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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 1904.

Flushed with victory from their last match game of volleyball with the young men, one of the business men of the town wonders if "the boys" will challenge them to a game of marbles.

If there is any one here thinking of applying for the position of Provincial Good Roads Instructor, he might demonstrate his fitness for the office by giving a course of lectures on how to permanently improve the streets of Bridgetown. He should speak out at once, so that the information may be available for the proper outlay of next season's work.

Another United States city has been visited by the dreaded scourge of fire and the loss is calculated at above one hundred million dollars. There is this time, however, a silver lining to the cloud, for not one life so far as is known, was lost in the great conflagration. The fire was principally in the business part of the city, and consequently few people are rendered homeless. It is no doubt a terrible occurrence, but the story betrays a feeling of thankfulness that it is not accompanied by the usual details of death and misery.

In a recent issue, the Saturday News, the organ of the good roads movement, congratulates itself on having outlived the year of its infancy. In extending our congratulations to the News as a vigorous youngster from its first appearance, and not only has it given evidence of growth and development for the past year, but also gives the promise of a better year ahead. It's calendar is already marked for a special number for each month of 1904. For the sake of the cause of which it is the special advocate, we wish this bright little journal a prosperous existence.

The membership of the Town Council is not large enough to make room for all the good men, and true, who would like to do something for the advancement and prosperity of Bridgetown. There is, however, ample scope for their efforts in an active board of trade. This is an institution that should be kept alive if only as a school for good citizenship. It is possible for many of us to lose sight of what is going on around us by interest in our personal affairs alone. The discussion of the needs and possibilities of the town and country around us must develop many ideas and suggestions that will lead to improvement.

We referred briefly last week to the use of the fire drill in our public schools. Here is a brief item hearing on the case in point: "The utility of the fire drill in the Toronto public schools was again shown in a fire at Joseph school in the west end, which caused \$15,000 loss. It started just after eleven o'clock in the basement and was soon noticed. The teacher in charge immediately ordered the children to put on their outer clothing. This was quickly done, the fire going rang and all the children, as though practising, walked quietly out of the school. The interior was soon fire and "was badly gutted."

In reference to the case of Mr. Wang, charged in the St. John police court with fraudulently marking apples, the Spectator explains that the defendant was advised by the prosecuting inspector to plead guilty and be let off easily. He acted on this advice, listened to the charge against him, acknowledged the guilt, paid the trifling fine imposed and shook the dust of St. John city off his feet. Such being the statement of facts, there does not seem to be very much in the case to entitle it to further notice. Mr. Wang's letter to the Monitor was too lengthy for the space at our disposal, and we gave the facts it contained in fewer words. We note that the Spectator has taken the same liberty with his last letter.

The slowness with which good and apparently necessary measures are enacted by our legislative bodies is sometimes a mystery to those conversed in the many opposing factors in even small legislative bodies. The attempt of the lumbermen of Western Nova Scotia and others to introduce a measure for the protection of our valuable forests from fire should meet the unanimous support of every member of the Legislature, and means should be found from some source to make it effective. If the bill presented was defective in this respect, there is surely brains enough in the House of Assembly to remedy the defect. Why, again, should a few "ifs" and "ands" stand in the way of the appointment of a good man to superintend and promote the necessary reform in our methods of road repair and construction. The people are trying to get out of the rut, but those who should lead are evidently inclined to be the last out.

The war situation in the far east has taken a decided turn, and a state of war between Russia and Japan now actually exists. The ambassadors of each nation have been summoned home, and warlike acts on the part of the opposing forces are already reported. It is probable that definite news will come slowly, as Russia and Japan control over a thousand miles of the cable lines, and it is expected that a strict censorship will be observed. It is also unlikely that any decisive engagements will be fought for some weeks, as the season will tend largely to keep the movements of the forces in check. Russia's plan of campaign, it is thought, will be for the present purely defensive. Though Japan finally took the initiative in bringing on the war, it is generally felt that she could afford to delay no longer in justice to herself, and she will no doubt be supported by the moral sympathy of most of the other nations. So far as is known at present this is all the support she is likely to receive, as the other nations are likely to preserve a strict neutrality.

Local and Special News

Milk cow for sale. Apply to R. J. Mosinger.

Mrs. James Primrose gave a white party last Friday night, at which about thirty young people were present.

Dexter Langford, of Weymouth, was killed last Thursday night at Fourth Lake by a falling tree. The accident occurred near Mr. McNeil's camp.

A ladies' afternoon whist club has been formed which meets weekly in addition to the regular whist club which has been a social institution here for a number of years.

Fulton Oakes, son of Henry Oakes of Weymouth, was accidentally killed last Friday, being struck by a sleigh attached to a runaway horse.

The new Town Council met Monday evening and held a brief session. The Board of School Commissioners were appointed, with Dr. Jost as chairman. On account of an engagement of some of the members, the Council then adjourned.

