

AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

—Australia now exports oranges to England.

—Canada now furnishes more sheep for the Boston market, than any State in the Union.

—A sheep whose wool made nine teen yards of cloth a yard wide is owned by a farmer at New Garden, Pennsylvania.

—Dr. Bowen says there is no place, all things considered, where labor is so well paid as on the farm. Think of that, young man.

—A potato trust is talked of. It is the general opinion that the potato cannot be raised, certainly not while the potato bug is in the field.—*Maine Farmer.*

—At the Ontario Agricultural College a recent experiment with peas showed that it took thirty-five pounds more of cooked than of uncooked peas to make 100 pounds of pork, live weight.

—The *American Rural Home* says that the agricultural department estimates the wool clip of 1887 at 285,000,000 pounds. These figures are considerably less than estimates of commercial authorities, and less than for three previous years.

—The improved mutton breeds of sheep cannot be kept in the manner usual with common sheep. They demand good pasture, liberal feeding and attention, but they pay well for the care bestowed. There is a great demand for superior mutton.

—The annual honey product of North America is about 100,000,000 pounds and its value is nearly \$15,000,000. The annual wax product is about 500,000 pounds, and its value is more than \$100,000. There are about 300,000 persons keeping bees in North America.

—No system of manuring lands for crops, said Dr. Gleason in a late lecture, can be at this time commended, which does not take into account the characteristic wants of the different plants sought to be produced. This seems to be a plain admission of the Stockbridge theory of special manures for particular crops.

—Protection from cold is one of the most important points in the care of sheep, says Mr. Woodward, secretary of the New York State Agricultural Society. To produce wool the sheep must be well fed. The production of wool interferes with the production of flesh. If growth in the sheep is stopped the growth of wool ceases.

—The average price of beaver sold in New York market during 1887 is the lowest recorded in twenty-seven years. It has been a most disastrous year for the feeders, especially those in the far West, as well as those in some sections east of the Mississippi. In addition to low prices, heavy losses by drought and cold have been inflicted upon the ranchmen and farmers.

—Poor butter is classified under ten heads as follows: Butter with fodder flavors, stable taints, with smoky, musty flavor, sour, oily butter, greasy butter, fishy, blubbery butter, bitter butter, streaked, speckled butter, moldy butter, and rancid butter, all of which, save the fodder flavoring, are caused by carelessness in milking and mismanagement of the butter after churning.

—The estimates of acreage, product and value of corn, wheat and oats, for each State and Territory of the United States, shows area of corn harvested, 72,000,000 acres; round numbers; product, 1,450,000,000 bushels; value, \$646,000,000; area of wheat, 37,400,000 acres; product, 456,000,000 bushels; value, \$308,000,000; area in oats, nearly 26,000,000 acres; product, 659,500,000 bushels; value, \$200,000,000.

—The value of stable dung, says Prof. Wyatt, must not be estimated upon actual richness in ammonia or phosphoric acid within a short period of its production, but must be calculated on its wonderful physical and chemical action on the elements of the soil and the air, and upon its merits as a vehicle or conductor into which composting quantities of outside substances can be introduced, decomposed and rapidly made available.

—J. B. Lawes says that he could not desire a better illustration of the abuse of a food than that of feeding a cow which was yielding milk, with mangels. Milk is a highly nitrogenous substance, while mangels—though they contain a large amount of most valuable food in sugar—have a low percentage of nitrogen, and a considerable proportion of what they do possess is incapable of producing the nitrogenous compound which we find in milk. How, then, is milk to be obtained from mangels? The cow would for a time furnish the necessary nitrogenous compounds from her own body, but at the same time would be losing condition. Bran, Dr. Lawes says, very closely resembles milk as regards the relation of its nitrogenous and non-nitrogenous matters, but bran and mangels differ very much in the "respiratory compounds" they contain of these substances. A diet of mangels to a cow yielding milk would be an abuse of the roots. That the quality of roots is greatly dependent upon the manures employed to raise them, Dr. Lawes admits, but no matter how they are grown, when used alone, they cannot be considered a milk-producing food.—*Maine Farmer.*

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WHOLE NO. 924.

The Margate Murder Trial.

