.

IRON, HARDWARE AND METALS .- This market has been quiet during the week, and prices have not essentially changed. Stocks of all sorts of iron are very small, and sellers do not seem at all anxious to deal. The coppor market is very strong, ospecially for the lower grades, owing to the demand from Europe. The whole output from Arizona has been contracted for for export for some months ahead. The Ausconda has shut down and Lake copper is held in New York at 13½c. for future delivery.

BREADSTOFFS .- The local flour market is without change, and only a hand-to-mouth business is doing. In Liverpool wheat has been slow, and corn quiet. The weather in England has been hot, but humid, forcing crops. In Southern Russia they have experienced tropical heat, which is said to have materially damaged the growing crops. The French country markets are essior. In Chicago wheat advanced 1c., corn was stronger, and cats were in domand at unaltered prices. In New York wheat was stronger and advanced 1c, to 2c. At Toledo wheat was active, making an advance of 1c.

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PROVISIONS.—The local demand for provisions continues very light, only the smallest jobbing trade being done. Of course, at this season, with fresh fish plentiful, and at as cheap rates relatively as provisions, very little can be expected to be done in salted or cured goods, so that dullness in this line is quite natural. The Lineared provision whether a dullness in this line is quite natural. The Liverpool provision market was quiet and unchanged as to quotations. At Chicsgo provisions show a weakoning tendency, but light hogs were firm, while heavy were steady. The cattle and sheep markets were steady, and prices have been unchanged.

BUTTER.—The butter market is still moving along quietly in the old groove, doing only a local trade. Choice country butter in small tube or in rolls and prints are worth 17c. to 18c. In large tubs 15c. to 16c. Canadian selected Esstern TownsLips butter brings about 18c., but it must be "giltedged " to do that.

CHEESE -The cheese market has been locally rather quiet owing to a comparatively small demand and large receipts of new made. Consequently old cheese (1890) is quoted at 4c. to 7c. and now at 91c. to 10c. The make this year promises to be a very large one in this province, as the excellent prices obtained "across the ditch," especially in England, have stimulated manufacturers to produce all that it is possible to turn out. We hope that cheese makers will not lose sight of the fact that the prices will depend more upon the quality than on the quantity that they offer to the market. It is far easier to ruin a bu-inees by placing inferior goods before the public on the strength of former sterling consignments than to retrieve it after confidence has once been shaken.

EGGS.-In the local market eggs are in good demand and are firm at 13c. for strictly fresh in large lots. In Montreal the demand is very brisk and the tone of the market is strong. This is owing to the fact that

shippers are buying all they can get that are fresh to ship to England. FRUIT.—An increase of business transacted in dried fruit during the past week is to be noted. This is because buyers could not hold off much longer while values, on raisins especially, are down low, and this has proved an inducement to purchase more freely. These low values are attributed mainly to the large offerings of California fruit at the New York market, and the feeling of buyers on epot has been sympathetic. Currants are rather scarce here and the prices of those in stock are firmly held. A good, activo, seasonable trade is doing in staple lines of green fruit. Oranges, lomons, bananas and pine-apples are moving well, at steady prices. Native strawberries have made their appearance upon the market fully two weeks later than last year but prices are held too bigh to be popular

but prices are held too high to be popular. TEAS.—Since the budget was brought down there has been an increased demand for teas, and buyers are anxiously enquiring for new crop, taking all that is offered. The tone of the English market is easier and prices seem to have a downward tendency.

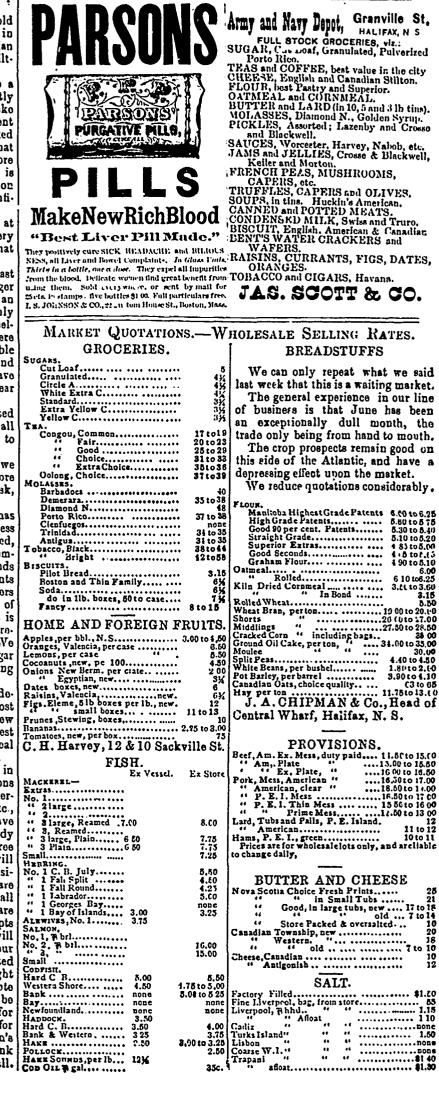
COFFEE.-Though business has not assumed a regular course, still we note more of a disposition in that direction, which has induced a little more stir in coffee. Once the movement commences it is felt that it will be brisk, as supplies in third hands are pretty well run down.

