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LITERATURE.

Story of the Fairbairns.

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Towards the end of last century, the family of Andrew Fairbairn resided at Kelso, in Scotland. Kelso, Andrew was a man in humble circumstances, but was intelligent and industrious, and fond of reading. He had spent his early life as a ploughboy, and afterwards as a gardener; by which means, along with the pursuit of books, he gained a very good knowledge of agriculture. Having in the course of pushing his fortunes, gone to reside near a seaport in England, he was, during the exigencies of the American war, pressed on board a frigate, from which he was draughted into a ship of the line, and served under Lord Howe at the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Gibraltar. At the close of the war, he happened to be present at Spithead, when the Royal George sank, August 29, 1782, and assisted in saving the survivors. Receiving his discharge, he returned to Scotland, and settling in Kelso, married Miss Henderson, daughter of a trader in Jedburgh, and in due time had a family of sons and daughters. That may be called the beginnings of the Fairbairns.

Andrew did not return to sea life. He had had enough of naval adventure. Kelso, where he pitched his camp, is a pretty inland town on the north bank of the Tweed, once celebrated for an abbey, of which the ruins still exist, and having in its immediate neighborhood the palatial mansion of Floors, the seat of the Duke of Roxburgh. All around is a fine fertile country, where there is abundant scope for agricultural pursuits. To these he addicted himself, though taking him six days a week from home, and obliging him to devote the upbringing of his children in a great measure to his wife, who was eminently suited for this important duty. She was far from robust, and her poor state of health would have offered a good excuse for idleness; but possessing a spirit of indefatigable industry, she toiled in a way that reminds us of the singularly meritorious wife mentioned in scripture:—"She seeketh wool and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands." She looked well to the ways of her household, and eats not the bread of idleness.

Her children she brought up and reared as she best saw fit. The picture is accurate in every detail. According to the economy of the period, when as yet the domestic spinning-wheel was in operation, Mrs. Fairbairn spun wool and flax, which she spun into yarn, and then into hanks, and gave out to a weaver to be manufactured. From the varied materials so produced, she provided shirting, sheets, and blankets for the family. And not only so, but for years she made all the coats, trousers and other garments for her husband and sons, besides all the dresses required for her young daughters.

William Fairbairn, the eldest and most notable of her sons, was born at Kelso, February 19, 1789. There he received a plain elementary education at the parish school, and, like other boys in the Tweed, he acquired a proficiency in climbing the tall, picturesque ruins of the abbey. In 1799, the family were induced to remove to Moy, a farm five miles from Dingwall in Ross-shire. Here commenced a desperate struggle to win a subsistence out of a piece of land plentifully dotted over with whins, stones, rocks, and other obstructions. Andrew, the father, had an opportunity of exercising all the agricultural knowledge he possessed. Like many Scotsmen in similar circumstances, he did not despair. To remove the various impediments to the plough, he adopted an ingenious method. Having managed to draw the large stones and roll them into heaps, he laid over them quantities of dried whins which he set on fire. The stones and rocks soon became red-hot, and by the power of the heat of water from a boiler, were fractured and blown to shivers, the whirling neighbors, this cheap and ready method of ridding the land of whins and rocks, at the same time was considered an extraordinary performance. Next was instituted a system of draining; and in two or three years, splendid crops of turnips and barley were growing on land which had hitherto been little better than a wilderness.

While the family were at Moy, William received no addition to his education, and had to occupy much of his time as a nurse to his youngest brother, Peter, then a child of fifteen months old. To relieve himself of the trouble of carrying the child on his back, he fell on the device of making a little wagon with four wheels. It was a somewhat difficult undertaking, for his only tools were a knife, a gimlet, and an old saw. With these and a red-hot poker to burn holes in the wheels for axles, he was able to knock up a little wagon, which proved quite a success. He dragged Peter about the farm, to the delight of the infant and the satisfaction of the mother. Encouraged by the success of the construction, he began to make small boats and mills. He had a knife, that were the admiration of neighboring boys; such performances giving, as is believed, a bent to his mind as regards mechanical construction. Some untoward circumstances led Andrew Fairbairn to quit Moy and to become steward to a Highland laird at Mulloch. In this situation he remained only two

years; and now, disgusted with the Highlands, he removed with his family in 1803 back to Kelso. There he left them while he occupied the position of farm-manager in Yorkshire. This was a dark period in the history of the Fairbairns. The father did his best to supply means by transmitting part of his wages, but the wages were irregularly paid, and sometimes the family were on the brink of want. Being now a tall lad of fourteen, William made an effort to get an employment which would bring in a few shillings a week. He considered himself fortunate in getting work as a mason's laborer at the building of the new bridge across the Tweed at Kelso—one of Rennie's handsome structures. When only a few days at this toilsome employment, William suffered a dire misfortune. By the clumsy management of a companion in carrying a hand-barrow, a heavy stone fell on his leg, inflicting a deep wound, and throwing him off work for nearly three months. When the family were in the depths of penury, the father succeeded in getting an appointment at Percy Main Colliery, near South Shields, as steward of a farm belonging to the coal-owners. There was still the disadvantage of being absent from the family, but the pay regularly administered put him in comfort, and he had an opportunity of getting some employment for his eldest son.