Mrs. Egan, wife of Rev. J. T. Eaton, died at her home in Weymouth last Friday morning, aged 33 years. She was formerly a Miss DeWolfe, of Kenville and had spent many years in India as a missionary. She leaves a husband, but no family.

A hockey match was played between Yarmouth and Canning at the former town last Wednesday evening, in which the home team was victorious by a score of 4 to 1. Notwithstanding the splendid hockey weather, not much attention has been bestowed on the game in Western Nova Scotia this season.

The continued severity of the weather has already made a record that surpasses anything within the memory of the oldest citizen, and has already exploded the theory that we are gradually growing into a milder climate. A steady cold winter is generally regarded as best for the country, but the present season has passed the point of convenience.

A couple of the young men of the town enjoyed an unaccompanied constitutional on a cold afternoon last week. They boarded the Yarmouth express to ride from the station to the water tank. The train, however, failed to stop till it reached Paradise, where they bravely footed the five miles back in the midst of a driving snow storm.

Cape Breton is contributing its full quota of prisoners to the provincial prison at Dorchester. An exchange says: "The Sydney, C. B., prisoners who were found guilty on different charges before the supreme court last week, received sentence on Saturday morning just before the court adjourned. Five of them were given terms in the penitentiary at Dorchester, while one was sent to jail for 30 days."

The St. John Telegraph of the 3rd says: "Avard Ankerson, formerly of the police force in this city, is present at the head of the Timber Estate Company, a large lumbering concern at Gumbo, N. S. Recently he severely injured his hand, but the wound is healing, so far the winter has been open where the lumber company is operating. Game is very plentiful."

Considerable interest is being taken in the coming horse race on Daley's Lake, Digby, which will take place on Saturday morning. The young man who is to start, Mr. H. B. (Chandler), secretary of the Gardemore's Driving Club, has received the following entries: Milnesford Maid, Capt. L. D. Morton, of Digby; Frisco, Dr. E. E. Rice, of Sandy Cove; Gypsy Wilkes, H. E. Edes, of Lawrenceton; Happy Girl, W. H. Eldridge, of Sandy Cove.

The little five-year-old son of C. Herbert Colwell, who resides at the corner of Main and Robin Sts., Halifax, was burned to death at his father's home, Friday morning. The little fellow, who was in his night dress, was standing before the fire in the dining room, through which a strong current of air was blowing. The curtain swung the child's dress into contact with the burning coals, and in an instant he was developed in flames. His father succeeded in quenching the flame by wrapping him in a sheet, but he was burned so badly that he died the same day.

Attorney-General Longley introduced in the House of Assembly yesterday a bill for the protection of forests from fire. The bill makes more stringent the provisions of the existing law on this subject, but its main feature is a provision for the appointment of a Chief Forest Ranger for each county of the province. The Chief Ranger will be appointed by the Governor-in-Council at a fixed salary, but in addition he will receive special sums when patrolling, those sums to be assessed by the Municipality on the owner of each lot of unenclosed forest land of 1000 acres or upward. The Chief Ranger will also have power to appoint deputy rangers.

Among the victims of the accident on the I. C. R. at Millford last week, were Mrs. A. B. Vance and Mrs. A. F. Vance, the mother and grandmother of Mrs. S. C. Hall of Lawrenceton. Mrs. A. B. Vance was seriously injured and is only now considered out of danger. The old lady was more fortunate and has so far recovered as to be able to be removed to her home this week. Mr. Hall visited the scene of the wreck, and states that the cars were badly demolished, that they were burned on the scene of the wreck, with the exception of the pullman and first-class coach. Mrs. Hall is attending her mother and is much relieved now that the danger period has passed.

Annual Meeting of the 69th Battalion The annual meeting of the officers of the 69th Regiment took place at the Oddfellows Hall here, on Thursday the 4th inst. There were present Lieut-Col. Schaefer, Major LeMay, Capt. Riley, Purdy, Bastin, Whitman, F. Moore, P. Bishop, Lieut. Miller and Adj. Moore. In the course of his address, the Col. advised the adoption of a new style of belt and forage cap. The meeting by vote adopted the San Brown belt and the new naval service style of forage cap. The reports of the officers of the company showed the finances of the regiment to be in a satisfactory condition, and committees were appointed for the ensuing year.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

A. W. Kinney returned from Yarmouth on Saturday.

O. S. Miller, Esq., is attending court in Digby this week.

Mr. A. E. Sullivan, of Halifax, is renewing old acquaintances here this week.

Miss Wanda Hoy returned on Saturday from a visit in Newcastle and St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. Washington Chesley go today on a lengthy visit to friends in the United States.

Miss Leta Brown has returned from a visit of several weeks with her friend, Mrs. MacNutt, in Sydney.

Miss Grace LeCain of Round Hill, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. (Dr.) Primmer for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Boardman, of New York, while attending the Y. M. C. A. convention here, were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Armstrong.

Miss M. K. Doyle, of New York, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. C. A. Butler, for the past two weeks, returned to her home on Saturday.

