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St. John's, N. F., Friday, January 20, 1888.

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# By Telegraph

Four Thousand Chinese Drowned. ANOTHER VERY DESTRUCTIVE BLIZZARD The Queen Visits Florence.

GLADSTONE'S HEALTH IMPROVED. Halifax, N.S., Jan. 20. Four thousand Chinamen were working at a breakwater in the flooded district when the disaster came. Nearly all were drowned by

Another terrible blizzard has been experienced in the Western States. All the trains have been abandoned.

Queen Victoria visits Florence the coming Spring.

Gladstone's health has improved.

the sudden rush of waters.

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

Wind west, blowing a strong breeze and weather showery. A brigantine passed inward at daylight this morning.

FOR THE EVENING TELEGRAM.]

### GRAND BANK AND FORTUNE.

A NEW YEAR'S entertainement by the girls of Miss Barnes' school at Grand Bank has been a decided success. The songs and dialogues were rendered admirably. The house was full, and the audience delighted. Proceeds \$161, given in reward books to the school. At the place in the a thanksgiving service \$77 (seventy-seven &c., lot furniture, and various other articles. dollars) were given in aid of the new school building, which will be an honour to the com- To-Morrow, Saturday, at 12 o'clock, munity. The liberality of our Grand Bank friends to every good cause is becoming proverbial.

At Fortune, on the 11th and 12th inst., in the Orange Hall, which was kindly lent for the purpose, a most interesting and successful entertainment was held under the auspices of On MONDAY next, 23rd inst. the "Ladies Church Staining Committee." In the beautiful decoration of the Hall with arches of evergreen and other designs, the three Kings took a most prominent part. In connection with a Christmas Tree loaded with fruit and covered with numerous articles in crotchet and wool work by the girls of Miss Garland's school, several useful things were made and procured by the ladies of the congregation. Every stitch was sold. A sumptuous tea, with refreshments, was not the least enjoyable part of the programme. Under the skilful leadership of Mr. James Haddon, with organ, Mr. Philip Percey, with violin, and the three brother Kings with concertina, triangle and drum, gave us some admirable music. The whole affair passed off very pleasantly. Proceeds \$140. F. G. WILLEY.

Fortune, Jan 13, 1888.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Auction-beef, mutton, etc......Clift, Wood & Co Auction-sleighs, harness, etc......Dryer & Greene Auction-fresh beef and mutton.....J. & W. Pitts Auction-apples, grapes, butter, etc......Jas. Hynes Auction-venison, beef and mutton....Dryer & Greene Auction-books, stationery, etc......John Fraser Auction-beef, mutton, etc......J. B. Curran & Co For sale - 2 pairs curling stones.....apply at this office Fresh Baltimore flour.....James Murray Great bargains in blankets and calicoes..at Wm. Frew's Teas, coffee and Sugar.....at Blackwood & Blair's Special notice to outport customers.....James Murray Ladies' waterproofs, furs, etc.....at C. Macpherson's Special meeting J.B.I.S.....see advertisement Professor Bennett's band will play..at P. Rink to-night Wanted-20 general servants.....see advertisement

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Ex steamer "Assyrian" from Liverpool, -30 CASES

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100 QUARTERS FRESH BEEF. 40 car. Fresh Mutton, 50 pcs. ditto 40 pcs. Fresh Beef, Fresh Geese, Fowl and Canadian Ox Tongues, 2 brls. Beet, 50 tubs N.S. Butter.

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CLIFT, WOOD & Co., 50 quarters Prime Fresh P.E.I. Beef, 20 carcs Prime Fresh P.E.I. Mutton, 150 Geese, 75 Ducks, 150 Chicken. jan20 Ex schr. "Lizzie" from P. E. Island.

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67 quarters Prime Fresh Reef, 23 quarters Venison, 21 qrs. Mutton, 29 cases Oranges, 27 cases s.p. Onions 32 bris. red Apples, 21 cases C'd Beef.

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One Handsome Double Sleigh.

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ST. JOHN'S, JANUARY 20, 1888

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# SHE TOOK REFUGE IN DEATH

Suicide of Miss Sallie Somers by Poison SHE SAYS SHE WAS DRIVEN TO THE ACT BY HER FATHER'S DISSIPATION

Affecting Farewell Letters Written by the Young Lady to Her Parents.