The employment so secured was not much to speak of; it was only that of driving a coal cart, but nothing better cast up, and was dutifully endured amidst a dissolute and dissipated population, until, at the instance of the owner of the colliery, William, in 1801, was bound apprentice for seven years to Mr. John Robinson, the engine-wright of the establishment. Such was the start in life of William Fairbairn as an engineer. At first his wages were a few shillings a week, but he was afterwards raised to twelve, and then to fifteen shillings a week; but there was extra work paid for separately, by which his small wages were sometimes doubled, and he was able to help his parents, who were struggling with a very limited income.

As we all know, there are two ways of pursuing an industrial occupation in youth. One is to do no more than what is immediately required, caring little for the future; the other is to endeavor, by every available means, to strike out a course of self-improvement, not only for the pleasure of doing so, but in the hope of reaping some future advantage. William Fairbairn adopted the latter method of getting through his apprenticeship. He laid down for himself a programme of self-instruction, whilst the other lads about the place, all but his leisure time in coarse and profitless amusements. His weekly programme is worthy of the attention of young men placed in similar circumstances. Every day he assigned work—Monday evenings, the study of arithmetic and mensuration. Tuesday, reading, history and poetry. Wednesday, recreation, reading novels and romances. Thursday, mathematics. Friday, Euclid, trigonometry. Saturday, recreation and sundries. Sunday, church, reading Milton, etc. These several exercises were greatly facilitated by books procured from the North-Shields subscription library, for which his father bought him a ticket. Besides going through a course of reading the best historical and other works, which widened his knowledge and cultivated his feelings, he in a period of three years went through a complete system of mensuration, and as much algebra as enabled him to solve an equation; also a course of trigonometry, navigation, and some other branches of science. At times he devised pieces of machinery, which taught him the necessity of saving and concentrating his ideas in matters of mechanical ingenuity. Having a taste for music he made a violin, on which he taught himself to play familiar Scotch airs, though never with any degree of brilliance. His mind leaned towards more solid acquisitions. As a kind of recreation, he was removed from the workshop to take charge of the steam engine and pumps. Now, he was more his own master, and had intervals of time at his disposal. A number of leisure, however, diverted him from his course of self-culture. His companions spent not a idle time and money in beer-drinking, which kept them in poverty, and effectually stood in the way of their advancement. One of his early contemporaries was happily superior to these depressing pursuits. This was George Stephenson with whom he became acquainted. George had the charge of an engine at Willington Ballast Hill, only a mile or two off, and being recently married, was somewhat pinched in the means of livelihood. To enable him to earn a few shillings, Fairbairn frequently took charge of his engine, while George took a train at evening ballast out of the colliery vessels. It is interesting to hear of facts like this of two men who rose to eminence through self-culture and unrelaxing perseverance.

At the close of his apprenticeship, and now twenty-two years of age, William Fairbairn went to London in search of employment as a millwright or working engineer. At this time Rennie was engaged in building Waterloo bridge, and offered work to William Fairbairn. But a sad "but" it was—the Millwrights' Society, which assumed the right of determining who should be employed, would not allow work to be given to him; and, for a time, along with a companion similarly

situated, he underwent serious privations. Unless for succor from some hospitable relatives who gave him a dinner on Sunday, he would have been well-nigh starved. A mighty day at length dawned. A number of workmen had the fortune to resist the monopoly of the Millwrights' Society, and banding together, set up a Society of free and independent laborers, under whose auspices Fairbairn got employment at a pleasant Ropery at Shadwell. Here and elsewhere he wrought as a journeyman two years in the metropolis, all the time realizing good wages of from two to three pounds a week, and as formerly occupying his leisure hours mostly in reading. As he lived very moderately, he saved some money with which he hoped to push his way forward. Unluckily, he fell in with a crazy projector, who had devised a plan of delving land by machinery. The thing was ingenious but not practicable. Induced to make a machine for the inventor, Fairbairn's small savings were swept away. He was more fortunate in his next order. It was to make a machine for chopping meat for sausages, for which he was promised thirty-three pounds by a pork-butcher. The machine, constructed with a fly-wheel and a double crank, with a dozen knives crossing each other, did its work admirably. The pork-butcher was delighted, and paid handsomely for the machine.

