

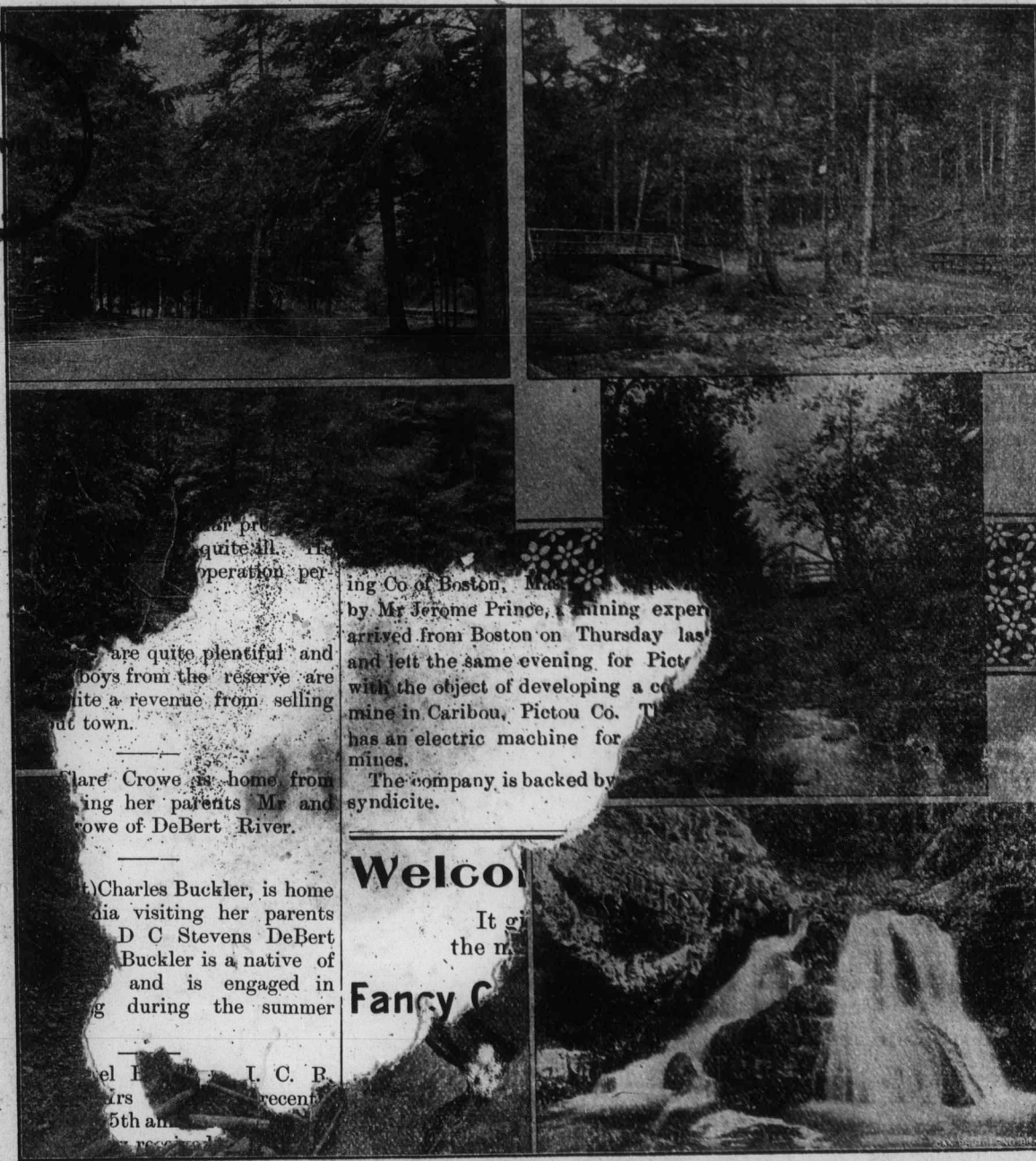
# THE SEARCHLIGHT.

*How to the Line, Let the Chips Fall Where They Will.*

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TRURO, N. S., SATURDAY, MAY 13th, 1899.

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Beautiful Truro.—Scenes in Victoria Park.

THE PEOPLE'S PAPER.

BY C. W. LUNN.

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It aims to be a real friend of the common people, and believes in the masses more than in the classes. It expounds every deserving cause—cares nothing for so called party obligations if the people can be the gainers by advocating an independent policy.

MAY 13th, 1899.

We Us and Co.

We were informed the other day by a good friend, a real christian, that some temperance people are not satisfied with Searchlight's attitude on the temperance question. Very likely. However if they will point out our faults in these columns or the columns of some other newspaper, we will be pleased to offer a straightforward explanation in accordance with our views on the question. We think this would be much more honorable than going about saying unkind things behind our back as some people are doing. We try to be up and above board with others and would admire them if they would do the same by us.

We are not boastful when we say that for over two years we have lived a sober life, and that we are determined by the help of God to keep on doing so. We may also add that in that time there has scarcely been a day or night that we have not in our struggling way tried to help some brother fallen through drink to rise again and be a man, and we are only one of many other humble ones who are doing likewise; and to a very great extent our work though not of the house top kind not for the sake of notoriety but for

...ankind has been successful... did not profess to be able to... but we have done what we could according to the light we have. Others, though perhaps making more noise have done no more than they could. We have made no secret of the fact that we are for moral suasion, and we make the statement that whatever has been accomplished in the matter of redeeming men from strong drink has been done by moral suasion, and one man did not do it all either; we do not profess to be able to reform the world but we do hope to make some struggling fallen brother better by acts of practical kindness. We have an opinion and we want the privilege to express it, conceding the right to others to do the same. No one or two men know it all.

#### Liquor War In Moncton.

Another liquor war is raging in Moncton with Scott Act officer Belyea leading the prosecuting forces.

Belyea was dismissed some time ago and sought a situation in the railway employ at Moncton and orders were received to put him to work, but some parties having a pull with the government, prevented the appointment being made. Now they are sorry they did so, as Belyea has again been appointed inspector, or prosecutor by the city council and has declared war to the knife.

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...will... successfully carry out his undertaking. Searchlight joins all Truro in wishing him every success and a safe return home.

#### Town Notes.

A J Walker & Son is having a new house finished on McLellan Street.

Ernest O'Brien has a fine stock of groceries, boots and shoes. J. A. Wrights old stand, Prince Street.

The subject for the Victoria D. J. T. A. meeting tomorrow night in Victoria Hall, Inglis Street "Is dividing the time"

Men and teams are at work drawing bridge timber to Clifton for the Midland railway.

A number of coal miners former residents of Cape Breton, who have been mining in British Columbia, arrived here Wednesday evening, and went east to their respective homes on Thursday.

Cor. Ed. Herritt, Stellarton was in town Wednesday night last.

#### Pat and The Medicine

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## THE SEARCHLIGHT

### Here and There.

We regret to learn that the dwelling house of Mrs. Alfred Hamilton, Broadfield, Colchester County, N. S. was totally destroyed by fire Monday last. No insurance.

The construction work on this end of the Midland railway has been commenced in earnest.

We regret to learn that the Rev.

Mr. Rose, has been confined to his house, suffering from a sore foot, caused by stepping on an upturned nail.

Mt. James Paige, son-in-law of Mr. J. C. Murray, Queen St., passed a successful examination last week as 2nd engineer. Mr. Paige is in the employ of the Yarmouth & Boston Steamship Line. His many friends in Truro extend congratulations.

The Rev. A L Geggie of St Pauls Church has organized a base ball club from the boys of the Sunday School. He has secured the grounds on Brunswick street.

We are pleased to know that Mrs. D. McRae, Havelock St. who has been very ill is able to move about again.

Mr. D. Gunn the popular proprietor of the Opera House is quite ill. He recently had a painful operation performed.

