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By Telegraph

BATTLE AT SUAKIM.

Seven Hundred Rebels Killed.

GUNBOATS ASSIST THE GARRISON.

Colonel App Falls During the Fight

THE ITALIAN ALPS DISASTER.

Death of a British Admiral.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)

LONDON, This Afternoon.

The London *Times*' special correspondent sends particulars of a severe battle at Suakim yesterday between the troops stationed there and a large force of rebels. The Arabs made a well-planned attack and fought desperately to get possession of the town. But after a fierce conflict of more than four hours' duration, the rebels retired, leaving seven hundred killed and many wounded. The loss on the side of the British was not severe. Colonel App and five Egyptians were killed and fourteen soldiers were wounded. The British gunboats *Dolphin* and *Allacore* took part in the engagement and largely assisted the garrison by pouring a deadly fire into the ranks of the retreating rebels.

ROME, This Afternoon.

Two hundred bodies of victims of the avalanches in the Italian Alps have been recovered, and the search still goes on.

PORTSMOUTH, This Afternoon.

Admiral Sir Astley Cooper Key, G.C.B., F.R.S., died in London yesterday, aged 67 years. He entered the navy in 1835.

DEFEAT OF GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Two Hundred People Killed.

FIGHT WITH REBELS AT SUAKIM

A Lieutenant Drowned Near Halifax

Death of Admiral Cooper Key.

HALIFAX, N.S., March 5.

Motions against the Government for suppressing the Trafalgar Square meetings were defeated by large majorities.

Avalanches have killed over two hundred people in the Italian Alps.

The rebels attacked Suakim killing one British officer and five Egyptians. The rebels were repulsed with heavy loss.

Lieutenant Valentine, Royal Artillery, was drowned near Halifax yesterday while duck shooting.

The death of Admiral Astley Cooper Key is announced.

The English mail arrived yesterday.

VERY SAD ACCIDENT.

A Young Man Instantly Killed.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES SAID TO BE RESPONSIBLE.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)

PLACENTIA, This Morning.

A very sad accident happened here on Saturday afternoon. Whilst a young man named John Power, son of Mr. Michael Power, was going from his own house, where he had been working, to his father's, a stone, thrown from one of the railway cuttings, struck him on the head, killing him almost instantly. It is said that the blast was too heavily charged, and that gross negligence or ignorance somewhere caused the accident.

FROM CAPE RACE.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)

CAPE RACE, This Evening.

Wind northeast, blowing a light breeze and foggy. Slob ice is now in close with the shore. No vessels have been sighted since last report.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Auction—beef, apples, &c. James Hynes
New room papers.....John Steer
Turkeys and sausages.....George E. Bearns
Boys' waterproof coats, etc.....Ayre & Sons
Excelsior dories guaranteed.....M. Monroe
Baltimore bacon, hams, etc.....John A. Edens
Robertson's play "Caste".....Star of the Sea Hall
C.E.T.S. annual meeting.....Boys' Sunday School
Prohibition League meeting.....Old Temperance Hall
A sociable, dancing assembly, etc.....Victoria Hall
Challenge skating race.....Parade Rink
Wanted—a general servant.....apply at this office

A SOCIABLE,
Entertainment and Dancing Assembly, will be held in the Victoria Hall, on **THURSDAY**, the 8th inst. Tickets: 50-cents each, to be had from members of the Committee. Secure your tickets early. No money taken at the door. mar7,11

C. E. T. S.
The members of the Cathedral Branch C. E. T. S., are reminded that the Annual Meeting will be held **THIS EVENING**, at Eight o'clock, in the Boys' Sunday School. mar8,11

Preserve your precious eyesight from the effects of sun and snow, by procuring a pair of Smoked or Colored Glasses, at N. OHMAN'S, Atlantic Hotel Building. feb20,fp

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, at the rate of **TWENTY-FOUR SHILLINGS** [24s.] per ton, sent home promptly for cash on delivery. feb7 JAMES MURRAY.

AUCTION SALES.

To-morrow, **TUESDAY**, at 11 o'clock, By **JAMES HYNES**, [At his Rooms, opposite Messrs. Job, Brothers & Co.]

15 quarters Prime Fresh Beef,
25 CHEESE, 10 BRLS APPLES, 5 BOXES ORANGES, 10 tins ground peas, 50 tins butter, 5 tins park trimmings, 5 brls joles, 5 brls heads, 20 lbs soap, 2 brls fresh fish, 1 brl tongues, 1 bread sleigh, 1 side sleigh, 2 catamarans, and at 12 o'clock: 50 doz cabbage, lot of white Leghorn fowls of superior breed, and other articles. mar5

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF FIERI FACIAS issued out of the Supreme Court, in the cause of BRINE versus FITZPATRICK, I will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on **TUESDAY** next, the 8th inst., at Eleven o'clock, on the premises of the Defendant, all his STOCK IN SHOP, and articles used in BAKERY, &c., &c.; also—all his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c. Sheriff's Office, March 1st, 1888. L. T. CHANCEY, Sub-Sheriff. mar1

Lecture,

Under the distinguished patronage of their Excellencies the Governor and Mrs. Blake, and under the auspices of the Board of Governors of the Methodist College, A LECTURE will be delivered in the College Hall, on **THURSDAY**, 8th inst.,

By **Rev. C. J. Bond, B.A.,**

subject:—
"PHOTOS FROM THE LAND OF PYRAMIDS AND PHAROHS."