Miss Adrah Caboun went to Digby on Monday to act as official stenographer of the County Court, which sits here this week. She was accompanied by her mother.

On Monday, Rev. W. L. and Mrs. Archibald of Lawrenceton, were at home to Rev. E. E. Rice and Mrs. Saunders of Paradise, Rev. A. J. and Mrs. Huntley of Kingston, and Mr. Travis of Acadia College. This was the first of a contemplated series of similar gatherings of the Baptist clergymen of the eastern part of Annapolis county.—Outlook.

OBITUARY.

THOS. S. WHITMAN.

The death of Thos. S. Whitman at his home at Annapolis Royal, on Friday, Feb. 5th, removes from the county one of the most disinterested and public-spirited men. For many years past his hands have been a vital factor in the affairs of Annapolis and vicinity. By his ever-ready purse and prompt cash payments he has given a tone to the lumber trade here at all seasons when the local buyers might have taken advantage of the small manufacturer. His interest in the independent shipment of apples has had an important effect not only on local conditions but also on the great carrying lines in the trade. His name is not unknown to the fisherman, and the success of his fish enterprise, one of the things of which Annapolis may boast in recent years.

Mr. Whitman had reached the age of 73 years. He was a native of Halifax, and is closely related to the Whitmans of Canada, who are quoted as authority on all that pertains to the fish industry in Nova Scotia. His mother was a Miss Spurr of Round Hill. He engaged in business in Annapolis first about 36 years ago, and became first manager of a branch of the Union Bank of Halifax there, the first banking institution to be established in Western Nova Scotia. Later he was identified with the Bank of Nova Scotia, and at that season when the local buyers might have taken advantage of the small manufacturer, his interest in the independent shipment of apples has had an important effect not only on local conditions but also on the great carrying lines in the trade. His name is not unknown to the fisherman, and the success of his fish enterprise, one of the things of which Annapolis may boast in recent years.

He married Miss Tolson of Annapolis, who with his family has survived him. He has also one sister living, Mrs. Twining of Halifax. His wife was Frank G. Moore, of the Annapolis Board of Trade, S. Dwight of Tacoma, Victor of San Francisco, Arthur Boardman of Halifax, John Boardman of Annapolis, and Louis, chief engineer of the Annapolis. The funeral took place on Tuesday, services being conducted by Rev. H. H. H. Deputy, of St. Luke's, the interment being at Lequid.

MRS. JOSEPH E. MOORE.

Mrs. Moore, widow of the late Joseph E. Moore, died at her home, West Paradise, on Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, after a long illness of less than three months. She was before her marriage a Miss Mary of Brooklyn, New York. She leaves two sons, Messrs. Charles and Stanley Moore. Deceased was 68 years of age.

JOHN FORRESTAL.

The death of John Forrestal, more familiarly known as "Tiney" at his father's home near Lawrenceton, on Thursday, the 4th inst., was a sad and timely loss to the community. The man had been around the streets and stores of Lawrenceton on Tuesday, and was taken to his room on Wednesday, after much suffering. He was the youngest son of Patrick Forrestal and was about 24 years of age. He is highly spoken of by those who knew him, for his good nature and deportment. He leaves, besides his parents, a brother and two sisters to mourn their loss.

The Y. M. C. A. Convention.

Owing to the severe weather the attendance at the Y. M. C. A. County Convention held here Friday, Saturday and Sunday, was small. The programme was of a high order; Mr. J. H. Boardman of New York, who is an able speaker, presented the different phases of county work in a very convincing manner, showing the great need and value of Y. M. C. A. work as adapted to towns and villages.

Mr. W. L. Green, of Dalhousie, spoke of the way in which the college Y. M. C. A. had revolutionized the moral and religious life in the colleges, and crossed the interest of the student body in the spread of the gospel in foreign lands through the student volunteer movement.

Rev. B. O. Armstrong was unable to be present, but sent an excellent paper on Bible Study, which was read.

Mr. Fraser J. MacKintosh, Maritime Secretary, gave an able address on the importance of the boys' work of the Y. M. C. A. of Annapolis County, and Mr. Boardman declared it to be the ablest presentation of that work that he had ever heard of. Marshall also gave a very clearly first principles of Y. M. C. A. work, to which the associations have already held true.

A paper by J. W. Whitman, another of the Y. M. C. A. speakers, was read by M. E. Armstrong, showing the duties and opportunities of a corresponding member.

In the Saturday afternoon session a motion was passed to authorize the Maritime committee to select and appoint fifteen men throughout Annapolis county, to be known as District Foresters, to be known as District Foresters, to be known as District Foresters. Mr. Fraser J. MacKintosh addressed the meeting, and the new naval service style of forage cap. The reports of the officers of the company showed the finances of the regiment to be in a satisfactory condition, and committees were appointed for the ensuing year.

Bridgetown High School.

Below are given the results of the examinations for January. The values are based on 100. A cypher indicates that the pupil was present, but handed in no paper; a blank that the pupil was absent. There is also added the number of times a pupil was tardy during the month.