Mayflowers are quite plentiful and the Indian boys from the reserve are drawing quite a revenue from selling them about town.

Miss Clare Crowe is home from Boston visiting her parents Mr and Mrs J B Crowe of DeBert River.

Mrs. (Capt) Charles Buckler, is home from California visiting her parents Mr and Mrs D C Stevens DeBert River. Capt. Buckler is a native of Tatamagouche and is engaged in whale fishing during the summer months.

Mr. Samuel Buchanan, I. C. R. Truro, and Mrs Buchanan recently observed the 25th anniversary of their marriage. They received hearty congratulations and handsome presents

from a large circle of friends and acquaintances,

Mr. Ernest O'Brien has opened up with a full stock of groceries in the stand formerly occupied by Dickson and Wright.

Conductor F. H. Crowe, who has been visiting his parents at DeBert River left to resume his duties on the C P R at Rat Portage, Tuesday last.

The entire staff of Bigelow & Hood, including their new delivery waggon was photographed in a group the other day. It was just before the team departed for Halifax.

Mr James Gratten, shoemaker has rented the shop formerly occupied by the late Martin Leaky.

Mrs. C H Beattie has returned to Truro from Economy where she was attending the death bed of her father the late A K Moore one of the best known men in Colchester.

Lindsay, Baird and Fulton are rushing deals down their sluice at Belmont at a 210 gait. Their cut for this season is an exceedingly large one.

### After Copper.

Mr C C Munroe, general manager of the International Mining & Developing Co of Boston, Mass, accompanied by Mr Jerome Prince, a mining expert arrived from Boston on Thursday last and left the same evening for Pictou, with the object of developing a copper mine in Caribou, Pictou Co. The Co has an electric machine for locating mines.

The company is backed by a wealthy syndicate.

### Big Strike In Montreal.

MONTREAL, May 6.—[Special]—All iron moulders employed in Montreal to the number of 300, struck work this morning, the employers having refused their demand for minimum wages of \$2.50 a day and total abolition of piece work. The strike was ordered by the American iron moulders union and threatens to be a serious one, as it effects the C P R and G T R, and many other big establishments.

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BARBER:—Wm. Jeffery, hair dresser North side of Prince Street, west.

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### Town Notes.

Well mister if you don't want to read Searchlight you dont haft to.

Truro is about to put on her spring garments, and then it will be beautiful Truro in earnest.

If you see anything in Searchlight that you think is not just right let us know. We dont claim to be perfect.

The trial of inspector Lawrence takes place next Monday night in the council chamber.

Messrs Archibald and Nelson are about to add 50 feet to their shop, and when it is completed they will go into the commission and auctioning business.

The warm shower Tuesday night last gave the grass quite a start, but it was real cold again Wednesday.

Miss Morris, daughter of Dr Morris, Musquodoboit, was married Tuesday last at the residence of Mr J H Wright Walker street, by the Rev A L Geggie, to Mr McCurdy, also of Musquodoboit

### Entertainment.

A great treat is in store for the lovers of elocution and music in Truro, Monday evening, May 15th at the Opera House. Miss Ethel Webb, A T C M, Elocutionist and Versatile Entertainer assisted by W Graham Hodsdon will give one of their popular Recitals of song and story. In their late appearances in Moncton and Amherst they fully sustained the reputation gained in the other provinces. These artists will be assisted by local talent. Win Nelson will give one of his inimitable whistling solos also Mr Davidson of the Truro Conservatory of Music will render a violin solo that in itself will be sufficient to attract a full house. Popular prices 25 and 35 cents. Tickets for sale at Geo Faulkeners Music Store and W O'Dell's Drug Store.

W S Harkins has returned to New York from New Orleans where he has been playing this season, and is engaging people for his company for his annual provincial tour. Mabel Eaton, who became such a favorite last season

will again be his leading woman. W T Farnum who played Jones last season in "What happened to Jones" will also be in the company.

### C P R Stock in London.

London, May 3—For the first time in the history of the Canadian Pacific railway, the stock of that company sold above par to-day. Sales were made on the London stock exchange at 101½.

George W Stewart and Mr Rutherford, carpenters are putting in vestibules and verandas in a building for Mr Schurman on Arthur street, occupied by Messrs Good and Penty.

### They Have Their Answers.

In his letter to last Tuesday's Daily News, the mayor grows boastful over Truro's splendid position in the money market of Canada, citing the pleasing fact that her 20 year 4 per cent bonds have sold at a higher price than ever before realized by any other town in the Maritime Provinces. We heartily agree with the mayor that the favorable placing of the hands is cause for boasting, on the part of the citizen's of Truro, but in view of the past utterances of the mayor and his friends, in re the mid'and bonus, we fail to see how they can take any praise to themselves in connection with the matter. The cry of "injury to the town" raised by the mayor and his friends on that occasion seems only to have had effect on one class of men: that fossilized body known as the legislative council of Nova Scotia, who as if in answer to the despairing cry of the anti-bonus people, tacked a sinking fund proviso onto the bonus borrowing bill. It is now quite plain that the shrewd money lenders of Canada took no stock whatever in the crys of "run" raised by the anti-bonus people. In fact they seem to think the ends of a town, whose people are enterprising and patriotic enough to spend money in inducing railways and other industries to locate here, is a first-class thing. Even the legislative councils, dismal, doleful, sinking fund attachment did not effect them. The favorable placing of the hands is in fact a direct slap in the face to the whole combination of "wolf" shouters. It is also an answer

to what the mayor more than hints at as the blunderings and incompetancy of his predecessors in office. It would seem from the action of the money lenders, that those predecessors did not injure the town abroad as much as some parties would have us think they did. It seems to us if any person has cause for boasting in connection with this matter, it is Ex-Mayor Turner and those who stood by him while in office.

Truronians have indeed cause to feel proud of the splendid showing the town is making abroad and we feel sure Mayor Stuart and his council will do nothing to detract from that splendid showing in future.

### The License Inspector.

Next Monday night the license inspector is to come before the town council to answer to the charge of neglect of duty preferred against him by councillor Johnson. At the close of the council meeting on the 5th inst the Mayor said;

Inspector Lawrence, I am not sure that we have the power to demand that you present your accounts before this Council at this date to be audited; but for the information of the Council and ratepayers, I wish to request you to make a statement in writing of your work as Inspector since I have been occupying the chair as Mayor. I want you to bring to the Council on the night of our investigation a statement of the number of cases brought against liquor sellers by you, and against whom; the number of convictions and against whom; the amount of fines imposed, the offence, and against whom; the amounts of money received and paid out to counsel, to witnesses and to informers, with names of each; and such other material as may be necessary to inform the Council of your doings."

Pending the investigation and decision we refrain from making any further remarks in connection with the matter this issue.

### Here And There.

DeBert Station:—Mr Wilbert Carter, of this place, left for the hospital in Halifax Monday to receive treatment to his eyes. His many friends here hope for his complete recovery.



## THE SEARCHLIGHT

### A Mystery Solved

RATS WERE THE ASSAULTERS.

Quebec April 27.—Some time ago local excitement was caused by the announcement that an aged lady named Thompson, residing on the Cape, had been the victim of assault and serious injury by some unknown person while sleeping in her bed at her own residence. Her face was cut and she had evidently sustained a severe nervous shock, but as no trace of intruders could be found, the problem remained unsolved until an evening or two ago, when the experience was repeated in such a way as to clear up the mystery. Mrs Thompson was awakened by some animal gnawing at her face, and her cries brought assistance just as several enormous rats were making good their escape. Her face showed several wounds. It is supposed that the rats came down from the citadel, where they are known to be numerous.

