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## By Telegraph

## THE DRAWING ROOM POSTPONED Prince William Plays His Part.

HALIFAX, N.S., March 9. Emperor William is very low, and his death is expected at any moment. Yesterday his death was announced, but it proved a long swoon. A later message has been received here announcing the Emperor's death.]

Queen Victoria postponed her drawingroom yesterday on account of the Emperor's critical condition.

The Imperial decree provides that Prince William will discharge the current Government business. The Crown Prince is better.

## FROM CRAND BANK.

A Man Recovers from Terrible Injuries.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.) GRAND BANK, This Afternoon.

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## General Northern Despatches.

Fogo, This Forenoon.

Yesterday numbers of hoods were observed at Tilton Harbor, but no seals have been seen here to-day. Wind east, blowing a moderate breeze and sky clear. The ice is still running into the Bay.

TWILLINGATE, This Forenoon. Seals plentiful in the Bay, but our men cannot get off on the ice. Wind east and weather

GREENSPOND, This Forenoon. Wind northeast and weather fine, with every appearance of a change. Bay full of ice. Barometer 30.

BONAVISTA, This Forenoon. Weather clear and Bay free of ice. east, blowing a strong breeze.

## FROM CAPE RACE.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.) CAPE RACE, This Evening.

Wind E.N.E., blowing a fresh breeze and weather fine and clear, with a string of ice east of the Cape and running west. No vessels have been sighted to-day.

## NOTE FROM WILLIAM COAKER.

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR, - I would feel sincerely thankful to you if you will insert the following note:-As it has been rumored that I have given information in the case of W. H. Rhodes vs. Capt. A. Fairweather, concerning the taking of seals on the 11th day of March, 1887, 1 deny having done anything of the kind, and I also have written proof of this assertion from W. H. Rhodes.

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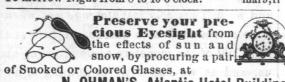
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Animals on Shipboard.

EXPERIENCE MORE LIVELY THAN ANY NOAH HAD IN THE ARK.

Sea Captain Who Objects Now to Live Freight.

I was one of the crew of the African coasting brig Antelope, and on one voyage from Masimba to Cape Town we put in at Quilimane for water, some of our casks having been stove. We had scarcely made fast at a wharf when a German came aboard to offer us some queer freight. He was an agent of a great wild animal firm at Hamburg, and had just come down to the coast with a rare lot. There was a black two-horned rhinoceros or borele, three lions, two panthers and three monstrous serpents. He had expected to find the firm's ship at this port, but through some misunderstanding she had not shown up. He wanted to get the animals to Cape Town as soon as possible, and was willing to give us a good price to take them. We were chock full below hatches, and the idea of taking the cages on deck was far

talker, and before we had our water in the capcouple of natives were to go along to care for them, and there would be no expense to the We looked over the cages and found them apparently strong and secure, and when the work of loading began we had very little trouble. The rhinoceros was transferred to a pen of wood and iron, which gave him very little room to spare, and he behaved himself like a gentleman while we were getting him aboard. Indeed, the whole collection seemed to be under a spell. The lions acted like frightened dogs and the panthers never uttered a snarl, while the big serpents seemed to sleep through it all. We made our offing about sunset, and darkness had no sooner settled down and the brig got her motion in the seas than we found ourselves treated to a concert which made every man's hair stand on end. It may be that the animals were seasick, or that the motion of the ship frightened them. They broke out with howls and roars and yelps and

screams, and nothing would quiet them. The rhinoceros didn't propose to stand neutral in that affair, and he uttered such snorts and "woofs," and made such efforts to break out of his pen that some of the men were ready to make for the crostrees. It came on a darkish night, with the wind blowing in gusts, and not a man aboard that brig closed his eyes in sleep. When the lions were not roaring the panthers were screaming, and about once in five minutes the borele would utter a loud "woof!" and make an attack on his pen. It did no good to throw feed to the brutes; hunger had nothing to do with their conduct. Each one had been captured singly, and each was full grown and dangerous. The near presence of men, the sight of each other, and the rough motion of the brig conspired to thoroughly excite each and every one. The serpents were wide awake and vengeful, and the rhinoceros was mad clear through. A more dangerous and vindictive creature than the black rhinoceros cannot be found on earth. He is afraid of nothing under the sun. He is boiling over with the sulks 23 out of the 24 hours each day in the week. Odds is the difference to him whether he charges an elephant or a lion. The first thing which comes in sight sets him off on s mad charge and he will never cool down while there is a show to wreak vengeance.