SUGAR.—For some time back the uncertainty about the sugar duties has been retarding business in groceries, as it is a leading line, inducing business in other lines, but, now that this is removed, a brisk trade is expected, especially as the reductior. is tempting and actual necessities alone will com-pel considerable business, for stocks throughout the country in third hands are almost nil. The refineries have reduced their figures about two cents and the selesmen in them are kent have from an actual hour filling the order and the salesmen in them are kept busy from an early hour filling the orders that have been crowded in. The custome authorities are still in charge of the refineries, but are releasing refined sugars as they are inspected. It is said that the refiners have a large stock of refined sugar in bonded ware houses which, under the new regulations, will not have to par duty. We note that, a few days ago, a city grocer offered 20 lbs. of granulated sugar for \$1 and that another promptly " went him one better" by advertising that he would give 21 lbs. for that "almighty" piece of monoy. MOLASSES.—The molasses market las been quiet, the distributing de-

mand being small. A cable from the Islands quoted 20c. as the first cost with a small supply offering, supplies being nearly exhausted. The new tariff regulations will have no effect here, as there is no stock under 40 test now here and little if any is imported. A cargo which arrived at Montreal from Barbados last week was sold to a local firm at about 40c, per gallon.

from Barbados last week was sold to a local firm at about 40c. por gallon. FIGH.—There is little new to note regarding the wholesale fish trade in this market. It remains duli and lifeless, and practically no transactions transpire. Bait continues to be very scarce, though mackerel are used, per-force, to a certain extent. Deep sea fish such as cod, halibut, haddock, etc., do not relish them, and catches so far have been small. Mackerel have swarmed all along our Western shores, and thousands of barrols have already been taken, and the catch so far is much larger than that for the past three or four years at this season. We are much pleased to learn this, for it will render hundrods of our hardy fishermen more independent than the vicisi-tudes of their calling has enabled them to be for some time. The fish are of, good size, but rather lean, so that they will only grade as 3's or small reducts.—Gloucestor, Mass, July 1.—"The Cape Shore mackere! receipts have nearly all come in and been placed, and the fow farcs to strive will probably command higher prices. There is a good prospect, both on our own shore and in the North Bay, but no considerable receipts are expected before August. Georges and Bank fares codfish run small, and with a light stock the market is buoyant and firm. Fresh halibut are in moderote othained in Nowfoundland, and the summer schools of ccd are looked for large and small. Cape Shore mackerel \$11 and \$10 per bbl, in fishormen's order. New Georges codfish at \$6 a qtl. for large and small at \$5.25 ; Bank \$5.75 for large and \$5 for small ; Shore \$5.75 and \$5 for large and small. \$5.75 for large and \$5 for small ; Shore \$5.75 and \$5 for large and small. \$5.75 for large and \$5 for small ; Shore \$5.75 and \$5 for large and small. \$5.75 for large and \$5 for small ; Shore \$5.75 and \$5 for large and small. \$5.75 for large and \$5 for small ; Shore \$5.75 and \$5 for large and small. \$5.75 for large and \$5 for small ; Shore \$5.75 and \$5 for large and small. \$5.75 for large and FIGH .-- There is little new to note regarding the wholesale fish trade in

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There was no need for her to accompany her aunt, for Mits Clavering always had the company of old Mits. Walsh who lived a little way off, and called punctually every Sunday morning with a huge prayer book, and, no

matter what the weather might be, a waterproof and umbrella. "Wretched hole!" repeated Beryl to herself. "I wish auntie would go and live in London. I declare I shall run away some fine morning" With which admirable remark she jumped off the table, and popping

on her hat, sallied forth, gloveless, of course, for a ramble with Del.

"You might at least, my dear, put on your gloves till you are past the houses," Aunt Laura would say; but Beryl shrugged her shoulders at halfn-dozen houses, and went her way without the gloves.

"We'll go to the woods to-day, Del," said she-she talked to Del as if he had been a Christian- "they're always lovely, aren't they ?"

And then she took to running and jumping along; she was but a girl very young for her years, and the bright warm sunshine and soft wind made her forget all her repinings.

Presently the girl came to a favorite spot of hers.

Through part of Marston Wood ran a little brawling stream, and to reach the place, that Beryl had privately dubbed her boudoir, you climbed a fence, and went a little way down the bank, and you could sit down by the edge of the brook.

Sometimes the girl pulled off her shoes and stockings and dabbled her fect in the water, for it was a very secluded spot, and there was no chance of her being disturbed.