BOWMANVILLE, PENN., January 1 .- Miss Sallie Somers, a music teacher and one of the most prominent young ladies in this place, committed suicide Friday by taking laudanum. Her dead body was discovered in her room soon after 6 p.m. For the past few months Miss Somers has been in such a melancholy state of mind over her father's debauchery and quarrelsome disposition at home that she frequently remarked to her pupils that she would rather be dead than live under the same roof with a drunken father. The news of her untimely death was not, therefore, a surprise to many of her friends. Friday afternoon, while she was giving instructions to two young ladies, her father appeared in a state of beastly intoxication. He staggered into the room, and, with much profanity, ordered the young ladies out of the house, his daughter included. The pupils quietly left the room and went home, this not being the first experience of the kind. Miss Sallie waved a farewell to the girls and then went to her room, which was the last seen of

in the room and the letters she had written more than six months I have battled against previous to her death, show that she had fully deliberated upon taking her life. She lay lengthwise on the bed, her hair neatly arranged, and she was attired in a new dress, which she requested to be buried in. Sallie's mother was in the house at the time and knew that she had zone to her room, but as this was a customary thing for her to do when the father became abusive, she did not disturb her until about 7 o'clock, when she called her. Thinking that she had lain down, she went up to her room, but all was dark and quiet. Receiving no response to her calls, she hastily lit a lamp, and a moment later was horrified to find her daughter cold in death. An unlabelled bottle stood on a little marble stand near the head of the bed, which Dr. Sunderland, who was near by at the time, said contained laudanum, and that she must have taken enough to kill half a dozen persons. Her mother became uncontrollable, and throwing herself upon the dead body of her daughter called, "Sallie, Sallie, your father has done this."

The deputy coroner was notified, and, after impannelling a jury, a verdict in accordance with the facts was rendered. The girl had written two letters, which were read by the deputy coroner-one to her mother and the other to her father-copies of which read:

DEAR MAMMA-For many, many years, as far back as I can remember, our lives have been made most miserable on account of papa's debauchery. God himself only knows what we have suffered, and the abuse that has been heaped upon us by a drunken husband and father. How often have we prayed day and night, that he might be able to resist the temptation of that accursed drink which has already brought him to the level of the brute and everlasting disgrace to his family. Only on Christmas day I saw him staggering along the roadside while I came from church. Imagine my feelings. The whole congregation saw him, and some of them thoughtlessly remarked: "There's Sally's father?" How long am I to be pointed out as the "drunkard's child?" can endure it no longer. I am aware of the crime of taking one's own life, but it appears to be the only hope this side of the grave. am willing, dearest mamma, to take the chances of a happy hereafter in preference to suffer as

I would have ended my miserable existence some time ago, but I thought of you and the disgrace my action would bring upon the in the Union Bank of Newfoundland. family; but there can be no further delay. to Mme. Bernhardt upon her arrival and Papa's conduct this afternoon was shameful in departure.

the extreme. It was outrageous, and under such circumstances how can I successfully give instructions to any of my pupils? They are afraid to come to the house, and I live in continual fear of his intrusion and abuse. I can have no company while he is home. I have arranged my hair and put on the dress I admire so much, and in which I desire to be buried. Oh! what will be your feelings when you find me cold in death, and that I have arranged my own habiliment for the grave? It is now 6 o'clock and I am ready to empty the little bottle, the contents of which will, at least, put me beyond the miseries of this cruel world.

Farewell, dearest mamma, farewell, and may God give you strength to bear up under this double disgrace. Do not disturb my dress Yours lovingly. SALLIE.

Give the other note to papa.

DEAR PAPA-When you awake from your sleep of drunkenness and can realize that I am dead, and that your debauchery and ill treatment has been the cause of it, in fact, all the misery of my life, perhaps it will make a change in your way of living, and bring you to a sense of feeling which mamma and myself have been trying to do for years without avail. Perhaps in your sober senses you can sit down and reflect on your own misery, and the unhappiness you have caused me, the insults and abuse you have heaped upon myself and my pupils, in many cases driving them out of the house with oaths and threats, as you did to-day, and have been doing whenever the opportunity offered. All these things I have no doubt will rise up before you when you behold your victim cold in death. You may repent, you may be sorry, but, father, it will be too late for me.

The price of your habitual drunkenness is the sacrifice of my life, and while I freely and willingly forgive you, you can never hear that forgiveness from my lips. In an hour from now I will be dead. Whatever my hereafter will be I do not know, but if I am doomed to punishment it cannot be much greater than what I endure here. If my death, untimely as it is, will reform you, and that mamma will be The regularity with which she arranged things | kindly taken care of by you, I die happy. For the thought of taking my own life in the hope that you would do better, but it was growing worse. The laudanum which I will take at the conclusion of this letter I have had in my possession a long time. There is one request, papa, I desire to make, and that is that I shall be buried on Sunday with as little ceremony as possible. But do take care of mamma. Farewell, papa, farewell.

The letters created the deepest sympathy for the unfortunate but perhaps too sensitive young girl, and when her father read the above letter and beheld the lifeless form of his daughter, he was wild with grief, repeatedly charging himself with being responsible for her death. Miss Somers was an accomplished young lady, 19 years of age, and had many admirers, none of whom, however, she dared to bring to the house on account of her father's evil habits. On more than one occasion the blush of shame was brought to her cheeks by hearing light remarks made of her father. This constantly preyed on her mind and drove her to suicide The funeral will take place to-morrow, acco ing to her own request.