The fellow we had on deck was a piece of ugliness weighing from 1,200 to 1,400 pounds. He had been caught in a pit, and there had been no end of trouble to get him down to the coast. While he was in close quarters and had butt and kept up a fearful growling. little show to smash things, it was evident from

his actions that he would do the best he could. He kept raking his great horn back and forth across the bars of his pen, and whenever any one went near him he exhibited his anger in a dozen different ways.

The night wore away at last, and when daylight came the beasts ceased their racket. They were less noisy on the second night, and on the third we had no trouble at all. On the fourth morning after leaving Quilimane, having had a good breeze all the time, we were to the south of the lower end of Madagascar, and well into the Indian ocean. Soon after breakfast the breeze died away, and by 9 o'clock we were in a dead calm, and it was hot enough on deck to start the pitch in the seams. Every sign indicated that we had lost the wind for some hours. The surface of the ocean was like glass, with only a ground swell running, and we had scarcely lost steerage way when we Fighting a Horde of Wild were surrounded with sharks. I believe that fully 100 of the monsters came prowling about us, and as we had little or nothing to do the captain readily granted us permission to bait them. We threw over the shark-hook, baited with a piece of salt beef, and it had scarcely touched the water when a fifteen-foot shark ran away with it. We tailed on to the line and hauled him alongside in order to get a noose over his head to lift on, and we were about ready to heave and haul when there was a great crash on deck behind us.

The captain and first mate were below, and the second mate, who had the watch on deck was bossing the job of hauling in our captive. We were all aft on the port quarter, and for a few minutes the animals had been left to themselves. The cause of the smash was the rhinoceros breaking out of his pen. The beast worked it in a cute way. He leaned his whole CLIFT, WOOD & CO. weight on one side, and by and by, as the brig lifted and then went down heavily in the next hollow, the great jar, added to his dead weight, broke the fastenings of the bars. As we turned he was just emerging from the per, and at the same moment the lions and panthers began to roar and scream. They knew the The agent was a persistent fellow and a good | ugly nature of the beast, and they probably suspected what was coming. The natives rushed forward, shouting and gesturing, and hoping to drive the borele back, but he was not to be intimidated. His eyes began to snap lowered his head and charged at us. Being a small craft, the space between the cabin roof and the bulwarks was not wide enough to admit of the body of the borele, but he made several determined attempts to come at us before he turned away.

> You would have thought the rise and fall of the brig would have thrown him down, or at least made him eareful how he moved about, but he never minded it, and his legs were as firm under him as an old sailor's. We were after ropes to lasso him when he drew back, wheeled around, and charged forward. The first thing he came to was the cage containing the serpents. It had a compartment for each. He struck it on end, gave it a toss in the air, and as it came down the three big snakes, hissing like geese, glided in different directions. One ran under the cages containing the panthers, a second out on the bowsprit, and the third darted into the forecastle. The natives called to us to look out, as the borele would attack on the other cages, and while some of the men sprang down the companionway into the cabin the others ran up the mainmast shrouds. I was one of the latter, there being four of us, and when about half-way to the crosstrees we paused to watch the further actions of the rhinoceros. The lions and panthers were raising an awful racket, and the confusion was deafening. The big beast cleared his horn of a portion of the cage hanging to it, and then struck that containing the panthers. The beasts were liberated in a moment, and as they ran about the deck the lions roared and raved until we had to stop our ears. One of the panthers ran aft and leaped into the yawl-boat at the davits and crouched under a thwart, and the other hid under the bedding we had brought up to air and spread at the heel of the bowsprit.

The borele was now thoroughly enraged, and, without deigning a glance at the panthers, he smashed into the pen of lions and made kindlings of it. The largest of the three lions sprang on the borele's back as he came out of the pen, and perhaps his sharp claws inflicted some damage. He no sooner leaped to the deck than the big beast chased him aft to the cabin, but had to stop there. One of the other lions disappeared down the forecastle, while the third crouched down by the water

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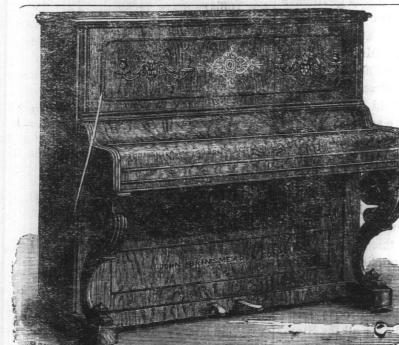
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## The Mystery of Weldhome Manor

By the Author of Dora Thorne.

CHAPTER I.

