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By Telegraph SHOT FOR DESERTION.

Admiral Hotham Succeeds Beresford

FIRST MEASURE FOR PARLIAMENT.

Movements of Ocean Steamships.

THE NEW HEBRIDES COMMISSION.

War Between Russia and Austria Inevitable.

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 30.

Eighteen French soldiers were shot for desertion at the same time in Tonquin.

Admiral Hotham succeeds Beresford as Junior Lord of the Admiralty.

Rules of procedure will be the first measure before parliament after the address to the Queen.

A severe gale was experienced in Britain yesterday.

No mail was received from Montreal at Halifax since Thursday until this morning. The *Sarnatian* is still awaiting the Upper Province mails for England.

The *Polynesian*, with English Mails, arrived last night.

United States railways continue blocked.

England and France have signed rules of guidance for the Commission whose duty it will be to settle the New Hebrides question. The French troops will shortly be withdrawn.

The Hungarian Premier, in a speech on Saturday, said he regarded war as inevitable between Russia and Austria.

WHERE ARE THE CREW?

A Hastily-Abandoned Boat Drives into Long Harbor.

TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE OF SCHR. NIMBUS.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)
PLACENTIA, This Afternoon.

A large boat called the *Rising Sun* drove into Long Harbor last Friday with bows stove in and full of water. It seemed to have been abandoned in a hurry, as clothes, herring nets, &c., were left on board. She belongs to the western side of Placentia Bay.

The schooner *Nimbus* arrived from St. John's to-day, after a hard passage of eleven days, during which she encountered all the recent heavy gales.

FROM CAPE RACE.

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

Wind northwest, blowing a strong breeze, with snow-showers. No vessels have been sighted since last report.

NEW INVENTION IN CALICO PRINTING.—A correspondent writes to the *British Mercantile Gazette*: "The 'simultaneous' process of colour printing promises to entirely revolutionise some classes of calico, velvet, and velveteen printing, and also the printing of advertisements in colours. The novel character of the 'simultaneous' process will be at once understood when I mention that by it, if required, 1,000 shades could be printed off at one impression. Instead of using engraved rollers as in ordinary calico printing, or stones as in the case of coloured advertisements, the signs of pictures are 'built up' in a case of solid colours specially prepared, somewhat after the style of mosaic work. A portion is then cut or sliced off about an inch in thickness, and this wrapped round a cylinder, and the composition has only to be kept moist and any number of impressions can be printed off on calico, velvet or velveteen, the colours being thoroughly 'fast.'"

It is not necessary for a corpulent person to rigorously deny himself everything good to eat in order to be less bulky. It is said by a contemporary that a cup of hot water taken after each meal will rapidly reduce flesh. Eat what you like, but drink nothing at meals, and in a few minutes after rising from the table drink the cup of hot, not boiling, water, and enjoy the light relieved feeling you will experience.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Auction—beef, mutton, etc.....Clift, Wood & Co
Auction—beef, onions, etc.....James Hynes
Auction—beef, oranges, etc.....Dryer & Greene
Lime—at greatly reduced rates.....John Score
Tea—3s. and 2s. 6d.....at Parnell's
L.O.A. annual soiree.....Victoria Hall
A bazaar at Spaniards Bay.....see advertisement
Parade rink notice.....Prof. Bennett's Band

RINK NOTICE!
Don't forget the Parade Rink THIS (Monday) EVENING. The ice is in splendid condition, and a special programme of select music will be rendered by Professor BENNETT'S Band, from 8 to 10 o'clock. Don't miss this evening. jan30,11

TAKE NOTICE:
ALL PERSONS wanting COALS for winter use can be supplied with the best North Sydney or English Household Coal, from the People's Depot at Brookings's, at the rate of TWENTY-FOUR SHILLINGS [24s.] per ton, sent home promptly for cash on delivery. jan24,fp,eod JAMES MURRAY.

GOLD PENS AND PEN-HOLDERS, UNIQUE
Paper Cutters, Silver Five o'clock Tea-Spoons, Engagement Rings, Dress Rings, and Wedding Rings, &c. Preserve your Precious Eyesight by Procuring a Pair of LAURANCE'S Spectacles at N. OHMAN'S, Atlantic Hotel Building, Water Street. dec14

AUCTION SALES.

To-Morrow, Tuesday, at 11 o'clock,

BY DRYER & GREENE,
47 quarters Prime Fresh Beef,
29 cases Oranges,
37 cases Silverpeel Onions,
33 barrels Red Apples. jan30

To-Morrow, TUESDAY, at 11 o'clock,

By JAMES HYNES,
[At his Rooms, opposite Messrs. Job, Brothers & Co.]
10 QTRS. PRIME FRESH BEEF,
10 BLS. SILVERPEEL ONIONS, 10 BLS. Baldwin apples, 5 bxs oranges, 3 kegs new grapes, 10 cheese, 10 bxs biscuits, 5 bxs pilot bread, 50 tubs butter, 20 bxs flour, 5 bxs pork, 10 bxs pigs' heads, and at Twelve o'clock,
50 DOZ CABBAGE, 10 BLS TURNIPS, 1 DOUBLE sleigh, 1 side sleigh, and other articles. jan20

To-Morrow, TUESDAY, at 11 o'clock,

ON THE WHARF OF
CLIFT, WOOD & Co.,
50 quarters Prime Fresh P.E.I. Beef,
20 cases Prime Fresh P.E.I. Mutton,
jan20 Ex schr. "Lizzie" from P. E. Island.

Athenæum :- Lectures.

THE OPENING LECTURE OF THE COURSE will be delivered by His Excellency H. A. BLAKE, Esq., C.M.G., in the ATHENÆUM HALL,
On Monday, Jan'y 30th.

SUBJECT :-
"The Landfall of Columbus!"

Doors open at quarter past seven; chair to be taken at eight o'clock. Tickets for reserved seats twenty cents, to be had at the library; general admission ten cents. [By order.]
J. J. FLANNERY, Secretary.

These Delicious "Sixpenny" Hams.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED :-
NINE CASES MORE OF THOSE

Delicious "Sixpenny" Hams,

which we are now selling at MURRAY'S HILL at the low price of only SIXPENCE per pound, for nett cash only.
jan27,fp JAMES MURRAY.

White Star and Bijou.