### MARRIED A PRINCESS.

All Paris to See The Wedding To-day-Sarah Bernhardt's Son Makes a Good Match.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29 .- A Times' London special says the wedding cards of Maurice Bernhardt, delicately engraved on parchment, have been issued. On one her Highness Princess Louise Jablouowski informs you of the marriage of her daughter Princess Zerka Jablouowski with Mr. Maurice Bernhardt and begs you to assist at the marriage ceremony in the church of St. Honore d'Eylau on 29th of December. This reading is surmounted by a ducal coronet; on the other are the arms of Sarah Bernhardt the well-known mark of death crossed by a dagger and a jester's bauble, the initials "S. B.," and the famous motto: "Quand Meme," and the same invitation. The envelope is of the same bis-parchment and it is sealed with Sarah's crest in red wax. Were the small church as large as the Place de la Concorde the space would be insufficient. All Paris will be there if they can get in.

Paris, Dec. 29 .- Maurice Bernhardt and Princess Clotilde Jablouowski were married to-day in the Church of St. Honore. Crowds surrounded the church and gave a grand ovation

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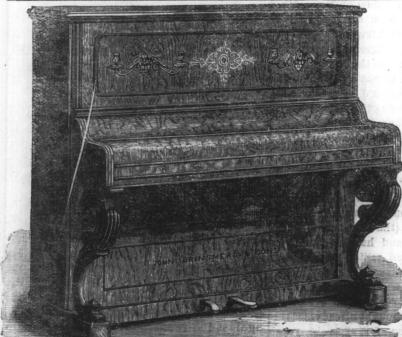
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CHAPTER XXI.

(Continued.) Then she remembered how strange it was that she had always had some kind of suspicion about Miss Cameron and the money. Lord Rylestone had avoided the subject; whenever she wished to discuss it, he had evaded it; and yet her quick perceptions had told her that there was something not quite right, and that she did not know.

'The secret of the will!' That was the will which had deprived Lord Rylestone of the money, and had given it to Miss Cameron. There was no secret in that. What, therefore, could the secret be? Carefully, one by one, she re-read the letters, but there was no other allusion in them, no word which could explain the mysterious phrase, no hint as to what the secret was-there was no mention of money.

'The secret of the will! I shall lose my reason,' she said to herself, 'if I ponder this much longer. What can it be? Was the will forged, invalid, or what? If I live for no other purpose, if I do nothing else, I will find out this secret. Has any injustice been done to Lord Rylestone? No, it cannot be that; were such the case, Miss Cameron would not allude to it in such open terms.'

The secret of the will!' Look which way she would, act as she would, the words were always before her; they seemed to burn her like a brand. What was it, this secret that another woman shared with her husband, and from which she was purposely shut out? She, in her sick, angry jealousy, longed to wrest the secret from them. What right had any one to share knowledge with her husband from which she was shut out?

'I will live to discover it,' she said; and it was strange that toward her husband she had not even the least shadow of an angry thought, while toward Miss Cameron, who shared the secret with him, she felt something that was like fiercest hatred.

Why had Allan never revealed this secret to her? Why had she been excluded from his confidence—this same confidence which apparently he had given so freely to Adelaide

'I will go to Walton,' she said, 'and there perhaps I may hear the secret of the will.'

A fever of unrest took possession of her. There were no more plans of reading, of study, of fitting herself to take a part in Allan's world. The 'secret' haunted her. By day and by night she thought only of one thing-what that secret was, and how to find it out. The beautiful, restless face grew thin and worn with the constant strain of thought. There was to be no more peace for her until she knew all.

Once or twice she tried to argue herself into a better state of mind-to make herself believe that, after all, this secret might be no important secret—that it might mean simply where the document was kept, or some trifling circumstance connected with it. If it had been of vital importance, surely Allan, her husband, who loved her so dearly, would have told her. He had so frankly confided everything else. He had told her exactly the sum of his debts, and what he had to pay them with-what he hoped to receive from his appointment, and what he was to receive from Walton. There had never been the least shadow of restraint. Then why should he have kept this secret from her?'

If she could but know! Why should Miss Cameron be pleased that it was unknown to any one else? Did it concern her, or did it concera Lord Rylestone! She must find out. She was not curious; gossip and rumor had little charm for her; curiosity was not a weakness of hers. It was not mere curiosity that possessed her now like a fever-that made her eager to discover that which had been hidden from her. It was love, jealousy, and sensitive pride. So on the fifteenth of July Lady Rylestone left the pretty little villa at Marpeth for the most fatal journey she could have under-

She told her servants that she would be absent only a day, or at the most a night and two days; and then she started alone. She had discovered the name of the nearest town; it was Lutdale. There were many changes of line between Marpeth and Lutdale: it was a cross route. She left home quite early in the

morning, but it was noon before she quitted

Lest anything in her toilet might attract atention, she had dressed herself as simply and plainly as possible, and the beauty of her face was hidden by a black lace veil.