LADY KILMORE thoroughly understood the art of making herself and others comfortable. She was one of those kindly gracious women who seem to diffuse around them an atmosphere of perfect ease; and there was no house in which visitors felt so much at home as at

One June morning she was seated in the breakfast-room at Weldhome, a pretty room with long French windows commanding a view of one of the fairest of rose gardens. Lady Kilmore owned to one great weakness-she had a perfect passion for roses; and she contrived, with her gardeners help, to have a beautiful show of these flowers nearly all the year round. To secure a new variety of rose she would not mind either trouble or expense. Every kind of climbing rose covered the walls, the balconies, and the great old-fashioned porch of Weldhome Manor; every available nook in the grounds was devoted to the culture of her favorite flower.

On this June morning the French windows were thrown open, and a gentle wind stirred the long lace curtains and wafted the perfume of roses into the room. Lady Kilmore, looking out, saw a cloudless sky, dazzling sunshine, and roses wherever her eyes rested. The breakfast-table, with its dainty china and rich silver, was 'a picture,' and the 'orange pekoe' was as fragrant in its way as the roses. Her ladyship's surroundings betokened comfort, luxury, and ease. She herself was a well-preserved, handsome woman, who had seen half a century of life, but looked quite fifteen years younger than she really was. Her face was as smooth and clear as that of a

When the post-bag came in, she carelessly pened letter after letter, a smile rippling over her lips until she opened a large envelope bearing a crest. Then the handsome comely face darkened, and Lady Kilmore murmured a few words to herself. She touched the silver bell on the table, and to the servant who answered

'Teli Miss Nairne I wish to see her.'

In a few moments Hilary Nairne entered the room. She was a girl of uncommon type of beauty. Many women have golden hair, but few such bair as hers; it looked like a mass of rippling gold. Although Hilary was only seventeen, her face was full of character; its pink-and-white loveliness, the dainty curves of the beautiful mouth, the rounded ideal brow, the radiant eyes, and the long lashes were the least of its beauties. One might watch Hilary Nairne's face for a whole day, and it would never be the same for one half-hour. Its whole character changed with a ripple of scorn or with a gleam of tenderness. Her figure was girlish and slender at present, but it gave promise of a magnificent womanhood. Her white hands had pretty palms and slender pink-tipped fingers. She had pretty little feet; and every movement, every attitude was graceful, unstudied and picturesque.

She was intellectual and well read, gifted with wit and good at repartee. She had great virtues and great faults, but 'her faults lay on virtue's side.' She was impetuous and impulsive, and seldom stopped to count the cost of a word or deed.

With a quick graceful movement Hilary entered the breakfast room and went up to Lady Kilmore.

'Do you want me, auntie? Here I am and then her eyes fell upon the letters. When she saw the crest on the last envelope that had been opened, her face grew crimson and her eyes drooped.

'Hilary,' said Lady Kilmore, 'Lady Ardean has written again. I declined her invitation to the ball at Barton Abbey, and she writes to beg of me to change my decision. My dear, I wonder if I might trust you?"

The girl stood before her in an attitude of bewitching grace, a smile of keen amusement on her fresh sweet lips and a gleam of defiance

and pride in her eyes. 'Trust me. In what way, auntie? You know that you may always trust me.'

'Captain Carlisle is still there, and I an very anxious about you and about him.'

' My dear auntie, why do you make troubles? I have done nothing as yet to cause you

'As yet,' repeated Lady Kilmore-' no, I grant that; but, Hilary, I never kno what you

Would it not be better to leave that to time?' asked the girl. 'If I please you in the present, I do not see that it is quite fair for you to look for troubles ahead.'

'But, Hilary, the question is, do you please me in the present? I am not quite sure of it.'

'Of course you know best, auntie. I love you, I am devoted to you, and I do all that I can to please you.

' Everything but the one thing I want you

to do, Hilary, and that is, refuse to see Captain Carlisle again.' 'Why should I do so, auntie? How hard

Because, Hilary, in plain English, he loves you-at least, I am very much afraid he does and you-well, I do not think you are quite indifferent to him.'

With difficulty Hilary repressed the hot words that rose to her lips. The word 'indif ferent' stung her.

'Well, auntie, granted that I am not indif ferent to him, what then?'

Why, then, Hilary, nothing can come of it but keen suffering for you! You know that he can never marry you. You know that he has been betrothed to Lady Mary Trevor, his cousin, ever since he was a child. It was arranged by his father and hers.'

The beautiful head was raised with proud,

'By what right, aunt, did two men who are now dead dispose of the hearts of their chil-

'My dear, that is not our business-there is no need for us to discuss it. Whether it was right or wrong has nothing to do with the matter; what I wish you to understand is this, that, as Captain Carlisle is betrothed to another lady, he ought not to pay you attentions, and you ought not to receive any from him.'

