

The Weekly Monitor.

BRIDGETOWN, MAY 1, 1878.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

An old man, with the hoariness of seventy years resting upon him, in looking back upon half a century, without taking time to think, regards it as a visionary panorama of rapidly vanishing years. His schoolboy days seem not far away, and the intervening Summers and Winters, with all their heat and cold—their "lights and shadows," in his view, are budded together, like the fragments of a dream. A half-grown boy, however, in looking forward to fifty years, recognizes a long period, in which he hopes to play an active part in both attainments and enjoyments. The visions of youth are tinted with the hues of deceptive promise, and those of old age are distorted by the bitterness of untoward experience, and the chilliness of depressing disappointment. In early life "distance lends enchantment to the view," but to old age benumbed with the infirmities that are incident to length of days, a darkening haze rests upon the chequered experience of the past. Youth and age are stand-points from which time's flight is seen in very different aspects. Yet the philosophic mind may divert itself of those influences, which naturally tinge men's visions as they survey the past, or undertake to pry into the future.

To-day it is our purpose to look over a portion of the by-gone with a calm and clear mental view of what has been transpiring in our own country and elsewhere within the memory of quite a number of still living men. Not one in twenty of the four hundred thousand, who make up the population of Nova Scotia, had entered our world by birth fifty years ago, and not one in twenty who were then living, are now alive. It may not be out of place, however, just now to take note of some changes that have been going on in the world within the period referred to. The modifications in the civil government of our country are marvellous. Fifty years ago, all official and political power, was vested in a Council of XII, who lived in Halifax, who had no sympathy with the outlying rural Counties who were wholly independent of popular influences of control, and who regarded the people's representative body with little respect; and, in several instances, these irresponsible rulers ignored the power of the Assembly. They sat with closed doors, and no one could criticize their secret doings without incurring the terrible charge of disloyalty to the Crown. But the spirit of reform has triumphed—we enjoy a free constitution—and the policy of both legislation and government is indicated by the people.

Fifty years ago the trade of the country was trammelled with cramping restrictions; and Halifax was the only port of entry in the Province. In process of time, however, Yarmouth and Pictou, in this respect, were placed on the same footing, with the capital, and ultimately every port in the country was thrown open, giving free scope to maritime enterprise, trade and commerce.

Fifty years ago railway operations had just been started as an experiment of doubtful utility in England. Not a mile of railway was laid on this continent for many years afterward.

Fifty years ago successful steam navigation across the Atlantic was talked about as a possibility; but it was twelve years afterward before its applicability was thoroughly tested.

Fifty years ago telegraphic communications by electricity, either over the surface of the solid land, or through the depths of the sea, was not even dreamed of.

Fifty years ago California was a country little known, and its immense mineral treasures were still buried in the bowels of the earth.

Fifty years ago Australia was principally known as a penal colony.

Fifty years ago, the reclaiming of the wooded solitudes of New Zealand from the darkness of barbarism by European emigrants, had scarcely been contemplated.

Fifty years ago Catholic Emancipation in the British Empire was being agitated, but not consummated.

Fifty years ago the despotic spirit of Bourbonism predominated in the misrule of France.

Fifty years ago, the whole population of Nova Scotia numbered less than one hundred and fifty thousand.

Fifty years ago the site on which Chicago stands, was only known as a favorite Indian camping ground.

Fifty years ago Joseph Howe was quite a young man, exhibiting much cleverness in the columns of the Nova Scotian, but he had not then felt the spirit of Reform, that prompted him to achievements which won for him renown in after years.

Fifty years ago the Pictou Patriot, under the management of Jotham Blanchard, was the only newspaper in Nova Scotia that had the moral hardihood and courage to indulge in animadversive strictures on the misdoings of the Government.

Fifty years ago Kings College at Windsor was the only chartered academic institution in Nova Scotia.

Fifty years ago there was a State Church in this Province, looking frown-

ingly on those who were outside its pale. Fifty years ago the interest of primary education was at a low ebb in our Province.

In a few particulars, we have mentioned the condition of the world half a century ago. We need not remind our readers of the changes that have taken place. They are patent to every body; and indicate the accelerated march of progress. What the developments of fifty years to come will be, remains to be seen. Few now living will be on the earth then, to note the go-aheadism of the years that will intervene; but the actors on life's stage, meanwhile, will be "leaving footprints on the sands of time."

SOCIABLE.—There will be a sociable held at the residence of Mr. John B. Reed, on Tuesday evening, the 7th inst. All are invited to attend. Tickets 25 cents. Proceeds to help repair the parsonage.

The weather during last week was more like June than April. The thermometer registered 82 in the shade on Friday, at Annapolis. So says the Journal of Saturday.

We are requested to state that a meeting of the heirs of Anna and Lydia Church will be held in the Court House, Bridgetown, on Saturday, the 11th day of May instant, at two o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of hearing the report of the delegates who went to Great Britain last year in the interest of the said heirs.

We were handed on Monday last, by Mr. John Piggott, two stocks of rhubarb, grown in the open air, in the garden of Mr. John Turnbull, Bear River, the finest ever seen by us for the season. They measured twelve inches in length, one inch in breadth, and three-quarters of an inch in thickness.

Mr. Homer Salter, the late proprietor of the well known hotel called the "Commercial House," Annapolis, has sold out to Mr. John McLeod, formerly of the Foster House. The new proprietor took possession on the 1st of May. Mr. McLeod has been long and favorably known, and we have no doubt the "Commercial" will still enjoy the confidence and support of the travelling public. Mr. Salter will still continue to run his coach line.