Over the fence my lady swung herself casily, and threw herself down on the sloping bank, tossing off her hat, while Del disported himself in the water.

Then Beryl sat up, and listened to the ripple of the brook, and the soft note of the wood pigeon, and the tap, tap of the woodpecker; next she fell to humming, and then to singing in a sweet, clear, singing voice, plaintive old Irish ballads and the like; and Del, who was used to this sort of thing, and, indeed, seemed to enjoy it, stretched himself at her feet, with his head on her lap, blinking in a very contented manner, and emitting soft murmurs of delight when she caressed his head and ears.

So far Beryl had got, then stopped abruptly, for Del had raised his head with a sudden start.

"What's the matter, Del?" said his mistress, and instinctively looked around.

Then she saw. A man was leaning on the fence-a gentleman, tall, dark, and certainly very handsome, dressed in a light summer suit.

Not a countryman; Beryl could see that at once.

How long he had been there she could not tell, but she was not at all abashed.

Beryl's innocence took the form of fearlessness, not of shyness.

The gentleman raised his hat the moment she looked up at him, and smiled.

"I beg your pard.n," he said, in a clear, soft voice. "I am sfraid I have disturbed you; but I could not resist listoning "

"I thought I was aloue," returned the girl, laughing. "No one ever comes here."

"I am an intruder, then, in a favorite haunt?"

"Not an intruder. Anyone his a right to come, only they hardly ever do."

"Then you forgive me?"

" For what? "

"For listening to your songs."

"Oh, there's nothing to forgive, if you didn't mind listening," said Beryl, laughing again.

"No, I didn't mind listening; I enjoyed it. May I cross this fence?" "If you like. I have no right to forbid you."

"It is not a question of right." "Then," said Beryl gravely, "you may."

If Beryl had not much wordly wisdom, she had true instinct.

Had this man been a snob, instead of, beyond all question, a gentleman, with something, too, ic his voice that touched the chord of symputy, Beryl would have answered coldly, and as he crossed the fence, she would have ri en to quit the spot.

As it was, she remained seated ; and when the stronger came down the incline, and paused, still burcheaded, near her, she glanced up in sus face. It was grave, a little stern.

He looked like a man who had suffered a great deal, but it was a noble, loyal face.

She did not wonder that Del, who was slow to make friends, went up to the man, and proceeded to ingratiate himself.

And the stranger was thinking, as he looked down on Beryl :

"" Heaven bless thee ! Thou hast the sweetest fice I ever looked on."" He laid a caressing hand on Del's great head.

"Your friend and guardian ?" he said, smiling.

He must have been thirty at the least, and Beryl seemed younger than she was.

"Yes," she said; "Dell and I roam all over the country. Wo go to church together."

"To church !"

"Yes, at Little Marston. He lies down in the churchyard and waits for me.

" Little Marston 1" replied the other. "It is odd, that in such a mere village I should never have seen you. I have been staying at the rectory for three days past."

"But I don't live in the village," said Beryl, "I live near Middle Marston; but I don't like the churches there, so I walk over to Little Marston on Sundays."

" Do you know the rector ?"

"No, only to say good morning if I happen to come across him." "He was in his last term at Oxford when I was in my first," continued the other. "He is a few years older than I am. We struck up a friend-ship, and I will say I don't know, a better man. If you knew him at all, I daresay you would have heard my name. Max Deverell."

"Like a name in a novel," thought Beryl, who read many more novels than her aunt approved of. Aloud: "All the people here seem to like Mr Langholme, but at Middle Marston they think he's quite too wicked for anything ?" "Why?" said Deverell, smiling.

Somehow Beryl had an impression that he didn't often laugh.

"Oh, because he's High Church." "I understand. So am I High Church. Are you !"

Beryl nodded.

They were getting on swimmingly, these two.

"And you live near Middle Marston ? Do you mean—you always lived there?"

"Since I was a child, worse luck 1"

"You find it dull."

" Dull to extinction."

"I should think it must be. I wouldn't live always in the country for anything that could be given me. Still if you have brothers and sistera "I haven't. I live with my sunt, who is very good, but very prim, and

there's no one clse except Del." "What a frightful waste of good material," thought Max Deverell,

"that this girl should waste all her sweetness on a mastiff." He said : "You must be hard put to it often for someone to talk to, unless you know

many people." "We don't ; there's no one to know, no gentlefolks at all, except the vicar, who is seventy, and two or three old ladies." "You don't care for the old ladies, then ?" said Max quzzically.

Beryl shook her curly head. "Not fonatically," she replied gravely; "and they don't care for me

cither."

"I am afraid they wouldn't." Beryl laughed. What a joyous, ringing laugh it was! "You couldn't expect them to," she said; "they are propriety's self, and I am afraid I am not. I don't know how it is. If example could have made me so, I should have been as well behaved as Miss Monflathers beautif could have withed " herself could have wished." "But your sunt," said Deverell, much amused, "has surely passed be-

yond the standard of Miss Monflathers, who lived, I suppose, somewhere in the twenties. Your aunt could not have oven born then.