Illustrated by the Lantern and the Lime Light.

Doors open at 7.30; Lecture to commence at 8 o'clock. Admission 10-cents. Tickets for Reserved Seats 20-cents, to be had at G. S. Milligan's bookstore and at the door. Proceeds in aid of the College Building Fund. mar8,fp

Now Landing

Ex "Portia" from the Mills via Halifax,
77 Barrels of that world-famous FLOUR, of snowy whiteness, known as

"DAILY BREAD."

feb25 JAMES MURRAY.

LECTURE.

ON **TUESDAY EVENING, MARCH 6th**,—A Lecture will be delivered in the Star of the Sea Hall, by the Rev. M. P. MORRIS, in aid of the Orphan Boys of Villa Nova, subject:—

"The Two Golden Jubilees."

Admission fee—30 cents. Tickets to be had at all Bookstores. Lecture to commence at Eight o'clock, sharp. feb28,fp

Those Delicious "Sixpenny" Hams.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED ANOTHER SHIPMENT, consisting of Ten Cases more, of those delightful Hams, which an overwhelming impulse of benevolence impels us to still sell at the low price of SIXPENCE per pound. Remember! THE SIXPENNY HAM at McBride's Hill. feb28,fp JAMES MURRAY.

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New Room Papers  New Room Papers

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in Room Papers, from 5-cents per piece, up to any price.

mar5 wwf,fp JOHN STEER.

HAVE THE BEST.

WE are now booking orders for Spring delivery of EXCELSIOR DORIES, and as we guarantee delivery on date provided to those whose orders are BOOKED, we request our patrons to let us have their favors as soon as possible.

mar5,2wfp,mtb M. MONROE, Agent.

GRAND SPECIAL NIGHT.

Challenge Skating Race.

PARADE RINK, THIS MONDAY EV'G.

THE SIX-MILE CHALLENGE SKATING RACE, BETWEEN MR. JULIUS JENSEN, OF Denmark, and Mr. N. SNOW, of St. John's, for the Stake of \$20.00, will take place at the Parade Rink, on **THIS MONDAY EVENING**, (ice permitting). Race to commence at 8.15, sharp. General admission 20-cents. Book tickets not admissible.

General Skating as soon as the Race is finished, to be continued to 10.30 o'clock. New Programme of Music by the Band. mar8,2fp

A Few Choice Turkeys,

AT 18-CENTS PER POUND.

Also, Fresh Halifax Sausages,
AT 18-CENTS PER POUND.

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february28,fp 181 WATER STREET.

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201 barrels "White Star."
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336 barrels "Pillsbury's Best."
125 barrels "Warrior."
124 barrels "Baker's Gem."
50 barrels "Castilla."
685 barrels.

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135 barrels "Success."
164 barrels "Tea Rolls."
68 barrels "Gold Flake."
385 barrels.

SUPERFINES.

34 barrels "Northbank."
43 barrels "Excelsior."
37 barrels "Challenge."
28 barrels "Reciprocity."
138 barrels "Milford."
490 barrels "America."
771 barrels.

FINES.

86 barrels "Prescott."
99 barrels "Continental."
153 barrels "Opal."
295 barrels "Banker's."
125 barrels "Golden Wreath."
250 barrels "Herald."
161 barrels "X. L. C. B."
49 barrels "Canadian Rosebud."
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Boys' Waterproof Coats,

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Ladies', Misses' and Gent's
WATERPROOFS.

mar5,2fp AYRE & SONS

Prohibition League.

A PUBLIC TEMPERANCE MEETING WILL BE held in the Old Temperance Hall this (MONDAY) evening. Subject:—
"OUR COUNTRY AND OUR HOMES."

Speeches will be delivered by Rev. T. Hodgkinson, Jno. Haddon, Esq., and other speakers. All are invited. Chair to be taken at 8 o'clock. mar3,2fp

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

WEDNESDAY, February 29th.

Hon. M. MONROE, pursuant to notice, asked the hon. Colonial Secretary whether it was the intention of the Government to bring the sale of Botanic beer, and such like drinks, within the law regulating the sale of liquors.

Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY begged to inform the hon. gentleman that the matter in question is under consideration of the Government, and when a decision is arrived at he should furnish information thereof.

Hon. M. MONROE thanked the hon. gentleman for his reply, and for the promise to supply further information on the subject when he shall be in a position to do so.

He (Mr. M.) should offer a few remarks explanatory of his reason for moving in the matter. He was prompted solely by a desire to conserve the interests of the youths of the colony, believing that the sale of Botanic or Bavarian beer, which he believed are similar, is working much harm to the young lads of this town especially, and of the whole colony.

He did not now express any opinion upon the questions of prohibition or high license, but spoke simply against the unrestricted sale of a beverage that is well known to be intoxicating. The practice of dealing in the sale of this liquor without being licensed and restricted by law, enables the vendors to have their places open from early in the morning till late at night, and all night for that matter; and it affords a cloak for the contraband sale of much stronger drink, which it is difficult for the executors of the law to detect, so long as persons can sell this beer without license or restriction.