### Port Elgin's Factory to Open.

It is understood that the old furniture factory at Port Elgin, at present owned by Curtis Trenholm, is to be reopened as a wood working factory. It will be in charge of Harvey Treen and J W Doull of Sackville. The machinery can be placed in good working order quite easily. Messrs Treen and Doull will take contracts and carry on a general wood working business. This should be pleasing intelligence to the people of Port Elgin, as the factory has been closed several years.—Post.

The Mineral Products Co., of New York, now operating the manganese mines in Hillsboro, have for several months past given employment to about 50 men. The mine has been running day and night, turning out about ten tons of the pressed briquettes every twenty hours. The ore is first taken from the mine, passes through the drier and is then pressed into hard briquettes. In this state it is shipped by rail to their blast furnaces at Bridgeville, N S. This branch of the works is now the scene of busy activity and in our next issue we hope to give a more detailed account of this part of the industry, in the success of which the people in this county are equally interested.—Albert Maple Leaf.

### Cross Creek Gold.

Fredericton Gleaner: It is reported that a syndicate of gentlemen who have taken up large gold areas at Cross Creek recently sent specimens of the quartz from that locality to the works of a gold mine in Nova Scotia in which some of the same gentlemen are interested, and that word has been received from the manager of the mine that the quartz sent from here is about four times as rich in gold as that which is taken from the mine there, which pans out about \$20 a ton. The report has revived much of the waning interest in the Cross Creek gold find.

### The Spider's Appetite.

The spider has a tremendous appetite, and his gormandizing defies all human competition. A scientist who carefully noted a spider's consumption of food in 24 hours concluded that if the spider were built proportionately to the human scale he would eat at daybreak (approximately) a small alligator; at 7 a m a lamb; by 9 a m a young camelopard; by 1 o'clock, a sheep, and would finish up with a large pie, in which there were 120 birds. Yet in spite of his enormous appetite a spider has wonderful power of refraining from food, and one has been known to live for two months when absolutely deprived of food. A

beetle lived in a similar state of unrefreshment for three years.

The oldest building in the world that has been uninterruptedly used for church purposes is St Martin's Cathedral at Canterbury. The building was originally erected for a church, and has been regularly used as a place for religious gatherings for more than 1,500 years.

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## April Showers

### BRING MAY FLOWERS.

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### Along The Rail.

Men are flocking here in search of work on the Midland railway.

Mr Angus McDonald, and son, Bible Hill will erect many of the Midland Station buildings, and do most of the trestle work.

Mr Andrew Murray mason of Harmony, has charge of the construction of the McClure bridge on the Midland railway near Truro.

Mr Wm Thompson, of the Midland railway staff was in Halifax this week looking after the landing of a cargo of Norway pine for the Midland bridges.

The freight traffic is quite brisk on the I C R, and a large number of freight cars are moving over the road.

Willie Cummings, son of Boss Cummings, Station master Truro, left on 7 inst for Boston. Young Cummings, we understand had a situation opened when he arrived. Willie is a promising young man, with a good business education, having attended Frazee & Whiston's commercial college for one and a half years, and was in the Dominion Express Co's. service for some time.

### Here And There.

A young French priest, who can speak very little English was at the Victoria Temperance Tuesday night enroute from Quebec to Tracadie N S.

John Hill, for over twenty-two years foreman of the I C R shops at River Du Loup's died there Tuesday. He was formerly employed on the eastern division of the Intercolonial, and was well-known in Halifax. He was born in Glasgow in 1832.

A train load of Dukohoboars passed through Truro Tuesday night from Halifax.

The day freight from Moncton was over six hours late arriving at Truro Tuesday night owing to rush of work out along the line.

On the 9th inst from 6.30 to 12

o'clock twenty-four hundred tons of freight was sent out of Truro yard enroute to Halifax.

### Stub Ends of Thought.

The widow's mite needn't always be given in money, its equivalent in kind words is standard coin in the eyes of God.

Dont throw stones until you move into the iron house of perfection that will be over the line.

Lord I care not for riches, we sing it but we dont mean it. That hymn should be revised to read "Lord I care for riches."

In this world of misunderstanding it is a comfort to know that God is our judge.

If we were as ready to find an excuse for the shortcomings of others, as we are to find one or more for our own, there would be a great many more happier people in the world than there are.

A Scotch farmer, celebrated in his neighborhood for his immense strength and skill in athletic exercises, very frequently had the pleasure of contending with people who came to try their strength against him. Lord D., a great pugilistic amateur, went from London on purpose to fight the Athletic Scot. The latter was working in an enclosure at a little distance from his house when the noble lord arrived. His lordship tied his horse to a tree and addressed the farmer. "Friend, I have heard marvelous reports of your skill, and have come a long way to see which of us two is the better wrestler." The Scotchman, without answering,

seized the nobleman, pitched him over the hedge, and then set about working again. When Lord D. got up, "Well," said the farmer, "have you anything to say to me?" "No," replied his lordship, "but perhaps you'd be good enough to throw me my horse"

### Looking for Gold.

Last Thursday a few practical miners left Truro for some part of the country on a prospecting tour for gold. These men we have reason to believe knew what they were about. They did not belong to Truro, neither were they capitalists.

It is and has been the custom in Nova Scotia for poor men to locate and prove that gold or any other mineral really exists, in paying quantities to ensure the development of the mines on a large scale—then the man with the gloves on steps in and reaps the reward.

### Letter From Mr McDonald.

Editor Searchlight,

Sir:—In your paper of April 29th, you stated that you were informed that I was paying men seventy-five cents a day, to which I would reply that I never said to any of the men that I was going to pay seventy-five cents a day. In your issue of May 6, you try to correct it, but to me it appears worse for you say that you understand that I said to the men that I could not pay more than seventy five cents a day. Again I say I do not recollect of ever mentioning wages to men until I came to pay them, and I would further say that a man who would not be worth more than seventy five cents a day would not be worth having. I hope this will be more satisfactory.

John McDonald.

## Spring is Here

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Our Man About Town.

THINGS SEEN AND HEARD OF INTEREST TO EVERYBODY.

The license inspector was on hand Saturday night last again, and visited several of the hotels but did not find anything in his line of business to capture.

The Salvation Army, having vacated the Victoria hall, on Inglis Street, held their meeting in D. J. T. A. Hall, Walker Street, Sunday night last.

G. T. Hamilton, the well-known barber is now employed in Mr J S Rawding's shop on Outram Street.

Mr Hugh McDonald, of New Glasgow, is superintending the putting in of the foundation for the new Fire Hall.

That part of Dr W S Muir's house moved away to make room for the handsome new structure, is being fitted up for a dwelling on Robie Street.

The grand opening of the park for 1899 may be said to have been taken place Sunday last. The beautiful weather prevailing caused hundreds to wend their way to that charming spot.

Sunday night the police run a colored and a white man in for fighting on the street.

Martin Leahy, shoemaker, died at his home Prince Street, Saturday last about 6 o'clock a m, from heart trouble. Though ill for some time past, his death was rather unexpected at that time. Those who had been watching by his bedside during the night, left for their homes at 5 o'clock, he at that time was resting quite easy. At 6 o'clock he took a bad turn, and his wife barely had time to call Mr Jno D Ross in off the street before he passed away.

The funeral which was quite largely attended took place Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, to the Roman Catholic cemetery. Deceased was 40 years of age, and leaves a wife and one child.

# Business Directory.

Miss L. M. Tupper, Inglis Street, agent for Parker's dye works, and Suckling & Chase's choice nursery stock. Manager of Truro up-to-date lending library.

BAKERS:—Bruce's, the oldest and the best, white and brown bread, pies etc. Wedding cakes a specialty, Prince Street.

CARRIAGES:—A. A. Archibald, Prince Street, manufacturer of fine carriages. The best in the country.

HARNESS:—Eli Archibald, manufacturer of fine harness of all kinds criptions Prince Street near Inglis.

SPECIALIST:—Dr J. C. McDougall, specialist of the eye, ear, throat, and nose, Queen Building Prince Street.