"No," replied Beryl gravely ; "her ideas come up to the forties. But they had very prim notions then, hadn't they ?-in the country, at any rate." "I bolieve so. What, then, are your standards?"

"Of behaviour? I don't know that I have any-not formulated, . mean."

" I quite understand. What do you do with yourself all day ? "

"In the summer?"

"In the summer to begin with." Beryl looked at him rather quizzically.

"Won't you sit down !" she said with delicious frankness.

" If I may."

"Oh yes. This is my boudoir, you know," said Beryl ; "that is what I call it."

"Then I suppose I may consider myself a morning caller," said Deverell, throwing himself on the grass. "Yes; minus the tea; I haven't got that here, I am sorry." "I don't miss it," said Max.

"Then you are like most men." "How do you know!"

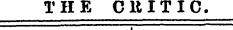
" How do you know; "Well, to be sure, I don't know; it's what I hear." "I daresay you're right," said Max, smiling. "Now, about the time." "How I spend it! It isn't worth talking about," said Beryl. "I think it is. I should like to hear," said Deverell, to whom all this a wholly new and most delightful experience.

"I think it is. I should like to hear," said Deveren, to whom an one was a wholly new and most delightful experience. This girl hadn't the least idea of what a witch she was. "I am afraid my time is very idly spent," said Beryl rather soberly. "So is mine. I do nothing but wander about." "Ah, but you go abroad," cried the girl eagerly. "You soe the world." "One is none the better or the happier for 'aseing the world," my child,"

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They would all seem new, with her fresh young delight to lighten up all that had grown to him so "weary, flst, stale, and unprofitable " "I mean to," said Beryl.

"You mean to ! How?"



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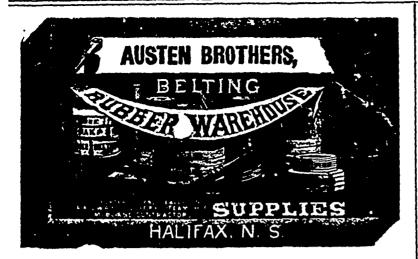


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TANGIER.—The Essex Mine, now the property of Frederick Houdlett of Boston, has been soized under a writ of attachment at the instance of ex-Alderman Johns.

It is reported that a large vein of silver has been discovered at Carroll's Corner, Gay's River, Halifax County, and a lease covering the same has been taken out by Councillor R. E. Poole, of Guysboro Road.

Miners, Quarrymen and others interested should note that at the coming Provincial Exhibition there is to be a mineral exhibit and everyone should send in samples and try and make it a success.

At the close of the exhibition it is proposed to donate the specimens of rock and mineral, suitable to the purpose and of little intrinsic value, to Mr. Power, of the Public Gardens, to be made into a rockery, so arranged that each sample will be legibly labeled with the sender's name, etc., thus forming a most unique advertisement.

We join with the *Miner*, a British Columbia journal, in urging that the duty on pig-lead should be raised to \$30 a ton; on lead bars, blocks and sheets, \$50, and a uniform duty of 30 per cent. on all lead products. The United States now impose a duty of \$30 per ton on lead ore imported, and this prevents the shipment of Canadian ore there and the price in England is too low to make it profitable to ship in that direction. Thousands of tons of lead are annually used in Canada which is all imported from England or the United States, while in Nova Scotia alene we

Thousands of tons of lead are annually used in Canada which is all imported from England or the United States, while in Nova Scotia alone we have unworked lead mines capable of supplying the entire demand of the Dominion and giving employment to thousands of workers. But our present low tariff of \$5.00 per ton does not furnish incentive enough or give sufficient security to warrant capitalists in putting up the large amount of money required to properly develop the mines and erect smalling plants.

of money required to properly develop the mines and erect smelting plants. With a similar duty to that imposed by the United States, the capital to develop and work these mines would at once be forthcoming and the \$500,000 and over yearly now paid on imported lead and its products would be retained in the country.

GOLD IN DORCHESTER.—The Comeau ballast pit which was leased last wi\_ter for glass manufacturing purposes has turned out to be a very rich gold mine. The lease owners will be here in about a week to begin operations in finding the lead, which, if a good one, the mine will be worked. A large force of men will be put on at once and all are jubilant that Dorchester has a gold mine.—*Transcript*.