A gentleman, the father of a family of boys, informed him, almost with tears in his eyes, that the unrestricted sale of Bavarian and Botanic beer was the missing link necessary to complete the destruction of the youth of the country. Such being the case, he (Mr. M.) should feel more pleased had the Hon. Colonial Secretary felt himself in a position to give an assurance that in future the sale of this beer should be restrained and placed under the regulations of the ordinary license law.

Some of the beer shops are conducted respectably enough, but many of them, he was informed, are places where parties, after being shut out of the licensed liquor stores, resort to, and drink and play cards for the balance of the night. In view of this state of affairs, the sooner the owners of these drinking establishments are subjected to restriction, the better for the interests of the community.

Hon. JAMES PITTS most heartily endorsed every word uttered by the hon. gentleman upon this subject. He regarded the botanic beer saloon as the nursery to the rumshop: a trap to lure the youth of the country to ruin. The taste for this beer it encouraged will, in many cases he feared, lead to a craving for stronger drinks, wines and ardent spirits, and in later life probably drunkenness with all its attendant misery and woe. He, therefore, highly approved of the suggestion to circumscribe its sale by legal restrictions, placing it in the category of licensed beers.

Hon. C. R. AYE thought the sale of the beer referred to without license has a tendency to demoralize the young men of the country by creating drunken habits that will not stop at that point. But in addition to that, it is pretty well known that where those beers are sold, ardent spirits are sold also, in defiance of the law, therefore the sooner they are brought within the restraint of law the better for all concerned. He believed the drinking habits of our people are not greater than those of other countries, but there can be no denying the fact that strong drink is indulged in in this town to a very considerable extent; much greater than any well-wisher of the country would like to see. Hence the Government and Legislature would be but doing their duty by interposing the power vested in them to keep within bounds

a traffic which is working so much mischief in our midst. He hoped that before the present session of the Legislature closes those engaged in the sale of beer will be brought within the provisions of the license law as are the vendor of spirits and wines. There was just no reason why one class of vendors should have any advantage over the other.

The house then adjourned until Tuesday next.

THE FISHERIES TREATY.

What Purports to be a Summary of the Document.

New York, February 18.—A Washington special says the following is substantially and correctly the full text of the recently signed fisheries treaty: Within a marine league of shore Canada is to have the exclusive jurisdiction. This comprises the so-called inshore fisheries. The report that the limit had been extended to four miles is incorrect. The headland question has been finally disposed of. When the bay is ten miles wide the line of demarcation is to be drawn from headland to headland. Within that point American fishermen may go, but they cannot fish. In all other cases the three mile limit is to follow the contour of the shore, international survey of limit is provided for. All parties are to be equally represented and thus common and exclusively Canadian waters will be clearly defined for the first time, and hereafter there can be no controversy as to what waters Americans can fish in. Americans have not contended for the privileges of fishing near the shore; those fisheries have lost their commercial value. In stress of weather our vessels may go where they see fit and take shelter in the nearest Canadian harbor. By the terms of the treaty the United States specifically concede to Canada the right to exclude us from buying bait in any one of her ports. No penalty is attached if any Canadian should sell our fishermen bait, but under treaty stipulation American fishermen will not be supposed to buy any Canadian bait. Our fishermen can go into any and all Canadian ports for all other supplies except bait and to ship and tranship catch to American markets in bond. Licenses must be obtained to enter Canadian ports, but they will merely be in the form of Canadian authorities approving or writing "O.K." on the American customs officers' permits to touch and trade in Canada, and no fee will be charged for them. There is a reciprocal or retaliatory clause in the treaty. It provides that Canadian fishermen shall have every privilege in our ports that Americans have in theirs, and no others. Thus, for instance, under a strict construction of the treaty, Canadian fishermen would no longer be able to buy bait in Portland. It also provides, as a concession to Canada, that the administration will strive to secure congressional action for free entry or full interchange of fish, coal and lumber from the Dominion, but this is not requisite to the perfection of the treaty. The president's message practically recommends that these commodities be put on the free list and a majority of the ways and means committee also favor this scheme. This promise will tend to secure popularity for the treaty in Ottawa. The treaty will undoubtedly be sent to the senate on Monday.

WILL CLEAVE THE FIRMAMENT.

Dr. Debaussat Explains His Aerial Craft and its Possibilities.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 19.—Dr. Arthur Debaussat, a Frenchman by birth and president of the Transcontinental Aerial Navigation company, has been here to close contracts with the firm of Miller, Metcalf & Parkin for the steel to be used in the manufacture of mammoth air-ships. Each of these ships will be 454 feet long, 144 feet in diameter, cone-shaped, of steel, and will cost \$150,000 each. The framework and minor parts of the balloon will be made at Jones & Laughlin's American iron works. Dr. Debaussat stated that instead of gas a partial vacuum would be employed, making the aerial plane lighter than if hydrogen gas were used. The steel plates of the ships will be 1-44 of an inch thick. Sample steel plates have been tested and found to stand the great atmospheric pressure. "The weight of the steel," said Dr. Debaussat, "will be 8 1/2 pounds to the square yard. The total weight will be 260,000 pounds. This does not include the car and apparatus. The weight of air within it would be 720,000 pounds, or 460,000 pounds greater than the weight of the vessel. With only one-half the air exhausted from the chamber, the weight removed would be 300,000 pounds, or 101,000 pounds in excess of the weight of the shell, giving, therefore, an ascensional force of 50 tons. I intend to let this monster loose in the firmament with a huge car attached to it, and that car loaded with passengers, mail and express matter."