THE COMING STRUGGLE.—We have been repeatedly asked during the past week what part we intend to take in the coming election contests. To set the matter at rest, most emphatically say that we are determined to take none whatever, so far as the Moxton is concerned! We are ready and willing to publish the cards of all the candidates if they wish us so to do; but to plunge into the strife for either party would be only to destroy our present usefulness, and alienate a host of friends and patrons.

POLITICAL MEETING.

According to previous announcement the Liberal Conservative Party held a Political meeting at the Court House, this town, on Thursday last. The meeting convened at 11 o'clock, a. m. T. D. Ruggles, Esq., Q. C., was called to the chair. John B. Mills, Esq., of Annapolis, was appointed secretary. After a speech of an hour's duration, by the chairman, a committee comprising three from each ward was appointed to select candidates. The committee retired to one of the jury rooms, and upon returning announced that they had unanimously chosen Avar Longley, Esq., to be the candidate for the Dominion Parliament, and that Wm. B. Troop, and C. W. Shafter, Esquires, be the candidates for the Local Legislature.

The meeting then adjourned for dinner, to meet again at 2 o'clock, p. m. When reassembled, speeches were made by the candidates, committees formed, &c. The meeting broke up about 4 o'clock, three cheers being given for the Queen, and three cheers and a tiger for the candidates.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION.

We were unable to attend the examination of the Primary Department of the public school, under the tuition of Miss Annie Longley, held on Friday last. We are, therefore, under the obligation to one present for the following report:—"Notwithstanding the irregular attendance of the pupils of the primary department of the Bridgetown School from sickness or other causes, the examination held on Friday showed an average advancement. All the classes were much in advance of what they were six months ago, and those who have attended regularly gave a good account of themselves. Many did exceedingly well for their years. Miss Mabel Saunders, a six years old, enjoyed the happy satisfaction of seeing much older class-mates in spelling take their seats ere she failed, thus fairly winning the desired place, "Head of the class." Master Fred. Dennison, of the fourth class, was also left on the floor without a rival after a sharp competition with a number of class-mates. Miss Gertrude McLean also showed great proficiency for one so young in reading, spelling, and geography. But few of the parents were present, and a large percentage of the scholars were also absent which is much to be regretted.

—The Newfoundland papers give the names of a large number of steamers and sailing vessels which have recently arrived with cargoes from the seal fisheries. The total number taken thus far this season amounts to 204,866. The exports for the year 1877 amounted in value to \$6,841,582.

HORSE KILLED.—In Lawrence town, on Monday evening of last week, Mr. John Whitman had a valuable horse killed by a collision with a team driven by Mr. Curges Williams, who had entered the side of the horse breaking his ribs and otherwise injuring him, causing his death in twenty minutes afterwards.

THE RESULTS OF THE WAR.

From the London Spectator. Look at the results of this war. Well, let us look at them, and see what Russia has gained. Suppose the Congress of 100 ratify the terms as they are believed to stand, and what are her special profits? A slice of Armenia, which will enable her, if she commands the Black Sea, to send troops thither by water instead of by land, is probably, to save five per cent. of any expeditionary force she may desire to dispatch; and a slight increase in her power of attacking Persia, this she will not lose. The only object of that is that she would have no claim to demand beyond this, except a corner of Bessarabia, in the shape of which makes of the Roumanian race a fighting race, as they showed before Plevna—her deadly enemies; and some influence in Bulgaria, which it will be the first Bulgarian object to shake off. She has lost, by her method of liberation, the willing aid of the Turkish Christians, and is now so hated in Roumania, Servia, and Greece, that her own people make war on Austria or England in a war for her destruction. All other advantages are indirect. She may be able to use Turkey as a vassal, and so close the Bosphorus, but the only effect of that is that she would have in the event of war to defend a point distant from her own resources, instead of a point close to them. She may be able to control Bulgaria, we believe she will not—that is, she may have to defend a province accessible to all the Maritime Powers, divided from herself by the sea, and liable, whenever Austria interposes, to be attacked in flank and rear. And she has made her army formidable. This one advantage from the war we fully admit, and it is a grave one. By the expenditure of not less than £10,000,000, she has got 100,000 regulars, the Russian government has been enabled to discover the weak points of its army, to remedy them, to discover a considerable general—we imagine that military history will not forget the ground floor, a formidable soldier—and to make his army what at first it was not, reasonably mobile. That is a great gain, but it has been obtained at a great cost. It is likely, under the Russian system of Government, to be lost again, favoritism resuming its sway in peace time, and it is completely neutralized by the increased dread with which the revolution and the Russian strength has inspired her neighbors. We seriously doubt whether cool Russian statesmen, considering the injury done to her finances, could have consented to the facilities for aggression offered by the misgovernment of Turkey, considering the enfranchisement of Christian provinces likely, as they advanced, to drive her out of the deep distress excited in Austria, and considering the strong chance that Constantinople may be placed under protection twice as effective as that of Turkey, may we not say that the war of 1877-8 brought Russia an accession to be compared with the loss of strength accruing from the events of 1870, and the probability which then existed that Germany, Austria, and Prussia, would be disposed of the whole resources of Central Europe, could, as regards Russian progress, come to a hearty understanding. There are plenty of topics to be discussed in Congress, and we conceive the panic under which we are about to enter that assembly to be an illusion.

A MODERN HENRY MOORE SMITH.