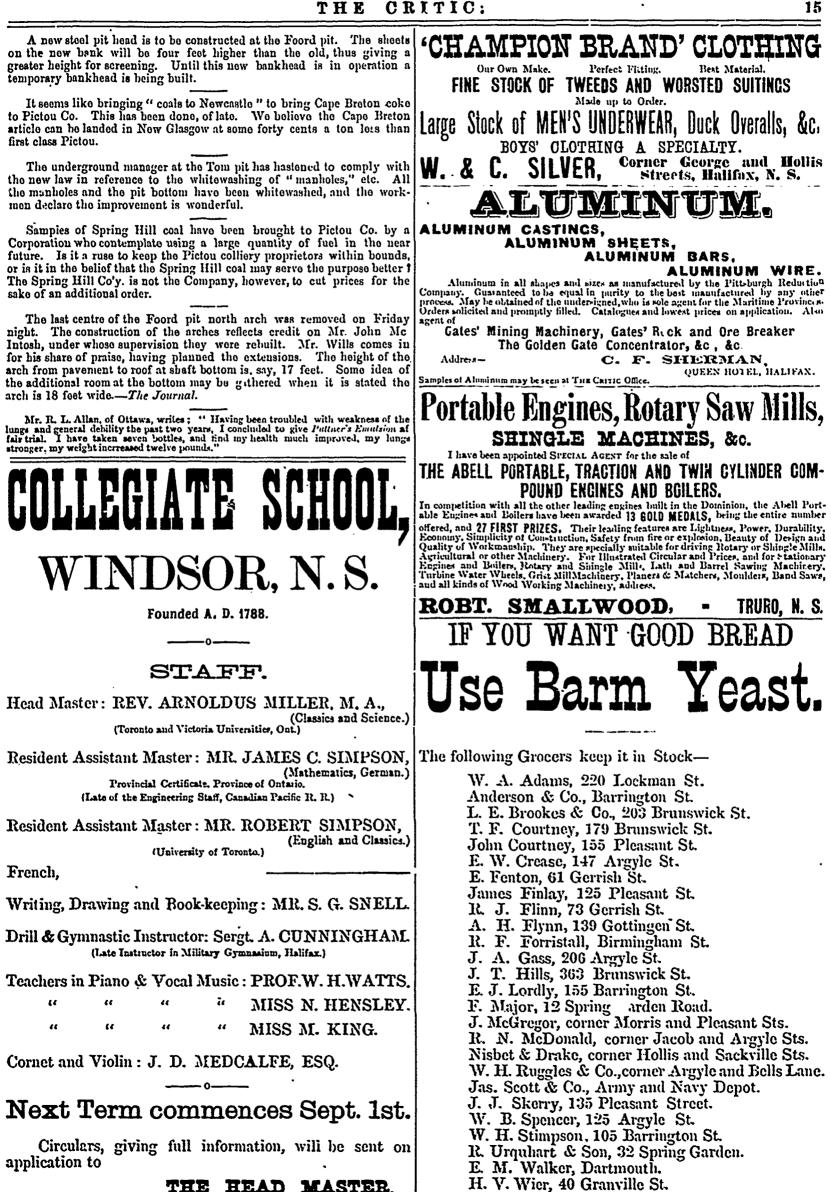
The Londonderry Iron Company, Limited, at present have 650 mon employed about their mines, blast furnaces, rolling mills, water pipe foundry, etc., the aggregate amount of wages of which amount to nearly \$300,000. The new ore kilns with capacity of one hundred tons daily and gas producers for same, have been erected recently and are now in operation, treating the valuable carbonate ores found in great abundance on the Company's property. A new blast furnace of increased capacity has also been put in operation within the past few weeks and is doing good work. The annual production of pig iron is from 25 to 30 thousand tons; annual production of bar iron 8,000 tons; cast iron water pipes 4,000; the manufacture of which requires one thousand tons of coal, 65,000 tons of ore and 15,000 tons of limestone.

The row between the United States and Canada over Hunter's Island, lying directly north of Lake county, Minn., is exciting a great deal of attention owing to the millions of tons of iron ore which the island contains. Among the claimants are many St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Duluth capitalists, who will at once homestead the island and raise an issue between the United States and Great Britain as to the boundary line between Canada and Minnesota. Heretofore it has been claimed by Canada and that the entire island belonged to the British possessions, and all American maps have shown it to be on the Canadian side of the line.