TEA. TEA.

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30 bales Medium Light Grain Leather.
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15 bales Calfskin, 5 bales Linings. feb25

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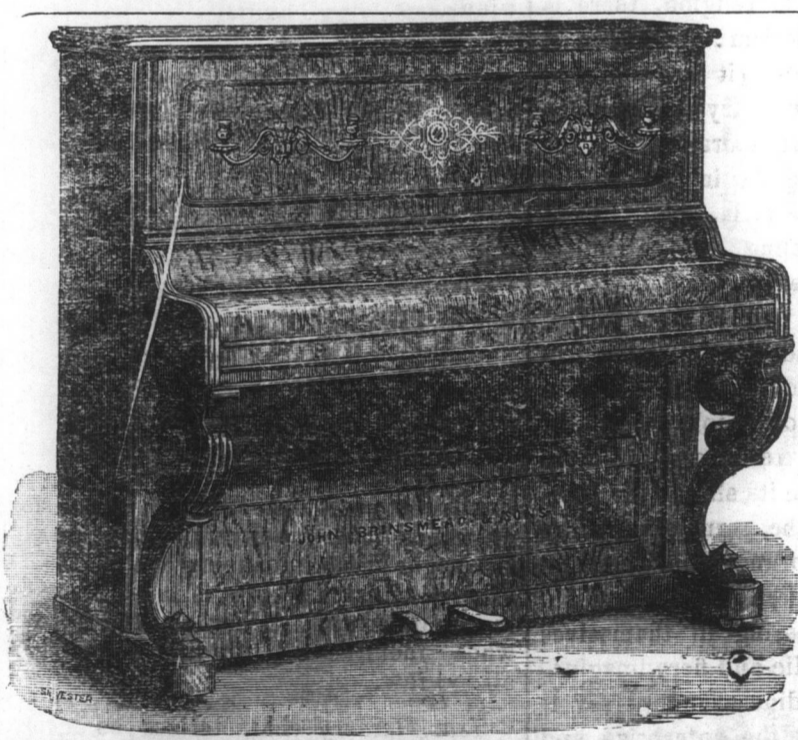
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CHAPTER XLVII.
(Continued.)

'It must have been so,' he said. 'She came, no doubt, across that expression in your letters—"the secret of the will"—and resolved to find out what it meant.'

And then they looked at each other—the man to whom honor was the breath of life, and the girl who preferred it to life—and that glance was Margarita's condemnation.

'I am sorry,' he murmured. 'My poor darling! She must have been beside herself when she planned this.'

'I am sorry, too,' said the clear, low voice. 'I am sorry that she acted so foolishly.'

'It was not worthy of her,' declared Lord Rylestone, 'to plan and to scheme, to manoeuvre, to plot, to deceive—it was unworthy of her, unlike her. I can only imagine that her great love for me misled her and overcame all scruples.'

And then Adelaide repeated to him the conversation that she and Margarita had held about the end justifying the means. He listened intently.

'Adelaide,' he said, calling her for the first time by her Christian name, 'will you try to love my wife?'

All the nobility and generosity of her nature came to the surface then. With a grave, tender smile she raised her fair face to his.

'I will love her as though she were my own sister,' she replied; and he clasped her hands in his own as a seal upon the words.

CHAPTER XLVIII.

NO HALF-MEASURES contented Lord Rylestone. He sent a telegram at once summoning Mr. Beale; and when that astonished gentleman arrived, his lordship told him the truth.

'You cannot blame me,' said the lawyer. 'I acted in Miss Cameron's interests, and I acted, as I honestly believed, for the best.'

'You have driven her to her death, I am afraid,' declared Lord Rylestone; and then he sent for the housekeeper.

'The innocent lady you arrested—the innocent woman whom you hunted down and drove out into the world—was my wife,' he said—'the mistress of this house and all it contains.'

'Then, my lord,' rejoined the dauntless old lady, 'the blame is yours, for not letting the world know she was your wife.' And Lord Rylestone was candid enough to own the truth of this.

Mr. Beale listened to all the explanations. 'It is a strange thing, Lord Rylestone,' he said, 'but Mr. Layston had some faint idea of this. I am very sorry; I will do what I can to atone. It was natural enough that your wife should wish to see the will; but it was unfortunate for her own peace of mind that she should discover anything about it.'

Lord Rylestone insisted that the whole household should be informed of the truth.

'Not the faintest shadow shall rest upon her fair name,' he said. 'Let all the world know that she is my wife—that I kept from her a certain testamentary secret, and she came here to find it out; let them know that it was to read a will that she opened the safe, but that she would not justify herself lest I should be blamed.'

So complete a justification of Margarita ensued, and, from being looked upon as a criminal, she became a heroine. They could remember her beauty then, and the grandeur of her graceful manner, they could say then that she was a lady—that they had always made sure of it. They could remember a thousand graceful, gracious qualities now that it was too late.