500 BARRELS EACH OF THESE FAVORITE BRANDS

Superior Ex. Flour,

FOR SALE BY
JAS. MURRAY.
jan24,fp

FOR SALE,

That commodious

Dwelling House,

Now occupied by Mrs. SALTER, Military Road (nearly opposite the Colonial Building), containing: six Bedrooms, Drawing-room, 2 Parlors—both handsomely frescoed, and Breakfast Room, two Kitchens (one concrete), two Cellars, and Back Yard.
The house is built on land leased for 999 years, at a small annual rent, and is supplied with water, gas, bells throughout, closets, and every convenience calculated to make it a very desirable residence. For particulars, apply to
WALTER CLOUSTON,
or to MRS. T. SALTER.
dec29,fp

Shingles. Shingles.

NOW LANDING,
Ex "Zepho," from Clarke's Beach,

AT BROOKING'S

118, M Prime Fir Shingles,
W. F. Horwood's celebrated make.
jan28,fp JAMES MURRAY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AT PARNELL'S!

..: We have ..:
A VERY ..: CHOICE ..: THREE-SHILLING ..: TEA

Our 2s. 6d. TEA is the best in the market!

F. PARNELL,
131 WATER STREET.

LIME. LIME.

A Great Boon to Farmers and Others.

THE SUBSCRIBER, WHILE RETURNING THANKS TO FARMERS AND OTHERS FOR THEIR patronage during the past summer, would beg to respectfully intimate that he is now prepared to make CONTRACTS with them for the coming season. LIME AT GREATLY REDUCED RATES. He will undertake to deliver, for agricultural purposes, on and after the First day of March next, at his LIME KILN, in Topsail, BEST ROACH LIME, at the exceedingly low price of—
Twenty Cents per bushel, or delivered by rail at the Rope Walk siding, or the Saint John's Depot at Twenty-five Cents per bushel.

He also agrees to take, in exchange for Lime, PRODUCE OF ALL KINDS, at market rates, from the coming season's crop, to be delivered at his Store, in St. John's, at the end of the season.

january30,1m

John Score.

THEATRE. T. A. HALL

Friday, February 3rd,

CAPT. KYD;

OR, THE
WIZARD OF THE SEA!

Admission: Twenty and Ten Cents.
T. A. DRAMATIC COMPANY.
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Just Received,

12 Ton Bright Scotch Sugar

SELLING AT LOWEST MARKET RATES.

GEORGE E. BEARNS.

FRESH TURKEYS. FRESH DUCKS. FRESH GEASE.

LANDING EX "PORTIA" AND FOR SALE BY

James & Wm. Pitts,

FRESH TURKEYS. FRESH DUCKS. FRESH GEASE. FRESH CHICKEN.

january17,fp

NOW READY!

The Newfoundland Almanac for 1888

For Sale at the Bookstores, and at the Office of publication, Gregory's Lane.

PRICE - - - - - 25 CENTS.

FOR SALE.

ON SALE,

At Brooking's & McBride's Hill,

HAY!
OATS! (in bags)
BRAN!
FEED!
POLLARD!
CORN!
and MEAL!

Cheap for Cash. jan23,fp JAMES MURRAY.

TO LET,

A Suite of Offices

on the 2nd flat of TELEGRAM Building,
OPPOSITE COMMERCIAL BANK.
For terms, etc., apply at this office. jan19,fp

TEA NOTICE! BE NOT DECEIVED!

OUR SHILLING TEA [1s. per pound] is the best Tea for the price this market affords. It can be had in chests of 60-lbs. for \$12 [twelve dollars] per chest. Better TEA at correspondingly low prices. The envy of all tea-men in Terra Nova. Caddies of 20-lbs. for \$6 [six dollars] per caddy. Address MURRAY'S HILL or BROOKING'S. jan24,fp,eod JAMES MURRAY.

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Great Bargains in Blankets & Calicoes,

AT
WILLIAM FREW'S, 191 WATER STREET.

JUST RECEIVED, PER "ASSYRIAN," AN IMPORTANT PURCHASE OF CALICOES, which we are offering at 5, 6, 7 and 8 cents per yd, strong and wide; BEST VALUE EVER SHOWN. Also, another Bale of ENGLISH BLANKETS, at \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$4.00. The above goods are warranted to be from 15 to 20 cent under regular prices. Full lines in every department at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES during the winter months. For useful and reliable goods, at lowest prices, our Establishment stands unrivalled.

NOTE—Canadian and American Silver taken in trade at former value.
January 20
WILLIAM FREW.

BUILDERS' SUPPLY STORE,
Water Street.

200 M. SEASONED PINE LUMBER,
1, 1 1/2, 2 and 3-inch.
January 13
WILLIAM CAMPBELL.

Drink the Health-Giving Waters!

FOR SALE AT FORAN'S, ATLANTIC HOTEL.

Mineral Waters: from the Chalybeate Springs.
A Genuine Blood Purifier. A certain and perfect cure for
Dyspepsia, Nervousness and Debility.
dec 21, 3m

The Newfoundland Consolidated Foundry Co., Limited,

—Beg to acquaint the public that they have now on hand a variety of—
Patterns for Grave & Garden Railings, & for Cresting of Houses,
and would invite inspection of same.
Orders left with us for either of the above will have our immediate attention.
June 1
J. ANGEL, Manager.

LUMBER. - LUMBER.

ON SALE:
120,000 SEASONED QUEBEC SPRUCE BOARD,
Ex Brig. "Alaska," from 10-ft. to 16-ft. long, at \$16.00 per M, rough,
at \$18.50 per M, planed, ploughed and tongued.

HERDER & HALLAREN,
Water Street, East.

The London Guarantee & Accident Company,
OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

Authorized Capital - - - \$1,250,000.
HEAD OFFICE FOR NEWFOUNDLAND: 132 WATER STREET, ST. JOHN'S.
The Bonds of this Company are accepted as security by the Home, Australian, Canadian, Indian and Colonial Governments. Blank forms can be had, and rates and other particulars given, on application to
June 9
T. W. SPRY, Agent for Newfoundland.

Candles, Candles

ON SALE BY
CLIFT, WOOD & CO.,
CLIFT, WOOD & CO.,
—50 BOXES—
Morrill's Celebrated Mould Candles.
nov 7
6's and 8's—25 lbs. per box. Ex "Pioneer."

FOR SALE BY
John S. Simms,
TWO TABLE PIANOS.

GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE, SITUATE 1 1/2 miles from Town.
I AM INSTRUCTED TO OFFER FOR SALE BY private contract—that desirable detached Residence, standing on about 30-acres of Land, with elegantly-laid-out gardens and pleasure grounds, including flower and kitchen gardens, tennis, lawn and plantation, approached from the Portugal Cove and Torbay Roads by a very pretty and well-planted avenue. The residence is entered through a porch and vestibule into inner hall, out of which are spacious drawing rooms, dining and breakfast rooms, shut off from the hall are excellent kitchen scullery and servants' rooms, on the upper floor there are spacious bedrooms, dressing rooms, nursery, bath rooms and servants' bedrooms. The out-buildings include stabling for two horses, large coach house, harness rooms, and stabling for four cows, cart shed, etc. There is an excellent coachman's house distant about 500 yards from the main residence. For terms and particulars of title, apply to
oct 27
T. W. SPRY, Real Estate Broker.

P.E. ISLAND PRODUCE.

On Sale by Clift, Wood & Co.'y,
HEAVY BLACK OATS,
CHOICE ISL'D POTATOES,
Now landing, ex schr "J. Savard," from
dec 28
Alberton, P.E.I.

GOOD STORIES!

Ben-Hur	by Lew Wallace
Hope Campbell	by C. D. Bell
Mary Elliot	by C. D. Bell
Kenneth & Hugh	by C. D. Bell
The House in Town	by E. Wetherall
Pine Needles	by E. Wetherall
Little Camp on Eagle Hill	by E. Wetherall
Little Women	by Louisa M. Alcott
Little Wives	by Louisa M. Alcott
The Gold of Chilecaro	by S. & A. Warner
Nattie's Mission	by Alice Gray
Holden with the Cards	by W. M. L. Jay
The Old Helmet	by the author of Queechy
Diana	by Susan Warner

nov 8
J. F. CHISHOLM.

EGGS!

Ex s.s. "Bonavista,"
180 doz. P. E. I. Eggs.
dec 16
CLIFT, WOOD & CO.

Xmas Numbers and New Books.

XMAS NUMBER OF THE QUEEN.
Xmas Number of Myra's Journal.
Myra's Diary for 1888.
Routledge's Year Book for 1887 and Almanac for 1888
Ainsley's Nautical Almanac for 1888.
The Queen Illustrated Almanac for 1888.
Belgravia Xmas Annual.
Children of Babylon, (Judy's Annual).
Les Miserables, by Victor Hugo.
The Mysteries of Paris, by Eugene Sue.
ALSO
The Young Ladies' Journal for January 1888.
dec 16
J. F. CHISHOLM.

For Sale, Water Company Stock

70 SHARES
in the Saint John's Water Company.
25 SHARES
in the Union Bank of Newfoundland.
dec 20
T. W. SPRY.

ADVERTISING RATES.
Fifty Cents per inch for first insertion, every continuation, 1st page 30 cents, 2nd and 3rd pages 10 cents per inch.
Special arrangements made for three, six or twelve months.

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ST. JOHN'S, JANUARY 30, 1888.

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THE WEDMORES' 'HOP.'

A Jersey Story.

(Concluded.)

'It is something to hear you say that it is hard,' he answered, in a smothered tone. 'But you don't know how cruel you are to me, or how you have grown into my life. I never meant to love; but this evening when I saw you I felt I must speak and know if you—'
She laid her hand on his.
'And you have made it all the harder for me,' he said. 'If I had still thought you did not care for me I might have turned to Gertie; but now—'
'You will do what is right,' she answered, while the tears would spring to her eyes.
'Right! Is it right to marry a girl I do not love?'
'You will learn to do so; she is so dear, you cannot help it.'
'Cannot I? Clare, your face is the one face for me on earth; you the one woman.'
She rose, blindly, nobly wrong in her self-delusion.
'I cannot listen to more,' she said, in a choked voice; to her own heart she added, 'I dare not.'
'Clare!' he rose and caught her wrists. There was no one to see; the garden was again dark and silent, except where the light streamed from the veranda. 'I only want to say good-bye.'

'What do you mean.'
'Do you think I could go on as I am doing now—see you for the next month every day, and know that you love me, and that you will never be more to me than now? It would drive me mad. No; I shall leave here by tomorrow's boat.'
'But, Percy—'
'You need not think that,' he said, with a sudden fierce burst of anger; 'if she and I were alone on this earth, I would never now marry Gertie. You have done her no good—rather, no harm. Dear little thing, she deserves a better fate than a husband who does not care for her.'
There was a silence; then Percy spoke again, his voice strangely humble and gentle.
'One kiss, Clare, for our good-bye; only one, my dear.'
'No,' said she and her tone was both stern and surprised.
He said no more; side by side they returned to the house. Clare's heart was full with the unutterable longing to turn to the man beside her and say, 'Stay; Percy's with a wild turmoil of anger and love. He felt dimly that his love gave him a right over Clare; that her power, 'womanlike to weave sweet words,' had been exerted wrongly; that her sacrifice was a needless one, which would mar both their lives and for no good.

A hard grasp of her hand, a low-spoken good-bye in answer to her whispered 'forgive me!' and he was gone. When would she see him again? Dizzy and faint with dull misery she sat down in the veranda.
'I think this is our dance?'
The voice woke her up, and she saw standing by her a tall man with a puffy, foolish good-natured face.
'I am so very tired,' she answered; 'will you excuse me?'
'Certainly. You look faint, Miss Grattan; may I get you a glass of water?'
'If you will be so kind.'
The water did her good; she steadied her nerves, and gazed in through the open window at the dancers. She saw Gertie, glowing and radiant, the prettiest girl in the room, waltzing with Captain Rashton, looking utterly happy, careless and contented. For one moment Clare felt a bitter anger against this girl, for whose sake she had given up the supreme beauty and joy of life, and who would never know it. What did Gertie need more than she had at the present moment? Seemingly nothing; and yet Clare remembered the childish tempest of sorrow she had witnessed a few hours ago, and was glad she had been loyal to her friend, even though at so dear a price.

The dance was over. The two girls climbed rather wearily up the bedroom stairs of the Retreat.

'Come in here, Clare,' said Gertie, as they reached the latter's door.
Clare's wearied eyes looked piteously at her friend, as her lips repeated for the third time that evening the excuse, 'I am so tired.'

'Only for a minute, dear. Gertie drew her in and shut the door, and then said: 'You were right.'
'What do you mean?' asked Clare, stupidly amazed.