'I am quite sure, aunt, that he does not love Lady May,' said Hilary. 'And I am equally sure that, as he must

marry her, he ought to love her.' 'I think it is a most barbarous thing for any man to say whom his son shall marry.

People always marry for love, do they not, auntie? How could he tell-that dead father -whether his son would love Lady May or

'I should imagine there are family reasons,' remarked Lady Kilmore pensively.

'Family reasons!' cried the girl, while her lips curled with scorn. What have they to do with it? A man is surely master of his own

'Not always,' replied Lady Kilmore. 'Lady May has a large fortune. I believe that in strict justice some of it should have gone to Captain Carlisle; and no doubt the two fathers thought to make matters right in this fashion.'

'A very foolish and stupid fashion, I think,' said Hilary; and Lady Kilmore smiled at the naivete of the words.

'It may be both,' she answered; 'but that does not alter the fact. I am most anxious and undecided about you, Hilary. Captain Carlisle is a handsome and attractive man; and it seems to me a very unwise thing for you two to meet-very unwise. Still, as Lady Ardean presses the point, if I thought I could trust you, I would take you. Would you now, for instance, promise me not to dance with Captain Carlisle, and, oh, above all, my dear child, not to get into those dreadful little nooks amongst the flowers which seem made for flirtation and for the torment of chaperons? Will you promise, Hilary?'

'I cannot,' replied the girl frankly. 'It would be easy to say 'Yes' and deceive you; but I will not do that. I could not keep such a promise. Why should I make it?'

'Then we had far better stay at home. have never spoken very seriously to you about this, Hilary. I had hoped that it was a fancy. and that it would die away. But, even were Captain Carlisle free to marry you to-morrow, it would be a very poor settlement in life for you. The captain has nothing but his hand-

some face and his military pay." 'I do not see that a girl like me should want more,' said Hilary.

'I do; with your beauty—which is of the highest order. Hilary, remember that—and your birth you ought to marry a peer at least.' 'I do not like peers. I like officers in the army far better. Auntie, let me go this once -just this once. Think of the time when you were young, and perhaps wanted to look once more at a handsome face you cared for. Let me go, dear auntie, this once.'

Hillary put her arms round her aunt's neck, and pressed her sweet face lovingly against hers. Lady Kilmore said 'Yes' against her better judgment and repented of it ever after-

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## CONFEDERATION

Despatch from the Governor-General of Canada.

## GOVERNOR BLAKE'S REPLY.

## A Deputation to Ottawa.

LIBERAL TERMS LIKELY TO BE OFFERED.

THE following despatch from the Governor-General of Canada to His Excellency Governor Blake has been laid on the table of the House. We are informed that very liberal inducements are to be held out to us this time, and that the terms suggested, if accepted, will be highly advantageous to the people of Newfoundland generally, and specially so to our fishing and laboring classes. However, we shall see later on. In the meantime it would be unwise to express an opinion one way or the other. Here is the despatch :-

"GOVERNOR GENERAL OF CANADA, TO GOVER-" NOR OF NEWFOUNDLAND:

" OTTAWA, March 6, 1888.

- " It is considered by my Government that " if your Government believe the time would " be convenient for the discussion of the " question of the admission of Newfoundland " to the Federal Union, and that no difficulty "would be likely to arise in arranging the "terms: Under these circumstances, could " you send a deputation to Ottawa, with power " to negotiate? In our opinion the deputation " should represent the opposition as well as " the ministerial party; and as the Canadian " session has begun and may be short, I
- " would suggest the expediency of the depu-" tation sailing by the steamer of the 15th
- "GOVERNOR OF NEWFOUNDLAND, TO GOVER-" NOR GENERAL OF CANADA:
- " I have received your telegram and laid it " before my ministers."

connection, that we shall carefully watch the course of events, and give the people timely warning should any attempt be made by a few unpopular politicians to sacrifice the interests of the country for their own personal aggrandisement. We hope our readers will not regard us as egotistical when we say that the TELEGRAM has always been a faithful, fearless and independent exponent of public opinion. Our fellow-countrymen have trusted us in the past, and we know of no reason why they should not continue to repose confidence in us. Any way, it is our fixed determination to act an unselfish part throughout the discussion of this matter. and to guard with jealous care the interests of our Island-home. It annoys us to listen to the babblings of certain newspaper and other "prate-boxes" who presume to dictate to thoughtful, prudent men as to how they should act in the premises. But of course the people of Newfoundland will treat all such self-conceited intruders with the contempt their conduct deserves. The question of Confederation must be calmly and thoughtfully considered upon its merits, and, if we are wise, we will deal with the subject in a sensible and intelligent manner.