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Basket Ball and Volley Ball.

In the Basket Ball game last Wednesday night between the "Tartars" and "Mechanics," everyone anticipated a close game, but the Tartars proved easy victors, winning by a score of 19-6. The Mechanics have strong individual players, but they have not yet succeeded in developing good team work.

In the Volley Ball match for the championship between the business men and young men, the young men simply were not in it with their older opponents. The business men won by a score of 15-3.

There will be two interesting games of Basket Ball to-night. "The Tartars" and the "Clerks" vs "Bankers." Neither the Bankers or the Clerks have yet lost a game, so the result is looked for with interest. The Tartars and Bankers are also expected to be evenly matched.

You can fool some people all the time, You can fool all the people some-times, But you cannot fool all the people all the time!"

Call on SANCTON and see his \$3.00 gold-filled glasses, and stop fooling with pedlars that sell you any Old Trach.

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- 3 Men's Overcoats, reduced to \$3.50
3 Men's Reefers, reduced to \$3.00
1 Men's Reefer, from \$6.00 to \$4.50
3 Men's Ulsters, reduced to \$3.50
3 Boys' Ulsters, reduced to 2.75
1 Boy's Ulster, reduced to 2.50

R. SHIPLEY. JOSEPH I. FOSTER.

Let Nothing Prevent YOU COMING

to this store when you are in quest of Groceries of the better sort. Your money will go as far here as anywhere for the same class of goods, and prompt and courteous attention to your orders characterizes our entire service. It will benefit you in many ways to deal with us, as one buying will probably show.

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Heavy Colored Dress Goods, Ladies' and Children's Underwear (Vests, Drawers and Combination Suits), Wool and Cashmere Hose and Gloves, Knitted Goods, Fancy Flannelettes, Flannelette Underwear, Ladies' Umbrellas, Ladies' Fur Ruffs, Collars, Muffs, Children's Fur Collars, Ruffs and Sets, Fur-lined Capes, Quilts and Wool Blankets, Walking Skirts, Men's Cardigans and two best grades Winter Underwear, Men's Fur Coats, and Robes.

30 per cent Discount. Ladies' Wrappers, Blouses and Whitewear, Ladies' Dogskin Jackets, Men's Dogskin Jackets, Men's and Boys' Underwear, Sweaters, Gloves, Men's and Boys' Winter Caps, Children's Suits ages 4 to 13.

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C. L. PIGGOTT. FRUIT AND CONFECTIONERY. Arriving this week, a large stock of carefully selected Confectionery of the best Canadian manufacture, complete in variety and choice in quality. Try our 40c. Chocolates.

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Men's Baginettes, regular price \$10.00, going now at \$7.25. Men's Suits in Navy and in Tweeds, from \$22.75 to \$7.00. Boys' Suits, from \$5 to 12 years of age, from \$1.50 to \$2.75. Boy's Suits, sizes 30 to 35, \$2.50 to \$3.75. Men's Pants from \$5 to \$2.00, in Oxford and in Serge. A special sale of Men's Woolen Fleece Underwear from \$5 to \$2.00, the best that can be got. Look for the Sign. COHEN BROS. BRIDGETOWN AND WINDSOR.



NEWS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY.

PARADISE.

A pie social was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. This Proceeds for missionary purposes. Pastor Saunders is holding special services in Clarence. Rev. E. E. Dalgry, of Bridgetown, delivered his scholarly lecture "The World in Abraham's Day," before the Literary Society, in Longley's hall, on the 21st ult.

BEAR RIVER.

(Telephone, Feb. 5th.) —Mrs. Frances Riddan, of Annapolis Royal, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Rice this week. —Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Rice entertained a large party of their friends at what Tuesday evening. —A party of Masons from Keith Lodge attended the opening of the new Masonic Hall of King Solomon Lodge at Digby Tuesday evening.

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Rural Interests in the Empire.

By JAMES RUPPER ELLIOT.

PART I.

It seems unaccountable that the statements of any country should ignore the claims of agriculture. They undertake to make sweeping changes in fiscal policies which must materially affect the economic position of this chief and best of all the great divisions of labor. Bringing the agricultural industry into its proper position, through a fiscal policy which must be far-reaching in its effects, agriculture is in its best case, as it is elsewhere, the dominating industry. Yet, even here in the heart of the Empire, where thought along these lines should be mature and correct, and where a great proposed change of fiscal policy must be made, the agricultural industry is not even mentioned in the party program, one which the party beyond the seas will finally accept in some way as may be thought to advance their interests.

The Ballour scheme, soon to be under debate in parliament, would make the farmer's burden greater by taxing the articles of his consumption, and by denying him a chance of increasing the price of the demand for his produce. And while it is fashionable to condemn here now for all parties to express intense desire for the more closely knitting of the Empire together, with many of these, as we see, their political objects are not so much bettering, or indeed as to all regarding the good of the mother country and her colonies, the former being quite 10 per cent. of the population, and the latter 90 per cent. to say nothing of their opposition to the appeals of other classes of labor which it is claimed is suffering.