'He loves me,' said Gertie, pressing her small hands close against the faded pink lilies on her breast; 'he always has, and I was only a little fool to think he was flirting with Florence.'

'He! Who?'
'Robert—I mean Captain Rashton. Clare, are you ill?'

For Clare's face was white, her eyes closed, the heavily cut lips closed together.

'No, Gertie; I am quite well. But I don't understand. Don't you love Per—Mr. Moray?'
'Love Percy! I left off doing so more than a year ago. I only used him as a decoyduck to draw Robert on.'

'And in doing so may have unknowingly wrought evil to two people,' thought poor Clare.

Percy was to leave Jersey on the morrow; she might never see him again; he might go abroad, and never hear of the real state of things.

But she remembered it was hardly likely that a man possessing both relatives and friends in Jersey would not hear very quickly of his love's engagement to another man; and she wished Gertie happiness very warmly, and was glad in her gladness, staying with her more than half an hour, listening to her diatribes about Captain Rashton.

She was glad to be alone, though, in her own room; alone, free to thank God for the great happiness which yet might be hers.

And was; for in less than a fortnight later Clare was standing under the shade of a tall flowery myrtle, the aromatic scent of which filled the autumn air with bitter sweetness. Percy was by her, very gravely contented, and on her left hand was the shimmer of a sapphire ring she had only worn a week.

'You came back quickly,' she said. 'Were you afraid I should forget you?'
'I wanted to be sure,' he answered.

'You needn't have been afraid,' and her pale face glowed a little, 'Percy?'
'Clare!'
'Do you know, I almost think I was wrong that night.'
'I am sure you were.'
She laughed, but her tone was grave as she said:

'Are you angry with me?'
'Angry with you for showing how strong you were to do what seemed right to you? You must think me a brute, Clare?'
'It seemed to tear my heart out to have to deny you; and I see I was wrong now.'
'So do I; but I am not sorry for it, Clare, for it taught me—he drew her closer to him as he spoke—how far above me is the woman I love.'—London Society.

GIGANTIC COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISE.

A most gigantic commercial enterprise of a seemingly fabulous character is presently being discussed in the British Press, but which is so extravagant that it would receive no attention but for the usually well-informed source from which it was emanated, the London correspondent of the *Glasgow Herald*, and who gives very specific details of the objects of the enterprise as well as the names of several capitalists—the wealthy Dukes of Devonshire and Westminster, the Rothschilds, &c.—interested in the undertaking. It is said that the promoters "intend to erect granaries, stores, pork-curing establishments, and cheese and butter factories, on sites convenient to the line of the Minnesota North-Western Railway. All kinds of American produce, as well as live cattle, are to be run along this line to Chicago, thence by the Baltimore and Ohio Railway to New York. A bridge is to be built connecting the mainland with Staten Island, where large docks will be constructed. From this port the products of the United States will be carried by steamers specially built for the company, and landed at Barrow-in-Furness. Large warehouses are also to be erected at Barrow, and thence the food products will be distributed throughout Great Britain by means of retail stores, which will be opened in all the leading towns. Engineering works and ship-building yards at Barrow are also to be carried on under the auspices of the new company, with Mr. Bryce Douglas, of the Well-known Fairfield Shipbuilding Company on the Clyde, as engineer."

For Sale By DRYER & GREENE,

Four Sets—
Russian Chime Sleigh Bells,
2 sets Plumes, 6 superior Horse Rugs, 1 Buffalo Robe,
Jan 27

BAKING POWDER

TRY OUR
Perfection Baking Powder.

Each can contains one pound of Baking Powder, and one Nickel-plated Tea Spoon.
Price: 40 cents per can.
Jan 26, 61, 2fp
JOHN A. EDENS.

Preserve: Your: Sight

by wearing the only
FRANK LAZARUS,
(Late of the firm of Lazarus & Morris),
Renowned Spectacles & Eye Glasses.

These Spectacles and Eye Glasses have been used for the past 35 years, and given in every instance unbounded satisfaction. They are THE BEST IN THE WORLD. They never tire, and last many years without change.
For sale by R. HEFFER, agent for Nfld.,
Jan 25
200 Water Street, St. John's.

FOR SALE.

2 Pair Curling Stones.
Jan 20
Apply at this office.

Freight from Boston.

Brigantine 'PLYMOUTH,'
Now due at Boston, will load there for St. John's, about latter part of this month.
For freight, apply to
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STRATTON, LITTLE & Co.,
91 State Street, Boston.
or, here to
CLIFT, WOOD & Co.

Fresh Pork!

ON SALE BY CLIFT, WOOD & Co.,
50 carcasses
Choice FRESH Pork,
dec 28
ex schr "Lizzie," from P.E. Island

FOR SALE BY DRYER & GREENE,

—150 barrels selected—
APPLES, consisting of Spys, Seeks, Emperors, Baldwins, Russetts, &c. 50 cases Silver-peel Onions, Turkeys, Geese, and Ducks.
Jan 15
Ex s.s. "Peruvian."

FOR SALE.

By Dryer & Greene,
A few barrels
BALTIMORE OYSTERS,
Jan 19
per s.s. "Nova Scotian."

CHOICE BALDWIN APPLES

On Sale by Clift, Wood & Co.,
50 brs. WINTER-KEEPING BALDWIN APPLES, packed by A. S. Harris, at his orchard in Annapolis Valley.
Jan 20

FAT CANADIAN BEEF & LAMB.

ON SALE BY
J. & W. PITTS,
70 Quarters Fat Canadian Beef.
EX S.S. "Portia."
I crate fat Canadian LAMBS,
Jan 19, 31fp
EX S.S. "Nova Scotian."

Crystalized SUGAR

Granulated }
10 brs Crystalized SUGAR,
10 brs Granulated SUGAR.
Jan 18
CLIFT, WOOD & Co.

FOR SALE.

By Dryer & Greene
20 QTRS. VENISON,
Jan 18
per S.S. "Curlew."