The man known as Ruggles, alias Rogers, now in Windsor jail, has proved a first-class jail breaker. He was taken up at Annapolis, and made good, and afterwards he broke into a store at Shubenacadie, and was again captured and lodged in Windsor jail to await his trial in the Supreme Court. He has twice since made an attempt to break out of the jail here and on Saturday week nearly succeeded. The jailer says he always handcuffed him at night so his work had to be done in the day. He had a small stone in the ground floor, he managed with a small awl and the occasional use of his dinnerknife to cut through a two-inch plank to remove the plaster of the cell around a space large enough to admit two men. He also cut through the stone masonry and hid it in the bed clothes and then all that was between him and liberty were the large stones outside which could be easily removed. The prisoner then with stones made into cement plastered the whole arrangement up again and with ashes sifted through a mit managed to give it the appearance of never having been disturbed. The jailer suspecting this was wrong, ordered an examination found this cleverly arranged plan of escape. Another night would have accomplished it. The prisoner is now in the upper prison manacled from the feet to a staple in the floor and there he will probably remain until trial. We understand that Rogers belongs to an organized band of burglars, of which he is the reputed head. He has broken out of five jails in New Brunswick, and three in this province. —Windsor Mail.

THE SICK WOMAN OF EUROPE.

The opinion is evidently gaining ground on both sides of the Atlantic that Benjamin Disraeli, Earl of Beaconsfield, knows what he is about, and that the sick woman of Europe, as England was contemptuously termed by Continental and Irish satirists, is pretty nearly cured. Britain and Russia are contending for a great stake, namely, prestige in the East, and during the war with Turkey, Russia had far the best of it. So great was her effect upon the Mohammedan mind, that England's raj, or reign, was regarded as past, and the vernacular press of India and the Mohammedan teachers in Constantinople, were not insulting terms, as indeed, did all her enemies elsewhere. In fact, her hour had about come, her influence was gone, she dared not fight, Ireland would recover her independence, and she would be left all that talk was suddenly ended by the passage of a British fleet "without leave," up the Dardanelles on Monday, with every gun shotted and every man in his place, to take up a position before Constantinople. From that time Russia saw a new factor in her calculations—another Sebastopol looming up and felt that it was only a question of time when and how to leave to be kicked out of the extravagant pretensions embodied in the treaty of San Stefano. Not satisfied, however, with one daring act, Britain had been preparing incessantly for a gigantic conflict, and she is now bringing troops from India, probably to be stationed in Egypt until all questions with Russia and Turkey are settled satisfactorily. This move is by far the most significant for Russia yet. It was all along acknowledged that Britain had the naval and financial superiority, but where were her armies? They were made up of contingents as compared with the armies of continental nations. An order for fifteen steamers—loads of Indian troops of the most efficient description indicates the answer to that question. Nothing would be easier than to draw "300,000 more" from that swarming hive of humanity. This Russia well knows, and is now as anxious for a congress to decide on terms of peace as she was formerly haughty and defiant about it. The fact is the Asiatic nations are perceiving that it is Russia from whom the raj is to be regained, and they are flocking to the picturesque way of describing things, the Genius of the Ring, however powerful covers before the Genius of the Lamp, and Asiatics always follow the strongest genius. Does Britain then wish for conquest? Certainly not; all her interests and inclinations prefer peace, and her gigantic preparations at present are, she believes, just the way of securing it. A wise nation goes to any expense in order to procure the information and advice that will keep him out of lawsuits; and so it is with Britain, she is going to present to Europe an expense to keep out of war, and we hope and believe she will succeed. There is nothing to be gained by either nation in a war; it is only thing either could ask for to prevent loss. Germany would be the real gainer, as its two most formidable rivals would be seriously weakened. Austria could also probably make her own terms in the event of war between Britain and Russia. —N. Y. Witness.

ROMANCE IN REAL LIFE.

A MAN DISCOVERS HIS MOTHER WHO HE THOUGHT DEAD FOR 38 YEARS.

About the year 1838, there lived in the village of Ellen, near Aberdeen, Scotland, a young almoner doing a prosperous business. He married, and during the first four years a son and daughter were born. About the end of those four years, for some cause unknown, the husband and wife agreed to separate, the father to take the son and the mother the daughter. The next year the father died. In the meantime the father and son sailed for America, and settled in Canada, the father working at various occupations as circumstances permitted. About the year 1850 he received word from Scotland that his wife had died. From this time all correspondence with friends in Scotland, which had been previously kept up, ceased. The son, having grown to manhood with the impression that his mother had died when he was twelve and a half years old, entered the profession of school teacher in the neighborhood of Toronto, where about the year 1860, he married. The father believing that his former partner in life had been dead about eleven years, and since the son had married, he felt lonesome and took unto himself a second wife. The son, after teaching about ten years, left the profession on account of ill-health, for active duties, and finally located himself in Texas. The father and step-mother still lived in Toronto. In the summer of 1868 the father, who was then seventy years of age, visited his son in Essex, and died suddenly of inflammation at his son's residence. After the father's death, the son, anxious to find out the existence of a brother of his father, who he believed to be living, was still alive in Europe, instituted an extensive and thorough correspondence with various parties in Scotland, and strange to say the father's name was recognized by a visit in Essex, and died suddenly of inflammation at his son's residence. After the father's death, the son, anxious to find out the existence of a brother of his father, who he believed to be living, was still alive in Europe, instituted an extensive and thorough correspondence with various parties in Scotland, and strange to say the father's name was recognized by a visit in Essex, and died suddenly of inflammation at his son's residence. After the father's death, the son, anxious to find out the existence of a brother of his father, who he believed to be living, was still alive in Europe, instituted an extensive and thorough correspondence with various parties in Scotland, and strange to say the father's name was recognized by a visit in Essex, and died suddenly of inflammation at his son's residence.