A Weak Defence.—Summary of the Closing Addresses.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Feb. 1.—Mrs. Nelson Evans, sister of the prisoner, testified that she washed his clothes shortly after the murder and saw no signs of blood thereon. Alex. Thompson said that about one o'clock on the morning of the 28th June last, while returning from purchasing some cabbage, plants seven miles away, he overtook a peculiar looking carriage on the road, above one mile and a half from John Tuplin's. The carriage was in front of the gate of a man named Harrington. The horse's head was turned towards the gate. He saw the driver, and he was looking at the people who had got into the wagon and started off at a rapid rate. He did not know who was in the wagon or what they were doing there at that hour in the morning. The driver of the carriage was not there for any good purpose.

John Bradford Millman said his brother was at home when his father and mother went to church meeting on the night of the murder, but as he (witness) went to bed early that night he does not know the time his brother was home afterwards.

One or two other witnesses were examined for the defence, but they disclosed nothing of any importance and Mr. Hodgson announced the closing of his side of the case.

The crown then recalled several of their witnesses to rebut certain statements made on behalf of the prisoner.

George Proft said he met Millman at Black House on the Thursday after the murder. Millman asked witness if the girl had been with him and he had not and added "The river is to be searched." Millman hesitated a moment and asked, "Is it?" He (Millman) then volunteered the information that he had left the house about 5 or 6:30 on Tuesday evening to go to the mill, and that he had seen a man on the road who he thought was Richard Paynter and his own corner, he had returned home about half past ten.

Alex. McKay, constable, testified to finding and measuring the two tracks on the shore. He was doubtful about the whole, but on a measure of the large track, as he impress at the toe was not clear. (Prisoner's shoe shown.) The heel of shoe and track in sand correspond exactly, but the shoe at the ball was half an inch larger than the tracks.

Witness thought the tracks had been made some time before he saw them and that they may have been filled in some by sand.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Feb. 2.—The new evidence in the Millman trial to-day was not of importance. Hodgson began his address to the jury by saying that he had been told by the prisoner's father and sister that he had been with them on the night of the murder. He opened by impressing upon the jury the important nature of the oath they had taken and by explaining the law bearing on the case. He then proceeded to review the evidence. He said that the theory that the man whom the Adams girl and others saw cross the river in the boat about half past six on the evening of the murder was probably the man who killed the girl, but inasmuch as Millman's parents, brothers and sisters had all sworn that they had not seen him until after seven o'clock, he could not have been the man who was in the boat. Then again the shots and screams were heard about ten or twelve minutes past ten that night, while Millman's father and sister had been in bed. He thought it was an impossibility for him to do it. The best tracks which the crown argues must have been made by the girl's murderer are even smaller than Millman's bare foot. He freely admitted that Millman borrowed a revolver from Power under the circumstances named, but the crown witnesses had not explained where the missing cartridges had gone to. If the cartridges now in the revolver were examined it would be found they had four rings around them, while those found on the murdered girl's head had but three. He admitted that Millman had gone to young Power and told him to say he was with him at Paynter's line on the night of the murder, not because he was guilty of her murder, but because he wanted to keep down the reports of his connection with the girl, so that they would not reach his mother's ears. This was his reason for doing this—asking Power to tell this story was the foolish act of a simple country boy and he hoped the jury would not punish him too harshly for it. In concluding he commended his client to the mercy of the jury, telling them that God would deal with them and theirs as they dealt with him.

The court room was packed with people. Many ladies were present and wept, and the prisoner was visibly affected.

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J. G. WHITTIER.

Is it Right?

Is it right to build churches to save men, and at the same time license shops that destroy them?

Is it right to license a man to sell that which will make a man drunk, and then punish the man for being drunk?

Is it right to license a man to make papers and then tax sober men to take care of them?

Is it right to license a saloon to teach vice, and then tax people for doing what is right?

Is it right to derive a revenue out of a traffic which no decent man defends?

Is it right to teach your boy not to drink, and then vote to license a place where he may be taught to drink?

Is it right to teach your boy to be honest, and then vote to license a place where he may be taught to gamble?

Is it right to teach your boy to restrain his passions, and then vote to license a place where his worst passions will be inflamed?

Is it right to take care of your own boy, and vote to license a place which will ruin your neighbor's boy?

Is it right to preach justice and charity, and then vote to license a place which will ruin the widows and orphans of their bread?

Is it right for you to go to the polls and vote without having studied the question seriously and carefully?—Selected.

A Temperance Dialogue.

Father to son who after the evening meal is preparing to leave the house:—

"Where are you going my son?"