VICTORIA TEMPERANCE HOTEL:—Newton Lee, proprietor, opposite the I. C. R. station. First class in every particular, \$1.00 per day. Livery in connection.

MERCHANT TAILOR:—W. B. Simmons Prince Street. Orders promptly and neatly attended to. Excellent stock to chose from.

HOTELS:—Revere House, Havelock St., near the station. Permanent and Transient board. Strictly Temperate. Terms moderate. Mrs McPherson, proprietress.

BICYCLE LIVERY:—Wheels rented by the hour, day or season. Prices of rental low. Wheels all new and in good condition. L. B. Rettie & Co., Inglis St.

BUILDER:—Wm. Jollimore, carpenter and builder. Repair neatly and promptly attended to. McLellan Street.

BARBERS:—W. S. Peel, Inglis Street. Hair dressing and shaving, hot, cold, and vapor baths.

J. S. Rawding, Outram Street. A. 1 hair dresser, shampooing. J. N. Patriquin, assistant.

CONFECTIONARY:—W. B. Murphy, manufacturer of fruit syrups, and candy, Prince Street near Inglis.

GROCERS:—W. H. Snook & Co., Victoria Square. The leading grocery store. Everything first-class.

DEFOREETS BAKERY:—Inglis Street. Boston brown bread, vienna and cream bread, whole wheat bread, choice puff paste, Parker house rolls.

REFRESHMENTS:—Forrester and Smith, Inglis Street. Fruits, confectionary, cream soda and fruit syrup drinks.

GROCERY:—Ryan Bros., the Inglis St. Grocers & Provisions dealers. Try our Boot & Shoe department for Boots, Shoes, Slippers and Rubbers. Our prices are the lowest.

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**Blood Money.**

Editor of Searchlight,

Having opened the columns of your paper for the expression of opinion in regard to whether it is right or not to carry on temperance work with blood money or money squeezed out of liquor dealers, I thought I would venture a word or two on the question.

In order to understand the architecture of a house it is necessary to view it all through inside and all round outside. Such also is the case in regard to any social, religious or political question. Suppose then we take a few views of the town of Truro liquor selling position.

The law of Truro is anti liquor, yet for all that liquor is sold in any amount straight along, and the town although apparently putting forth every effort is powerless to stop it.

Now there certainly is a cause for this contradictory state of affairs. Of course there is a salaried liquor inspector who is supposed to see that the law is carried out. But having failed to do so, some of the churches have taken the matter in hand and through informants are fining the liquor dealers every chance they can get, always managing to keep close to the first offence law. In this way half the fine is got and used as it is said, to carry on the prosecutions. Hence the term "blood money." Even from the standpoint of the town revenue, if the inspector would or could enforce the law himself all the money instead of half, as the case is now, would go into the town funds.

Now some say one thing and some another about these things, but you'll find the cause for such a contradictory state of affairs is as old as the intelligence of mankind. You may call it what you like; the double dealing cause or the two-faced cause, but all the same it is simply hypocrisy and it has its root in the church.

Now look. The Jews had the law of Moses or the ten commandments, which, together with their religious ceremonies made up one side of the affair—the saying side. But when they wanted to do anything they did it according to another law—a law of their own desires which they had got up for themselves. The law of Moses said "Thou shalt not kill" but when

Pilate tried to save Jesus from death the Jews said "We have a law and by our law he ought to die." Just notice the words "our law." Sure enough they had a law of their own. The law of Moses together with the outward religious ceremonies made up the righteous side of the affair which they turned out to the world for a show. But when they acted they did so from the other side—from their own law.

The town of Truro with nine or ten churches and as many ministers has a religious reputation to keep up. The town law of "No license or liquor selling," together with the Bible and their religious ceremonies form the side that is turned out to the world for a show of righteousness. But they have another law which says "We want and will have liquor," and so they have it. So you may call it the double-law position or the straddle-legged prodigy, or the grand hypocritical split act, or whatever you like.

But let me tell you I believe that you'll never stop liquor selling by prosecuting the liquor sellers. The truth about the matter is the churches are astray and going further astray as fast as they can. Some think that if the liquor is stopped the money will turn into the church, but it won't. You can't convert a man by law even to support the church. The diffusion of right knowledge is the only remedy. Intoxicating liquor is extremely injurious. The human body is made up of minute cells filled with water. By destroying the water in the cells you destroy the cells, by destroying the cells you destroy the body and with the destruction of the body you destroy life.

Alcohol effects and dries up the water in the cells, which in turn destroys the cells and with the cells, the body and the life.

When men are brought to the knowledge that intoxicating liquor is hurtful to the right physical and mental development of mankind, they will stop it for the sake of self preservation if for nothing else, and the liquor dealers will naturally seek for some other employment.

Yours truly  
Somebody.

**Moncton Notes.**

John Foster son of ex-Marshall Foster has been given a situation in the I C R freight shed.

Mr. J E Price, chief superintendent I C R will leave the first of next week by private car on a two weeks' trip to the Western States, and will visit a number of the big western roads while absent.

News of the death of Miss Barbarie eldest daughter of Mr A O Barbarie, I C R Station Agent at Campbellton which occurred at her home yesterday morning, will be heard with deep regret by a large circle of friends. Death was due to consumption.

Thaddy Basterach a brakeman on the M and B Railway, had the fingers of the left hand severely jammed while coupling cars at the station here yesterday. It was found necessary to amputate the little finger.

Mr. A W. Cruise of the I C R engineers' office leaves on Wednesday next for New York where he has secured a good position with the New York Central Railway. Mr. Cruise is an energetic young man of good ability and his friends here will wish him success in the Metropolitan city across the border.

The new Cleveland engine bunt at the Baldwin locomotive works for the department of Railways and canals arrived at Moncton a few days ago and was given a preliminary trial Saturday. No train was attached on the trial and consequently railway men are not in a position to gauge her merits. Mr. Cleveland is here in the interest of himself, Mr Peterson and other western associates.

Section No 86 north is receiving a thorough overhauling and new sleepers are being put in. This section extends down six miles. As usual in spring season the several sections are receiving necessary repairs to keep the road up to the standard.

**W. P. A. Notice.**

A full attendance of the members of the workingmen's Protective Association is requested for Thursday night, the 18th inst, in Victoria Hall, Inglis Street, as business of importance is to be transacted. Candidates who have been balloted for and duly elected will please present themselves for initiation.

By order of the  
Master Workman.



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### Restricting Liquor Sales.

Some new and very stringent features are being added to the Liquor Regulation Act of P E I.

Some of these are :

Sales to minors under the age of 21 years is made an offence.

Tobacco and oysters not to be permitted to be sold where liquors are kept for sale.

No barmaid or domestic female servant to be permitted in a room where liquor is sold.

Treating not to be permitted in any place where liquor is sold, or elsewhere except in the residence of the person providing the treat—under penalty of not less than \$10 nor more than \$25.

Sale in clubs not permitted. Proof of consumption on premises to be evidence of sale.

Sales not to be permitted in any block where one-half the residents over 21 years of age sign a petition against such sale, the signature to be attested genuine by affidavit.

### Brieflets.

Now for the park.

Get ready for the 24th.

Y M C A fair 22rd and 24th.

We can't please everybody.

Victoria Square is looking up.

The lamb and the king of the acre fell out.

The gardeners are busy these days.

The weather is none too warm yet.

Big time in the opera house Monday night.

The letter in another column on temperance was written by a man who never drank or sold liquor.

There are rumours of several June weddings. Cupid is always on hand.

Mayor Stuart and Mr F B Schurman were fishing in Halifax country waters this week.

Mr Oscar Fulton, Portapique Mountain, was in town this week.

An interesting story entitled, "Saved by a match" will appear next week, written especially for Searchlight.

The Truro branch of the Railway men's christian association is in a very flourishing condition.