She left the station and walked through the streets of the town, and then of a well-dressed, respectable woman she inquired the road to Walton Court.

'It is a long walk,' was the reply. 'People generally ride there from here. It is over six

'I do not mind. I shall like the walk,' was the reply; and the woman who had been questioned was struck by the rich musical voice.

'If you prefer to walk, the way lies straight enough,' she said. 'You must go along the Lutdale Road for nearly two miles, and then you will come to the park gates. It is a long way even then.

'I do not mind the distance, and I thank you for your kindness,' replied Margarita, turning away.

It was a glorious afternoon. The sunshine seemed to be like a smile from heaven upon the earth. The flowers were at their fairest, and the air seeemed full of their perfumed breath. The day was not too bot, for a refreshing breeze was blowing. Nature never looked gayer than on this day when Lady Rylestone went in silent watchfulness, unknown and unknowing, to look at her hus-

In the middle of the afternoon she reached the park gates, but she found them shut, and guarded by a lodge-keeper.

'I wonder if the universal golden key will open them,' she said, and when the keeper came she tried it, and found it successful. She was admitted into the park; and the man bowed as she passed through the gates. That was her only welcome to her husband's home.

CHAPTER XXII.

WALTON COURT was a stately English home where art and nature seemed to have done their best-where trees and flowers were seen in their highest perfection. The vast park, the grand ancestral trees—some of them the growth of centuries—the hills covered with verdure, the bosky dells, the sunny glades, the treasures of flower and fern, all filled Margarita with wonder. Under the trees she saw picturesque herds of antlered deer. They eyed her timidly as she drew near, and then fleeted away. The scene delighted her. Presently, beyond the trees, she saw the tall gray towers of the Court. Her heart beat quickly, her eves filled with tears.

'It is my husband's home,' she said to herself. 'It all belongs to him.'

Soon she came to a second lodge, at the entrance to the vast pleasure grounds. She saw terrace after terrace all bright with the colors of a thousand flowers; she saw the gleam of fountains, the spray of which rose high in the sunlit air; she saw the green lawns with their sweeping cedars and silvery birches. With wistful eyes she looked through the iron gates, thinking how fair it all was, and how difficult it must have been for him to leave it. As she stood there the woman from the lodge came out, and, seeing a stranger, she made a deep courtesy. Despite the plain dress and the thick black veil she discerned a lady.

Would you like to see the grounds?' sh asked, respectfully; and Lady Rylestone ans-

'They are shown sometimes to strangers, and the house, too when the family are away.' 'Are the family absent now?' asked Lady

'Yes; and the housekeeper had a party of strangers yesterday to see the place. It is considered one of the finest in England.' Margarita gave the woman a coin that made

her eyes beam with delight. 'I should like to see the place,' she said gently. 'I think I will go through. But will

they consider it strange to see a lady alone?" 'No; ladies and gentlemen too sometimes come here alone, though, as a rule, they come

'I was at Lutdale, and, hearing of the beauty of the Court, I thought I should like to see it,' said Lady Rylestone, evasively.

'Many a one does that,' observed the wo man, as she brought out the keys and opened the huge gates; and then Margarita passed, as it were, into the inner circle of her home.

The air seemed almost faint with the perfume of rare flowers. She saw rare birds flitting amongst the trees; she heard the ripple of the fountains, and the cooing of the white ringdoves. How fair and serene it all was! How he must have loved his home!

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### A PLEASING TRIBUTE.

What the St. John "Globe" Says of Our Christmas Number.