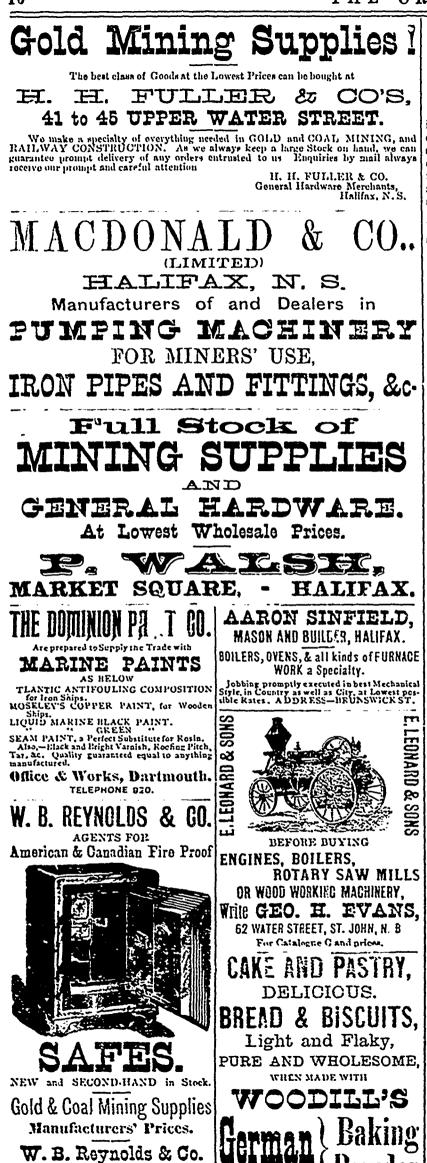
Prof. N. II. Winchell, Stato Geologist, says: Neither the United States nor Canada has ever surveyed the eastern portion of Hunter's Island. We have been wrong in placing the boundary side of the eastern portion of the island, for the treaty plainly says that it cannot run through Cypress Lake, which is on the north side. I cannot see how it could run anywhere else, according to the terms of the Webster-Ashburton treaty. The men who have taken up claims on the eastern portion of Hunter's Island seem to have a good case, as apparently the land they are on belongs to the United States and not to the English Government.—American Exchange.

It is not long since someone reported that a well of natural whiskey had been discovered in America, and still less time since a deposit of "mineral scap" was found. An Iowa farmer named Patrick McGlinn reports that when digging a well a few days since he struck a voin of natural cheese, 3 feet 6 inches thick, at a depth of 83 feet. An analytical chemist has declared it to be cheese of a very high grade 1 It is a beautiful golden colour, and will keep any length of time. Here is a chance for an enterprising promoter. A cherse mining company would be quite a novelty, and there would be fine scope for playful treatment in the prospectus. Fine old subterraneous Stilton is evidently to be the cheese of the future. The great advantage about it would be that it would be always "mouldy," while the dividends might probably be "mitey." We anxiously await developments.

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#### ASBESTOS MINING IN QUEBEC.

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In size they range from more threads up to a thickness of five or six inches, though the most of the workable voins in the principal mines do not, or but rately, exceed two and a half inches in width or length of fibre, and such veins, where the asbestos is of good quality and unbroken by partings of iron, are regarded as extra No. 1 material. There are, however, generally more small veins of one inch or less than of the larger size. Serpentines associated with tale or with seapstone, where the latter is in quantity, rarely appear to carry veins of acbestos to any extent, and such steatitic rock is not usually considered good mining ground. The Broughton mine may possibly be cited as an exception to this principal, since at this place a voin of large size, of very fine fibre was found lying between respentine and scapstone walls. As the comptone became more abundant, however, the size of the voin rapidly became less and finally split up into small strings and became useless, and it is a fact worthy of note that at the great and profitable mines in Thetford and at Black Lake scapstone is absent from the rock mass.

Since the asbestos veins occur throughout the mass of rock, and come directly to the surface where exposed, as in the hill at Thetford mines and the great escarpment to the southeast of Black Lake station, the mining of the mineral is simply open-quarry work, the entire rock being removed, broken up, and the veins of the asbestos reparated by hand cobbing, in co far as the size of the veins will warrant the expenditure of labor for this purpose. The bulk of the barren serpentice necessary to be removed in order to obtain a ton of fibre is consequently very great, and while no exact data are to hand by which the relative proportion of asbestos and serpentino can be determined, it has been estimated to range in the ratio of 25 to 1 in very prolific ground, to 50 to 1 in ordinary mining. Of course, in such a great quantity of waste rock, under the present system of working, many small veices or portions of voins are not removed, owing to the expense and difficulty attending such operations by hand labor only, and the great heaps of wate material have accumulated till they now occupy large areas of valuable ground.

The history of asbestos mining presents some points of interest in view of the rapid growth of the industry. Comparatively little importance was attached to the mineral, from the economic standpoint, in the early days of the Canadian Geological Survey's operations, and this, combined with the fact tha', although asbestos had been known before 1850 in the serpentines of the eastern townships, the quantity seen at the places where discovered was very limited, led to the result that but little heed was paid to its occurrence. In 1877, owing to the burning off of the forest in Thetford and Coleraine townships, the hills of serpentine betame laid bare, and the weathering speedily produced the peculiar felting of the asbestos fibre on the surface wherever veins occurred. This was observed by a French Canadian named Feetnau, it is stated, and the importances of the new material was soon ascertained, which resulted in the establishment of mining operations of a small scale in the summer of the same year, by the Johnson's Asbestos Mining Company, although the credit of the first attempt at working should probably be given to the Ward Brothers. The areas in the immediate vicinity were speedily secured and new mines located, since which time the growth of the industry has been constant and rapid, the output increasing from 50 tons only in 1878 to probably not far from 5,000 tenus in 1890, while the prices have also advanced within the last year or two at a like wonderful rate, till new No. 1 Quebec asbestos commands probably as good a price in the market as the best Italian, while No. 3 orings nearly as much as was obtained for No. 1 six years area.