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TEN BUSHELS of the celebrated Burbank Seedling Potatoes. White Seedlings From the EARLY ROSE, exceptionally fine. For Sale by the subscriber. ALBERT MOORE, Bridgetown, April 17th, 1878. n52 f

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"Snowflake" Potatoes. 20 BUSH. "SNOWFLAKE" POTATOES. For sale by the subscriber, S. S. RUGGLES, Bridgetown, April 27th, 1878. 21 14 p

Oats. Oats.

MIDDLETON, N. S. 4000 Bushels HEAVY Black Seed Oats, For Sale Low, FOR CASH OR APPROVED PAPER. BESSONETT & WILSON. April 29th, 1878. 21 14

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Printed Goods. A full line of NEW DRESS GOODS, including: TASSO AND OTHER LINEN FABRICS, Cotton and Linen Costumes, Princess Walking Suits, Mantles, Underskirts, Corsets, Hose, Gloves, Neckties, etc. Scotch and English Cloth, SUITINGS, MANTLE CLOTHS American Cloth and Duck, Ready-made Clothing, OXFORD AND HARVARD SHIRTINGS. Men's Fine White, and Fancy Cotton Shirts, very low. HOUSEKEEPING GOODS in variety. MENS' AND BOYS' HATS in Straw and Felt. LADIES' GENTS' UMBRELLAS & SUNSHADES Full line of LADIES' STRAW GOODS, in late Styles. Large assortment of Millinery Goods In Flowers, Feather & Beads. Dress and Mantle Trimming. Fancy Goods and Small Wares of all kinds. Boots and Shoes, for Large and Small. Agents for RUSTIC WINDOW SHADES, Cheap and durable. COUNTRY PRODUCE at CASH VALUE, taken in exchange for any of our goods. TERMS—STRICTLY CASH.

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Middleton, N. S., April 17th, 1878.

1878. SPRING. 1878.

WE are now receiving our Spring Stock of BOOTS, SHOES, HARDWARE, PAINTS, OILS, and General Groceries, which we have marked low to suit the times, and would respectfully invite intending purchasers to inspect before closing elsewhere. In Boots and Shoes we have a large assortment, comprising: Boys, Youths' & Men's Buckle-shoes, BROGANS & CONGRES, Misses' and Women's KID, BUTTON AND PRUNELLAS, in variety, and a full line in Infants' Fancy Ankle Ties, Shoes and BUTTON BOOTS. Garden & Field Seeds. Beans, Pole & Field, Peas, Garden & Field, Cabbage, Parsnip, Onion, Mangold Wortzel, Radish, Turnip, Cucumbers, Squash, Turnip. Our Onion Seed is from GREGORY Marblehead, this Spring, and recommended as fresh and reliable. Just received a lot of Valises from \$1.50 to \$5.00. ON HAND: 500 Bushels of Oats, 50 Bushels of Barley. MURDOCH & CO. MORE

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PIANOS AND ORGANS.

THE ROGER'S UPRIGHT PIANO.

THIS instrument is constructed on entirely new principles, and the most earnest and careful attention is called to the Elliott Patent Iron Tuning Arrangement, consisting of a slide, sliding in, out, screw, held in place by a block or knob cast on the iron frame, by which positive accuracy of pitch and reliability of tone are attained. It is not only capable of being tuned perfectly, more easily and readily than any other piano, but after the stretch is once out of the string there is no possible chance for the instrument to get out of tune. Having control of the scale of these pianos in the Maritime Provinces, I am able to furnish them as low as any FIRST CLASS PIANO can be purchased. Illustrated Circulars furnished on application.

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This Piano is designed for those who have not room for a large piano or cannot afford to spend \$300 or \$400 in the purchase of an instrument. They are about the size of the ordinary cabinet organ. The cases are made of Walnut or Rosewood finish. It has a compass of 34 Octaves. Scale to C. Full Iron Frame, strongly braced in rear, and are first-class in every respect. Prices from \$175.00, upwards.

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NOTICE.

Wallace Rumsey, farmer, of Wilmot. As made an assignment to me for the benefit of his creditors who may sign the same within four months from date. The assignment lies at my office for signature. JOHN P. MURDOCH, Assignee. Bridgetown, April 4th, 1878. n 52

CLARKE,

KERR & THORNE, SUCCESSOR TO MESSRS. I. & F. BURPEE & CO. Wholesale Hardware, etc.

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HAVING TOOLS. NEW GOODS EVERY WEEK. CLARKE, KERR & THORNE. ST. JOHN, N. B.

P. S.—At the old stand of Messrs. I. & F. BURPEE & Co., Prince William Street, March 27th, 1878. 2m 16

Miscellaneous.

The German Emperor has just... The German Emperor has just...

A New York manufacturer last week... A New York manufacturer last week...

A new disease somewhat resembling... A new disease somewhat resembling...

The negroes of South Carolina are... The negroes of South Carolina are...

LEAD BY A PAIR OF SCISSORS.—At... LEAD BY A PAIR OF SCISSORS.—At...

Lady Roseberry experienced a new... Lady Roseberry experienced a new...

While the German Government... While the German Government...

The Irish Government has offered... The Irish Government has offered...

A few years ago, in Comanche... A few years ago, in Comanche...