Ascension day services were held in St Johns Church of England and the Roman Catholic Church Thursday last.

Misses Annie and Francis King left Wednesday morning by C P R train for Victoria, B C.

Donald Steele, car repairer at Bridgeport, C B, was found dead in bed Tuesday morning. He had retired in his accustomed health, but when his wife went to wake him he was dead. The deceased was about 60 years of age.

The immigrants by the Brasilla left Halifax in three special C P R trains Tuesday for the west. The parties on the trains were in charge of Chas. Stemshorn, Jos. Bernstein, T E Clay and I Roth.

Capt. McNeil, living near Antigonish died on Sunday. He was 100 years old.

The C P R steamer Empress of India left Yokohama on the 15th, and the Empress of Japan arrived at Hong Kong on the 8th.

Mr A. S. Murphy left on Monday for Wallace where he will spend some weeks looking after his interests in a fine lobster factory, which has just started its season's packing.

### D. J. T. A. Entertainment.

The members of the Victoria D. J. T. A. had a successful opening of their new quarters in the Victoria building Tuesday night. About two hundred were present. Mrs Mills presided at the organ.

The programme was as follows :—  
Singing by audience hymn 37.  
Prayer by chaplain, D. McLean.  
Hymn 117.  
President's opening address.  
Remarks by C W Lunn.  
Recitation Master Charlie McLean.  
Song. Miss Gammon

Testimonials: D McLean, J L Cain, F W Henderson, Arch. McInnes, M McKay and others.

Pledge singing and singing of hymn 303.

Recitation. Little Miss Janie Burke.

Recitation. Miss Madden.

Song. Samuel Jolley.

Recitation. Miss Rosie Jolley.

Recitation. Mrs Mills.

Remarks. J W Publicover.

Song. Miss Rosie Jolley.

The collection realized a goodly sum toward defraying the expenses of the society.

It is the intention of the society to put on a good bill of entertainment each night of meeting. There is now a good membership, two joined Tuesday night.

The athletic part of the association is being put in shape for the season.

### The Press And The Council.

Says the Colchester Sun:—"The present Mayor and council seem to be very much concerned about the stand which the press is at liberty to take regarding matters of civic interest. We suggested some time ago that if the council attended to business and labored honestly to encourage trade and industry in our midst they could count upon steady support from the press. But petulant objections to mere inquiries by ratepayers or to honest discussions of civic matters, is not at all becoming in such a representative body. Thus in the inspiration and spirit shown in the Mayor's letter of yesterday, is not at all creditable, while the ostensible point of his letter is well taken and should be fully endorsed. We have no sympathy with anything which tends to detract from the good name of our town or to make more difficult the unthankful duties of the Mayor and councillors."

The trouble with some of the present council is they are too short tempered. They fly into a passion whenever their public acts were criticised. Let them not forget that they are the peoples servants, and that they can neither silence the public, or gag the press.

It is just as conducive to good health that feather beds should be renovated at this season of the year as anything else about your premises. Wm Murray, Havelock Street, is the man to do that kind of work properly for you.



## THE SEARCHLIGHT

### 216 vs 2,000,000.

The I C R trackman have not yet received justice in the matter of a raise of pay. The old excuse is still made to do duty, "Can't afford it." Can't afford it, yet the government can afford to appoint an army of useless inspectors on the I C R. When the Tories were in power we used to vigorously protest against the "fifth wheel" boss business, and at that time the Grit papers used to back us up in the protest, but now they are as dumb as oysters about the matter, and that too when the present government has increased the number of useless "fifth wheel" bosses. What arrant fools some of those papers make of the laboring class. Simply mock at the injustice being heaped upon them, yet the working men submit to it, and continue to support them. What is the good of organized labor in this country if they do not bring these people to terms.

The Dominion parliament machine only numbers some 216 persons, while the working class is well onto 2,000,000, yet the great majority of newspapers bow to the 216, and ignore the 2,000,000. Why? Simply because the 2,000,000 permit themselves to be insulted, and unjustly treated by the the 216, and their few hundreds of wire pullers, and pap suckers. 'Tis the 2,000,000 that make and unmake governments, yet the 216, and their few followers, favorites, make, break and heap injustice upon the 2,000,000.

In this country are hundreds of newspapers that answer to every beck and call of the 216, while they virtually ignore the 2,000,000, yet 'tis the latter that gives them all existence. If it was not for the 2,000,000 they would not be in a position to do the bidding of the 216.

Trackmen, working men in general, if you want those servile government, party machine newspapers to support your cause, right about face, and begin to withdraw your support from them, and they will soon come to terms.

### Hungry and Out of Employment.

'Twas a sad sight, and not at all in accordance with the boastings of the pap fed government organs, over the alleged prosperity of the country when

last Saturday evening eight stalwart young men, foot sore, weary and hungry came trudging into town from the direction of Brookfield. They were penniless and had walked from Halifax.

No, they weren't tramps. They were respectable, honest, willing-to-work young men, in search of employment, and came to Truro in the hopes of getting work on the Midland railway.

At the I C R station they met Mr Newton Lee, the proprietor of the Victoria-Temperance hotel to whom they told their story. No person in distress ever goes to "Newt" and comes away uncomforted. Mr Lee at once took them to his home, gave them a hearty meal, placing his spare room at their disposal to sleep in, and giving them their breakfast Sunday morning.

"Is the change of government making you rich?"

### C. B. Railway Notes.

(Sydney Record.)

Jno. McNeil, baggage master, has received a present of \$100 from his brother in the Klondyke.

Superintendent Campbell, of the Sydney-Truro division of the I C R. was in town last week.

Mr Walker, of Halifax, parlor car conductor on the I C R service between Halifax and Mulgrave, takes Harry Golding's place as parlor car conductor between Sydney and Point Tupper.

On Saturday last there was a new hand on the throttle of the west bound I C R express from Sydney to Point Tupper. Owing to sickness Duncan McLennan was unable to take charge of his engine and John Gallivan was placed in charge of the "lever." Upon enquiry we find that he reached all the stations along the line between Sydney and Point Tupper on time. Jack is a very young man to take charge of an express train and it shows that he is both capable and trustworthy or he would not be chosen to execute a mission fraught with so much responsibility.

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## Knickerbockers

Bicycle riding and Golf have brought Knickerbockers into general use. Even if you don't take part in either sport you may take long walks, or climb, nothing better than Knickerbockers. Our 'Bespoke' Knickerbockers are made from Scotch Tweeds, thoroughly shrunk, sewn with silk, made to "stay," braces or belts not necessary.—Price \$2.50.

## Golf and Hose

We can suit the most fastidious as our stock is very large. We have just opened a case of the famous "Castle Gate" brand; the legs are plain and ribbed in mixed shades of browns, greens, navy and black, with fancy tops in stripes and checks. Have made prices 50c. to \$1.00.

## Sweaters.

Full fashioned, seamless, hand-made Sweaters, with roll collar, laced front, in the new shades of mixed green and reds, fawn and gold, black and reds, etc., very handsome.

Boys' Sweaters, white, navy and cardinal, 20 to 70c.

Come now and take your choice.

## PHILIPS, THE CLOTHIER

Inglis St., Truro, N. S.



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### 206 Miles in 189 Minutes.

A Burlington Ia. U S dispatch of a recent date says:

"The fast mail train which left Chicago at 9.58 Sunday night, twenty minutes late, reached Burlington this morning at 1.17, five minutes ahead of time, having covered the 206 miles in 189 minutes.

Twelve minutes were consumed in stops and slow-downs, making the actual running time 187 minutes, the swiftest run ever made between Chicago and Burlington.

The train ran from Galesburg to Burlington—43 miles—in 39 minutes.

Engineer J. L. Kelly was at the throttle of engine No 2,015 during the run.