Put in pocket by this piece of business, Fairbairn proceeded to Dublin in quest of work, and got employment in constructing railway-making machinery. This lasted during a summer, and back he came to England, the voyage by packet to Liverpool occupying two days. A lucky thought directed him to try Manchester as a field of operations. Here he received employment from Mr. Adam Parkinson, for whom he worked two years, and from his earnings was able to save twenty pounds, a sum which he destined to set him up in married life. For several years he had corresponded with Dorothy Mar, daughter of a farmer at Morpeth, and for some time entertained an ardent affection. Fortune, as he imagined, being now propitious, marriage with Miss Mar could be directly contemplated, and the marriage took place June 16, 1816. The young pair commenced housekeeping in a very small and modest domicile at Manchester. William, as he had said to make his way in the world, and blessed with this good wife, set about doing it vigorously. For certain spheres of usefulness, Manchester offers better scope than even London. In partnership at first with Mr. James Little, he began as an independent carter as a millwright, in fact a contractor for any large undertaking from a bridge to a spinning factory. The two in setting up in business had hardly any money, but they had brains, which, and people were disposed to throw work in his way of what seemed to be a two-edged and clever young man. A large job executed for Mr. Murray, a cotton spinner, put them on their feet. Well-doing needs only a beginning. Almost immediately followed the works on a new cotton mill for Mr. John Kennedy, a partner in the firm of Messrs. McConnell and Kennedy, then the largest spinners in the kingdom. The skillful manner in which improvements were introduced into the new mill brought a press of orders. The business prospered so greatly, that at the end of five years the young men found themselves with a stock and tools worth five thousand pounds. Large and commodious premises were erected, and contracts for gigantic works were undertaken in England, Scotland and Switzerland.

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little insight into the private life of the person to whom he refers, or of the family to which he belonged. Happily we were honored with the friendship not only of Sir William, but of his brother, Sir Peter Fairbairn of Leeds—the brother whom when a child he drew about in a little wagon of his own making, long ago in the Highlands. Our last interview with Sir William was shortly before his decease, when on what we believe was his farewell visit to Scotland. From both brothers we learn a variety of details relative to their respective professional pursuits, and on all occasions were struck with the strong practical common-sense and tact which he guided them through life. From the humblest possible circumstances, each in his own way had attained distinction by the exercise of sound judgment and persevering industry connected with the manufacture of machinery. The reason which their lives afforded was, that success in life is less generally due to genius than to indomitable diligence along with integrity of character.

Sir William Fairbairn never, as we know, aimed at being a great man. He wanted only to be useful in his day and generation. His habits of industry were extraordinary. Besides devoting himself specially to new mechanical contrivances and scientific researches, he spent much time in his later years in writing papers for the British Association and other public bodies, and was subject he fastened keenly. It was the prevention of smoke from factory chimneys, which he shewed could be effectually done by a more perfect combustion of fuel. The paper appeared in the Transactions of the British Association for 1844. It is doubtful if it made much of an effect. There seems to be a determination among manufacturers to disregard all advice or remonstrance on the subject. For more than thirty years we have used a plan for consuming smoke with perfect success and considerable economy of fuel. His neighbors for the most part persevered on polluting the atmosphere as usual.

As is well known, Sir William Fairbairn distinguished himself by his invention of the tubular iron bridge, sustained without stays, and which was adopted by Stephenson in the construction of the famous tubular iron bridge across the Menai Strait, which is entitled to be called the mechanical wonder of England. We have never been shot along in a railway train through that iron tube, but we have seen the square coils placed end to end without thinking of Fairbairn's bold ingenuity. The reputation he acquired by this and other inventions of a useful kind brought him honours from numerous quarters. He had declined to accept a knighthood in 1844 at the age of eighty-six, and tall, robust, and active, he enjoyed health till nearly the end of his days. He died peacefully Aug. 18, 1874, leaving three sons and a daughter, also a widow, to mourn his loss. He succeeded in his baronetcy by his son Thomas. Though the family wished the funeral to be private, it was, as a voluntary mark of respect, attended by upwards of fifty thousand persons. Such was the end of one of the greatest engineers of our age. His whole life pointed a valuable moral which it is unnecessary to repeat. His brother Sir Peter Fairbairn of Leeds, predeceased him, leaving likewise descendants to perpetuate the reputation of the Fairbairns.

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The Haytian Revolution.

A BLOOD-MINDED ASPIRANT FOR THE PRESIDENCY.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, August 1.—A revolution has broken out again in Hayti. The insurgents are in force about ten miles from Port-au-Prince. A schooner laden with arms and ammunition for the troops known to be in the vicinity, and a Haytian steamer-of-war had been sent to look after her. The city of Port-au-Prince is declared in a state of siege. A large portion of the city was fired, and the conflagration continued for two days and had not been extinguished when the mail steamer left. President Canal was unpopular with the native element from his known feelings of cordiality with foreign merchants and foreigners in general with the colored population. He is suspected accordingly on the part of the colored soldier, however, and however strong the foreign element may be it could not protect him from the designs of those who seek to gain the object of their ambition by assassination. Formerly Minister to England under the imperial rule of Napoleon, he is the present aspirant to office, and he says when he gets into power the colored man and the white man may both look out, and the black republic will make the streets of Port-au-Prince groan with the blood of both of them. The southern side of the island is equally disaffected, and at present the newspapers are openly at variance with the existing administration. Numerous arrests have been made by the Government, chiefly among persons suspected of being secret engaged in revolutionary plots. Along and important despatches from Mr. Bassett, the United States Minister, has been sent to the State Department on the subject of the American interests in the present crisis.

A Self-reliant Dixon.