At the present moment the farmers of Great Britain are so handicapped by the tyranny of her railway companies that excessive freights alone which they are called upon to pay, the profits of their industry in many instances are reduced to the mere shadow. It is claimed that the cost of a ton of meat from Chicago upon the London market than from any of the Midland countries. This oppression (it is nothing less) is a measure of the cost of the exporting colonies, but it is also a decided boon to all foreign countries that are now crowding their food productions into the competitive market of Great Britain. The landholder who in many cases is an owner of railway stocks, makes no protest against this great injustice to the agricultural interests. Let his stocks be reduced to the level of the small, it is the dependent farmer of small means who feel the pinch the most keenly, as they do in the matter of local taxes, etc. Herein lie many of the difficulties which widen the gulf between the rich and the poor, the great and the small, of the same class of producers.

Recently, here in London, a gentleman in a lecture upon the work of Richard Cobden, expressed unreserved opposition to the Chamberlain movement for a protection tariff as an agitation designed to aid especially the rich landed class; but finally came to the conclusion that if the lands of the kingdom became once the possession of a socialist, then he would favor protection for agriculture. To him, protection was bad under any other condition of property ownership than that which would be neither just, elevating or ennobling. He would not multiply evils. If a fiscal system is not applicable to a condition of individual ownership and management then it should not be followed at all.

There is little said here of any protection that might be given to food products other than to corn or wheat, and sugar. It seems none too soon for the farmers in both the old country and the new, to have it understood that they expect it to extend to fruit, cattle, poultry, canned goods, butter, cheese, hay, and other articles subsidiary to agriculture. Whatever our preconceived notions, we are obliged, sooner or later, to arrive at the conclusion that the laissez-faire theory is wrong in assuming that at no time the varied interests of a nation, and particularly of an outstretching empire comprising a world, requires no varied treatment, and the patent system carried to excess, as it is likely to be, unless strictly held in check, menace power and destroy the individual. This is a time when in behalf of the consolidation of empire, and fairness to the producer within, because of the ungenerous treatment of the nation without, a protective device is a necessity.

London, Dec. 22nd, 1903. —(To be continued.) —Misard's (Limousin) curé distemper, Box 411. —Yarmouth, N. S.

This Week We placed orders for a CAR OF FURNITURE.

Now, to make room for these goods we will give you reduced prices on anything in our store.

We have three Sideboards and 3 Bedroom Suits which we have marked exceptionally low for cash as we are duplicating same.

If you are unable to call personally, write us and we will submit you photos and prices of those goods.

J. H. Hicks & Sons. Queen St. Bridgetown, N. S.

VICTORY FOR JAPAN.

The first blow in the Russian-Japanese war was struck on Monday by the Japanese attacking the Russian fleet at Port Arthur. Two Russian battleships and an armored cruiser were disabled and beached, and 12 men killed and 41 wounded. The results of the war will be of great importance.

FOR SALE

A Munford Shingle Machine in good repair. Apply to W. H. RICE, Bear River, Nov. 29-30.

SPECIALTIES THIS WEEK

AT THE Central Book Store "The Delineator," "Belcher's Almanac."

B. J. ELDERKIN

INSURANCE that's made in Canada is the kind that's offered by THE NATURAL LIFE OF CANADA.

MARRIED.

Charles L. Lanthorn, of the Bridgetown, N. S., and Miss E. E. Dalgry, of Annapolis Royal, N. S., were united in holy matrimony on Monday evening, Jan. 25th, 1904, by Rev. E. E. Dalgry.

DIED.

WELLING—At Annapolis, Feb. 2nd, 1904, Miss Edna Marshall, daughter of Dr. M. F. Marshall, of Annapolis Royal, N. S., aged 25 years.

NOTICE!

Using in various circumstances, I will have to remain at my quarters for a short time longer, particularly on Wednesdays, and on Saturdays, and on Sundays, if necessary. GEORGE S. DAVIES.

NOTICE

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Correspondence, Suggestions and Inquiries welcomed to these columns.

The N. S. Farmers' Parliament at Truro.

Truro, Feb. 2.—The members of the Nova Scotia Farmers' Association assembled in the commodious and comfortable hall of the Bannockburn Temperance Society at half-past ten o'clock this morning. Quite a large number of farmers and others interested in agriculture were present, in addition to the delegates whose names and addresses are given below. Present: S. J. Moore, of Shelburne, president; Secretary R. B. Bryan, of Danham, was in his place. The chairman, before opening the Convention, invited Mr. B. W. Chipman, Secretary for Agriculture, to sit at the platform. He then briefly referred to the auspicious nature of the surroundings, which the delegates presided themselves to be envied. The number in attendance was beyond his most sanguine expectations, and seemed well fitted for the revival of interest in scientific agriculture and stock raising.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

President Moore then made the following official address: Members of the Nova Scotia Farmers' Association: Greeting!