"Oh, just to the saloon across the way. They are going to have music there to-night and lots of fun. Some of the boys are coming in for me to go with them."

Father:—"My boy, I don't want you to go, in fact I don't like the idea of your getting into the way of drinking. I know you are a good boy, but you must resist the temptation of the boys who are coming in for me to go with them."

—The saloon is a relentless and conscienceless foe. Secretary Windom's description of it as "a league of law breakers," as a gigantic corrupting agency, as "a tyrant more exacting, cruel, intolerant and hateful than ever wielded a royal sceptre or disgraced a kingly crown," exactly fits it. We cannot let it alone because it will not let us alone. We must either fight it and defeat it or surrender to it.

A Moonless Month.

(From Golden Days.)

The month of February, 1866, was in one respect the most remarkable in the world's history. It had no full moon, and so had March, but February had none. Do you realize what a rare thing in nature that was? It had not occurred since the time of Washington, nor since the beginning of the Christian era, nor the creation of the world. And it will not occur again, according to the computation of astronomers, for—how long do you think?—2,600,000 years. Was not that truly a wonderful month?

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CHIGNECTO POST AND BORDERER.

SACKVILLE, N. B., FEB. 9, 1888.

It is reported that Lord Lansdowne has been appointed Viceroy of India and that Lord Stanley of Preston will succeed him as Governor-General of Canada.

The British army now consists of 211,000 officers and men. There were 3,500 men added to it last year. This army now guards somewhat more than 2,000,000 of square miles of territory. Neither Australia nor the Dominion of Canada is taken into this calculation.

The election in Halton county, Ont., to the House of Commons, took place on Tuesday, Mr. D. Henderson, Conservative, being returned by a majority of 149. At the general election Walde, reformer, who was unseated for bribery by agents, was elected by a majority of nine.

The "Buctouche and Moncton" railway has been sold to an American syndicate, represented by Dr. Leonard J. DeBertram of Brooklyn. The necessary transfers have been made. The road will be pushed to a completion at once and all rolling stock necessary furnished. The new management propose to extend the line to Kingston and Richibucto, and will build hotels to encourage passenger traffic.

The seventeenth annual report of the Halifax School for the Blind has been received. The Board of Managers state that the past year has been a year of faithful work, solid advance and increased usefulness.

References to past reports show a gradual improvement in teaching, increased use of appliances and developments of intellectual capacity of the pupils. The school is supported by private benevolence and by grants from the Government of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and P. E. Island. Last year the Governments of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick increased their annual grants from \$120 to \$150 per capita, and the managers feel sure that P. E. Island will in due time respond to the appeal on behalf of the blind children of that Province who are eligible for admission to the Halifax School, and that Newfoundland will also come in line with her sister Provinces in this most important undertaking. The total number of pupils registered Dec. 1, 1887 was 217, an increase of three since Dec. 1, 1886.

Slow Travel.

Ten Days from Summerside, P. E. I., to Montreal.

The passengers from Halifax arrived last night over 24 hours late. Mr. W. Moran, of the Cape, said: "We were ten days reaching Montreal from Summerside. We crossed the straits on foot in 2 hours and 20 minutes, and arrived here, with the Government ice-boats and mail. We left Cape Tormentine on Thursday, at 6 p. m., by the New Brunswick P. E. Railway, for Sackville, having on board twenty passengers and fifty-five bags of mail. There is something very peculiar in the management of this road. The conductor informed us that he anticipated a storm, and requested that the snow-plough, which was then at the Cape, to wait at least an hour or two and go ahead of the mail. The engine driver, who, by the way, I understand, is also the driver of the snow-plough, replied that he was going back home that night, and that he would not be able to start the snow-plough until the morning. The conductor, however, seeing the heavy mail and number of passengers, who were already a week late, decided to start the snow-plough that night. All went well until we arrived at Port Egin, when the train came to a dead stop in about five feet of snow. We were informed that the drift was only a small one and if we got through it there would be no further delay. After an hour's work with two shovels the conductor said that we had better go to the nearest hotel for the night and that in the morning the snow-plough would be at the station. Next morning the snow-plough was engaged for the night and that in the morning the day following, which meant losing another day at Montreal as the train does not run through on Sunday.