A young man of 30, at Naples... A young man of 30, at Naples...

Naval men are of the opinion that... Naval men are of the opinion that...

REVENUE OFFICERS.—The Government... REVENUE OFFICERS.—The Government...

—Naval men are of the opinion that... —Naval men are of the opinion that...

INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY.—Now, as... INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY.—Now, as...

—The New York "Herald" Paris... —The New York "Herald" Paris...

—One of these days the English... —One of these days the English...

OTTAWA, April 26.—An unknown... OTTAWA, April 26.—An unknown...

A real crushed tragedian killed... A real crushed tragedian killed...

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.—Wm. Hogan... ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.—Wm. Hogan...

ITEMS.

Forty-seven miles of the Canada... Forty-seven miles of the Canada...

A new law respecting bill stamps... A new law respecting bill stamps...

One of Brigham Young's daughters... One of Brigham Young's daughters...

Mr. John Crowley, in whose house... Mr. John Crowley, in whose house...

Joseph Graham, proprietor of a steam... Joseph Graham, proprietor of a steam...

Albert Birdsell, a Quaker at Platte... Albert Birdsell, a Quaker at Platte...

First of the Season.—Four new early... First of the Season.—Four new early...

When you wish to know what the... When you wish to know what the...

REVENUE OFFICERS.—The Government... REVENUE OFFICERS.—The Government...

Telegraphic News.

EUROPE.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 25.—The... CONSTANTINOPLE, April 25.—The...

Three thousand prisoners of war... Three thousand prisoners of war...

St. Petersburg, April 25.—The... St. Petersburg, April 25.—The...

It is the cheapest medicine ever... It is the cheapest medicine ever...

One dose cures common sore throat... One dose cures common sore throat...

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Some years ago he had in our... Some years ago he had in our...

He was instructed to drop ten cents... He was instructed to drop ten cents...

At the end of seven months... At the end of seven months...

He used to purchase a set of tinner's... He used to purchase a set of tinner's...

He returned it to us with interest... He returned it to us with interest...

He has now wife, two children... He has now wife, two children...

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BLACK BEAVER, BLUE, &c., &c.

At prices to effect a clearance to make room

for their Spring and Summer importations.

MRS. L. C. WHEELLOCK, Lawrencetown, Feb. 20th, 1878.

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PLEASE take the advantage of an early call and make

the best selection before the rush. In view of making a

change in my business I now offer my entire

STOCK,

wholesale or retail, at

FOR CASH OR NOTE

ON THREE MONTHS.

Shall continue to sell at the above rate until

the first of April next, after which time shall

sell at

PUBLIC AUCTION,

THE FIRST DAY MAY NEXT.

Those who have

UNSETTLED ACCOUNTS

with me must call at once. I shall not send

any more bills but leave all

For Immediate Collection.

I have heavy bills to meet now, and unless I

collect I cannot pay.

Those who have bills against me will

please send them in between this and the first

day of May next, for payment.

R. H. BATH.

Hardware

CARRIAGE STOCK

Emporium!

Middleton, - - Annapolis Co.

BENT STUFF

BUGGY and Sulky Rims, No. 1, Extra and

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SPOKES—No. 1, Extra and 2nd Gro.; Shafts

do. do.

SEAT Backs, Seat Rails, Hubs, No. 1 & Extra;

BODY Ends, Phaeton and Piano Box, &c.

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Accommodation Seat Backs,

which fits every width of body.

We have in the

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LINE!

MASURY'S Colors, C. P. and Jet Blacks;

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ger, Sable and Pith;

STRIPERS, C. Hair and Sable, Color Brushes,

&c., &c., &c.

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BLUE, Drab, Brown and Green;

EMBOSSED Velvet, etc., etc.

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LANES, Noble and Hoare, and American

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COACH and Tyre Bolts, Am., Norway and

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150 sets Oil Tempered Side Springs, from 11-

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will be sold at greatly reduced prices to

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No one after her, and in a moment the veritable cracking commenced, accompanied by the clicking of the latch of the door, which had just opened.

When the young lady returned, the expression of her countenance was so mightily altered that she exclaimed—'Why, my darling girl, I do think you wanted to leave us because you thought the house was haunted.'

'Per—perhaps—yes,' faltered Dora. 'You poor little darling,' murmured Penelope in a voice of deep compassion, and she took Dora's unresisting hand in hers.

'Why would you not tell me?—Don't you know, Dora, and a smile played on her lips, that we ought to love each other very dearly? We are both going to marry a Walter Cary, and are the closest sort of cousins.'

'Are there two Walter Carys?' ejaculated Dora.

'What!' cried Penelope, her countenance slowly crimsoning as the situation burst upon her: 'did you imagine—'

'She ever consulted the astrologer, snatching up the poor, tired little orphan to her bosom, strained her face, and kissed her forehead, smiling face with kisses which were fully returned.'

'But Dora never revealed the whole of her terrible mistake.'

'THE DATE OF EASTER.'

The following calculations appear in 'London Nature': Easter Sunday falling on April 21 in consideration of this year, and it is thirteen days after the mean date, but it is to be remarked that in no year since the introduction of the Gregorian calendar into England has the festival occurred on the latest possible date, April 25, though in two years, 1761 and 1818, it fell on March 22, which is the earlier limit.

In 1886, Easter Sunday will fall on April 25, in the new Gregorian style, for the first time since the year 1753, or eight years before this style was accepted in England. The only other occasion since the reformation of the calendar by Pope Gregory XIII., upon which Easter has fallen on the latest possible date was in 1650, and after 1886 this will not again occur till 1943.