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The asbestos of Templeton was probably first mined in 1883, but the industry has never proved very remunerative, owing to the limited nature of the deposit and the smallness of the veins, so that for some years mining was entirely abandoned. During the last season, however, operations have been started anew, and some very excellent fibre taken out, it is claimed, at a profit. The conditions under which the asbestos occurs in this district are distinct from these which are found both at Kaladar in Ontario and in the scripentine areas of the eastern townships, the scripentine in which the asbestos veins occur being intimately associated with crysta line limestone, and in many places the later is highly scripentines. The fibre of the asbestos is distinguished from that of Thetford in having a marked pearly and wary luster, in being generally lighter colored, and by an entire absence of impurities in the form of iron grains. Sufficient study of these peculiar rocks has not yet been made to pronounce definitely upon their prohable importance, but when the deposits are made more accessible considerable mining will undoubtedly be done, as these appear to be quite extensive.

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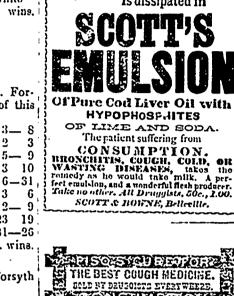
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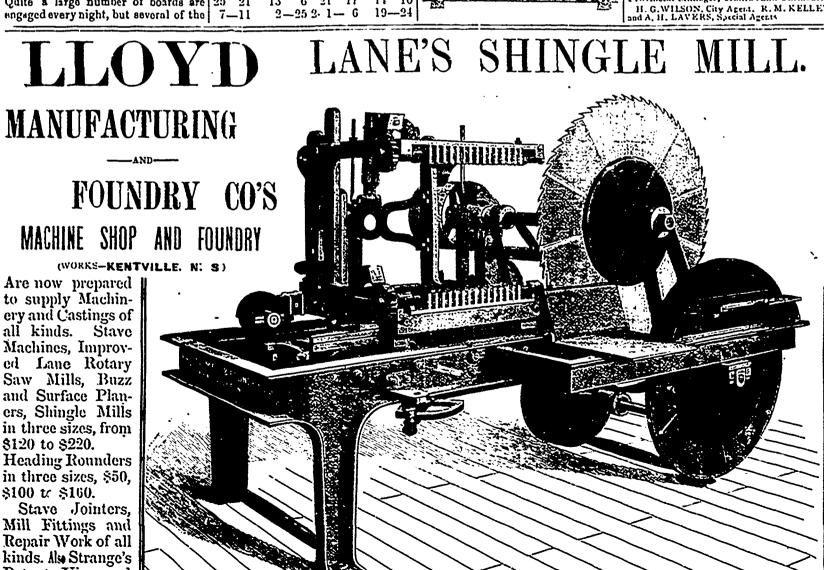


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NEWS. CHESS AND CHECKERS AT FITZROY. 16 -One of the rooms in the handsome 16 Town-hall building is set apart for the use of chess and draught players and we are glad to say that the boon is highly appreciated by the cutizene. van Quite a large number of boards are 25

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#### CITY CHIMES.

The Board of Governors of the Ladies College have issued a circular to be sent to patrons residing outside the city. I' states that extensive alterations in the drainage and sanitary conditions of the college building are being made from plens and specifications drawn out by Mr. Richard P. Flemming, a distinguished Scottish sanitary engineer, from Montreal, who will examine the work when done and give a certificate. The college opens again in Soptember, and we trust will have its usual number of fair daughters in attendance.

The Parlor Musee continues to hold receptions every afternoon and evening. Large crowds are flocking to behold the wonders, and Mr. Somerby seems to be meeting with his usual success.

The Hatkins' Fifth Averue Company, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather, has been drawing good houses ever since their opening at the Academy of Music. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of this week they gave "Saints and Sinners," an intensely interesting melodrama of the highest type in which Miss Percy Haswell, Mr. Harkins and Mr. Bland took the most prominent parts. Mise Haswell as "Letty Fletcher," daughter of the old village preacher, was simply charming. Her acting is exceedingly graceful, her voice very sweet and well cultivated, and she seemed to carry the sympathies of the audience with her from the first to the close. Mr Harkins as "Ralph Kingsmill," the young farmer and Latty's lover, was very effective and took well with the audience. In the part of "Jacob Fletcher," the village parson, Mr. Lionel Bland was grand, and his characterization of the old man was very cleverly given. An enthusisstic curtain call was accorded Miss Haswell and Mr. Bland at the close of the fourth act. The remainder of the cast was fully up to the standard of this well known company. Last night and this evening "Sealed Instructions" is on, and to morrow evening the great Russian drama "Lorine" will be given, when Miss Julia Arthur will have a testimonial benefit. Doubtiess the last performance of this unusually good all-round company will attract an immense audience. Miss Haswell has made many friends among our theatre goers and Miss Arthur has added a large rumber to her already Iengthy list of admirers. Altogether the Harkins Company is one of the best Halifax has been favored with.