## REV. MR. BOND'S LECTURE.

### "The Land of Pyramids and Pharaohs."

THE lecture delivered in the Methodist College Hall last evening by Rev. George J. Bond, B.A., proved one of intense interest to all who had the pleasure of hearing it. It was and was happy to say that, in his district, no a pity the hall could not contain all who sought such agreement existed; that if it did, the inadmission, as much disappointment was felt by many who walked through wet and dirty streets, only to find, on arrival at the doors of the building, that the ushers were unable to accommodate them, even with standing room. The lecture was carefully prepared and charmingly illustrated; but it would be hardly fair to go into details here, in view of the fact that the reverend gentleman has kindly consented to repeat his lecture in the Athenseum and the Commercial Rooms, by exposing the Hall on Monday evening next. Of course he will have another large and appreciative

morning, bound east.

MESSRS. BowRING's two vessels, the Adamantine and May Cory, both arrived at Pernambuco on Thursday. Mr. George Hayward is on a health trip in the former ship,

MESSRS. BowRINGS' barquentine Ulster, Captain Shekel, has arrived in Aquaforte in seven days from New-York. She has a full cargo of flour and provisions to her owners. bate is expected to-night,

Receiver General Donnelly Makes His Budget Speech.

## A FEW OF HIS FIGURES.

Murphy's Petition from Bank Fishermen and Debate Thereon.

THE House met yesterday at 4 p.m. Out of regard for a parliamentary custom of courtesy, the members refrained from presenting petitions until the Budget speech was delivered by the Receiver General. "God is God and Mohammed is His Prophet." Newfoundland is Mr. Goodridge's, and Mr. Donnelly is his financier, was the chief fact in yesterday's speech. The Budget introducer stood near the table in the graceful attitude of a bow bent back, his left hand in his left pants pocket, and his right hand fumbling his watch chain. In the British House of Commons and the Dominion House, the Budget speech is the most important one of the session, and usually occupies five hours for its delivery. Mr. Donnelly did it vesterday in thirteen minutes. He made no effort to justify the system of taxation at present in use, under which a Water street dealer who last year imported \$40,000 worth of goods, had to pay \$10,000 in duties. He said the tariff would be the same this year, although last year he said it would be but for one year. He informed the House that his estimates of last year were short \$86,000, as the Opposition, or Mr. Morine rather, had pointed out to him last year. As an excuse for this grave error in financing, he said that last year's tariff was in force in Saint John's but nine months, and in the outports but six. The following are a few facts from the financial statements laid upon the table :-

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	Gross debt of the colony\$	3,005,205.02
	Estimated revenue for 1888	1,400,040.08
	Steam subsidies, 1888	118,240.00
	Roads and bridges	116,000.00
	Postal department	37,000.0
	Administration of justice & police.	126,000.00
	Customs' department	66,786.00
	Crown Lands department	16,230.00
	Government public debt	131,336.00
	Education	119,000.00
	Railway subsidy	45,000.00
	General lighthouses	42,000.00
	Fish hatcheries	4,000.00
		8,000.00
	Bay steam	20,000.00
	Protection West herring fishery	
	Special vote for public works	36,000.00
	Relief of poor	191,106.00

All through the delivery of the budget a House. The Receiver General was dull and uninteresting, and not above a half of the Government benches were full.

Mr. Scott followed in a strong invective, accusing the Receiver General of falsification of accounts, and also instancing several cases in proof of charge. Mr. Scott is always good bly printed on our annals." To these we may

When the order of the day was gone through, Mr. Murphy rose to present a very important petition from two hundred bank fishermen of St. John's. The petition set forth that the fishery was a paying one to both capital and labor, and that the new agreement for bankers would remove all chance of sharemen of earning wages. He commented upon the agreement, published in our paper a few days ago, with great force, and candidly charged the member for Twillingate, Mr. Goodridge, and a few autocrats at the Commercial Rooms with drafting that "document of slavery." Renews was the first to kick against it, and the Williamses of Bay Bulls would either emigrate to Gloucester or die with starvation rather than sign it. In both these settlements Mr. Goodridge did business. He was glad that some of light as "Vindex" possesses should be hidour merchants, such as Messrs. Fox & Son, W. B. Grieve, etc., had the manhood, the heart and the head to reject it and sign the men upon the old terms. He concluded by of himself, for the instruction of his friends advising every fisherman in the country to refuse to sign such an agreement, which would make them worse than slaves.

Mr. McGrath followed and denounced, in strongest terms, the iniquitous arrangement, dependent fishermen would, to a man, reject it. Mr. Morine then took the floor and deliv-

ered a withering invective against the drafters of the agreement. Mr. Grieve, in a short speech, renounced all connection with such a contract between man and man, and said he would sign his bankers

under old terms. Mr. Emerson exhausted the English vocabulary in denouncing it and made good the charges of Mr. Murphy against Mr. Goodridge whole dastardly plot of taking away from the fisherman all chance of earning a livelihood.