Where was she? That was the first question to be considered after her fair name was re-established; and no one could answer it. From the moment she walked out of Mr. Layston's house, cold, impassive, a woman turned to stone, no one had seen Lady Rylestone, no one had heard of her. Miss Cameron had made inquiries—they had been useless; and the first thing now to be done was to find Lady Rylestone. It was more easy to say than to do, but her husband never rested.

As the days passed on he began to despair. 'I fear the worst,' he said one day to Mr. Beale. 'If she had been living and well, she would never have omitted to send to the post-office for my last letter. My heart is sick with fear.'

There was some grounds for it. More than six weeks had elapsed since the fatal morning when Lady Rylestone had passed out of their sight. Inquiries were made in every possible manner at the railway-stations, the towns and villages near, but no information was gained. Lord Rylestone had offered large rewards for intelligence, but none came. He had not remained at Walton Court—he was staying with Mr. Beale at the 'Rylestone Arms'; but go where they would, stay where they would, no news came of his wife.

One cold, dull, bleak day the head-waiter at the hotel asked to speak with Lord Rylestone. He came into the room where his lordship and Mr. Beale were seated.

'You are looking for a lady, my lord, who left Walton Court at the latter end of September?'

'Yes,' replied Lord Rylestone, his face flushing hotly; 'and I will make you a rich man if you can tell me anything about her.'

'I have a sister, a widow who lives at a little farm called Nettlebank, fifteen miles from here. It is a lonely farm-house in Nettlebank Lane.'

'Well,' said Lord Rylestone, 'speak quickly.'

'The last week in September, my lord, my sister's two little children were out at play, and, running through Nettlebank Lane, they found a lady lying on the ground at the foot of a tree. She was lying with her face to the earth, and they thought at first that she was dead. They fetched my sister, and my sister, when she came, raised her from the ground and gave her water to drink. When she recovered, my sister, Mary Meadows, took her to her house. The lady, my lord, seemed very ill. She said to my sister—

"I am in great trouble, and you would oblige me very much if you would let me stay here quietly for some weeks."

'My sister was quite willing. The lady took out her purse and paid handsomely; and then she asked my sister to give her a room where night and day she would be quite alone—where no one should see or hear her, or be allowed to approach her.'

"I shall get better," she said, "if I am left quite alone."

'My sister thought it very strange, but she acted as requested, and for three whole weeks, by night and by day, the lady sat alone; she never read, worked, or walked out, but she sat always by the same window looking out at the bare, leafless trees. One night, just as my sister was going to bed, the lady cried out loudly, and when they went into the room, she stood in the middle of the floor, her face burning red, her eyes all aflame.

"Quick, quick," she cried—"it is November now, the leaves have fallen from the trees! Quick—I must go—for it is November, and he is come!"

'And then, my lord, she fell with her poor face on the ground. They picked her up, and sent to Chelverton for a doctor; he said it was brain fever, and, I am sorry, my lord, but they do say she is dying now.'

'You shall have the reward,' cried Lord Rylestone, rising hastily. 'Now see that I have a carriage and a pair of good horses. Mr. Beale, I am going to this Nettlebank Farm, and I must take Miss Cameron with me.'

'Heaven grant that you may find your wife, and find her alive!' said the lawyer, rather ashamed of the moisture that dimmed his eyes; and shortly afterward, without further word or comment, Lord Rylestone drove away—ordering the coachman to drive as he had never driven before—and reached Walton Court with the horses covered with foam.

'I have found her!' he said to Adelaide. 'Do not wait for explanations—come with me.'

Quietly and composedly she obeyed him, hardly waiting for the bonnet and shawl that were brought to her; and as they drove rapidly along he told her the head-waiter's story.

'It is just what I should have fancied,' she said. 'I can imagine that she walked on and on until she fell. Poor Margarita, it was a mercy that she fell there!'

They reached Nettlebank at last. It was a small house, and Mary Meadows herself answered the door. For once Lord Rylestone quite lost his self-control.

'Is she living?' he cried. 'For Heaven's sake, speak quickly!'

'Living—and that is all,' was the brief reply; and then they entered the house. The doctor had just gone, and he had given no hope. He said his patient might last two or three days, but no longer.

'You can go in, sir,' said Mrs. Meadows; 'she will not know you; she will never know any one in this world again.'

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The Evening Telegram

ST. JOHN'S, MARCH 5, 1888.

THE ORGAN WANTS INFORMATION.

The Government organ wants our opinion on the great "saving" effected on the ocean and coastal steam contracts. We will try to satisfy the Mercury. To tell the truth, we have been struggling with ourselves lately to account for our dullness in not seeing some reason for the eulogies laid on so profusely all round.

First, we were told that Governor Blake was entitled to our everlasting gratitude, &c., for doing his duty. If we have formed a true estimate of His Excellency's character, those fulsome eulogies must be very obnoxious to him. For our part, we believe he will always do his duty, regardless of what party sycophants and their organs may think of his conduct.

Now, the grave assurance is imparted to us that Sir Robert Thorburn has also done his duty, and that he returns to us from the Mother Country "flushed" with triumph. We have seen or heard the word *flush* somewhere before. It didn't occur to us, however, that they "flushed" in the circle our "prentice premier" has been moving in lately. We have heard of "jack pots," though. Can it be that the "four thousand saved pounds" were in a "jack pot," and Premier Thorburn held a "flush," and so "saved" them for us? We wonder can it?