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At once, a general servant. Ap-
ply at this office.
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A LAD, who understands the care of a horse. Apply at this office.
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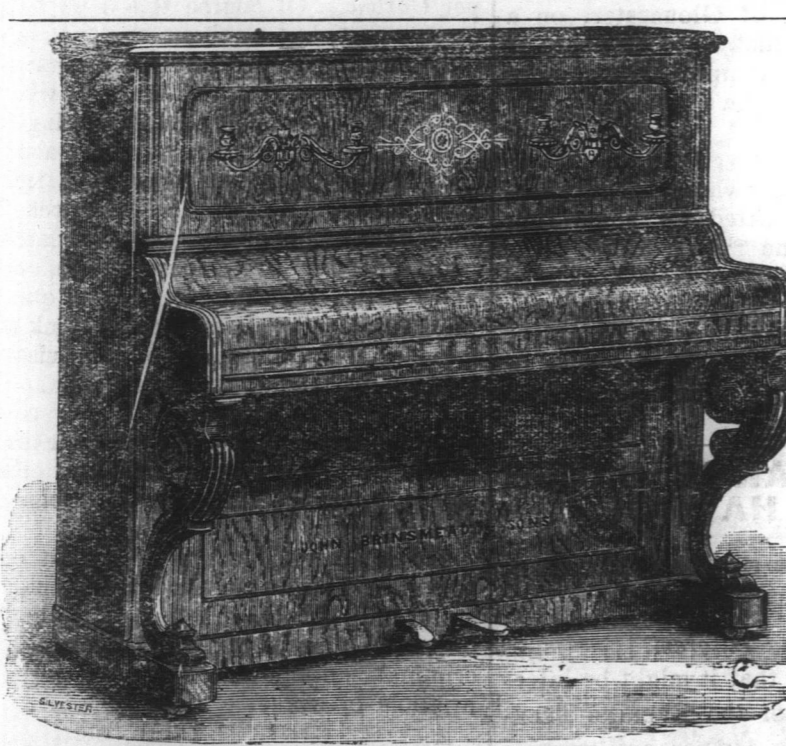
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CHAPTER XXVII.

(Continued.)

'Heaven has willed it!' said the girl again, as she laid down the note; and again she overlooked the fact that it was she herself who had come to Cowes in search of Miss Cameron.

That letter smoothed away all difficulties. Margarita felt no fear of not being able to win her rival's liking; she had been sure of it. Yet it was a good relief to her that Miss Cameron had taken a fancy to her. All night, between sleeping and waking, she heard the sound of the clear, sweet voice, and it seemed to mingle with the music of the waves; all night she confused the gleam of luxuriant hair with the light she had seen in the stars. She awoke confused, trembling, half faint with mingled fear and hope.

She dressed herself carefully for the momentous interview. The remainder of her life depended on it—not only her life, but how much of her husband's welfare! It was the only small hinge on which so much would turn. She chose a dress of plain gray silk, with a black lace mantle, and a plain hat with a long gray plume; but almost to her distress, when she came to survey her toilet, she looked far better than she desired. The gray dress only made the superb coloring of her face more vivid and more conspicuous. Do what she would, she could not dim its radiance, she could not deaden its beauty. With a sigh almost of despair she turned from her mirror. It seemed to her hardly probable that a beauty like Adelaide Cameron would care to have anything like a rival near her.

'If I could take the color from my face, and the light from my eyes—if I could but make myself old and plain and disagreeable—I should have a better chance,' she said to herself.

She did not know that the rich glowing beauty of her face, with its touch of Southern fire and passion, had charmed Miss Cameron.

When the hour arrived at which it was proper to call, she set out to keep her appointment. On reaching the hotel, she was ushered into the superb apartment that was called Miss Cameron's sitting-room. It was empty, and Margarita sat down to wait, feeling very much as though she were an actress taking part in a play. When she had been there some few minutes, the door opened and Miss Cameron entered.

The lovely young heiress, wherever she went, appeared to concentrate all the light and all the brightness in herself. The very sunshine that came through the rose silk hangings seemed to settle on her golden hair—to linger in the violet eyes—to rest on the white morning wrapper with its blue ribbons. There floated in with her a faint sweet perfume—one of her failings was a love of sweet odors.

She came forward eagerly to Margarita, her white, jeweled hand outstretched, the kindest smile playing round her lips, the sweetest welcome beaming in her face.

'I am glad to see you, Miss Avenel,' she said. 'It was kind of you to call.'

'The kindness lies with you,' returned Margarita. 'Lady Davenant told me that you had expressed a wish to see me. It is that which has brought me here.'

The young heiress sat down by Margarita's side.

'I am afraid you will think me very childish, Miss Avenel, but I must plead guilty to a habit of conceiving either warm fancies or great dislikes; and you will forgive me if I add that I have taken the greatest fancy to yourself?'

She wondered a little at the sudden flush that crimsoned the dark face.

'I am a great believer in instinctive likes and dislikes,' she continued. 'Are you?'

'I do not know,' replied Margarita. 'I can hardly remember ever to have liked or disliked anyone in so rapid a fashion.'

'I hope,' said Adelaide, in her impulsive way, 'that you will learn to like me. I wanted to speak to you, Miss Avenel, on business; but now that I see you, I have a half fear that the business is not worthy of you? You lived as governess with Lady Davenant, did you not?'

'Yes,' replied Margarita. 'I was with Lady Davenant for two years.'

Adelaide smiled.

'You must pardon me,' she said, 'but it seems scarcely credible—you look so unlike the ideal governess. One always imagines her a subdued lady of natural tints. You are not the average type of governess at all.'

It was impossible to resist the lovely face, the sunny smile, the caressing manner. Margarita smiled herself.

'I am very sorry,' she began.

'Oh,' interrupted Miss Cameron, 'you have no cause for sorrow, Miss Avenel, I do not want a governess, but something like myself. I want a companion.'

And then Miss Cameron, with a more business-like air, continued—

'Madame de Valmy, who has been living with me for some time, has recently, I am pleased to say, for her own sake, had some property in France left her. The only drawback is that she is compelled to reside there, and so to leave me. It is a great trouble to me, I assure you, for I am much attached to her.'

Margarita murmured some words of sympathy, and Miss Cameron resumed—

'I have been quite at a loss how to replace her. I have seen many ladies this week, but none of whom I like, or felt that I should care to live with. But, Miss Avenel, I do like you—I am sure that I could live happily enough with you. May I offer you the engagement? Will you become my companion?'

For a few minutes there was silence between them. Something smote Margarita. The generous trust, the implicit confidence, the fearlessly-declared liking—how could she, with such a one, carry on a woman's war? She could not see her way as she had seen it before. An expression almost of fear came over Miss Cameron's face.

'You hesitate, Miss Avenel,' she said.

'Surely I am not too late?'