Mr. Scott then took the floor and complimented Mr. Murphy for so ably bringing the just cause of the bank fishermen so quickly THE coastal boat Curlew left St. Pierre this and so ably before the House. He hoped that the discussion here to-day, the strong expressions of dissent of the people's representatives, would teach the originators of the agreement

the wisdom of letting it drop. On motion, the petition was then received. Mr. Mutphy gave notice of introducing a bill that would render nugatory and void the

oppressive clauses of the said agreement. The House adjourned at 6.30 p.m., and sit again to-day at 4 p.m. The committee on ways and means is now on, and a lively de-

Editor Evening Telegram

LETTER NO. 3.

Sir.-" The accomplished historian," says "Vindex," " is, if anything, patriotic." that proposition I heartily assent, and Dr. Howley's friends and admirers, and they are many, honor him the more on that account. But the inference which "Vindex" draws from it is altogether illogical and absurd. If the 'accomplished historian" did relegate the saintly prelate" to Limbo on account of his tainted prejudices," it was fortunate for the prelate that the fire was out. Although in the foregoing chapter the author said that the prelate "seemed endowed with supernatural strength," it was "after the fire" that he canonized him," if using the epithet " saintly" have this effect. I bow to superior authority, but I think it still requires the sanction of the Pope. It is not the historian's love of country, but his love of truth that made him state the fact of the "venerable bishop's tainted prejudice against a colonial priesthood;" and he proves this fact in the bishop's own words. Dr. Mullock, however, dispelled this prejudice by the establishment of an ecclesiastical seminary in his diocese in order to encourage the youth of the country to aspire to the exalted dignity of the sacerdotal order. His noble effort for the advancement of his spiritual children to this high and holy state received the blessing of Providence. "Unless the Lord build the house, in vain do they labor who build it." The Holy Ghost approved of the good bishop's work, and gave many of his flock vocations to the priesthood. Hence our country is blessed with the fruitful labors of learned and zealous native priests. Not to mention Dr. Howley himself, whose works, and nominally his history, bespeak his praise, we cannot but admire "the noble band" of native clergymen who, no doubt, (to use the words of

"Vindex") reflect glory on the ecclesiastical history of our country." Most of the "veteran pioneers from Ireland" are already " relegated" to that Limbo of the Just where, with the "saintly prelate," they enjoy the reward of their labors. The names of many of them are enshrined in the "ecclesiastical history," for, as the author says, "they were not pillars of the Catholic Church, but men of name and fame, worthy of a place in the general history a man of the gentlest disposition when not aroused by religious zeal;" the other "a man of imposing presence, and indomitable will, who labored assiduously in the mission of Ferryland, and played a conspicuous part in the early ecclesiastical history of the country for nearly half a century, and has left his name indellicompare their worthy successors, Fathers Veitch and Morris. They, with the other native priests, who, owing their promotion to the priesthood primarily to Dr. Mullock, and feeling grateful to him for it, now, "instead of fomenting divisions, work hand in hand and shoulder to shoulder with the (remaining) pioneers from Ireland, and 'with the young men drafted from Irish colleges' in the missionary field." The names of nearly all are now before the public in the "Vindex" correspondence, and as "Vindex" seems to have obtained access to the " archives" and the use of the "necessary documents," without which

Dr. Howley does not feel himself in a position to compile a "Life and Times of Dr. Mullock," we must accept all his dates and figures concerning the native priests as correct. Is it not a pity that, instead of now striving to ferret out mistakes in the Doctor's history, "Vindex" did not offer him all the assistance in his power? Is it not a pity that so much den under a bushel only to flare out at intervals; that, with his wonderful memory for facts and dates, he does not publish a pamphlet, a lecture, or, a history, even were it only and the world? I must here pay a merited tribute to "Vin-

dex's" admirable style of epistolary corres-

pondence. It is clear, concise, trenchant, courtly. He bears a grudge against the Doctor, and challenges him to an epistolary duel, and whilst, with cut and thrust of his sharp sword, he strives to wound his adversary in his most tender feelings-those of love for the offspring of his brain-he conducts himself in the most gentlemanly manner, saluting the Doctor with courtly phraseology: "the worthy Prefect," "the learned Doctor," "the accomplished writer," " the accomplished historian," he admires " his versatility of talent and the ardour of his patriotism," and pays a "tribute to his ingenuity," &c. But whilst he is so bland with the writer, he has no compliment to pay the History. So much does he seem to dislike it that he cannot bring himself to apply to it any one of the courtly phrases of his large vocabulary. The letter is "able" and "interesting" but the History— When Don Quixote attacked the windmill he ran his lance into the sail, but the wind whirled the sail about with so much violence that it broke the lance to shivers, dragging horse and rider after it, and tumbling them over and over on the plain, in very evil plight. But when he attacked the two monks of the order of St. Benedict, the one slid down from his mule, and the other ran monk on the ground, leaped nimbly from his

ass, and running up to him began to disrobe him. Let Sancho Panza set his lance in the rest for I will meet him to-morrow on the plain before "the college." Yours, &c., Brigus, March 7, 1888.