### McGill Honors Kipling.

Rudyard Kipling has consented to accept the degree of LL D. from McGill. In expressing his pleasure at the honor conferred upon him Mr Kipling regrets that he will be unable to personally attend, but the authorities of McGill are quite positive that he can be induced to reconsider his determination.

### A Romantic Wedding.

The marriage of Henry C Ingraham and Miss Mary E Cooke was performed last evening by Rev A C Chute. The couple met in Halifax by appointment. The groom came from Pugwash and the bride from Boston. Mr Ingraham met his fiancée at the steamer and they went to the minister at once.—Herald.

The minister of education of Saxony has issued a decree prohibiting women and girls attending the public schools and colleges from wearing corsets and stays on account of prevalency of ill-effects from tight lacing. The order has caused a great hub-bub.

On account of the urgent need for efficient workers in the mining towns of British Columbia, Rev. Ralph Trotter brother to Dr. Trotter of Acadia, has resigned the pastorate of the Victoria church, to take charge of a mission church on the northern border, with a nominal salary. Mrs Trotter (nee Miss Black) is at present visiting her old home at Amherst.—Herald.

### Saw a Bull Fight.

The other day we had a few minutes chat with Mr Jno. McDonald who recently returned from a business and pleasure trip to California and many other states of the union. Mr McDonald was also in Mexico. He thinks California is a fine country and intends returning there this coming fall to reside.

On his way home he came through Ohio and Georgia and while passing through the last named state saw one of the negroes recently lynched there hanging to a telegraph post near one of the railway stations.

While in Mexico, he saw a genuine bull fight. On that occasion five infuriated animals were put to death and after the cruel sport was over a feast was made at which the meat of the dead animals was devoured. Mr McDonald says it is a most disgusting sport though the Mexicans, men and women, greatly enjoy it, in fact go into raptures over it.

Speaking of the I. C. R., he says he travelled over many railways but found none to excel and few to equal it.

Dresden, Ont. May 7—The vault and safe of the Canadian Bank of Commerce branch here was blown open by burglars this morning and six thousand dollars taken. There is no clue. The safe is badly shattered.

There are several wooden railways in Canada and the United States. One of them is in the Province of Quebec and is 30 miles long. The rails are of maple, 4 in by 7 in, and trains are run over them with remarkable smoothness at the rate of 25 miles an hour. This road is used for the transportation of timber, and the rolling stock consists of one engine and 35 cars.

Dr Gruby, a physician of Paris, famous for his efforts to protect animals from cruelty, was logical enough to include insects in his mercy. He was, however, a little nervous, and when, one day, in his parlor, a big blue fly buzzed uninterruptedly on a window pane, the doctor called his man-servant. "Do me the kindness," said the doctor, "to open the window and carefully put that fly outside." "But sir," said the servant who thought of the drenching the room might get through an open casement, "it is raining hard outside." The doctor still thought of the fly, and not of his cushions. "Oh, is it?" he exclaimed; "then please put the little creature in the waiting-room, and let him stay there until the weather is fair!"

Ahmed Effendi the former Turkish Ambassador in Berlin, when entertaining company, was in the habit of distributing sweets among the ladies present. On one occasion he gave a certain lady two or three times as much as the rest. She, vain of her triumph, got an interpreter to inquire the reason of his preference. "Because her mouth is twice as large as that of the other ladies," was the reply.

The Bishop of Oxford was at a meeting engaged in auditing the accounts of a sectarian school. Among the items was one of fifty pounds for an "occasional monitor." One of the persons present asked the bishop what an "occasional monitor" was. "I suppose," replied the bishop, "that is the Nonconformist conscience."

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## Don't Swear

If you don't Swear, and purchase your Fishing Tackle from me, you will catch.

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### The Sportsman's Den.

From Forest and Stream.

How many happy hours are spent in it. It is the one room in the house in which the master feels that he is monarch of all he surveys; one into which his dog knows he is welcome to come and snooze and pursue the festive flea without fear of being chased out with a broom in the hands of an irate female. The room is not perhaps so tidy as the best spare room, nor its furniture set in unvarying geometrical positions; but it is as the owner wants it. On the walls hang pictures of hunting scenes, one or two stately stag heads, as true to life as the taxidermist skill can do; a set of wide-spreading moose horns hang over the mantel, deer horns here and there on the walls are used as racks. The floor is covered with skins of the bear, deer, and wolf. A rack is well filled with shotguns of different makes and bores, and rifles of different calibers. On a shelf is loading apparatus. In another corner hang the hunting clothes. A center-table is littered with sporting magazines. Numerous pipes lie conveniently around. A large easy chair and a pair of well-worn slippers invite to comfort.

In this room the owner always finds things just as he left them. When he comes in tired from a long tramp he can sling one rubber boot into one corner and one into the other with perfect impunity, and it is all right—he will know just where to find them. The old adage of a place for everything and everything in its place will not do for him. He is more lavish; he has a hundred places for everything; but if no female invades his retreat with a search warrant for loose real estate, it will not take him long to locate any of his things; he seems to do it by instinct. All of the servants of the household are imbued with the idea that all who enter here with dust broom or brush are like the prisoners of the Bastille and "leave all hope behind." So, by general consent he is given that room. And he is better off there among his idols than leaning over the pool table or setting around the hotels, giving his views of the Philippine Islands, or in some quiet room having a little game "with just enough in sight to make it interesting."

There are moments when he likes to be alone, and the den offers the opportunity. Perhaps he has been out all day after game, and returned with an empty bag, after boasting of the amount he was going to bring in. The chagrin makes him feel "that

there are moments when he wants to be alone." Or while fishing his boat capsizes and he goes overboard. Wet and plastered with mud, by taking the back way he arrives home unseen. "There are moments when he wants to be alone." Or he hears that the rivers are full of ducks; he takes his headlight and spends the night after them—and comes home in the morning cold, tired and sleepy, with not a feather to show. These are moments when he wants to be alone.

### A Lucky Mistake.

L. J. FORGET & CO CLEAR \$113,000 ON A CLERK'S ERROR.  
(Montreal Herald)

Mistakes often come high, but there was one made in L. J. Forget & Co's office some time ago which resulted in making a fortune. It is in connection with the recent boom in Anaconda shares.

It seems a client of the firm went into the office and left an order to buy five hundred shares of Anaconda in London. The order was entered by one of the clerks, and in making out the cable the order was given for five thousand shares instead of five hundred. The stock was purchased and Mr Forget was naturally not a little astonished when he found out the mistake in the returns which were made to him.

He received a cable to the effect that 4,500 shares had been realized in London, and that the profit placed to his credit was just \$113,000. The stock had almost a continuous advance from the time the shares were bought and

the sale was made at pretty close to the price. The mistake was one of the topics of the street this morning, and there is general regret among brokers and others that they did not have someone in their offices who could have done likewise.

Read the Searchlight.

## Wanted! Wanted!

Correspondents at every station along the I C R and D A R to send us the news, and agents to sell "Searchlight". Write for terms. Address "Searchlight"

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FOR SALE—That very pretty property on Foundry Hill. Good buildings, excellent garden stocked with fruit trees, and a magnificent, natural spring of water. Apply to W. H. Woolley on the premises. April 22nd.



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### Harmony Legislature.

AN INTERESTING DEBATE ON FIRE WATER.

[From the Screech-owl.]

Capital May 11.—House met promptly at 7.30. The Hon. Geo. Wrathaway called the attention of the speaker to the matter of the premier, Sir Christopher Bluejoint continually chewing gum in the house.

Col. Woodranger wanted to know if it is true as reported in the "Hornet" that a horse had become cast between the cradle hills on the streets of the capital?

The minister of public works was silent.

Sir Robt Anger wanted to know if it is true that the aged and much respected patriarch had been cast out of the "Garden of Eden" in the west of the capital, near where the fountain plays, and the military gentleman put in his place.