It is my good fortune to have the pleasure of extending to you all a hearty welcome to the annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Farmers' Association. In looking over the meetings and the events of the past eight years we cannot but be proud of our organization has not had its inception in vain.

While not directly responsible for all yet we feel it has had an intimate connection with every forward movement in agricultural progress, from the establishing of a Provincial Exhibition in our capital city, Halifax, to the founding of an agricultural college in the centre of our province, Truro.

READY TO ASSIST.

It has always seemed to my mind that our government, both local and Dominion, in the past fifteen years have been more ready to help us than we have been to take advantage of such help or to help ourselves. Ever since the establishment of the Provincial Farm at Truro, and also the Experimental Farm at Nappan, there has been yearly some money lent toward the bettering of the condition of the Nova Scotia farmer. Nor do I believe these efforts on the part of the government have been unappreciated.

Through the untiring efforts of our Secretary for Agriculture, R. B. Bryan, Chipman, ably assisted by the veteran agricultural worker, C. L. William Blair, our agricultural workers have more than doubled in numbers and membership. Now if this means anything it means increased interest and improvement in the live stock of the province, and this means much to a province like ours, which is especially dependent on the growing and production of live stock; and that the live stock should be of the best in order that such farm products may be put on the market at a profit.

In this connection we cannot but make a comparison between our average and our best as shown by such object lessons as were at the Maritime Winter Fair at Annapolis. The average Nova Scotia steer at four and a half years old will dress from five to seven hundred pounds of sometimes very inferior beef. Our best steers at the fair at two and a half years will dress from eight to ten hundred pounds of number one meat. The average dairy cow of the province yields less than two thousand pounds of milk per year, while he will live and will feed three times as much as six to eight thousand pounds per year. Now I think it would take very little to convince us which is the more profitable machine to use in converting the rough products of our farm into a marketable article.

COUNTY ASSOCIATIONS.

You will be pleased to note your committee appointed to form a Farmers' Association have been successful in securing such legislation as enabled us to institute a county association in every county in the province. This was chiefly done through the efforts of our able and efficient secretary, Mr. C. K. Bryan, assisted by Mr. Duncan Anderson, from the east of Mr. F. W. Hobson, from the west. I think all of you who heard him will agree that Mr. Anderson is one of the best of the most good men sent from any quarter. And now, gentlemen, members and delegates from all parts of the province, it rests with you to keep this good work alive.

It must be a source of gratification to you all to see the movement made by our government in the establishment of an up-to-date institution for the education of the coming Nova Scotia farmer, now thought quite essential. We believe that will tend to more intelligent application of our labor in our work. Life—the art of mystery. What is it? Where is it? Get any. Yes, it is brought to you in contact with this great mystery than the farmer whose daily study is the living plant and the living animals. Will any one venture to say he is not a student?

A POPULAR MOVE.

You will also be pleased to note the means provided for the education of those of us who may be past the age for school and college and who are actively engaged in agricultural pursuits. In short, courses in animal husbandry in the new live stock pavilion in connection with the Agricultural College. This has been one of the most popular moves in connection with the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph and bids fair to become equally as popular in this province, and I am pleased to announce that we have been able to arrange so that all attending this annual convention will have an

Granting a Favor.

The science of trust kindness like in the grace with which it is performed. Some men seem to discount all gratitude, almost make it impossible, by the way in which they grant favors. They make you feel so small, so mean, so inferior, your cheeks burn with indignation in the acceptance of the boon you seek at their hands. You feel it is like a bomb thrown at a dog in the road of the quiet, sympathetic gracefulness that forestalls your explanations and waives your thanks with a smile, the pleasure of one friend who is as a favor to another. The man who makes another feel like an insect receiving a favor has no right to expect future gratitude. He should feel satisfied if he receives forgiveness.

THE TRAVELLING DAIRY.

The travelling dairy, the capacity of which our government has seen fit to double during the past season, has been a continued success, growing more popular every year, and we would venture to hope the government would continue the good work in the coming season.

The season just past, though peculiar and in some respects a trying one, has not been an altogether unprofitable one for the average farmer. Hay—our principal crop, although below the average, was not a failure in any section, and oats in particular were away above the average in both quantity and quality, roots were good, potatoes extra, and apples both in quantity, quality and price, and in fact, there have been some things which it has been anything but a lean year for the average Nova Scotia farmer.

Again I would extend to you a hearty welcome to all present among whom I believe all other well friendly faces, as well as new and would express the wish that we may have a most pleasant, profitable and harmonious series of meetings.

The President's address was received with much applause, and on motion was adopted unanimously.

SECRETARY CHIPMAN SPEAKS.

Mr. B. W. Chipman then addressed the company, which at this time had increased so as to fill the two hundred seats provided on the floor, many of the Truro people taking the opportunity of listening with the greatest interest. Mr. Chipman expressed himself as delighted with the fine attendance and abundant interest taken in the work. He encouraged the farmers to go on. They were making their mark in Nova Scotia, and if government were made, as the Nova Scotia government had been made, by the persuasive eloquence of the comparatively small number of highly educated farmers to see the interest of the country to increase that number until they men and men skilled in other directions, they would make such a mark in the history of the progress of Nova Scotia that would not be effaced.