DIABOLOGICAL MURDER.—A woman named Rose Vincent was murdered in Biddeford, Maine, on the night of the 5th inst., by a fellow named Frederick Savage, who strangled her while in a boat, and then threw her body overboard.

Tuesday evening Savage was arrested and lodged in Saco jail. He confessed to the murder and said he grabbed Rose by the throat when only ten or twelve rods from the wharf and strangled her. When asked why he did it, he said, 'Oh, I loved her too much.' Savage would say no more. In his pocket Officer Grant found Rose Vincent's pocket-book containing her ear jewels and finger-rings.

DISABLED SCHOONER.—Capt. Lloyd of the schr. Lisiez, from Lockport, which arrived here on Monday night, reports having boarded an unknown schooner, supposed to be an American of about 60 tons, in tow of the St. John schooner, which was endeavoring to take her into Shelburne.

When boarded by Capt. Lloyd she was lying on her side, and had her fore and mainmast set. There were two letters, N. D. attached on her stern; she was close to Gull Rock, and appeared light—merely her fishing supplies, had two dories attached. It is supposed she struck on the Annelons and all hands perished, otherwise they would have been heard of ere this. —Liverpool Advertiser.

THE PAY OF WORKING WOMEN.

Some figures of working girls' pay came privately to my notice the other day. Every lady living in one of the large cities has noticed the cheap ready-made suits for women which are everywhere for sale. They range in price from ten cents to a dollar or two dollars. They are swiftly made up, of course, but the material is heavy, and it takes probably four hours steady work on the machine to put one of these suits together. Will it be believed that the girls who rack their bodies to pieces with this work are paid at the rate of ten cents a suit? At this rate, women can earn probably twenty-five cents a day, or \$1.50 a week.

A FORTUNE.—A meeting of the Hilton heirs was held last week at New Dublin, Lunenburg County. It is reported that some millions of dollars invested in cotton mills and other enterprises in England will fall into the hands of the heirs. Messrs. Hilton and Remby, of New Dublin, were appointed to prepare a plan at once to look after the property. Mr. Dauget, of this town, will be entitled to a large share of the fortune. —Liverpool Times.

A FATHER AND CHILD DROWNED.—A dispatch from St. Andrews, N. B., 17th inst., says:—'Edward DeWolfe was crossing Kitty's Cove bridge this morning with his son, seven years old in his arms. It is supposed he took a fit and fell into the water. Both were drowned. Their remains were found immediately after the father, still clinging to the child. DeWolfe was a respectable and well-to-do farmer, living close to Kitty's Cove, and great sympathy is felt here for his wife and family.' —Exchange.

They have invented many instruments to test the purity of milk, but it is said that our grandmothers used a knitting needle to ascertain if water had been added with unflattering accuracy. If the milk be pure the knitting needle, after being plunged perpendicularly into the milk and taken out quickly, will retain evidence of the fluid, but if water has been added the needle will be clear.

Texas has an oak tree, which is a forest in itself. It has been grafted with sprigs of pine, holly, elm, peach, ash, dogwood, apple, walnut and several others varieties. They all give promise of lusty growth. If this plan is successful a person with a little plot of ground in a city can cultivate quite an extensive orchard.

The artistic sensation of Paris is an artist named Andre Gauthier, who draws large studies to see him paint a landscape in five minutes, a portrait in six, and two different pictures simultaneously, one in each hand.

The descendants of Alexander the Great in Macedonia are murmuring over their sudden transformation into Bulgarians by the Treaty of San Stefano.

It is estimated that the loss to commerce by the blockade at Odessa alone has been from \$50,000,000 to \$60,000,000.

Miscellaneous.

ON CORNS.

In a lecture at the St. Louis Hospital, Paris, on hypertrophy of the epidermis, M. Gibout observed that while the causes of hypertrophy takes place at the surface, in corns the hypertrophied part becomes pyramidal, and takes the form of a nail, with its point directed towards the deeper seated parts. This sharp point, lodged in a kind of cupola, which exactly boxes it in, has a tendency to penetrate into the substance of the dermis whenever the base of the corn is compressed. The portion of the dermis which is in permanent contact with the epidermic induration becomes inflamed and altered in character, its papillae disappearing, so that at last it becomes a true matrix, destined to form deep, new, horny epidermic layers, in proportion as the more superficial layers are eliminated.

Changes of the weather often give rise to great pain in corns, which has been supposed to be due to their hygroscopic nature, which, by causing their enlargement, adds to the suffering. But in fact, the exacerbations are less severe during the time that it rains than they are for some days preceding; and they are also met with when the weather is about to change from wet to dry. These painful excruciations of the part of corns are quite as remarkable and as inexplicable as are those of rheumatic pains. The sole efficacious treatment is excision, but care must be taken that this is complete. The summit of the cone must be cut down to, so as to leave empty the dermic cupola. And then it is quite necessary to destroy, by cauterization, the inner surface of this cupola, namely, the matrix of the corn, which will otherwise be reproduced.

The best caustic is sulphuric acid, of which we may deposit a drop, by a match or glass rod, on the excised part. If the corn recurs, the same processes of excision and cauterization must be resorted to. —Scientific American.

A TROUT THAT CARRIED A TICKET.