The passengers then drew up a strong protest and forwarded it to the president of the road, and also through Mr. Hackett, of Tignish, sent a telegram on for information about the snow-plough. The answer was the same as that received by the conductor. Mr. Hackett, Mr. Lear and myself hired a team and drove to A. La. where we caught the Halifax express, and arrived here last night last night leaving mails and passengers in the same predicament within 15 miles of the main line. There was a marked difference in the running of the Intercolonial road where we found every anxious and willing to make us through with all possible dispatch. Messrs. Hackett, Lear, Cragge, Chappelle and others, can bear out what I say.

The above report is copied from the Montreal Star of the 30th ult. It is undoubtedly very annoying to travellers to be detained on the road by snowdrifts or otherwise, but it is scarcely fair to compare the N. B. & P. E. Railway with the I. C. R. or other large and long-established roads. The N. B. & P. E. R. has been opened but a short time and the amount of freight and passenger traffic has not yet been large enough to warrant the employment of more than one set of men, consequently the regular employees are often overworked in stormy weather, but they have ways and means for the regulation of being attentive to travellers and anxious to forward them as rapidly as possible. The company are building a large sum last summer in expanding snow-fences so as to prevent delays in winter, and although travel on the line has not yet reached the degree of perfection desirable, yet it must not be forgotten that travel on roads with longer experience and better equipment is sometimes subject to vexatious delays. The derailment of the engine was an accident which might have occurred on any road, and it must be said in favor of the superintendent that he worked all day in one of the worst storms of the season to get the locomotive on the track and prevent any further delay.

Since the above was in type we have learned that no request was made by the conductor to have the snow-plough wait and go up ahead of the mail. The snow-plough crossed the train at Bate Verte, and was probably at Sackville by the time the train reached Cape Tormentine.

Subverting the Election Law.

Ever since the result of the late election in Queen's County was made known it has been announced in certain quarters that stirring revelations of fraud and corruption would shortly be published. It is now stated that Mr. King is endeavoring to obtain proof of the frauds alleged to have been practiced by his opponents, by destroying the secrecy of the ballot. A printed affidavit in it is, said, being circulated in Queen's, and every elector who was expected to vote for Mr. King is requested to sign it. Any person who signs the affidavit thereby declares that he voted for Mr. King on the 18th of January last, consequently any unfortunate voter who through ledger influence or by this method Mr. King will be able to secure more declarations than the number of votes he received, but what is to become of the protection which the secrecy of the ballot is supposed to afford the poor voter? Furthermore, what proof will be obtained under such a method of pressure and in direct violation of the law of illegal and corrupt practices on the part of the returning officers?

The Margate Murder.

The verdict of "Guilty" returned against Millman by the jury in the Margate murder trial appears to have been generally expected, but the accompanying "recommendation to mercy" seems to have caused universal astonishment. The press of the country is remarkably unanimous in the opinion that the recommendation is not warranted by the facts elicited at the trial, and that the excuse that is offered for the apparent inconsistency of the verdict is the supposition that some of the jurors are opposed to capital punishment. It may be true that hanging is the worst use to which a man can be put, but if there was sufficient evidence in Millman's case to justify a verdict of guilty there certainly was no cause to be found for arguing that he should not suffer the extreme penalty of the law. A more heartless, cold blooded and cruel murder than the Margate tragedy has rarely been committed in the annals of crime. A young man, scarcely more than a boy in years, reared in a peaceful country village far from the excitements and temptations of city life, ruins an innocent girl, and then, when his sin has found him out as he likely to enter, with his future prospects, deliberately and ruthlessly plans and executes the destruction of his helpless victim. After the double crime is committed he shows no symptoms of remorse and coolly lays his plans to secure his own safety. The conduct of the trial, the evidence, the arrest, examination and imprisonment maintains an appearance of heartless indifference which is only broken when the fatal word "guilty" falls on his ear. Surely the exercise of clemency in such a case would be a grave mistake, and the more the matter is considered the more remarkable it appears that such a recommendation should have been made.

Romance and Tragedy of an Underground City.