Prof. Sears, of the Nova Scotia Horticultural School, Wolfville, was called on to read a paper, entitled "How to Make Farm Hens Fat." Prof. Sears' paper was short, but exceptionally bright in its point of view. He pointed out the present condition of many farm houses. His suggestions for improvement were practical and suited to the time and conditions of this period. The discussion that followed was critical only to a small degree, most of the speaker's remarks and his sentiments and endorsing his suggestions. Those who criticized did so to make the conversation more difficult of attainment because of the varying conditions; but the opinion was expressed that very improvement had been made throughout the province in the homes and environments of the farmers.

LECTURE ON DRAFT HORSES.

This afternoon at two o'clock the delegate assembled in the live stock pavilion of the college of agricultural science, Dr. J. H. Rogers, of Guelph, was present, and delivered a lecture on "Draft Horses," dealing almost entirely with the Shire and Clydesdale breeds. His lecture was quite instructive, and contained information that most of us lack of value to every citizen. An object lesson was undertaken, and practical demonstration made by students and others, using horses quartered on the farm, or obtained from owners in the neighborhood.

The visit to the farm included a general inspection of all the buildings and their contents, including the poultry division, which is one of the most modern and increasing of the locality.

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—At a fair in New Bedford, Conn., the other night, a baby was mistaken for a bundle of cloth and thrown out the window. The child was discovered about half an hour later, but was not injured in the least.

—St. Paul the health officers compel parents who spit on the sidewalk to mop the places they have defiled.

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How Silver Creek and Golden Gulch became one was brought about in this manner: For many years been rivalry had existed between the two towns, which were only a stone's throw from each other. Both claimed to be head and shoulders above the other in enterprise and progressiveness, and one never thought of the other did not go to it better.

Silver Creek vs. Golden Gulch.

By A. B. LEWIS

When Golden Gulch built a town hall two stories high, Silver Creek built one a better one. When Golden Gulch erected a new jail, its citizens had hardly begun to crow over this matter when Golden Gulch was working overtime to build a better one.

And in all other matters there was rivalry. Even when four dwellings burned in Silver Creek one night Golden Gulch sacrificed five of its buildings, just to keep ahead in such matters.

It had been about a year since the two towns when one day Bill Stevens came down from the village bringing in the news that Silver Creek was preparing to celebrate its first Christmas celebration in Golden Gulch.

When asked for further particulars he said: "Boys, I've just come from that dargoned town, and though they're 'whop' kept it mighty quiet, I've got to tell you their party is for us if they've been a lynchin' on Christmas."

"Got a hose thier, eh?" asked one of the crowd. "That's what they've got, boys," continued Bill, "and they've built a fire engine for the occasion. It will be lynched in the public square on Christmas afternoon, and when they've done it, the Silver Creek kids celebrate their holidays in such a boisterous manner it'll drive you crazy."

"Boys, we've gotter have two lynches or admit we're back numbers. There's a plenty of loyal citizens in Silver Creek, and I'm bettin' we ain't got no more lynches. That two of us will step forward and let us proceed with the lynching, and save the town's reputation. I'll promise 'em that if we ain't lynched in a general manner and that a ten foot monument will be erected to the memory of the lynched. Now, boys, who'll be first to step forward?"

"I'll be first," called out a man in the crowd, and he stepped forward and let us proceed with the lynching, and save the town's reputation. I'll promise 'em that if we ain't lynched in a general manner and that a ten foot monument will be erected to the memory of the lynched. Now, boys, who'll be first to step forward?"

CHILDREN AND THE PIANO.

A quarter of an hour at a time is long enough for a little child to practice on the piano. Some physicians think no child should ever be set to learn the piano before the age of five. On the other hand, if lessons do not begin early how are their fingers to attain the needed agility and how are they to find the time for practicing? Children have relative memory, and learning by heart becomes a habit, is formed in youth. On the other hand, long hours of continuous practice are easily borne by children, and even for older persons, if the practice is limited to a few minutes a day, with a long rest before the next practice begins, a considerable amount of work can be accomplished without any loss of time.

THE FAMILY FINANCES.

The wage earner has a new idea of how he family finance stand, but allows for to pay bills for his to pay more or less grandly. The majority of women, given a certain amount of capital, can do more than a man. A man has to be bothered with details. While the American woman has not yet equalled the French housewife in guarding against the smallest household expense, she is making every penny count, and is steadily working up to it, and in time will doubtless be able to give points to the housewives of other nations.

—Mr. Nolan had received a long tongue lashing from Mr. Quigley, and his friends were urging him to make a statement of vindicating his honor by a prompt use of his fist.