THREE CONFIDENCE MEN WHO LOST CONFIDENCE IN HIS GREENNESS.

[From the Detroit Free Press.]

A man about twenty-seven years of age, named Charles Dixon, whose home is in Hamilton, O., arrived in this city yesterday with \$380 in his pocket. Men arrive here daily with more or less money in their wallets. In this case Mr. Dixon would have arrived in a situation green enough to pay for a boiled egg but for his courage and the liberal use of a revolver. He was coming west the other day from Buffalo when he made the acquaintance of three travelling rascals. They first tried to get him to come on his feet, but he won \$5 and then quit. They then wanted to sell him a bogus \$1,000 bond for half the face value, but he wasn't in the bond-buying business. A little further on he was asked to give one of the men a ride in a motor car. He pulled out his "wad" of greenbacks to comply, when one of them grabbed it and the three jumped the train. Mr. Dixon didn't wait long before deciding to follow. He was armed with a large-sized Smith & Wesson revolver, and in the crowd that followed him, the three rascals made across a field for the woods. Dixon followed at a sharp gallop, opening fire as soon as within range. One of the fellows had a single-barrelled pistol, and with this he returned one shot. When they discovered that Dixon was no fool, the three rascals made across a field for the woods. Dixon followed at a sharp gallop, opening fire as soon as within range. One of the fellows had a single-barrelled pistol, and with this he returned one shot. When they discovered that Dixon was no fool, the three rascals made across a field for the woods. Dixon followed at a sharp gallop, opening fire as soon as within range. One of the fellows had a single-barrelled pistol, and with this he returned one shot. When they discovered that Dixon was no fool, the three rascals made across a field for the woods. Dixon followed at a sharp gallop, opening fire as soon as within range. 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IN STORE AND AT RAILWAY STATION:

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- 500 lbs. Howland's Choice;
- 500 "Watts' Fancy, Southern Western, etc.;
- 200 "Phoenix, Spring Extra;
- 200 "Waterdown, Spring Extra;
- 200 "Choice Minnesota, Strong Bakers;
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- 700 "Corn Meal, Extra;
- 200 "Tribune Oatmeal;
- 40 "Graham Flour;
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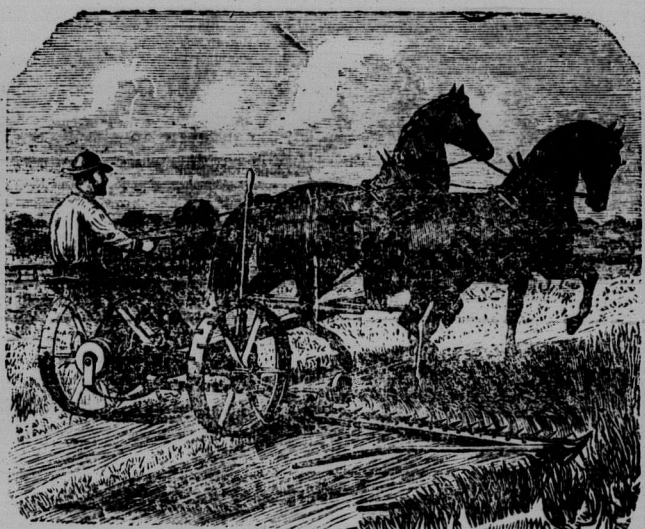
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SHERATON'S CARPET

Warehouses!

GERMAIN STREET,

New Market Hall,

ST. JOHN, N. B.

HAVE had a great run ever since the season opened. Here Mr. A. B. Sheraton has one of the finest warehouses in Canada, certainly the most spacious and convenient of any in the Maritime Provinces. The room is 80x50 feet, with a 12 ft. gallery all around, and is lighted by 50 large windows, forming a most cheerful, airy and pleasant place wherein to spend an hour in the deliberate performance of an important household duty at this season of the year—the study and selection of new carpet outfits. The stock of carpets here offered to intending purchasers is quite bewildering, as the variety of makes, patterns and styles, but while many may be in doubt as to the best selection to make where so many beautiful designs are offered in Brussels, Tapestry, Grosgrain's, etc., all well Scotch, Unions, etc., there is not the slightest doubt in regard to prices, which all agree in regarding as highly unprecedented in cheapness in this city. The hall and stair carpeting, the felt draughts and squares, the cocoa and manilla matting, the mats, rugs, and stair coverings, are presented in great variety, and which place first-class goods within the reach of all. There is also a great display of floor oil cloths, in all widths up to 20 ft. and of the latest designs in English and American goods; Curtains Materials in every variety and fashion; gilt and walnut Cornices and handsome gilt cornice Poles, as well as mattresses, pillows, bolsters and other necessary household articles. The establishment is complete in all its departments, and the rush of business which has rendered work necessary far into the night attests to the satisfaction which buyers have received at Mr. Sheraton's hands. Carpet cleaning, by steam, is also connected with this establishment; the charge is only four cents per yard. Mr. Sheraton has been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. J. W. Langley (formerly of Sheraton, Son and Skinner) as a competent workman, and in the labor of attending to customers, he has also the able assistance of Mr. Robert Thompson (from the same house)—both well known and highly respected in this line of business. Altogether, the new firm has made a most auspicious opening and anticipates a successful career by the patronage and practical favors of a host of friends. [June 21]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
Mount Allison... D. Allison & J. E. Inch.
Albert Railway... A. E. Killam.
Lime for sale... R. A. Ayer.
Molasses... Geo. S. DeForest.
Curtains... Geo. S. DeForest.
Factory Cheese... John Bell.
Auction Sale... Ames Patterson.
Grass at Auction... Edward Cogswell.
Auction sale... S. W. Palmer.
Sale of Grass... Thos. Pickard.
Card... W. H. Sinnott.
Customs Department... J. Johnson.