The second lecture of the Mt. Allison course was delivered by Rev. Mr. Nicolson on the above subject to a good audience last Friday evening. Rev. Principal Borden presided, and excellent music was furnished by Mr. Chisholm and his violin class. The lecturer said his subject was not wanting in interest, and that he would be glad to hear of any of the audience who had any underground city not thirty miles from Sackville—the Spring Hill Mines. That city both under and above ground had made phenomenal growth during the past ten years. It is a city with 200 miles of streets, and it soon to be supplied with horse cars and the electric light. Thirty liquor saloons are turning up their noses at the Scott Act, and yet order is maintained by a stipendiary magistrate and two or three police constables. Mining life is full of romance and tragedy, but modern writers had not made it their theme. The author of the book of Job, the grandest as well as the oldest of poems, understood the mystery of mining and found in it some of his most striking metaphors. Instances were not wanting of miners who left their underground life to adorn other professions. Such men were the celebrated Peter McKenzie, of England and Rev. Dr. Lathern and Rev. Job Shenton. Some very interesting phenomena in connection with the mines were described, and the lecturer stated that nine tenths of the accidents in coal mines occurred in the early morning hours. No satisfactory explanation of this fact had yet been made, for the once accepted theory that the accidents were caused by commencing work after the mines had had a period of rest could not apply to Spring Hill, where the work was continuous. Mr. Nicolson closed his very interesting lecture with a vivid description of some of the dangers which beset mining life and a warm tribute to the bravery of the miners.

St. John Letter.

St. John, February 5, 1888.—Premising that what advances the interests of St. John is likely to benefit the rest of the province let me touch briefly upon the work of the city's representatives last week which, carried into effect, will bring about important and commendable changes. Properly it is, as we are, enclosed by two arms of the Intercolonial Railway, and an agitation to connect the ends of these arms by a line running from the ballast shaft along the deep water wharves to the Intercolonial Station has been in progress for years, but without any prospect of result until last Wednesday, when upon the representations of a committee of the Trade Forwarding Company, the Common Council granted the "right of way" for the railway. Permission granted, the rest is easy when it is considered that the Government has the right to do as it pleases. The only thing that will St. John be in a position to compete with Portland and Boston for the freight which of right belongs to the harbor of western Canada. It can be arranged that the freighters of the Canadian Pacific line can cut wharves along the whole harbor front and the docks are fitted to receive ocean steamers, and the cargoes of Europe can be exchanged for those of Canada, then the hopes of St. John people will be realized. The first step towards that realization has been taken.

Scott Act Correspondence.

DEAR SIR:—It is claimed by the advocates of the Scott Act that the ministers are all in favor of the Act and opposed to repeal. This is not correct. Just before the Scott Act election in St. John, Rev. G. Osborne Troop, one of the ablest and most popular clergymen in that city, and known to be a total abstainer, preached a sermon in which he is reported as saying: "My action has been considered extraordinary in signing the petition for bringing on the Scott Act, and then having the moral courage to say simply that I had reason afterward to reconsider my act. When the petition to bring on the Scott Act was brought to me, as I find was more than a year ago, I took it for granted that it was the right thing to do, and that the nor had studied its principles; but I took it so to speak on trust and signed it. That was careless. That was a mistake. But wrong was done, and I must stand by it. When I came to study the principles of the Act, when I found that my conscience did not rest easy, I had to stand by it. I have been bought with a price, and my sermon likewise, but not with a hundred dollars. I have been bought with a price, but with the precious blood of Christ that I might in myself and in my sermon glorify God, whose I am and whose kingdom is my glory. I hold (holding up the Bible) and I leave it to the statesmen and commercial men to consider the consequences of the Scott Act, and business point of view. I consider the subject this afternoon from the point of view expressed in that Word of the living God."

Scott Act Notes.

—An election for the repeal of the Scott Act in Halton, Ont., will take place March 1st.

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—The Government have authorized elections for the repeal of the Scott Act in Simcoe and Renfrew counties.

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—A complaint was laid before Commissioner Cahill on Tuesday against Arthur Estabrooks for violation of the Scott Act.

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Roses and Thorns.

(For the Post.) Shall there be roses bright as the light Over my pathway strewn; Garland of roses, wherever I stray, At morning, evening or noon.

So I will not doubt, for His hand will guide, His hand shall my counsel be; The future I'll safely trust to Him, And He'll make it all right for me.

And at last when He calls me across the river, To that beautiful, golden shore, This life with its thorns will be a dream, There heavenly roses will bloom evermore.

The Bull and the Leaping-Pole. (Charles G. D. Roberts, in Wide Awake.) Out on the Tantramar March, A marauder, with superfluous energy, bowing all one way the purple timothy-tops, and rolling up long green waves of grass that shimmered like the sea under the steady afternoon sun.