Then, again, we are asked to be thankful that the representations of two such distinguished men as Governors Blake and Shea, backed by the diplomatic skill of our "flushed" premier, has obtained from Great Britain the enormous sum of four thousand pounds for a limited period—an Empire whose policy has always been to subsidize, which has spent millions of pounds in encouraging trade and postal communication with the remotest parts of the earth,—we are to rejoice and be exceedingly glad that, after a connection of three hundred years, during which time we have added hundreds of millions of dollars to the volume of trade done by Great Britain, to say nothing of the numerous "fishocrats" we have sent "home" to help pay the income tax,—we are to be thankful, we repeat, that our stepmother, Mrs. Britannia, has promised to give us four thousand pounds and to send us back a "flushed" premier to tell us so. No doubt, he will also be able to tell us why we should be so grateful for such a long-delayed favor. Great Britain has assisted all her colonies by mail subsidies. Why not Newfoundland?

Another cause for thankfulness, we are told by the Mercury and the Government, is the great saving of \$19,000! Now, after three years of office, we are going to save \$19,000! We, the Government of retrenchment and universal reform, are going to save \$19,000! True, the Allans are certain to get as much as they ever did. True, we are still to have cattle boats on the ocean route. True, we have to pay the highest rates for passage and freight; but, you know, we are going to *save*, or rather mother is going to pay for us,—we shall save, "don't you know?"

Some of us, however, can't see it. Perhaps we are dull of apprehension; but somehow or other we fail to realize how we shall save what we never had. The fact that we are living above our means is beyond question. The maximum of taxation has already been passed. We did that last year. The necessities of life are taxed to their utmost limit. Our revenues for the past year have fallen short of the estimates. The ocean steam contract has always been an expensive luxury, and if we could not pay for it last year, how could we this? Why, the thing is ridiculous. A man reduced from an income of one thousand a year (which he had lived up to) to an income of two hundred, could, with as much reason, point to his carriage which he was able to keep, because his mother paid for it, and say: "I am saving the money the carriage costs me!"

The plain truth of the matter is that we cannot afford to live as we have been living. The heavy taxation is grinding all the working classes into deeper depths of poverty. The poorer our people get the less they will contribute to the revenue. According to the Government doctrine, they are saving because they cannot afford to buy.

Nine-tenths of the people of Newfoundland have no more to do with Great Britain than with Africa. Their faces are set westward—thither "the course of empire takes it away." Their food comes thence, and all their home ties are there. The fine communication kept up by several subsidized steamers will create an ever-growing feeling of kinship with the neighboring provinces, and we believe the day is not far distant when we shall cease to pay large sums of money from the general revenue to keep up direct steam communication with Great Britain, merely to please the few at the expense of the many.

A CONSTELLATION OF SWEET SINGERS

We are fully warranted in promising the music-loving lieges a brilliant concert at the Athenæum Hall this evening. Indeed, it is only necessary to mention the names of the constellation of sweet singers who have volunteered their services for the occasion to satisfy all that a charming musical treat is in readiness for to-night. The concert will be under the direction of Mr. Simpson, who will be sustained by the following well-known and popular vocalists:—

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- Song.....Mr. Simpson.
- Song.....Miss Jardine.
- Bombardon Solo.....Mr. Hennessey.
- Song.....Miss Murphy.
- Song.....Mr. Flannery.

[God save the Queen.]

"HIGH LICENSE."

Letter from Rev. J. E. Manning.

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—I noticed in your yesterday's issue a letter from a "Mr. Nehemiah McGrath," with an enclosure from the Chicago Tribune, respecting the success of high license. From that clipping it appears that Governor McGill quotes Bishop Ireland as stating that "the high license law is the solution of the temperance question. * * * There is scarcely any poverty among the French of Minnesota, simply because there are no saloons among them." Then, sir, we get Governor McGill's supplementary remarks to the worthy Bishop's words, which cut the ground from under his feet and entirely contradict the statement as to its solution of the temperance question and the absence of saloons. He says: "There has been a reduction of saloons under the law, and there are many facts which warrant the inference (only) that there is much less drunkenness now than there was before the law went into operation."

Now, sir, high license is not a solution of the question of the hour; that solution is to be found only in the entire destruction of the traffic. You cannot save men from drunkenness while you allow the trap to exist. We are often told that if we cannot kill the traffic we must restrict it, and in support of this the well-known illustration is given of the tiger and his restriction to one part of the town to stay his ravages. This is what Lord Dundreary would call "a barren idealty." Suppose you keep the tiger out of one half the city, that is not high license. It is *prohibition for that part*. High license lets the tiger range at will throughout the city, but ties an official stamp to his tail and charges his owner \$1,000 instead of \$100. But the tiger remains and the fangs are there. The traps still exist, and there is not a home in the city safe from his ravages. This reminds me of an address of Canon Wilberforce to the Church of England Temperance Society about two years ago, when he said, if they did not abandon their double basis the tiger would become too strong for them and their lot would be similar to that of

"The daring young lady of Niger,
Who went for a ride on a tiger:
They returned from that ride,
With the lady inside,
And a smile on the face of the tiger."