WE are indebted to the St. John, N.B., Globe of the 9th instant for the following generous sentiments with respect to our Christmas Number:-The St. John's, Newfoundland, EVENING TELEGRAM'S Christmas Number reflects much credit on the publishers of that journal. The workmanship and general appearance is really fine. There are eighteen pages, size 12 x 18, of reading matter, besides a full page of illustrations of several scenes at the mouth of the Humber river, views at Little River (West Coast), Bonne Bay, Twillingate, Trinity, Falls at Bonne Bay, etc. The illustration that would, perhaps, most interest people that resided in the ancient colony some thirty years ago, is the "Mumming Scene" and "Haul of Wood," on Water Street, on Christmas Day. Here a large number of young men are represented in all conceivable costumes, mounted and on foot, singing sound of his thunder." "Ah, my friend," re-Christmas songs and chasing, with "swabs," the crowd, who are scattered in all directions and shouting, ro doubt, "the fools are all out." The "haul of wood" was a large pile of wood probably thirty or forty feet high, placed on a large "dray," and trimmed with flags and bannerets, and generally surmounted by a miniature full-rigged ship. This wood was for the use of religious institutions. The abuse of the license granted to the " mummers" caused the authorities to stop their appearance on the streets. Of course, there is a large amount of Christmas reading matter, both in turer named Blackman, whom the said editor song and prose, in the number, but there are did not scruple to claim as his own special also several fine articles on other subjects. The Rev. M. A. Fitzgerald contributes an article on the "Old Forts and Fortifications of Newfoundland," commencing at the time for this act which our contemporary, for purely when Sir George Calvert, afterwards Lord mercenary motives, wrote at that time, and Baltimore, obtained a grant and settled on the how he did not scruple to place himself on a Peninsula of Avalon in 1628. Rev. Mr. moral level with the imported blackguard of Fitzgerald tells of the year of 1696, when all the Bowery, for the sake of the political re-English settlements along the southern and muneration and advantage he obtained, or eastern coasts having been taken by the French, sought to obtain, by the dirty act. The occathe combined fleets of Broullan and D'Iber- away, with two out of the actors in the miserville; also of several other engagements between the French and English, and of the capture of St. John's by D'Iberville in 1669. described, as well as the building of Fort Wil- pen to whitewash a blackguard, for hire. liam in the reign of William III. In 1796 four thousand men were encamped on Signal Hall at their guns watching the movements of reader's recollection, and not one whit more to the French fleet in the Bay, but to-day there the credit of the clerical coward who masis not a single British soldier in the forts at queraded in connection therewith. This earththe mouth of the harbor. After one's mind is quake occurred on the termination of the full of the "glories of the battle field," it is Harbor Grace trials and consisted of a wholeworld when simplicity and innocence were the which had the effect of bowing out of the human life presented a picture possessing lit- editor thought it prudent to play a "hidden in imagination to those happy Arcadian days, he gave it out that he was not the then editor is probably the intention of the Hon. T. Talsung by the shepherds and shepherdesses before the baronial castle and warlike fortress Others swallowed down that "inspired falsecast their shadows over hill and dale. The article is cleverly written, and shows that Mr. well as with the modern writers of pastoral ballads and songs. Among the latter he quotes future Government printing. Nicholas Rowe's "Colin's Lament." Mr. Talbot is of the opinion that any attempt to create pleasing and interesting characters of man down in the Bahamas on whom you have the shepherd class in the present time, would long modelled yourself. "You'm a smart be forced and unnatural. Such persons are man, but you'm as slippery as an eel." If you now of the humblest and meanest condition, could imitate the example of your humble and entirely unsuited to the spirit and character of the pastoral poem. Among the other you might do better; yes, and be better, too. articles of interest are "Tidbits from Tullochgorum," by Rev. L. G. Macneill, M.A., (St. above all, he never tries to "forge" thunder-John); "Agriculture in Newfoundland," by bolts for hire at the expense of his innocent Hon. Mr. Justice Pinsent, D.C.L.; "Our Country," by Rev. J. Parkins; "What Shall we Read," by Rev. T. Hodgkinson; "Christmas in the Far North," by L. A. W.;" "The Inspiration of Christmas," by James Murray. There are articles also from Newfoundlanders residing in Dakota, Chicago, and Massachusetts on various subjects. The "bards of Terra Nova" contribute a number of Christeditor's Christmas greeting is well written.

He Forges Vindictive Thunderbolts. Last Night's Meeting of Citizens. TRIES TO PLAY THE PART OF ANOTHER JOVE.

Behold his ponderous efforts and their worth, The mountain labors, and the mouse comes forth.

DRYDEN

OUR contemporary of Prescott Street tells us that he has a great ambition to be known as a manufacturer of earthquakes, and in this respect reminds us of some other people who were quite ready to imitate greater men, but who, while they had the inclination to be eminently bad, entirely lacked the necessary ability. The immortal Æsop tells us in his famous fables of a Foolish Countryman who once took it into his head to play the part of a Jove, and who for this purpose gathered all the old tin pans and pots he could lay his hands on, and brought the same within his domicile. With the assistance of his family and a number of sticks, the peasant then commenced pounding away at his tinware and succeeded in making a prodigious clatter, whereupon a certain neighbor put in his head at the door to enquire " what was the matter." "Matter, indeed," replied the peasant, " matter enough. This is the dwelling of Jove, the god of heaven, and the sound you hear is the plied his waggish neighbor, "I fear you are much mistaken. With your pots and pans you make a tremendous noise indeed, but it is not of the right sort!"

There are several occasions on which the Mercury man claims to have raised an earthquake, although, coward-like, he delayed to admit his identity therewith until all risk, as he thought, had passed away. One of these occasions was when his weak arguments and imperilled family interests, as he alleged, were reinforced by the cowardly stick of an advenchampion when he found that no fatal consequences would ensue from the act. We all remember the columns of criminal justifications the forts at Bonavista and Carbonear defied sion of this "earthquake" has long ago passed able plot; but the stain still remains on the character of the " eminent divine" of the Mercury that he alone, of all the clergy in this The batteries at the mouth of the harbor are place at the time, employed his abject, venal