The remark of Prof. Agassiz that no man knew whether the huge trout caught in the lakes 'were one or two hundred years old,' prompted some enterprising men several years ago to try and find out how fast a trout grows. To get some light on the question, Mr. Page conceived an ingenious device which he at once proceeded to put into execution. Platinum wire was obtained, cut into one and a half inch lengths, fastened at one end, and various numbers were stamped on the surface from 1 to 4, also the numbers 70, 71, 72, to denote the year. As trout were captured they were weighed, one of these tags was passed through the skin just under the dorsal fin, and securely twisted, and then the fish was liberated. In the course of the two or three years named a large number of trout were thus labelled. Of course the chances that any of them would be caught seemed infinitely small, yet in 1873 one of them reported. In June of that year Mr. Thomas Morgan, artist, captured a fine vigorous trout, weighing 24 pounds. Upon taking him from the landing net the platinum tag flashed in the sunlight. Upon examining the mark '4-71' was discovered, thus establishing the curious fact that this fish had gained 14 pounds in two years.

THE SUBSCRIBERS HAVE LATELY RECEIVED PER 100 lbs. Choice Flour, 100 do. K. D. Corn Meal, Gold Drop, 100 Bags Fresh Graham Meal, 50 Cracked Corn, Arrived to-day per 'T. B. Harris,' direct from Mills—200 lbs. Flour, 'Mistletoe,' 'White Eagle' and 'Avalanche.' Also in stock—50 Boxes Layer Raisins, do. 4 boxes, 'Porto Rico' Sugars, Teas, Biscuits, Spices, etc. Salt, coarse and fine, Pickled, Dry and Smoked fish, A few cases of Keweenaw, and oak 25 cents. Agent for Higgins, Crow & Co's. Confectionery. H. H. HIGGINS & CO., Opposite Railway Station, Annapolis, Jan. 16th, 1877.

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FOR THE HEATHEN.—HOW AN IRREVERENT SALOON KEEPER WAS TAKEN IN.

The other day when the wind whistled and-toned jigs around the batters, a little old man entered a saloon in that vicinity and asked the barkeeper if he could leave some tracts there.

'A whole car load, if you want to,' was the prompt reply, and the little old man placed a package on the bar, the table and softly said—'There's no nobler cause than the cause of the heathen. We should all contribute a small share of our worldly wealth to shed the gospel light across the seas.'

A pair of boxing-gloves were softly reposing on a table, and the little old man felt of them and went on:—'It makes me sad to see such sinful things lying around when the cost of one single glove might save a dozen souls in Africa.'

Three or four of the boys had dropped in, and the saloon-keeper winked at them and replied:—'Do you want to earn \$5 for the heathen?'

'Verily, I do.'

'Put on the gloves with me and knock me down, and I'll ante up cash enough to convert a whole regiment of African sinners.'

'The cause is noble, the inducement great,' mused the old man, as he toyed with the gloves.

'The boys encouraged him to go in, deprecating to him, knocked wrong end up, and he finally got out of his overcoat with the explanation:—'It can't be a sin to box for the cause of the heathen.'

'The saloonist meant to lift him over the end of the table, but the little old man was warded off very handsomely, and the little old man sighed:—'Ah—um! The heathen walk in wickedness and have souls to be saved!'

'Look out now!' cried the saloonist, as he got in a left-hander.

'Verily, I will, and I will give thee one in return—for the heathen.'

He struck a staggering blow, and the saloonist didn't feel quite so enthusiastic as on the start. He took the defensive, and he soon had all the work he could do.

'That's another for the ignorant mind on the far-off shore!' sighed the little old man as he knocked the saloonist against the wall.

'There wasn't any 'science' about him, but he struck to kill, and his arms were flying around like the spokes of a wagon-wheel.'

'Don't crowd a feller,' called out the saloonist, as he was being driven back, and he got and put in his hardest. He meant to smash the old man's nose as flat as a window-glass, but he could not do it. He got in two or three fair hits, and was beginning to

Jobber's Corner.

GIVING HER CENSUS.

The Detroit 'Free Press' says that when the census-taker rapped at the door of a certain cottage on Crawford street the other day and wondered if the woman would set the dog on him or dose him with dish-water, a great disappointment awaited him. She opened the door softly, sniffed the air to see if he smelled of lightning-rod, and then threw it open for him to enter.

'Madam, I am taking the census of the city,' he began.

'Ah! I sit down,' she replied, and she began opening his book she continued—

'There are five of us in the family, and we paid \$100 down on this place. My husband's name is Peter, his age is forty-two, and he came from a mean family—his father was always having lawsuits about dogs, and his mother was the greatest gossip in Elmira. Have you got that down?'

'He granted assent, and she continued—

'My name is Alvina Sarah, and I was born in—'

'I do not care to know where you was born, madam,' he interrupted.

'Well, I care!' she exclaimed; 'it makes a great deal of difference whether I was born in Africa or Boston, and I want it put down. As I was saying, I was born in Boston in 1838. Put down that I came of a good family.'

'Madam, you don't understand—'

'Don't I understand that I came of a good family? I'd like to know of a Boston family which carried their noses higher than the Emersons! Put down that my father was in the Mexican war.'

'You have three children, madam?'

'I haven't any such thing, sir! Put down that my mother was killed by an explosion in a quarry. Her and father were—'

'How many children have you, madam?'

'Have you got mother down?'

'No, madam. You see that I am taking the census of the city.'

'Well, she said, giving him a dangerous look; 'I had the typhoid fever at the age of fifteen, and for weeks and weeks I hung on the edge of the grave. I bore up as well as I was able, and—'

'Fire in the family—how many children?'

'Put down that I bore up!'