The only remedy is, *shoot the tiger*. Helen Crosby, in one of her articles on "Prisoners of Poverty," stated: "I have been watching for 35 years, and in all my investigations among the poor, I never yet found a family *borne down by poverty that did not owe its fall to rum*." In other words, the wolf has never entered the home except when driven thither by the tiger of drink. What do our high license advocates say to this?

No man who objects to prohibition on principle can avoid opposing license or partial prohibition on the same principle. We would have all who consider this question remember that, by placing a higher license fee on the traffic, you transfer the danger to higher grounds. The dealer must charge higher prices, and must fly at higher game in order to pay his fee. Let our respected legislators ponder the danger they are thus throwing into the path of their own sons.

In conclusion, sir, whoever, by his vote, either at the ballot-box or in the Legislature, helps to perpetuate license, i.e., partial prohibition, commits himself, *de facto*, to the principle of prohibition. Consequently he must allow the right of the colony to define it in accordance with public need, even if that means its total extinction. The *Issue* tersely says: "The license system is not so much to regulate the traffic as to restrict and regulate prohibition. License takes a man from home, puts rum into him, and leaves him in the gutter. Prohibition puts rum out of the saloon into the gutter, and leaves the man at home."

I am, yours, &c., J. E. MANNING.
St. John's, March 2, 1888.

An interesting and important case—William Rhodes, of this city, versus Captain Alexander Fairweather, of the Dundee sealing steamer *Terra Nova*—will be heard in the Central District Court to-morrow. It is instituted to recover damages for the unlawful taking of seals before the statutory time. Sir Wm. White-way appears for the plaintiff, and the Hon. J. S. Winter for the defendant.

AGAINST PROHIBITION.

Strong Letter from a Harbor Grace Churchman.

HE SAYS PETITIONS ARE NOT GENUINE,

And Demands Justice for the Liquor Dealers.

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—As I believe the columns of the EVENING TELEGRAM are open to all correspondents, and that your own opinions are not compromised thereby, I am sending a short letter which you will oblige by inserting in your widely read paper.

We hear very much in these days about prohibition, and it has been broadly stated that the people loudly demand it. Now, this I deny. The people, as a body of intelligent colonists, do not desire prohibition, being well contented with the Local Option Bill and the establishment of the many temperance societies scattered throughout the length and breadth of the land. It is said that petitions numerously signed have been forwarded to the two branches of our Local Legislature, praying for the passing of a Prohibition Act. Now, sir, these petitions are not of great value. Persons have been asked to sign them, and have done so in ignorance of their true import and meaning. Persons' names have been affixed to them, without authority; children's names have been appended who were not able to form a judgment on the questions one way or the other. It appears to me that some folks are crazed on this subject, putting total abstinence from drink in the place of the command: "Be temperate in all things." As long as people keep clear of intoxicating liquors—that is the one thing needful—others, sir, such as gluttony and the like, can be passed over and thought little of. There seems to me as if there were some ulterior object in view by this Prohibition League. Who constituted the members thereof to be judges over other men? For "why is my liberty judged of another man's conscience?" If A. B. cannot avoid taking too much of the intoxicating draught, why should he compel C. D. to drink nothing? Such a bill as the one contemplated to be passed would be simply this: "To oppose the weak at the instance of the strong." The Prohibitionists, by their noise and clamour, wish to be considered as the strong.

Oppress the weak, sir! I boldly assert this would be the case. I copy a few words spoken by the Hon. John Bright in Birmingham some time since: "Now, my opinion is this, that 'if a trade in this country is permitted by law, that trade has a right to be defended by law; that the trade of the licensed victualler, of the seller of alcoholic drinks is a trade that has been permitted and is now permitted, and I think parliament and the law are not justified in inflicting upon it unnecessary difficulties, and unnecessary irritation. Now, I think that so long as it is not condemned by parliament, it has a right to demand that it should not be subjected to passionate and hasty legislation. I will apply that to the case of this great town and another town as great in which I was in former years politically connected, the town of Manchester. In Manchester and in Birmingham there are 4,000 houses connected with the sale of intoxicating drinks. Now, those 4,000 houses, without being perfectly accurate, were in the occupation of something like 4,000 persons and families. There was no valuation provided for them; there was no compensation offered or suggested, and the plan was one of what you would call 'root and branch reform, and the publicans and the licensed victuallers, wherever you got a majority, were to be exterminated, as if they had been vermin. Now, I don't think a policy of this kind in any country will be held to be statesmanlike or just. I am against dealing with a question of this nature, affecting the interests of so many people by what you may call a *hurricane*. I would like to deal with it in a more just and what I call a more statesmanlike manner, according to the legislation that becomes an intelligent people in a tranquil time. These are my grounds which presented themselves to my mind so strongly, but whilst wishing success to all reasonable efforts for promoting temperance, I was unable to support this bill."

Mr. Editor, let our legislators ponder over these words of a great English statesman, and I have no fear but that the league and its supporters will be discomfited. Apologizing for the length of this communication,

I am, yours respectfully,
A CHURCHMAN.

Harbor Grace, February 27, 1888.

Lovers of high-class amusement will be delighted to learn that T. W. Robertson's celebrated play—"Caste"—will be produced at the Star of the Sea Hall on the 11th and 12th April, in aid of a most deserving charity.