LANDS, &c. FOR SALE.

Sheraton's Sale—Postponed till 2nd Saturday in February.
Real Estate—R. W. Ogden; Private Sale.
Real Estate—T. K. Lowther; Private Sale.
Hotel—J. R. Lamy; Auction sale.
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Here and Hereabouts.

"CATTLE GUARD" declined.
Geo. E. Ford is offering FURNITURE very low.
Moxton is going to have a \$300 Brass Band.
Go to Geo. E. Ford's for your MACHINE OIL.
A superior article of FLOUR can be had at Geo. E. Ford's.
HONORABLE NEAL DOW lectures at Moncton on 8th September.
FISHERY REPORTS from Newfoundland and Labrador are favorable.
The Albert Railway will be opened to Hopewell about 1st prox.
Geo. E. Ford is selling all Summer Goods on hand at greatly reduced prices.
The crops in Botsford are all good excepting hay.—Diphtheria is dying out there.
A few WHEEL HAY RAKES and MOWING MACHINES can be had at a bargain at Geo. E. Ford's.
New CLOTHS, Tweed and Worsted Coatings, also, Fall Fashions, just received at Geo. E. Ford's.

CHIGNECTO HALL, for concerts and meetings and public gatherings of all kinds.
(1) BRAIN EXAMINATIONS.
GENTS and BOYS' STRAW and FELT HATS and LADIES' SUMMER HATS are selling at Geo. E. Ford's for less than cost prices.

S. H. & P. RAILWAY.—Deals are being forwarded by rail from Southampton, by S. H. & P. Railway, to Parrsboro'.
BENIGNO, the caricaturist of Grip, performs at Moncton on Saturday night. His show is better than Barnum's Circus.

FELL in a well at the Joggins Mines a day or two ago, a little girl belonging to Amos Brown. She was rescued by Mr. Barnhill.

NEW VESSEL.—Mr. D. R. Eaton is building a ship of 1600 tons at Eatonville, N. S.—W. H. Higgins is building a bark at Spencer's Island.

The EARL GRANVILLE, 1250 tons, the new ship built at Harvey, A. C. by Mr. Turner, was launched on Friday last. Her owners are Steeves Bros., St. John.

RELIGIOUS.—Services on Sabbath next (D. V.) by Rev. Wm. Clarke, at Cookville, at 10.30 a. m., Centreville, at 3 p. m., and at Anderson's at 6.30.

PRINTED COTTONS, SUMMER DRESS GOODS, Flowers, Plumes, Feathers, Summer Gowns, Hosiery, Ladies' Parasols and Umbrellas, Slippers, etc., etc., at greatly reduced prices, to clear, at Geo. E. Ford's.

ACCIDENT at MEMRAMOOC.—On Monday two men were badly injured in the ballast pit by an explosion of blasting powder. Their names were O'Brien and White, the latter lost his eye sight.

DIPHTHERIA.—The public will sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Robb, Dorchester, in their late affliction. Three years ago they lost two children. On Tuesday last they lost their only boy of diphtheria.

A MOWING MACHINE accident took place at Peacock Settlement, Pottford, some days ago. A young man named Peacock, while mowing, fell over the machine, the cutter of which went over him inflicting six wounds.

RELEASED.—Charles Nelles, who committed the murderous assault on Mr. Charles Hildon, was on Tuesday released on bail for \$800 and two others \$400 each, on the order of the Chief Justice. A burlesque on justice!

MECHANICS' DIVISION PICNIC takes place this afternoon on the Fairfield road. All good temperance people are invited to attend and bring their baskets with them well filled. There will be various games, races and sports.

FIRE.—A barn belonging to A. Barrett, Esq., with all its contents was burned at Harvey, A. C., on Sunday week. The loss is about \$400—uninsured. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

NEW TOMATOES.—Mr. S. Whiston has laid on our table a fine lot of ripe tomatoes grown in the open air. His garden, he says, is full of evidence as well of Mr. Whiston's skill as a gardener, as of the capabilities of our climate.

FIRE at PAINESE.—On Tuesday morning, a house at Cook's Brook, that had been the residence of some females of doubtful character, was burned. The inmates were absent, and under arrest for a charge of felonious assault made before Judge Gilbert.