The next occasion of an "earthquake" of Mercury manufacture is also well within the pleasing to know that " in the first ages of the sale attack on the Catholic clergy and laity, prevailing characteristics of mankind, and be- Mercury office a section of its readers, who fore city life and luxurious living had intro- have never found their way back again since, duced in their train effeminacy and corruption, and never shall. Then, too, the reverend tle variety, but delightful for its rural ease, part" and seek the seclusion which a course of peace and contentment." To carry one back | consistent "double-dealing" grants. Privately of the Mercury, that he had nothing to do with bot in his paper on "Some observations on the "plan of campaign," and that, because of pastoral poetry." The pastoral song was it, he was the sworn foe of the Mercury and its office for the balance of his natural life! hood," but we smiled. We knew then who was the real author of that "demonstration"—that Talbot is conversant with the pastoral poems sally—that earthquake of domestic manufacof Theocritus, Bion, Moschus and Virgil, as ture, just as well as we know who has sold his brethren, and betrayed his trust, to get the

> Yes, Mr. Mercury! "You'm a smart man," you are, -nearly as smart as that other old neighbor, honest Andy Carroll, at his " forge," He never strikes the iron until it is hot; and,

Perhaps the " meek-eyed quaker" has had enough of "quakes." However, we have done with this discussion for the present.

### THE BANKER "NIMBUS."

THE banker Nimbus, belonging to Messrs. Bradshaw, of Placentia, is on the floating dock, mas and other poems. One sings about the South Side, and is being put in a thoroughly glories of Avalon as a home, while another seaworthy condition. Messrs. B. are taking laments the departure of its young men to time by the forelock, and are determined not other countries. There are a couple of original to be caught unprepared when the 1st of April stories, and of course, as among all maritime shall have arrived. Their fleet, which now peoples, the scenes are laid on the ocean. The numbers four fine schooners, will be well to the front for the first Spring trip, -

A MEETING of citizens on the business of incorporating the town was held last night in the Home Industries Hall. Mr. John Haddon was appointed chairman and Mr. F. St. John Secretary. There was considerable discussion, and progress made; the object in view taking LETTER FROM MR. J. B. STRATTEN. form and shape by a motion of Mr. Thomas Mitchell's, which was carried, requesting the committee appointed at a former meeting to report, by a series of resolutions, to a public meeting of the electors. A member of the Assembly present gave some statistics of income from the General Water Company, and expenditure of the same. Some of those details were interesting in showing how the money goes without returning a satisfactory equivalent, the cost of the Sanitary Department, Salaries, &c., looming large in the exhibit. A public meeting on the matter is in view.

# HOME INDUSTRIES SOCIETY

### Movement in the Direction of Disintegration THE FARMERS TAKE A NEW DEPARTURE.

Editor Evening Telegram. Society is to be formed to-morrow at a meeting of farmers to be held for that purpose. It is reported that His Excellency the Governor has consented to become Patron and Mr. Justice Pinsent Vice-Patron.

It is very pleasing to notice that gentlemen in such high positions are taking an active interest in promoting agriculture.

But it does seem strange to find the farmers called together to form an Agricultural Society, when it is a well-known fact that a Farmers' Section exists in the Home Industries Society, and that, during the year just closed, this section had done good work, such as securing suitable legislation on many subjects of interest to the farmers all over the Island; and, besides that, a very ereditable and most deservedly well spoken of Farmers' Exhibition was held

"In unity there exists strength," as was well proven at the carrying out of this exhibition. The farmers all admit that its great success resulted from the assistance given by other sections of the H.I.E. Society-such assistance being guaranteed by the society's constitution-in article 2nd and 3rd, as given

ARTICLE II .-- OBJECTS.

RULE 1. The objects of this Society shall be: -(1) The fostering of Home Industries; (2) The improvement of the condition of the people; (3) The development of the natural resources of Newfoundland.

### ARTICLE III.-METHODS.

RULE 1. The means by which the Society shall seek to attain its ends shall be:-(a) By spreading information, through the press, by exhibitions, by discussions and lectures; (b) By promoting education; (c) By forwarding legislation; (d) By uniting and organizing the members of the several trades, handicrafts, occupations, and professions; (e) Generally by such means as may be deemed advisable from time to time.

The H. I. E. Society being in existence, and the fact admitted that agriculture got a boom through its exertions, where the necessity of forming a new Farmers' Society exists is difficult to see. It is just one year since the Home Industries Society was formed, being scarcely sufficient time to get it in good running order; and now that it is established and a revision of its rules made to suit all parties, would it not be more advisable for the farmers—who are starting the new society-to hold on to the old one, as they may rest assured that the same patronage they say they have secured could be obtained, and the different trades and occupations be benefited by it as well as themselves; for all have a similar claim on such, and every member of the H.I.E.S. feels that his Excellency and Mr. Justice Pinsent have quite as deep an interest in the welfare of the various other industries as they have in the farmers; and, therefore, let there be a "common platform," where the fisherman, the farmer, and the mechanic can meet and, by their united strength and counsel, help to elevate the dear old country and all its inhabitants, for such was the intention of the founders of the Home Industries Encouragement Society, as has been well proven by the aid rendered the farmers from time to time

last year. I remain, yours respectfully, A MEMBER OF THE H.I.E.S. St. John's, Jan. 20, 1888.