As he gathered himself up again for the ascent I held my ground, resolved to move but a yard or two aside, when compelled, and not lightly, to quit a position so much to my advantage. But here my foaming adversary found the slope too steep for him, and after every charge he fell back ignominiously into the water.

At the next charge, therefore, I broke at the top of my speed for the new position. I had but a scant moment to spare, for the bull was closing upon me with his terrible snout, with deliberation. But, alas for the best laid schemes of mice and men! I had planned my pole in a spot of sticky clay, and after a slow sprawl through the air I landed helplessly on my back, about half way up the opposite bank.

Seeing my mishap the bull forgot his late-learned caution, and, charging headlong, brought up not a couple of yards below me. Without waiting to pull my pole out of the mud I scrambled desperately to the top. It was a sick moment for me as he came so close that I could almost touch his snorting and moist nostrils. But this was his best effort, and he could come no nearer. Realizing this, he hid just what I expected him to do—gave his tail an extra twist of volubility, and swayed at the end of the creek to his former place of transit.

I now breathed more freely; and having "prodded the bottom till I found a firm foundation for my pole, I began to feel secure. When the bull had gained my side of the creek, and had come so far as to ensure his coming all the way, I sprang across; and a moment later saw him tearing up the soil on the very spot my feet had just forsaken. This time he shirked the plunge, and stood on the bank bellowing his challenge. I passed my pole across in such a way that it would be impossible for him to reach it. Then I threw some sods across at him, which resulted in a fresh trespass, a new rush to the old crossing, and another "over" for my leaping-pole and me.

Meanwhile I had concocted a plan for checking my antagonist. I saw that from this point forward to the dyke the gully became more and more impassable, and I thought if I could lure the bull into following me but for a little way down the opposite bank, I could gain such a start upon him that to reach the dyke would be an easy matter. With this design then, when the bull again repeated his angry challenge, I shouted, threw another sod, and started on a trot down the creek. But the cunning brute was not to be deceived in such a fashion. He turned at once to repeat his former tactics; and I was fain to retrace my steps precipitately.

The best now resolved, apparently upon a waiting game. After plying his defiance afresh, he proceeded to walk around and eat a little, ever and anon casting his head to eye me with a sullen and obstinate hatred. For my own part, now that time had ceased to be an object, I sat down and raked my brains over the problem. Would the brute keep up this guard all through the night? I felt as if there was a sleuth-hound on my trail. That now silent presence across the creek began to weigh upon me like a nightmare. At last, in desperation, I resolved upon a straight-away race

up the bank, and barely had I taken to my heels ere he had reached the top and was after me. So close was he that I failed to make the point aimed at. I was forced to leap desperately, and under such disadvantages that only by a hairbreadth did I gain the opposite side. Somewhat shaken by the effort I ran on straight-way to where I could command a less trying jump.

The bull made no halt whatever, but plunged right into the gully, rolled over, and all covered with mud and streaming weeds was up the slope again like a cat.

But this performance delayed him, and gave me a second or two so that I was enabled to take my leap with more deliberation and less effort. As I did so I noticed with gratitude that the banks of the creek had here become much steeper. The bull noticed it too, and paused, bellowing vindictively; while as for me, I leaped on to the opposite bank, and dashed up stream to his former crossing-place. He was at the top in a twinkling, and once more bearing down upon me like a whirlwind of furies. The reprieve had given me time to perfect my breath, and now with perfect coolness I transferred myself once more to the other side. Upon this my pursuer wheeled round, retraced his steps without a pause, crossed over—and in a moment I found my position again rendered untenable.

Of course, there was nothing else for it but to make another jump; and in the result there was no perceptible change in the position. I was left no leisure to sit down and plan a diversion. I was conscious of a burning anxiety to get home, and I tried to calculate how much of this sort of thing it would take to discourage my tireless foe. Not arriving at any satisfactory conclusion, I contented myself to make a shuttle-cock of myself for some minutes longer.

Immediately below me I saw that the sides of the gully retained their steepness, but no wider apart as to make the leap a doubtful one. At a considerable distance beyond how they drew together again, and at last I convinced myself that a change of base would be justified. By such a change, supposing it safely accomplished, it was evident that I would gain much longer breathing-spells, while my antagonist would be forced to such a course as would surely soon dishearten him.

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