Wednesday was Dominion Day, and the excursions were well patronized. Both I. C. R and W. & A. morning trains carried a large number of pleasure seekers out of town, and the steamer *Bridgewater* took about 200 to Bridgewater. The Socials and Mutuals played on the Wanderers' Grounds in the afternoon, resulting in victory for the Mutuals. Chebucto and Wanderers also played at 3 30 p. m. on Chebucto's Grounds, Wanderers coming out ahead.

The gates for the grand cntrince of the Public Girdens are to be placed in position in a few days. They are of cast iron, very fancy, and will be quite an addition to our already beautiful gardens, which just now are looking fine.

At last the much-longed for, sadly needed extension of the Street Rail way is no more a myth, and the patient citizens of our northern and western suburbs, who are watching with interest the progress of the work of laying the rails, will begin to believe that all things do come to those who wait—if they only wait long enough. The branch line will join the trunk line on Barrington street at S'. Paul's hill, and run through Argylo, Buckingham, Brunswick, Cogswell, Gottingen and Cunard streets, as far as Windsor street. It has not yet been decided whether the line will run along Windsor to North street to complete the circuit at the corner of Agricols to Cunard streets, or whether the cars will be taken out Chebucto road as far as the riding ground. The Company hope to have all in running order before September 1st, in time for the traffic of Exhibition week, when business will be rushing. The cars used on the branch are to be different in color from those in use on the main line, which is a good idua, and will save many awkward mistakes being made. What with street cars and carettes, life to those on top of the hills will indeed be worth living.

Every outdoor argusement has been postponed on account of the weather -yacht race, promenade concert, tennis parties—have all been off, very much off.

About the westher perhaps the least said the better. If it is true that variety is the spice of life, Halifaxians ought to be well seasoned this summer. We have had a few delightful June days, when "all nature seemed to wear one universal grin," and the girls looked their pretiest in light summer frocks, the gentlemen donned straw hats, and we all thought "summer was coming along with a bounding pace, to finish the work that spring begun j" but to use a wee bit of slang—pardon us—we got left I and the weather we have had for the past week or two brings to mind the story of the little American girl, who wondered when they had a weather bureau at Washington they didn't oftener pull out the drawer with fine weather in it. But we've always been taught 'twas wicked to grumble at the weather, so as we paddle around in rubber boots, waterproofs, and armed with umbrellas on every occasion, we must make the best of it, "feeling that the order of nature doth this way tend, whatever was begun must have an end," and the fine summer days are surely coming.

The annual exercises of Mount St. Vincent Academy took place on Tuesday afternoon in the presence of a large number of guests. The Pro-

gramme, consisting of music, vocal and instrumental, the beautiful poem Lallah Rookh, dramatised by one of the teachers, and well brought out by the young ladies, and two essays which were both excellent, proved very interesting. Prizes and premiums were presented by his Grace the Archbishop, who afterwards addressed the pupils, and congratulated the teachers on the success attending the work of the year. Interesting addresses were also made by the Attorney General and Stipendiary Motton. There were no graduates this year.

Have any of our Helifax girls the rage for souvenir spoons, or has it hardly yet got a hold in our quiet little city. The American girls have "got it bad," and jewellers are making quite a "spec" of it. A great deal of ingenuity as well as historical information is being exercised in the designing of these spoons, and a collection of them will be exceedingly interesting as well as valuable. Just a brief description of one or two of these novelties: The design of the "George Washington spoon" consists of a finely modeled bust of the Father of his country, which is a faithful copy of the Houdin Mask. The bowl is etched with a fine representation of Mount Vernon in low relief, leaving space to etch the name of any desired locality. The "Brooklyn Historical spoon" is a very cleverly designed specimen. The aim has been to select familiar objects, the old in contrast to the new. On one side of the handle is a representation of Fulton Ferry of 1746, while the other side has the Brooklyn Bridge as opened to the public in 1883. īn producing a souvenir spoon to represent all America, the first American-the red man-is appropriately chosen as a model. The handle is of an original outline; on the upper portion of the obverse side is a fine relief model of the bust of a churacteristic Indian; below is a representation of Indian corn. On the reverse side of the handle is a group composed of a tomshawk, bow and quiver, above which are two pipes of peace. We might go on, but the number of different styles of these fashionable articles is almost endless. Some of our city jewellers are showing very dainty little spoons as souvenirs of Halifax, which make a unique and acceptable gift for our friends who visit us this summer to carry away as a memento of pleasant days spent in our midst.



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