## The Evening Telegram House of Assembly notes. Dr. Howley and the Native Priests. LETTER FROM J. H. THOMAS. of your readers about these two cities of Pitts. He Relates His Experience at Allegheny City GLAD TO HEAR FROM TERRA NOVA Many Matters of General Interest.

Editor Evening Telegram. DEAR SIR,-The other day we received some bundles of Evening Telegrams which a kind friend had forwarded to us, and as we hadn't seen your paper for several months, it was like meeting an old acquaintance. The Xmas number sent, I regret to say, didn't reach its destination, which was quite disappointing, as we should have been so glad to see it. Things in general seem to be moving along much on the old lines out there still. Those Augean stables havn't yet been cleaned out, I find; neither has the "light" improved very much in its beaming; but there is no telling what a session may bring forth. There are many items of interest in the copies received, politically and socially; but it was with deep regret that we read the sad intelligence of the early death of Mr. Milley, who, when last seen by us, seemed vigorous, and who appeared to have before him a useful and honorable career; and yet to be cut off so suddenly!

To-day we read of a tornado devastating a town in the West, destroying life and property; yet to hear of it has not the same effect with us as when we learn of some one we're well acquainted with passing suddenly to the great beyond."

We have here in this section been surrounded with reports of very cold weather; yet, strange to say, the cold has not touched zero during the winter; five above being the coldest night's register. In January we had a thaw, which was to Pittsburg coal-dealers a blessing, as it enabled them to ship an enormous quantity of coal down the river Ohio, to cities who depend mostly on being supplied from here. For five months there wasn't enough water in the river, on account of the drought, to allow free passage to steamers, and when the longprayed-for rise did come, about six million bushels of what they call here "the old fashion fuel" was sent away to gladden the folks west of Newfoundland. Fathers Yore and Troy and south, some going as far as New Orleans, were the giants of their day,-the one " a nearly 3,000 miles away. There is a determination among those interested to improve the navigation of the Ohio by procuring national aid to build a number of dams to enable its water being used, even in the dryest

> Two celebrities paid us a visit last month, .e., Mrs. Langtry and Sam Jones. The former was here for a week, but the last-named only one day; yet, of the two, the gentleman drew most attention. He gave two lectures, one in the Opera House in the afternoon, and at night in the City Hall. Mr. Jones' fee for a lecture is stated to be \$200, and at that rate he can afford to say some plain things one would conclude. It would be interesting

> to know what he charges for a sermon, though! Prohibition is still agitating the temperance folks in your country, I find. It may interest some to know what a high license law is doing, or going to do, in this State. The last day to send application for licenses in Allegheny County is past, and it shews that there is a falling off in the number this year of over 1400, and as many have applied for license without being accompanied with the necessary bondsmen's signatures, and quite a number will be void or illegal. The "Brooks Law" fixes the license fee at \$500 over all the State. The Law and Order Society are going to contest every case that has a bad record and the fight will be very exciting, and it will cut down

Pittsburg has gone into the cannon business, and you have no doubt read of the casting of the big steel gun lately. It was spoken of as a very successful job; but the work of boring is slow. It has taken two weeks to hollow out 115 inches, and another week will scarcely see the boring finished. The implement used in this work is described as double-edged, made of hard steel and nearly as keen as a razor. It cuts only an inch and a quarter an hour; but it runs for nine and a half hours without grinding. The gun will be put through many processes after the first boring is done. Then it will be sent to Washington to be

Mr. Andrew Carnegie is going to, or, to be more correct, is building now, a splendid library to be presented to Allegheny City. He has made a similar offer to Pittsburgh on the other side of the river, which, no doubt, will also be a very handsome present. The Y. M. C. A. of Pittsburgh is a very flourishing institution. They have a \$100,000 building, which contains a fine library and reading-room (free). away. Sancho Panza, however, seeing the Besides the usual meetings, they have a series of entertainments, during the winter and music classes, and a gymnasium school. Who is the philanthropist that is going to present St. John's with a Free Library?

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aged 77 years.