To Correspondents. - " Independent"-Your communication is before us, and we are pleased with some of the statements and suggestions contained therein. In the main, however, you are too personal, and on that account we must consider your letter inadmissible. The advice to Sir William "not to have anything more to do, politically, with the traitors of 1885" is certainly worthy of consideration.

# Misstatements by the Mercury. PROBABLE EFFECTS OF THE BAIT BILL A Job for "Some People's" Old Steamers

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,-Will you please allow me space in your valuable paper to make a few more remarks in reply to the Mercury of November 15th, 1887? In my last letter to you, I spoke of two statements which the editor of the Mercury made in his paper of November 15th. Now I will speak of one

He (the editor of the Mercury) says: "The few bankers sailing from Fortune Bay have to be manned by men from Trinity and Conception Bays. the bait catchers baving no liking for the Banks.' The banking vessels here are not forced to be manned by men from Trinity and Conception Bays. They are able to get crews in their own Bays to go in them. It is only the Grand Bank vessels that have to be manned by men from Trinity and Conception Bays. It is not inside of that place that

The Mercury also says: "Are we to sacrifice the nterests of the whole community to enable these men to continue their gains?"

Let me and others beside me ask the editor of the Mercury, What interests do they sacrifice for us in this and other bays, who carry on the bait traf-DEAR SIR,-It is said that an Agricultural fic? I answer, None! But by the bait traffic here with the French, it brings money to them too. Let the editor of the Mercury look at what thousands of dollars the Government will lose from the Frenchmen in Light Dues, beside the money they would leave in the Bay if they were obliged to come in and get their bait. And, in addition to losing the money that way, let the editor of the Mercury, and others beside him, reckon what thousands of dollars it will cost the Government to carry this law out next spring. He and the Government must think and remember that the people are not going to be frightened by proclamations, nor by two or three of Premier Thorburn's old steamers prowling about on "protection service." If, on the 18th of April next, the people do what they are combining together to do, the Government will want to send more policemen and Custom Officers than it has around here now to stop them.

> since I last wrote, the Bait Act has been enforced as a law of the country; but it has not been carried out so as to affect the Americans. It does not stop them from getting their herring. Why not? Because -- Well, let Mr. Attorney General Win- general servants in another column. ter answer that question, on his return home, next

The Mercury also says, he has made his statements, "not by mere rumor, but from a most incelligent gentleman who has no connection with portion of the summer and fall in Fortune Bay and visited every part of it."

If that gentleman has visited all parts of Fortune Bay and has been speaking to the people about the Bait Act, I think he can tell a different story from what the Mercury has published on Nov. 15th. If not; if the people he has been talking to have told him otherwise, let him, for a few minutes, take his pen and contradict in one of the papers what I have written, and put his name to the letter.

If, as the Mercury says, he is not a politician or business man, he need not be afraid of me or any other person in Fortune Bay seeing his name. And, then, we, the people of Fortune Bay, will see who the gentleman is that knows so much about "Fortune Bay and the Bait Act."

The Government of this colony is only taking the money from the Fortune Bay people and putting it into the hands of Americans, for when this Government of ours stops us from selling bait to the French, it cannot stop them (the Americans) from taking their purse seines and hauling herrings within the three-mile limit and selling them to the

For instance, next spring the French vessels will be able to go on the Banks earlier than ever. because they have all their bait bought already.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for space in your valuable paper,

I remain, yours, etc., J. B. STRATTEN. English Hr., West, Fortune Bay, Jan. 4. 1888.

### ACRICULTURAL MATTERS

Our item yesterday in reference to the new agricultural movement' was perhaps a little hazy and lacked what the "First Commoner" would call "the elements of exactitude." The fact is, we were "rushed" all the afternoon: hence the inaccuracy referred to. We should have said that a meeting of farmers and other parties interested in the formation of an Agricultural Society will be held on Saturday (tomorrow), when it is the intention of those who have the matter in hand to "constitute" such an institution and start it upon-what they hope will prove-a career of usefulness. His Excellency Governor Blake, who appears to take a deep interest in this matter, has graciously consented to identify himself with the Society as Patron; His Lordship Mr. Justice Pinsent, D.C.L., having expressed his willingness to become Vice-Patron. Both these gen tlemen will, we understand, be present at the "inaugural meeting" to-morrow.

THE adjourned annual meeting of the West Circuit Sabbath School Committee will be held in the basement of George Street Church this (Friday) evening, at the close of the service. It is requested that all officers, teachers and representatives be present, as business of importance is to be transacted.

### THE EARTHQUAKE MAKER. THE INCORPORATION BUSINESS. FROM ENGLISH HARBOR, WEST. The Escape of Whelan. SOME OBSERVATIONS FROM "JUSTICE."

Editor Evening Telegram.