THE ABIGAIL at the Harvey A. C. Bank Dyke gave way on Friday last and flooded the marsh. In addition to the cost of repairing the Abigail, which will be \$100 at least, the hay crop will be lost. This will, it is estimated, cost \$3,500.

SHIPPING ITEMS.—"Brigt," "Willie," arrived at Liverpool on 13th, 18 days from Canoe; (by Cable to Capt. Milner).—"Brigt," "Riberia," "Upland," sailed on 10th from Wood Point for Liverpool, deals from J. L. Black.

ARRIVED at Sackville on 14th, bright, Annie P. O'Neil—Baron "Mariner," Thurnmont, arrived at Sackville on 6th inst., to G. Kinnear, to load deals.—The scho. "Mary C." Stewart, arrived on 15th inst. to M. Wood & Sons, to load hay for Barbados.—Schr. "Adelaide," Chase, master, is loading grain at Rockport for London.

PARRSBO' ITEMS.—While Charles Robb was engaged in loading his pile at Fullerton's wharf, his axe glanced and inflicted a terrible gash on his right foot; he is recovering.

A siding is being constructed which will connect Vickery's wharf with the railway.—The *littoral* are agitating for a local paper and literary club. A number of ladies and gentlemen of Parrsboro' and vicinity picketed at Cape Blomidon on Saturday, 11th inst.—Several picnic excursions from the opposite side of the Basin have visited Parrsboro' and Partridge Island this season.

POUGHWASH ITEMS.—Landed from the shipyard of Mr. John Nicholson, on 9th inst., a fine schooner of 114 tons. She was built by Mr. Nicholson and is named "Silas H. Morse," and is classed eight years at American Lloyd's. She is owned by Messrs. Pickford & Black, Halifax, and Silas H. Morse, Esq., Fort Philip.—The brigantine "R. Burgess," 120 tons, McBride, from Greenock, arrived on 9th, and is now loading deals by J. W. King.—The barque "Aspotogan," Mackenzie, will sail to-day for Pictou, thence to Liverpool, G. B., with deals, from Black & Co.

NEW BUILDINGS.—Capt. John Parry has a cottage at Boultonhouse corner nearly completed. John Demings is erecting a cottage near Salem. Capt. E. D. Chase has also one under way in the same vicinity, as also Mr. Tobias Richardson and Mr. Amos Bulmer. Mr. John Ford has built one the back road. On the landing road, Jas. D. Dixon has a very neat residence in progress. Mr. John Bell has completed a large addition to his shop. The Colonial Foundry are erecting a large warehouse near the Station. Mr. H. Pihney is about erecting a large tin and stove shop at Boultonhouse corner. The new Temperance Hall, near J. L. Black, Esq.'s, is in a forward stage. Lower Sackville has, during the past two years, shown decided evidence of improvement.

LAUNCH AT ADVOCATE HARBOR.—On Thursday, 9th inst., a large number of people gathered at the shipyard Advocate, to witness the launch, and attend the tea meeting by the ladies of the Methodist Church; but to their great disappointment, they found that the launch—ways had been washed up by the tide of the previous night, and that the launch would not take place until next day. At 12 o'clock, Friday, a large party gathered in spite of the heavy rain, and saw the "Glasgow" start—genuinely one length of herself and stop. Cause—bad grease. Help was obtained from the Spencer Island ship carpenters and the vessel was made ready for launch. A large party, but tide and ways again rose together. A dry launch was then proposed. The ways were again laid, and after a great deal of pulling and straining the ship was successfully landed on the beach and floated with the next tide.—Com.

PIONEER DIVISION.—The following are the officers of Pioneer Division, No. 15, S. of T., Dorchester, for the current year: Rev. C. Combs, W. P.; Dr. A. Chandler, W. A.; Joshua Chandler, R. S.; S. Patterson, A. R.; S. E. V. Tait, F. S.; D. Chapman, T.; Rev. J. D. H. Brown, Chap.; A. McDowell, Com.; W. Weldon, A. C.; E. Knapp, I. S.; J. Sutherland, O. S.; Peter Landry, P. W. P.

Consistency.

To the Editor of Chignecto Post.
Sir,—Is it right and consistent for members of a Temperance organization to drink and get intoxicated while away from home, where they think they will not be found out? In my opinion it is very wrong, yet it is being done repeatedly in this place. There was a party left here the other day on a fishing excursion, composed largely of members of two Divisions of the Temperance Society. Instead of fishing they had a little drunken spree, and two worthy Patriarchs, one Past Worthy Patriarch, and at least one member, got intoxicated. If the leaders will do such things what can be expected of the followers? I would not mention this if it was the first time it had happened, but it is being carried on constantly. I think that this is a sad state of affairs, when men of good intellect and education, will stand up and pledge themselves before God and man not to touch, taste or handle, and use their influence against the traffic in liquor, and then, regardless of all this, drink whenever they are behind the door and there is no one to bring them to account. It is not right to expect that the father of a family, such as the Worthy Patriarch ought to be, is to not mention this if I have waited for years to see if some one else would not raise their voices against such hypocrisy, but, alas! there is not one.