'No,' replied Margarita—'I was thinking, I believe that I was a very good governess. I took the greatest pains to teach my pupils, and to train them; but I have no idea of the duties of a companion—I do not know how to fulfill them.'

'You are very candid to say so. I do not think there are many duties, as you call them—at least not in this case. I have had a great sorrow. Although, perhaps, I look both well and happy now, yet there are times when the very spirit of gloom seizes me and makes me its own.'

'A bad conscience!' thought Margarita to herself. 'There is something wrong about the will.'

'I merely want some one to live with me—some one who would be very kind, would talk and drive with me, go with me to balls and parties, help me to entertain visitors, talk when I am dull—that is all.'

'It does not seem very difficult,' said Margarita.

'Nor is it; there are no fixed hours, no fixed duties. You see, the fact is this—I am more lonely than most girls—I have neither mother, nor sister, nor cousin, and it is terrible to be alone.'

There was something appealing in the half-sad tones and the pathetic little smile.

'I hope, Miss Avenel,' continued the young heiress, 'you will agree to what I propose.'

'If you think I am old enough and wise enough for the position, I will do all I can,' she returned.

The shadows cleared from the fair face—Miss Cameron laughed with the happy abandonment of a child.

'You are about my own age, I should think,' she said, 'or you may be a year older; and you are taller than I am. Suppose that you are twenty and that I am twenty—that gives a total of forty years—a period of time surely that cannot have been void of experience.'

'I am not well versed in the observances of social life,' observed Margarita.

'I am,' laughed Adelaide; 'my poor uncle first, and Madame de Valmy since, have both done their best to teach me. I think, between us, we shall succeed in observing the conventionalities.'

'I shall be happy to try,' responded Margarita, again.

'Then, if you are willing,' continued Miss Cameron, 'we will consider the matter settled. I am so happy Miss Avenel, and so grateful to you.'

'The gratitude should be mine,' said Margarita, stiffly. She fought against herself—she was unwilling to be led captive by the charms of this beautiful girl.

'You would not say so if you knew how much I have longed for you, and how greatly I have feared you would not come to me. Madame de Valmy leaves me at the end of next week; when will it be convenient for you to come?'

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ST. JOHN'S, JANUARY 30, 1888.

WHO DISCOVERED AMERICA?

A LATE number of *Chambers' Journal* publishes an interesting article on this subject, which contains some remarkable facts not within ordinary observation; and, as a prelude to the interesting lecture about to be delivered by his Excellency the Governor in the Athenaeum Hall this evening, we take pleasure in laying these facts before our readers.

If any one in an ordinary assemblage, we are told, were asked, Who discovered America? the natural reply would be, "Christopher Columbus." But this reply would be incorrect, as the following facts will show. Christopher Columbus did not discover America; he re-discovered it, at a period of five hundred years after its original discovery.

If any of the readers of the EVENING TELEGRAM will be at the trouble of glancing over a map of the world, as it is constituted to-day, on Mercator's Projection, he will see an island almost exactly the size of Newfoundland, and only distant some 400 or 500 miles northwest of Britain. This island the Roman galleys, which circumnavigated the British Isles, had visited as early as the year 874, when the first settlement was made in Iceland, and not long after, a visit was made to Greenland, the next adjacent territory, where a colony was planted in the year 986, named Ericsford, by an interesting gentleman called Eric the Red. At this point the romantic story of the first discovery of America begins.

Like many other important discoveries, the New World was first sighted by accident. One of those who accompanied Eric the Red to Greenland was an Icelander named Bardson, who had a son named Biron, then absent in Norway. "On returning to Iceland, and finding that his father had left for Greenland, Biron immediately took ship to follow him, but contrary winds drove him out of his proper course, and for many days his vessel was enveloped in fog, so that he lost all reckoning as to his whereabouts. At last the fog cleared away, and he perceived land a short distance off. The nature of the coast not corresponding with the description of Greenland he had received, Biron concluded he was not on the right tract, and steered his ship to the northward. Two days afterwards, land was again sighted; but being flat and covered with trees, it was evidently not the land they sought, and accordingly was left to windward. Still sailing on, before a southwest breeze, in three days' time they came to a mountainous island covered with ice. This also was passed without landing; and, in four days more, the coast of Greenland was sighted, and Biron had the satisfaction of rejoining his father."

All this is history, not tradition, and happened in the year 986-7. There can be no doubt that the first land sighted by Biron, when the fog cleared up, was the mainland of the American continent, and that, on leaving that to windward, this "discoverer of America" skirted along the coasts of Newfoundland and Labrador on his way north to his destination, Greenland.

It will thus be seen that Iceland and Greenland were the stepping stones, so to speak, to our own island, and to the discovery of North America; the pioneers of discovery being, in both cases, the hardy mariners who inhabited Norway and Sweden, those portions of Europe immediately opposite the northern islands of Iceland and Greenland.

Several years after his accidental visit to our latitudes, Biron happened to be again in Norway, when he gave an account to Earl Eric (surnamed the Red) of his southern excursion, and of the new lands he had discovered thereon. As these hardy Norsemen were then the most daring of mariners, the Earl desired that more should be learned about this strange and hitherto unknown country. Accordingly, on Biron's return to Iceland, it was determined to make a further voyage of exploration, when Leif, a son of Eric the Red, took charge of the expedition, and sailed for America with a crew of twenty-five men in the exact year 1,000. In four days' time, after leaving Iceland, they came in sight of the last land discovered by Biron, which they named Hellaland, from the shores being composed of slate, *hella* being the Scandinavian word for that substance. What part of America this was is disputed, some authorities maintaining it to be Newfoundland, while others assert that it is more likely to have been the coast of Labrador. A reference to the map will show that Cape Farewell, the southernmost point of Greenland, is about midway between Iceland and Newfoundland, and that the discoverers, on striking the first land thereafter, might have "made" land either north or south of the Straits of Belle Isle. At all events it is certain that leaving here without landing, they stood to the southward, and came next to a country covered with woods, which was either our own island or Nova

Scotia. This they christened Woodland, for obvious reasons. In two days' more, running before a northeast wind, they again sighted land. Here they sailed between an island and a promontory running northeast, and, casting anchor, went on shore. Discovering a large river issuing from a lake, they brought their vessel into it, and resolved to winter there and explore the neighboring country. Huts were accordingly erected, and the settlement received the name of Leifbuthir, where, a great abundance of wild grapes being found, the country itself was called Vinland. The whereabouts of this early settlement—the first on the American mainland—is, of course, a matter of conjecture, but judging from the description given of the climate and products of the soil, it is considered probable that it was somewhere on the coast of Massachusetts or Rhode Island."