At Salmon Cove, Feb. 10th, Michael Devereaux, aged 66 years; both respectable inhabitants of these localities

burg and Allegheny. Although only separated by a moderately wide stream, from which the last named place is called, yet they are municipally independent of each other. The combined population of the two is now 300,000: area, square miles, 37; inclined railways, 6: bridges, 16; banks 58; churches, 247; colleges and private schools, 31; public schools, 66: iron blast furnaces, 20; annual capacity pig iron-tons, 900,000; iron and steel mills, 64: total annual production 1,425,000 tons; glass. works, 56; natural gas companies, 18; number gas wells, 200; miles of natural gas pipes, 900; cubic feet produced daily, six bundred millions. The first electric railroad was completed last week and is a wonderful curiosity. Its length is three miles, and it has rather steeper grades than your Cochrane Street. For half the distance the wire is placed in a condiut along the middle of the track; when this place is reached they hitch on to the car an overhead wire that supplies the current. It is expected that the line will be extended daring the coming spring. The cars on the line are roomy and elegantly furnished, and they travel much faster than any horse cars. But with all these signs of progress and advancement, these two towns are a long way behind in some things. They have plenty of water, but it is of a bad quality. If Westinghouse's experiments in purifying water by electricity prove successful, that will soon be remedied. The streets are badly paved too; and worse than that, there are no names or signs on them except in very few cases, which, to a stranger,

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board on every street-corner in Pittsburg, if she were allowed to inscribe her own name on each one in the bargain. That waked the Council up, and we are promised the names put up soon. Then, again, the police protection is inadequate to the requirements of the place. Both have now adopted the Gamewell system, which enables a policeman to wire for assistance and communicate with the central office, which immediately, if required, sends a patrol wagon to where the alarm came from. Round iron structures are fixed on corners of streets, within which the facilities are placed for sending messages. If you in St. John's had such a system, I've no doubt but that it would become useful; if placed, say on corner of Queen Street, when Messrs. Kearney and Roost were having a good time, and making things lively, a bobby could call for aid and give the parties free trips to headquarters. The last end of Pittsburg, where most of the wealthy folks live, has been much excited lately; several ladies have in broad daylight been waylaid and robbed, and in every case the ruffians have escaped. They have been chased several times, but they manage to cover their retreat by showing their revolvers. A new city charter came into force this year, and great reforms are promised. New brooms should sweep clean, too. These few items of news may not instruct much, but I hope they will interest some of your readers at any rate. As a resident of St. John's for many years, I shall always be interested in its affairs. Wishing to all a short and pleasant winter, and a prosperous spring.

"Lotta," the actress, offered to put a name-

Yours truly, J. H. THOMAS. Allegheny City, Pa., Feb. 22, 1888.

### LOCAL VARIETIES.

MR. T. F. LAMB will deliver a lecture at the Academia this evening. Subject :- " A Local

"THE Hardy Swoilers of Newfoundland," price one cent, is the latest scream of the

THE Sanitary Inspectors should see to it that the owners of stables do not deposit the refuse of their yards, in the adjoining streets and lanes of the town, but cart them to the public coves. This is a source of grievance every spring, is one injurious to health, and one that plants a mire of dirt and melting snow in those narrow streets when the open thoroughfares are entirely dry.

### SEALING LIST.

Vessels Cleared at the Port of St. John's for the Seal Fishery—1888. Terra Nova, s.s., Fairweather, 450 tons, 290 men-W.

Stephen & Co.
Aurora, s.s., Fairweather, 386 tons, 260 men – ditto.
Esquimaux, Milne, 465 tons, 278 men—Dundee Seal and
Whale Fishing Co. Eagle, s.s., Jackman, 343 tons, 260 men—Bowring Bros. Wolf, s.s., Smith, 353 tons, 238 men—W. Grieve & Co. Hector, s.s., White, 290 tons, 198 men—Job Bros. & Co. Kate, Sullivan, 82 tons, 35 men-Allan Goodridge & Sons 1887—7 vessels, 2,984 tons, 1,842 men. 1888—7 vessels, 2,269 tons, 1,559 men.

### Decrease, 1888-0 vessels, 715 tons, 283 men.

BIRTH. On the 7th inst., the wife of Mr. George McCarthy

### DIED.

This morning, after a short illness, borne with Christian resignation to the Divine will, Mr. Isaac Martin, a native of Torbay, aged 52 years; leaving a large family to mourn the loss of a kind husband, affectionate father. Funeral from his late residence, North Eide of Torbay, to-morrow (Saturday) at 1 o'clock; friends are requested to attend without further notice.

At Congeption Harbor, March 6th, '88, John Gushue, aged 77 years.

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