WAB NEWS.

London, Aug. 13.—The Governor of Bulgaria has the Russians have burned a mosque wherein the inhabitants of Tiansi Keni had taken refuge, and they were burned alive.
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PROVINCIAL.

Hon. Peter Mitchell is at Newcastle.
Flour is steadily declining in price.
SHERIFF SCHOOL BOOKS have been sold at 50 at St. John.

A CATHOLIC CHAPEL, 60x35, is being erected at Black River, N. B.

St. John Schools re-opened on Monday.

THE GRINDSTONE BUSINESS is improving in the American markets.
A LIBERAL CONSERVATIVE COMMITTEE was formed at Charlottetown last week.

MR. W. ANSLOW, father of the Editor of the *Newcastle Advertiser*, is dead. Aged 85 years.

LEGION FOR ST. JOHN.—Four hundred tons of liquor were brought from England in the "Hibernian" for St. John.

J. S. CARVELL, Esq., was elected Mayor of Charlottetown on Tuesday last.

KILLED at Yarmouth on Tuesday, by the accidental discharge of a gun, Mr. Wm. E. Gardner.

The Normal School building, perhaps the handsomest building in the Province, was opened at Fredericton on Tuesday.

THE REEL of Trinity Church, St. John, was stolen on the night of the 10th, and a \$100 reward is offered for it.

MR. J. M. CONSTANT, of Turco, was the purchaser at auction of the *Times*, which is still conducted by Mr. Fisher.

The relief demands at St. John are gradually decreasing. The number of persons receiving provisions last week was 908.

FATAL FALL.—Ellis, eight years old, daughter of Wm. Moore, fell down stairs in a King st. building, St. John, on Saturday, receiving injuries from which she soon died.

ST. JOHN METHODIST CHURCHES.—Rev. D. D. Currie has visited Ontario and Quebec, and expects to raise \$25,000; and Rev. H. Sprague \$50,000 in England.

SHERIFF DEVEREUX died last week at Gagetown, aged 91. He came to this Province in 1783. His grand-father was a colonel in the Prince of Wales Volunteers in which his father was Lieutenant.

MR. W. H. DOWKIN, on 5th, one of the conductors on the I. C. R., at the risk of his own life, saved that of a traveler who was attempting to jump on board, but missed his hold of the rail.

KILLED BY A RAILWAY TRAIN.—As the night train from Halifax was passing about three miles east of Passesack, Sunday morning, engineers saw the body of a man lying across the track. The train was stopped, and it was found that the body had been cut in two, evidently having been run over by the night train eastward.

On reaching Hampton, a hand cart was sent back for the body.—It was a man named Condon.

DEATH FROM CHLOROPHORM.—On Monday night, Mr. W. H. Belcher, of Cornwallis, came to Halifax, bringing with him his daughter, who had an ailment in her head, which rendered it necessary that a surgical operation should be performed on her. Three doctors performed the operation. They considered it necessary that the child should be under the influence of chloroform, and accordingly administered it. The effect was such that the child died shortly afterwards.

The people of Yarmouth are making a "big push" in the interests of Total Abstinence. The Reform wave is rolling on and daily gaining in strength and magnitude. Nearly fifteen hundred have already signed the pledge, and 100 or 200 are added at every meeting. All classes are awakened, and rich and poor are working shoulder to shoulder in the cause of Temperance. Nothing like it was ever known there before.

A fortnight ago, a man at Cape Island, Shelburne County, being troubled with a slight headache, applied to a certain kind of "drops" sold as a remedy for it. He was immediately seized with violent pains, accompanied with insatiable thirst. The symptoms were declared to be extraordinary, and medical skill was of no avail. He continued to drink large quantities of water—about four gallons per day—and died within a week from the time of taking the "toothache medicine."—*Chronicle*.

SCOUNDRELISM.—Last week a sub-contractor of Eastern Extension at the Lower South River, named Alex. McNeil, being sued for wages due railway laborers, gave some \$800 to an assistant, a scoundrel named Curry, who immediately decamped to parts unknown, leaving the poor laborers with little or no prospect of ever getting anything for their hard work. McNeil has been very properly lodged in jail, where he is very likely to remain for some time, and be debarré of the opportunity of joining Curry. Two other Subs, Mr. Blake and P. McNeil, engaged at James River and Bailey's Brook, have also absconded, leaving several large bills unpaid. So far Eastern Extension is not proving a boon to the country.—*Antigonish Courier*.

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A GENERAL MASSACRE OF CHRISTIANS in Bulgaria.—WHOLE VILLAGES DESTROYED.
London, Aug. 14.—The News correspondent says he received the following from fugitives.—The day the Russians evacuated Esaki Saghra the Turks ordered all Christians—men, women and children—to be shot as they left their houses. Those who remained within were burned alive.—An order was given to burn down and destroy every particle of Christian property in the place. Many leading merchants took part in the affair. A large number of Bash-Bazouks, Bulgarians and Turkish districts called Soudoules and Zaroachal, the enemy destroyed everything in their retreat—houses, plantations and farms—leaving the population in most dreadful destitution, without food or shelter.