SIR,—Two letters containing most slanderous and abusive references to J. R. McCowen, Esq., Governor of the Penitentiary, have recently appeared in the Colonist, upon the escape of Whelan. I have reason for believing, too, that these letters have emanated from a parasitical member of the Government party in the Assembly, and a relative who is a pensioner upon the Government's bounty. Is it not an outrage, sir, upon public decency that while the escape of Whelan is under investigation by the Government, and while Governor McCowen and his officers are, therefore, really upon trial before a judicial tribunal, they should be vilely assaulted in a Government organ by Government supporters and hangers-on? To what a depth of indecency the Colonist has fallen; the paper which began with so many professions, and which has degenerated into a mere instrument for the low personal ends of one of its directors. To what a depth of indecency the Government has fallen; when, instead of protecting its officials, it permits them to be openly and vilely attacked in its own subsidized organ by its own creatures.

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I have no hesitation in saying, sir, that Governor McCowen's real fault in the eyes of the Colonist's contributor is the fact that the latter has always regarded him as a stumbling block to his own evil designs; and that Governor McCowen's prominence as a member of the Church of England has marked him out as an official whose place must be filled by a member of another denomination. This whole matter should be made the subject of parliamentary enquiry, and the Colonist summarily taught that it is not subsidized to be the instrument of political persecution and personal Yours truly, JUSTICE.

St. John's Jan. 20, 1888.

### LOCAL VARIETIES.

THE steamer Nova Scotian did not sail till after daylight this morning.

ATTENTION is drawn to an advertisement for

THERE will be no rehearsal for the Roman Catholic Cathedral Choir this evening.

"ROBERT BURNS," by Mr. E. Devereaux, is politics or business, and who spent a considerable the subject of a lecture to be delivered before the Academia this evening.

> THE annual meeting of subscribers to the St. John's Athenæum will be held on Monday evening next at 8 o'clock. A large attendance is very desirable.

A TELEGRAM from Greenspond-received by M. Tobin, Esq., -states that the S.S. Hercules arrived there at 11 a.m. to-day, all well. She met the ice off Catalina.

Considerable anxiety, occasioned by the non-arrival of the Robert, owned by Messrs. Hayward, and for some time past overdue from Cadiz, was happily dispelled this morning by the safe arrival of that vessel in port.

Counsel interested in the appeal of the Botanic Beer case from the Magistrates' to the Supreme Court have been notified that their Lordships have reversed the decision of the puisne judges, Messrs. Prowse and Conroy of the Magistrates' Court. It is stated that the decision leaves no room for further vexatious proceedings by the magistrates or police against the venders of the beverage, and that till the Legislature vests them with power to do so, they possess no authority to arbitrarily interfere with such dealers under the License Act. Messrs. Carty, Fraser and I. R. Mc-Neily for appellants; Mr. Emerson for the

### MARRIED.

Last Sunday, by the Rev. L. K. Vereker, P.P., Cornelius O'Neil, Esq., of Fermeuse, to Mary A., eldest daughter of Mr. Michael Lahey, Cape Broyle.

Yesterday, the wife of T. S. Pooke, of a son. At Londonderry, N.S., on November 22nd, the wife of Mr. A. Locke, of a daughter.

### DIED.

This morning, after a tedious illness, Bridget Gardner, a native of New Ross, County Wexford, Ireland, aged 50 years, Funeral on Sunday at 2.30 o'clock, from her late residence, Barnes' Lane. She leaves a sorrowing husband and ten children to mourn their sad loss. Last night, after a short illness, Mary, the beloved Last hight, after a short liness, Mary, the beloved wife of William O'Keefe, aged 30 years. Funeral at 2.30 o'clock on Sunday, from her late residence, No. 47 Harvey Road. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully requested to attend without further notice.

At South Boston, on the 3rd January, Ann Power, the beloved wife of Mr. James Abbott and niece of the late Matthew Murphy a native of St. John's. Nid. late Matthew Murphy, a native of St. John's, Nfld.-

At Hillville, Mass., January 4th, Margaret Mary, beloved child of John and Margaret Green, aged 12 years, a native of Cape Broyle, Nfld.

### SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

19 - Nova Scotian, Hughes, Halifax, 2 days, Shea & Co-2789 brls flour, 295 bags cornmeal, 106 hhds tobacco, inward cargo. 20-Robert, Blackler, Cadiz, 46 days, Hayward & Co-100 tons salt.

19-Consuelo, Dornom, Barcelona, P & L Tessier-2450 qtls fish. Curlew, Delaney, St Pierre, Bow-

ring Bros-ballast. 20 - Nova Scotian, Hughes, Liverpool, Shea & Co-703 qtls fish, 45 bxs lobsters, 283 bxs, 145 casks copper, 5 casks copper and brass, 2 hhds, 4 bxs furs, 8 tuns cod liver oil, 8 tuns cod oil, 800 bags guano, 1 qir-cask wine, inward cargo.