Again the minister of public works was silent, while a smile played about the ruddy features of the genial minister of poverty.

Col. Bill, leader of the opposition, said, Mr Speaker, so far this year I have not taken up much of the time of this house in speech making, so that now I think I will be excused if I make a few remarks. I am surprised that some of the ministers should be silent when charges of mismanagement of their departments are being made. There is a funny rumour going the rounds in reference to the "Garden of Eden" in the west of the capital. There is a rumour that says the old, aged, and much respected patriarch, William, has been bought off and the position of care taker of the "Garden of Eden", given him some time ago by the government because his tender was the lowest, has now gone to another, a military gentleman, a friend of and fellow worshipper with the minister of public works. The rumour that says he has been bought off, does not say the means by which he was bought off came out of the government chest, not at all, but it says the means were raised by a "chip in." Is the rumour true, and if it is true are the people the gainers by the transaction?

[Still no response from the ministers.]

The minister of war formulated his charges against the minister of "Fire-

water" charging him with remiss of duty. If he is not dismissed from the cabinet, I will resign, declared the minister.

The premier defended the minister of "Fire-water," declaring that the "Cold water tribe" is interfering with the minister in the discharge of his duty. If the minister is being interfered with in the discharge of his duty, then the getting of revenue by the government is also being interfered with, and he is informed the government is not getting as much revenue from the "Fire water tribe" this year as it did last, and not near as much as it did the year before; if this is true it is a matter that must be looked into and looked into it would be.

The minister of war and others were surprised that the premier who was supposed to be voicing the sentiments of the "King" should now be standing in with the minister of "Fire water." Yes, it seems funny in view of the fact that last fall the King was hand in hand with the minister of war and his followers but that was just before his second ascension to the throne.

The premier said he was a man of peace, so is the King. He wanted to restore harmony in this capital. He was anxious to see the "Fire water" tribe suppressed but he had come to the conclusion we were in for a long war, and the best we can do is to control them for the time being. It is, he said, quite evident that the cold water tribe is over matched. A part of the "Tabernacles", all of the "Tribe of Wealth" and others too numerous to mention are secretly allied with the "Fire water" tribe in this fight.

The minister of war—Oh, you take a weak kneed view of the situation.

The Premier—That may be so from your standpoint, but just the same the facts of common sense, reason and things as they actually are, are in accordance with my view.

The "Fire water" tribe and their friends have not less than \$200,000 at stake in this capital in this fight, and what has the "Cold water" tribe got to fight it with? Nothing but a few dollars they occasionally capture from the enemy. The scripture says, "what many among you who is going to build a house setteth not down and first counts the cost?" We are anxious to build up a structure of honesty and sobriety in this country, but before

doing so let us first count the cost. The men who made the "Fire water" law were not sincere. The best we can do at present is to control this thing all we can and drill the people, get recruits into our ranks to strike a decisive view further on.

He regretted that it is the custom of some of the leaders of the "Cold water" tribe to say nasty, unkind things about those who do not see eye to eye with them. In many cases it is slander and injurious to the one talked about, no matter how much they may preach to the contrary. If those people would be a little kinder and more charitable towards others there would be more in the ranks of the "Cold water" tribe today than there is.

(To be continued.)  
House adjourned.

### A Liberal Bonus.

ARICHA, May 3.—The Richmond county council, at their annual May meeting at St Peters yesterday voted a bonus of \$1000 per mile and a free right of way to the Inverness and Richmond Railway Co., from the Richmond county line to a point on the Strait of Canso or Port Malcolm, in Richmond County.

NOTICE:—When you want photographs in any size or style, go to the West End Studio, where you can get them from \$1 per dozen upward. John McPherson.

HATS REPAIRED:—No need of throwing away your old hats when you can have them renovated and trimmed so as to look as good as new, at Mrs Gorie's, Waddell Street.

BOARD:—Permenent and transient boarders, Havelock Block, Havelock Street. House new, rooms large and airy. Terms moderate. Mrs Carter.

BOOTS & SHOES:—Jno. Conner, boots and shoes, Inglis Street. Ladies genuine kid boot for \$1.00

J. H. HUGHES:—Horse shoer and general blacksmith, Waddell Street.

ELITE STUDIO:—Photographs all styles and sizes, from \$1.00 per dozen upwards, headquarters for amateur finishing. C. W. Kelly, Inglis St.



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### Not Guilty.

In last Tuesday night's news, Mayor Stuart "calls down" the Truro correspondent of the Halifax Herald and charges that person with trying to injure the town abroad. There are some who are under the impression that it is the editor of this paper the mayor is "shooting" at. If it is us the mayor is firing at, we can assure him he is "barking up the wrong tree" as we have not written a line for publication in the Halifax Herald for over three years, and above all we are not an enemy of Truro.

We have an idea, and there are very many who share the idea with us, that the correspondent referred to by the mayor is one of his own set, one of his much favoured newspaper men and that his remarks hit the person for whom they were intended just before they reached the public by way of the News columns.

### They Caught Fish.

Mr C. J. Wallace, clerk at the Learment Hotel and Mr G. T. Hamilton, barber, opened the fishing season so far as Truro is concerned, with a bang Tuesday last. They went to Irvin's Lake in the morning and returned in the evening with 44 beauties weighing from a  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $1\frac{1}{4}$  pounds. This is the first "catch" of the season we have heard of and if the record is kept up, Truro in this as in other things, will as usual be a long ways ahead. We would now like to hear from Mr. Ralph McCabe, Greenfield.

### Pithy Notes.

The railroad men of Kentville have formed a tug of war team and are practising every day for Queen's birthday sports.

It is reported that Dreyfus, who is imprisoned on Devil's Island, is to be pardoned and paid and he and his family must leave France forever.

Miss Annie McLean formerly of Falmouth, N S. and a graduate of Acadia '93 gave a lecture in the University of Chicago on "Two weeks in a department store during the Christmas rush"

A thousand workmen of Toronto, including bricklayers, moulders, stone-cutters, cigar makers went on a strike

in that city last Monday. A large number of carpenters and plumbers of Winnipeg also went out.

Last Thursday afternoon while John H Renner was turning into Luke St from Water St Halifax, with a team load of twenty barrels of cement, the wheel caught under the team throwing him to the ground. One of the wheels struck him near the heart which caused death instantly.

The Dominion Atlantic Railway company has decided to offer a free trip through the provinces, taking in Yarmouth, Annapolis, Halifax and St John to the persons sending in the largest number of names of persons (or their parents) now living in New England and who have gone from the maritime provinces during the last ten years.

### Gossip and Slander.

We are informed the Rev A L Geggie, preached a powerful sermon Sunday night last in St Paul's Church on "Perjury and Slander". The subject is a timely one. Slander is one of the things we have frequently wrote about—"gossip and slander" Truro has a good deal of it. We have had some experience with that class. People who go about retailing second hand street gossip and slander, and sad to relate the names of a large percentage of them are found on the church membership books. But then what is the use of us preaching or writing about these things until we first practice what we preach, for in that respect to some extent we are no doubt a sinner. It is pretty hard to be social these days and not be tainted, with gossip at least. Let us all try to do less, very much less, of it in future.

### Relics of the Past.

The people who think they know it all and want every person to do as they think, belong to a long past age, when the very few thought for the great many. They don't belong to this age of freedom of thought and independence of action. They are few in number, and are dying hard. They refuse to hear the views of others, with them it is a case of "our way or none at all". They are akin to that class that in past ages caused no end of trouble and blood shed. They belong to all sorts of breeds, political parties, etc. They are as much out of place in this age of freedom of thought and independence of action as a bull spin a chinao.

A boy holiday-making at Broadstairs suddenly took off his clothes, and leapt into the sea to save what he thought was a drowning man. When he reached the object which had drawn his attention, he was amazed to find that it was a copy of Answers, the wind turning over the pages as it floated along.