The subsequent adventures of Leif and his hardy companions we must leave for another recital. It is sufficient for our present purpose to point out that, whatever doubt may exist as to the precise parts of the American coast and continent visited by Biron and Leif, there is not the shadow of a doubt about the main fact that these early Norse explorers did discover and land upon the western hemisphere in the year of our lord 1,000; that for five hundred years before the supposed and generally-received discovery of America by Columbus, the New World was known to the inhabitants of Northern Europe, and that for the first three hundred years of that interval, communication was regularly maintained between the two hemispheres.

How it came that for another two centuries thereafter the knowledge of this newly-discovered country was allowed to pass into oblivion, as far as Northern Europe was concerned, and how it came to pass that the New World was rediscovered by Columbus, and restored to mankind by the great Southern navigator, we leave to his Excellency this evening to narrate. No doubt he will be able to show that the later discovery of "our share of the world" by the hardy Genoese, in the service of Spain, who, in quest of a western passage to India and of that El Dorado, the East Indies, set sail on the 3rd of August, 1492, and is supposed to have landed at San Salvador, one of the Bahama Islands, on the 12th of October in the same year,—no doubt, we say, Governor Blake will be able to show that this new discovery was the really important one, as far as the interests of practical civilization and commerce are concerned, and we therefore await with much curiosity to hear where his Excellency thinks was "The Landfall of Columbus."

ABOUT THE PLACENTIA RAILWAY.

A RELIABLE correspondent writes us as follows respecting the above named "enterprise":—"It is generally believed that the Placentia railroad is finished to within six miles of Placentia. This is not the case, as the construction rails are only laid about thirteen miles from Harbor Grace Junction. The distance from the Junction to Placentia is twenty-six miles. You will see from this that the work is only about half done, although the Government has been over fifteen months at it, employing a large number of men and spending an enormous amount of public money. Blame must attach somewhere. At the Junction the delay and unnecessary expenses are attributed to incompetency on the part of those in charge of the work."

THE FOREIGN LABOR QUESTION.

WE observe from late English papers that the constant immigration of foreign laborers into London is found to be greatly prejudicial to native workmen, and is therefore arousing strong opposition. That immigration only began in 1880, and already it has reduced wages in the tailoring industry fully fifty per cent., besides having driven native workers almost entirely out of the best London shops. A deputation waited on the Home Secretary the other day, and made a strong appeal to him to put a stop to that immigration; but, however hard the case may be, it is impossible to conceive how he can prevent it. In introducing the deputation Mr. Arnold White said that "two young women, members of the deputation, had made a waistcoat (which he produced) for which they would receive 6d, and out of that they had to find silk, cotton, thread and firing—the price being only a half of what would have been obtained before the immigration of the foreigners began. In one well-known firm of tailors, out of thirty-two coat hands only one was a native, and out of thirteen trouser hands all were foreigners. As for the wages, hundreds of women worked for three farthings an hour, and they had to pay for their own cotton out of that."

TO CORRESPONDENTS:—"A Warrior Bold"—Be good enough to favor us with your real name. "Sertorius" you are too personal, especially in your references to the Chamber of Commerce,

END OF BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

SATURDAY evening last witnessed the close of the billiard tournament which has been played between the Academia and Metropolitan Clubs, at the Metropolitan Club rooms, the Academia easily winning by about 250 points. This is the second time that the Mets have been vanquished by their more skillful opponents, the Academians, and practically gives the latter the championship of the city. For, although they have not yet measured their strength with the Total Abstinence and City Club Billiard Teams, still they have worsted picked teams from the "Temple" and the Club in the tournament just over—which fairly represent some of the best players in the city, and gives the Academia the right to claim the championship. The most intense excitement prevailed on the termination of the game, and although it must have been pleasant and painful alike to vanquisher and vanquished, the utmost good-fellowship prevailed. The two last players on the occasion were Mr. Smith for the Metropolitan and Mr. Connell for the Academia. Both play well, but Mr. C. certainly promises to be, if he cannot now be fairly called, a brilliant player in the truest meaning of the word. Mr. Smith is an easier and more cautious player, and, with more practice, would make no easy opponent for the very best player.

At the close of the match, Mr. Mott called upon those present, numbering nearly 200 persons, to give three cheers for the Academia. He said "he had watched the game with considerable interest, and not having taken part he might be excused if he hoped that for that reason anything he might say would be regarded as impartial. The Club which he represented had been beaten, but it was a consolation to know that they had been beaten by a superior team—by better men. They had to allow the Academia to be the victors for this season—to wear the laurels—to carry off the spoils. He himself believed that much good must emanate from such friendly inter-club relations. The Academia had fairly won their laurels, and it was only just that they should bear them away—*palmas qui meruit ferat*. He hoped, however, that out of their very defeat his brethren would pluck the material for a fresh battle, and on that occasion, he hoped, the result would be as agreeable for the Mets as it was to the Academians to-night. Three cheers were then given for the Academians. Mr. Morris, the President of the Academia, being present, was called upon to respond. He said he was not aware by what right he intruded himself on those present, except he could support himself by the same plea as his friend Mr. Mott, viz.: that he had had nothing to do with the game (which, he supposed, was one reason why his club had won). He thanked Mr. M. for the very kind and generous sentiments which he had expressed towards the Academia and its members, which he could say were fully reciprocated by himself and members of his club. The Academia had just scored a victory in the world of billiards. It would be idle for him to disguise the fact that he and his club were proud of it—a victory that had been considerably enhanced by the quality of the steel of their opponents. He believed, with Mr. M., that much good must come from such inter-club reunions, if it was from nothing else than a display of those genuine feelings of *bonhomie* and thorough hospitality, and which was so characteristic of the Metropolitan members, not only towards those engaged in the billiard match, but to every member of the Academia who came here. In conclusion he would say that he trusted that but a very short time would elapse before we would have such another contest—a contest in the result of which we all felt so well pleased; and personally he would say (somewhat after Alexander) that, if he was not an Academician, he would certainly be a Metropolitan. He then proposed three cheers for the Mets, which proposition was heartily responded to.—*Com.*

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

HERE is another illustration of the unreliable character and inconsistency of the *Montreal Gazette's* Newfoundland correspondent. In his letter to that paper of the 1st ultimo he speaks of the popularity of the present Government, and, in alluding to the Bait Bill, characterizes it as "a proof of the wisdom of those who pressed for the Imperial sanction." Perhaps everybody is not aware that, while thus writing, the said correspondent was denouncing the Government to Sir William Whiteway, and moving heaven and earth to induce him to accept his (the correspondent's) offspring, the *Mercury*, as the organ of the incoming Administration. Such, however, was the case. At least so we are informed on excellent authority. Of course, we know what to think of such conduct, and probably our sentiments accord with those of Sir William and the public generally.