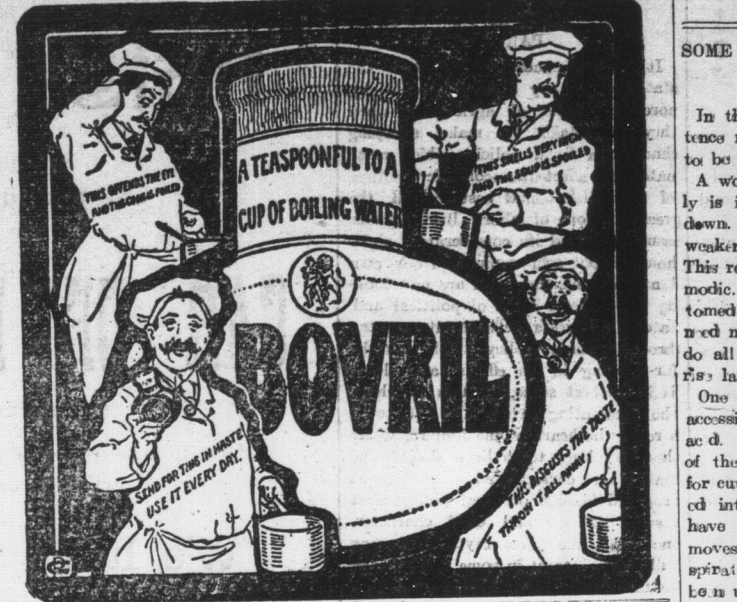
"But he's more than me equal," said Mr. Nolan, dabbling, "and look at the size of him."

"Sure, and you don't want folks to be saying Terry Nolan is a coward," declared a rival of Nolan's.

"Will demmo," and Mr. Nolan gazed meaningfully at him. "I'd rather that than to have the saying 'Nolan is a coward'—how natural the words are!"

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The Household.

SOME HINTS AND POINTS ON RIGHT LIVING. In these days of high pressure existence nervous breakdown is something to be feared and dreaded against. A woman who does not sleep soundly is in danger of a nervous breakdown. A woman who finds herself yawning in pure strength must rest. This rest must be systematic, not spasmodic. She must break up the accustomed routine of her work, though she need not give up all work. She must do all things moderately. She must be late and retire early.

One of the simplest and most easily accessible home remedies is "boracic acid." Mixed with vasoline it forms one of the choicest and safest ointments for cuts and bruises. Boracic acid dusted into the sores of dressing which have been worn when exercising. Nobody gives her any more of perfratic. Handkerchiefs which have to be used when colds and influenza are prevalent, should be sprinkled with boracic acid powder, or, better, should be steeped in a strong solution of it and water before being sent to the wash. A solution of the powder in pure water makes a refreshing and stimulating wash for tired and inflamed eyes.

A woman who has suffered from neuritis to remove the pain temporarily from neuritis, advised the following remedy. It is also successful, also, for toothache brought on by cold. Take two table-spoonfuls of flour, the same quantity of grated ginger, and mix them well together with sufficient alcohol to make a thin paste. Spread this on a linen rag, and apply it to the part affected, on going to bed, wrapping a piece of flannel over all, and it will afford a cure. Watch the child carefully who is always quiet. This is an unusual state of affairs and shows that something is wrong. Those who go much among the schools of the very young know that it often means lameness from want of proper nourishment. If it occurs in the children of the better class, it shows that vitality is low, and that for some reason or another the food is not getting the strength it should do.

Growing children will keep any right minded man or woman in spirit and in mind, will retard the development of that near yet complacent cynicism which curses old age both for one's self and for those about one. The man or woman—the right sort of man or woman—who has children, thinks every day a deep draught at the fountain of eternal youth.

No man, says Rankin, ever lived a right life who had not been chastened by a woman's love, strengthened by her courage and guided by her discretion. The best of a book is not the thought which it contains, but the thought which it suggests, just as the charm of music dwells not in the tones, but in the echoes of our hearts.

Learn to take a little of the sweetest and pleasant times of life as you go, and do not be in haste to re-learn the promise to enjoy the first things upon the day as you return. It may be impossible to find them again. And when a bright little opportunity has gone as you pass, stop to pluck it and use it. You may not find it again.

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CARE OF HOUSE PLANTS. Colder weather means increased fire heat, the latter also meaning an increased aridity or dryness of the atmosphere. The latter condition will probably induce a visit from insect pests on house plants unless precautions are taken to prevent their appearance. Green fly and red spider are most to be feared, especially the latter, as their appearance is not detected as that of the aphid or green fly. Copious sprinkling or syringing with water is the best preventative for the attacks of the so-called red spider. Salvia, fuchsias, roses and carnations are first favorites with this little pest. When first attacked the leaves of these plants should be carefully examined for the appearance, especially on the underside, and the leaves will soon commence dropping. Tobacco water is the best remedy for green fly, although it may be used on roses or even a cigar thoroughly dried and rubbed into the fine powder and sprinkled on the plants infested with green fly will generally do the plant of them. The latter application is best made after the plants have been recently sprinkled or syringed, as the tobacco dust adheres better when the foliage of the plant is wet.

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