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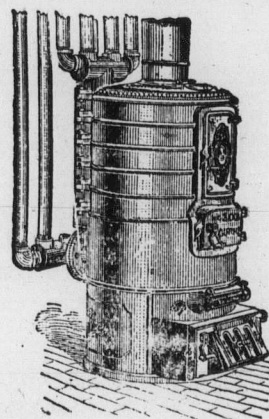
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## THE SEARCHLIGHT.

### Didn't Believe In Gas.

"Do you want to take gas?" asked Dr. Pullem of a big, robust looking woman who had come into his office to have some teeth extracted.

"Well, that's what I hardly know, doctor, and I wanted to talk to you about it. I'm just an awful coward, and I'm afraid I'll screech awfully if I don't take anything; and then, again, may be it wouldn't be so bad, after all. My husband's sister had fourteen teeth out at one sitting, and never took a single thing, nor give a single screech. But, then, she ain't a bit nervous, and I am, and I don't think that I could have even one out without screeching awfully, and—"

"Have you ever taken gas?"

"No I've not; and I said I never would. My cousin's wife's mother took gas, and she says that she felt everything exactly the same as if she hadn't taken it, and it made her so dreadfully sick she had to be taken home in a carriage, and she never did get clear over it.

"My husband's sister's aunt gets her work done here, and she says I could depend on the best work and the most gentlemanly treatment, and that if I did take gas it would be of the best; but my sister-in-law's stepmother took gas in a nice place where she paid 8s for it, and it made her carry on awfully. She laughed and hugged the dentist and talked silly and squirmed out of the chair and carried on awfully, and I'd hate dreadfully to do anything of that sort. Then, again, I think: What if I shouldn't come to! I've read of several different persons dying in dentists' chairs. My heart ain't weak that I know of, and my doctor says I could take ether or chloroform if I wanted to, but that's something I simply would not take. I've a perfect horror of anything of that kind, and I'd be sure I'd never come out of it. My husband's half-brother's wife's sister's husband took ether and never came out of it; and as for cocaine, I'm afraid of it, because my brother's son by his first marriage—"

"Do you want to take gas?"

"That's what I want to talk to you about. If I could be sure it wouldn't leave any after-effects, or make me do anything silly, or sicken me, or— An old friend of mine named Lucy Jane Tandy—her name is Hocper now

—she married a man of that name the winter I married my husband, and she lives in Africa now, and has five lovely children. She sent me all of their photographs only last week. If I'd thought, I might have brought them with me. Anyhow, her husband took something to have his teeth out, and Lucy Jane thinks it salivated him, and he did think of suing the dentist—and no one could blame him, either. But then it wasn't gas he took, and—Well, my teeth don't pain me very much, and I'm in no hurry about having them out, so I'll come in again and talk to you about it; but, to tell the honest truth, doctor, I don't believe very much in gas."

"No; I should think you didn't!" muttered the dentist sarcastically as she disappeared.

To restore lace that has become quite yellow, and yet should not be as white as it must surely become through washing, make a suds in a glass jar, drop the lace in, and stand the jar in the sun.

To remove mildew from white cotton materials dissolve one and one-half ounces of chloride of lime in one quart of boiling water. Strain the liquid through a thick cloth and soak the mildewed spots in the liquid for several hours, and then rinse thoroughly in clean water. Wet the goods before putting them to soak.

Shoe leather may be dressed with vaseline or glycerine. This is especially good treatment for leather that has become stiff through being wet. When shoes are wet, before putting them away to dry they should be filled with paper. The paper absorbs the moisture and renders the shoes softer than they would otherwise be.



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## THE SEARCHLIGHT

### A Great Game Preserve.

One of the most ambitious fish and game club yet projected on this continent is the proposed Lake St John limited privilege club, with a proposed membership running the thousands, and the rights to the fishing and hunting contained in 30,000 square miles of territory. A few prominent Canadians and Englishmen are interested in the movement, but the great bulk will be Americans.

It is understood that the admission fee will be \$500, and even at this rate the membership will have to run into the thousands, for the contemplated outlay upon the club's preserve will range from a million to a million and a half of dollars. The promoters of the club have already secured control of nearly all the trout and ouananiche waters of Lake St John and its tributary lakes and rivers. All the rivers flowing in from the north and west, some of which are 200 or 300 miles long, and all the waters connected with them are already secured.

Hatcheries are to be established for both trout and ouananiche to keep up the supply of these fish in all the club waters, and—most important undertaking or all—the Atlantic salmon is to be planted in all the large rapid flowing rivers in Lake St John.

Arrangements are now being made with the government of the province of Quebec for securing two immense tracts of territory for game parks for the new club. Each of them is to be about 3,000 square miles in extent. These parks are to be abundantly stocked and to be inclosed in heavy wire fencing. The fences alone will cost \$150,000. In addition to moose, elk, caribou, and red deer, it is proposed to stock these parks with the best species of foreign game birds from localities enjoying similiar climatic conditions to those of Canada.

The success of the organization is already said to be practically assured. The new club is expected to have a very far-reaching influence upon the fur trade and fur bearing animals of northern Quebec. The four-footed inhabitants of northern Canadian woods that supply such a wealth of furs to the Hudson Bay Company are now practically hunted by that portion of the Montagnais tribe of Indian hunt-

ers that reside at Lake St John during the few weeks that they spend each year on the confines of civilization. Efforts will be made to induce almost all the members of this Montagnais encampment to give up their roaming forest life in pursuit of game and fur and to engage as guides and canoe men guardians, etc, for the members of the new club. A notable increase in both game and fur-bearing animals may be looked for in consequence.

### General Miles Censured.

The court finds censure of General Miles for "error" in failing to promptly notify the secretary of war when he first formed the opinion that the food was unfit;

Censure of the Commissary General (General Eagan) for the too extensive purchases of the canned beef as an untried ration;

Censure of Colonel Maus, of General Miles' staff;

The finding is that the packers were not at fault and that the meats supplied the army were of the same quality as those supplied to the trade generally and the recommendation is that no further proceedings be taken in the premises.

### Killed A Big Bear.

Henry Skidmore of Canaan, Cumberland County, killed a very large bear in the woods at that place last week. Last fall Mr Skidmore mourned the loss of a large number of fine sheep and from tracks found in the vicinity he concluded there was no doubt but that they were killed by bears. Mr Skidmore arranged a trap for Mr Bruin and on Monday when Mr Skidmore paid a visit to the trap he found a

large bear caught in its unfriendly clutches by the paw. A few shots from a rifle put an end to his bearship. Mr Skidmore now possesses a large bear skin, as it measures 6 feet 7 inches by 7 feet 8 inches. The bear weighed about 600 pounds. James Skidmore, who is Mr Skidmore's father, and the oldest resident of Canaan, states that this is the largest bear ever killed in Canaan woods. Two other bears were seen near the trap but they made their escape.

A Woodstock despatch says: G. Fred Watson, a book-keeper in the office of the Maritime Pure Food Company, disappeared last Thursday night and no trace of his whereabouts can be ascertained. When last seen he was in the company of a commercial traveller about 9.30 o'clock on that night. After that it is thought he went to the company's office and wrote two letters, copies of which were found in the letter book, and he then went down to the steamer Aberdeen to look after some freight. The mysterious part of the affair is that a fire occurred in the Pure Food Co's office on Thursday night, which burned two of the books, the journal and ledger, so that the auditors who are now at work on them cannot tell just how they stand. Mr Watson is a young man of temperate and steady habits, and was not indebted to anybody in town. The directors have every confidence in him and think the books are all right. The whole affair seems to have been shrouded in mystery. The young man's father and mother naturally feel badly over the matter and are anxious to have the trouble cleared up.

Watson formerly lived in Moncton.

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