LOSS OF THE "FLORELLA."

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THE TEMPERANCE CAUSE IN PETTY HARBOR

Successful Efforts of Rev. Messrs. Netten and Botwood.

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—Thinking that it might be interesting to some readers of the EVENING TELEGRAM to know how the temperance work is progressing in Petty Harbor, I will try and give a brief account of our work here in that direction.

In October, 1884, Rev. Mr. Netten, (when in charge of the "outposts" mission) accompanied by Rev. Mr. Botwood, visited us with the intention of starting a branch of the C. E. T. S. They were very successful, as 28 persons came forward and signed the roll, and since then our members have been steadily increasing until now we have 52 total abstainers. At a meeting some time ago, it was agreed to have a tea-meeting, and the day was fixed for January 3rd, so, according to directions, everything which tends to make such gatherings pleasant was done, and the members of the society were given notice to assemble in the school-room, which they accordingly did, and sat down to a plain, substantial tea; and as each member was to bring his wife or friend, we were a goodly little company, in spite of the fact that all were not able to attend. Although the weather was not such as one would wish, Rev. Mr. Crane honored us with his presence, and after tea was over he gave a short address, congratulating the society upon their first tea-meeting, and expressing his pleasure in being present. Then some time was spent with readings, &c., after which the younger members retired to a house prepared for the occasion and took up what they thought to be a livelier part of the programme (dancing), when the older ones, who did not go in for such things, retired to their homes well pleased with their evening's entertainment. Thanking you for the space in your valuable paper, I remain, dear sir,

Petty Harbor, Jan. 25th, 1888.

THE "WAR SCARE" AGAIN.

"Scarlet Fever" at the Commercial Rooms.

THEY THIRST FOR GLORY INSTEAD OF "GAIN."

A Few More Remarks from 'Mechanic.'

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—The *Colonist* of 28th instant contains a letter signed "Chesepot" and the writer asserts that a letter published by you (signed "Mechanic") on the subject of the "scarlet fever" which has broken out at the Commercial Rooms, was written by a journalist connected with your office. Now, Mr. Editor, you know how laborious my calling is, and I am sure that you will believe me when I say that my heart to-day is filled with hope, dreams of ambition fill my mind; I feel disposed to take down my sign and sell my tools. A bright future opens before me, because—I fear that when the "marshal" fever gets among our mechanics trade will languish and die, and if I am judged worthy of a place among journalists, why, "my calling and election is sure," for of what avail would heroic deeds on the tented field be if there were no newspapers to chronicle them?

When a desire for gore fills the hearts of such a band of harmless citizens as unanimously agreed to "solicit assistance" from an Executive whose expressed desire is to make of us a pastoral people, the danger must be near, or perhaps they have seen or read the last opera, "Ruddygore." (I never liked the name). Whatever the cause, the effect has been to turn the thoughts of some of our peaceable fish merchants and lawyers into channels which breathe slaughter and bodily injury towards some unseen enemy. What can be the service on which the Spartan band who met at the Commercial Rooms are bound? There are reasons why they would not like to be at any time far from their baggage; so they could not march as skirmishers. It is true several of them, in fact nearly all, are well acquainted with the lay of the ground about Harbor Grace Junction, quality of the water, &c., but no body of men with blood-thirsty views would choose that locality, except in summer, when the mosquitoes would soon relieve them of some hot blood. Mr. Editor, I am of the opinion that it is intended to put a force of *marines* on board the sealing steamers when they go west to enforce the "Bait Bill." I have heard of "horse marines," but never before of "commercial marines." The service would no doubt be pleasant. They would be near their base of supplies, and an occasional trip into Miquelon for repairs would keep the thing from getting monotonous. The "marshal marines" could be divided into sections, and relieve one another *per Curio*. Of course this is all supposition on my part, but I submit that you are driven into suffering to account for the warlike spirit breathed by our peaceful brethren who meet in the temple of commerce, all burning for fame and assistance from the public treasury.

Will you please to turn the matter over in your mind? Who is the Bismarck that has turned the minds of men who are scarcely done with the labor of their annual balance sheet, and leaving on one side the great questions of the hour, now only speak and think of how to marshal men in the ranks of grim-visaged war? I hope my friend, the editor of the *Colonist*, has not taken the fever. I, for one, would not like to see him arrayed in all the panoply of war; and I assure him that no offence was meant in my reference to the *Colonist* in my former letter.

In conclusion, let us hope that peace will prevail. This is no time to take money from a starving people. Better to lessen the duty on sugar, than to "play at soldiers." Such a criminal, unpopular act would only be done by fools or worse.

Yours, etc.,

St. John's, Jan. 30, '88. MECHANIC.

LOCAL VARIETIES.

DON'T forget the Governor's lecture at the Athenaeum Hall this evening.

A MESSAGE to Mr. Condon states that the steamer "Herules" left Trinity at 9 a.m. today. She will be due here to-night.

OWING to the lecture in the Athenaeum to-night, by His Excellency Governor Blake, the public meeting in connection with the Prohibition League will be postponed until to-night week (Feb. 6th) when the chair will be taken by Jas. Angel, Esq., President of the Blue Ribbon Gospel Temperance Union, and the regular work of the League recommenced.

An interesting communicated article on "Mr. McNeily and the Volunteers" has been received, but we are debarred the pleasure of giving it publicity, in consequence of an omission on the part of the writer to furnish us with his real name. Perhaps he will be good enough to send along the necessary information before noon to-morrow. No fear of disclosure.

BIRTH.

On Sunday, the 29th inst., the wife of Mr. Alexander Westcott, of a son.
On Friday, 27th inst., the wife of Mr. Thomas Moore, of a son.
At Western Bay, on the 25th inst., the wife of Dr. B. R. Somerville of a daughter.
On the 28th inst., the wife of Mr. J. J. Clatton of a daughter.

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