'And that one night when the watchers were asleep I crept out of bed and took a drink of—'

'This is foreign to the subject, madam. How old are your children?'

'Haven't you put down that I hang on the edge of the grave?'

'No, madam.'

'Aren't you going to?'

'No, madam. You see, I am simply taking the census of Detroit. I desire to ascertain—'

'You can't ascertain it here, sir! She snapped. 'If my sickness, which cost over \$200, isn't good enough to go in the book then you don't get a line here!'

'Let me ask you—'

'No use asking for any of our photographs, sir! If you get 'em anywhere and put our pictures in the book we'll make it hot for you! Good-bay, sir—good-bay!'

He stood on the step, sighing, and she called through the door—

'My grandfather was also bitten to death by an alligator, but I won't give you any of the particulars! You'd better walk.'

He passed on, sorrowfully wondering if the next woman's mother was blown off a bridge or carried down the river on a haysack.

regain his courage when the aged stranger sorrowfully remarked:—

'My friend, the heathen call, and I cannot tarry much longer. Take this one, and it may broaden your views on the heathen question. Receive this one in the spirit I intended, and you may be sure the five dollars shall be a beam of light as far as it will go.'

'He delivered two, single-hammer blows, right and left, and the saloonist got the hat on the ear as he dodged the first—He went over in beautiful style, and as he slowly regained his feet he felt in his vest pocket for the wagger.

'If you'll come around here to-night, and do that again I'll double the money!' he growled, as he paid the wagger.

'My road points toward Boston,' softly replied the old man, 'and I cannot tarry. Let us part friendly, for I only boxed thee for the heathen's sake. I gave to thee, thou hast given to me, and now farewell!' —San Francisco Call.

A HORRIBLE STORY.

The truth of the following almost incredible story (published by a Hungarian newspaper the Hon) is guaranteed to the Pall Mall Gazette by a member of the British consular service. The writer says:—

'During the few days that I was at Fratesti, numerous archaic prisoners were continually brought in. They were only protected against the cold by a few rags, and it would have been better to shoot them outright than to let them perish slowly by hunger as was being done at Fratesti, where I saw from five to six hundred bodies of starved Turks lying heaped one upon the other. On a visit to the hospital there I had an opportunity of convincing myself how horrible even the wounded Turks were treated. As I entered, about a thousand wounded prisoners raised themselves slightly in their wet, cold beds, and stretching out their hands, asked me bread in the name of Allah. Many were complaining of so much misery, I distributed 100 francs among the sufferers, when the Russian Guard overwhelmed me with curses and took the money from them. When they began again to cry out for bread the British Guard struck several of them dead with the butt-end of his musket, whereupon the rest were silent. The guard then asked me for money, and as I refused to give him any, he threatened to shoot me, saying that it was Turk, and he would not give him fifty francs. Here at every step one sees the bodies of frozen and starved Turks, about as prey for the dogs.'

A BOLD CHALLENGE TO EXPERTS WITH THE RIFLE AND SHOT-GUN.

Dr. W. F. Carver, of Oakland, Cal., issues the following sweeping challenge:—

'I will wager from \$150 to \$500 that I can beat any man in the world shooting the following eight matches, or any one of them: First, I can break more glass balls thrown from a Bogardus trap, 25 yards rise, than any man in the world can break 100 glass balls thrown with a shot-gun; second, I can break more glass balls than any living man; third, I can break more glass balls shooting from a horse's back, the horse to be on the run 21 yards from the balls, than any other man in the world can break with a shot-gun, and shoot 200 yards, using a Bogardus trap; fifth, I can break 100 glass balls quicker with a Winchester rifle, than any man in the world can break with a shot-gun; sixth, I can break two glass balls thrown into the air at the same time, making a double trap and loading; seventh, I can break the balls are in the air, using a Winchester rifle; seventh, I can make more fancy shots with the rifle than any other man in the world; eighth, I will wager \$1,000 that I can hit my mark in one run, shooting from a horse's back, than any man in the world, and, if buffalo are not to be found, will shoot elk, and go on the prairie at any time.

DEPOPULATED FRANCE.

A French writer is amazed that those statesmen who mean over the stagnation condition of the French Population should have apparently overlooked one cause of it. Although the majority of the French families to-day are heathen, quite cured of pursuing that phantom, la guerre, and war their children against its diabolic glitter, which, in ninety nine cases out of a hundred, merely conceals invalidism, mutilation, and death, nobody seems to have thought of the part it has played in depriving the country of its manly men, in their prime, who, but for it, would have been the fathers of tens of thousands of children, and whose death on a hundred battle-fields sent thousands of women into nunneries, or compelled them to lead a single life. No nation in the world, he thinks, has suffered in this wise so much as France.

ADVANTAGES OF WEDLOCK.

None but the married man has a home in his old age. None has friends then, but he; none but he feels the soles of the domestic hearth; none but he lives and festoons in his green old age, amid the affections of his children. There is no tear shed for the old bachelor; there is no ready hand and kind heart to cheer him in his loneliness and bereavement; there is none in whose eyes he can see himself reflected, and from whose lips he can receive the unflinching assurances of love and care. He may be courted for his money; he may eat and drink and revel; he may be mistaken and die in an hotel or a garret, with plenty of attendants about him, like so many commoners waiting for their prey; but he will never know what it is to be loved, and to live and die the comfort of a domestic fireside.

The oldest stove in the United States, if not in the world, is that used in the hall of the capitol of Virginia, in Richmond. It was made in England and sent to Virginia in the year 1771.