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From the Boston "Evening Traveller".
It is, perhaps, but a simple act of justice to say that the proprietors of *WATER'S BALSAEM OF WILD CHERRY* for us to say that our personal experience in the use of this article has impressed us favorably. One of the proprietors of the *Traveller* was entirely cured of a severe cough of four months' continuance by the use of this Balsam, and several of our friends and acquaintances, who have tried the article, have found it of great service in relieving them of severe coughs and shortness of breath, with which they have been afflicted. 50 cents and \$1 a bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Twenty years experience in using Bryan's Pulmonic Vafers have proved them to be the most effective remedy for coughs, and irritation of the throat, caused by cold, or unusual exertion (giving vocal organs), public speakers and singers will find them most beneficial. The entire freedom from all deleterious ingredients renders Bryan's Pulmonic Vafers, or Cough and Voice Lozengers, a safe remedy for the most delicate person, and has caused them to be held in high esteem by all who have used them. Sold by all medicine dealers at 25c. per box.

Our personal appearance is a matter in which our friends and acquaintances have a right to a choice whether we shall flatter upon an exterior adorned for and attractive, a countenance marked by a neglected grizzled brow, or a crown of greyness, half covered with white hair, or whether we shall in deference to our fellows, pay due regard to our own person, and make the presentable and acceptable in society. There are many helps for those who desire to do this, and there are none among them so useful and acceptable as *Dr. Williams' Pink Pills*. Sold by all medicine dealers at 25c. per box.

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What they say of it! A few facts for the people.—There are but few preparations of medicine which have withstood the impartial judgment of the people for any great length of time. Of these is Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Read the following and be convinced.—Thos. Jackson, Farmington, Centre, P. Q., writes: "I have been afflicted with rheumatism for the last ten years, and have tried many remedies without any relief, until I tried Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, and since then have had no attack of it. I would recommend it to all. J. H. Earl, Hotel Keeper, West St. Alfred, P. Q., writes: "I have been troubled with liver complaint for several years, and have tried different medicines with little or no benefit, until I tried Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, which gave me immediate relief, and I would say that I have used it since with the best effect. No one should be without it. I have tried it on my horses in cases of cuts, wounds, etc., and think it is equally as good for horses as for man."—A. Maybee, merchant, Warkworth, writes: "I have sold some bottles of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for a long time, and have never found a single person who has not benefited by its use. It is the best medicine they have ever used; it has done wonders in healing and relieving from every ailment. It is worthy of the greatest commendation."—Joseph R. Thompson, Township Writer, writes: "I was persuaded to try Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for a lame knee which troubled me for three or four years, and I never found a more efficacious remedy. It is a great help in any ailment, and is worthy of the greatest commendation."—Joseph R. Thompson, Township Writer, writes: "I was persuaded to try Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for a lame knee which troubled me for three or four years, and I never found a more efficacious remedy. It is a great help in any ailment, and is worthy of the greatest commendation."—Joseph R. 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Per sch. "G. P. Moran," from Boston—

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We have several qualities and patterns in China and Stone Tea Sets, striped with colors and gold; also, Chamber Sets striped with colors and gold.

NOTICE.

WE would inform the residents of Dorchester and vicinity, that we have commenced the

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in the building lately occupied by William Wilton, near the Post Office.

Having had considerable experience, we respectfully solicit patronage, and will endeavour to give satisfaction to those who employ us.

H. L. CARTER,

Dorchester, June 14, 1877.

Parks' Cotton Yarns.

AWARDED the only medal for COTTON YARN of Canadian manufacture, at the

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Nos. 5's to 10's.

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Leather entirely, close up his Retail business, and give his undivided attention to the manufacture of those articles which, in future, he will sell at Wholesale only.

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is hereby given, that all ACCOUNTS due him in connection with the Retail trade, must be paid before the 1st day of June, or they will be placed in other hands for collection.

JAMES R. AYER,

Sackville, May 1st, 1877. (may 2)

Farm for Sale.

A PART of the FORT MONROE FARM, consisting of 150 Acres, with Docks, 100 Acres, more or less; also, 6 Acres of MAINTAINING 6 Acres of INTERAL, more or less. It is not disposed of before TUESDAY, the 11th day of September next, it will be offered at Public Auction, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

Terms of Sale: One-quarter on sale; the balance in six months.

For further particulars apply to JASON SULLIVAN, at Fort Monro, or to the subscriber at Sackville.

E. W. OGDEN,

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French oil, color, even, for \$1.00. They are mounted 8 x 10 black enamel and 10 x 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100, 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176, 178, 180, 182, 184, 186, 188, 190, 192, 194, 196, 198, 200, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 248, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 262, 264, 266, 268, 270, 272, 274, 276, 278, 280, 282, 284, 286, 288, 290, 292, 294, 296, 298, 300, 302, 304, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 338, 340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350, 352, 354, 356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370, 372, 374, 376, 378, 380, 382, 384, 386, 388, 390, 392, 394, 396, 398, 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 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