'HONESTY' REPLIES TO 'VINDEK.'

Rev. Dr. Howley's Ecclesiastical History.

DR. MULLOCK'S REMARKS ON PATRIOTISM.

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—A correspondent signed "Vindex," in some late issues of the *Colonist*, has created such a *furor* over his envenomed attacks on some slight inaccuracies he thinks he has discovered in Dr. Howley's "Ecclesiastical History," that newspaper correspondents are alarmed lest the authorship of those letters, full of spleen and vengeance, might be attributed to them. One reverend gentleman has already publicly repudiated any connection with such a dangerous character as "Vindex." "Vindex," whilst he expresses his admiration for the Doctor's "love for fatherland," and "the ardor of his patriotism," takes occasion, from this very patriotism, to make a cowardly onslaught on the Doctor's learned work, and issues forth, in the pages of the *Colonist*, with the Decrees of the Council of Trent in his hand, like a shillalah, seeking, after the manner of his ancestors of Donnybrook fair, renown, for some one to tread on the tail of his coat; and, with Donnybrook obstinacy, though being himself the head and front of all the offending, he accuses the Doctor of "keeping alive controversy" for selfish purposes. I sincerely admire the Doctor's patriotism, and therefore must unreservedly condemn the sneering references made to it by his adversary, "Vindex." It ought to be the sacred duty of every citizen to encourage that love of country which Dr. Mullock so zealously preached to us and instilled into our youthful minds. Alas! discord and disunion reign since the halls of St. Bonaventure College have ceased to resound with the whole-souled and stirring lectures of the great deceased Prelate. If his teachings had been fostered and his example followed, the jealousies of native ability and birthright would not now be animating the heart of "Vindex" and his approvers, and all the harm which this kind of controversy has engendered would not exist. 'Tis such writers as "Vindex" who have caused those troubles, for ever to be deplored, which have deprived the See of Harbor Grace of a holy and zealous Prelate.

I cannot better close these few hurried lines than by quoting Dr. Mullock's remarks on patriotism, to be found in his published lectures on Newfoundland, and which many of your readers will doubtless remember well:—"My subject is Newfoundland, the land we live in, the native or adopted country of all here present. Of all the feelings implanted in the heart of man, next to religion, there is none so strong as patriotism: the *dulce et decorum est pro patria mori* (it is sweet and honorable to die for one's country) is not alone the expression of the pagan moralist, it is the universal feeling of all people in ancient and modern times. * * * It is, then, to encourage this sacred feeling of patriotism among the youth I now see around me, that I have been induced to take the subject of Newfoundland in this and the following lecture as most calculated to foster it. It is a great and noble country, of untold wealth, of wonderful and unknown resources, and the few people who now fringe its shore (for 130,000 inhabitants are but the germ of a future population of millions) sprung from the most energetic nations of modern times—English, Irish and Scotch—possessing in themselves and intermingling the poetic and fiery imagination of the Celt, the steadiness and perseverance of the Saxon, and the enterprize and coolness of the North Briton, are destined to be the founders of a race which, I believe, will fill an important place hereafter among the hundreds of millions who will inhabit the Western hemisphere in a few ages."

Trusting you will kindly make room for the above, which, I regret, has grown to much larger dimensions than I intended, I am, Mr. Editor, your obedient servant,

HONESTY.

Harbor Grace, 3rd March, 1888.

NOTE FROM MR. GUEST.

JAMES MURRAY, Esq., St. John's, Newfoundland.
DEAR SIR,—I duly received your favor of the 16th ult., and should have replied before, but I missed the mail. I was glad to hear from Mr. Eustace, a connection of my grandmother, but I am more anxious to communicate with any of my relatives on my grandfather's side of the house. I am pleased to report that I (thanks to your kindness) received a letter from a Mrs. M. A. F. Whitten yesterday, who no doubt will aid me in obtaining some particulars. I am anxious to trace the family history of John Guest, my grandfather, and connect it with the Guests of Great Britain. This is quite difficult, owing to the fact that my father (Robert Guest) died some twenty years ago, and his brothers are scattered, and only two of them alive; and these things, coupled with the fact that John Guest died when they were lads, and that they, the family, sold out and removed from St. John's shortly after the great fire, makes things very hard to trace. Please send your account for advertising in the paper, and any other expense you may have been to and I will remit.

Yours truly,
JOHN GUEST.
YARMOUTH, N. S., Feb. 13th, 1888.

THE SALMON SITUATION.

A Very Interesting Extract.

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—The following item is taken from the *London Grocer* of the 11th ult., and may be of some interest to the trade. In view of the facts that we are so much nearer to the English consumer than the packers of the Pacific coast, and that the quality of our salmon is unrivalled, would it not be worth while for some of our merchants to turn their attention to the business of salmon canning?

Personally I have no knowledge of the trade, but if we can successfully compete with Nova Scotia in the lobster trade, it seems to me that we should (and with a far greater chance of success) be able to compete with the American salmon canners.

If judicious laws for the preservation of this valuable fish and active business enterprise will go hand in hand, it is at least possible that a stable and remunerative business may be built up which shall prove a valuable auxiliary to our trade and resources.

Yours sincerely,
B.
St. John's, March 5, 1888.

"AMERICAN" advices just to hand from the Columbia River report that many of the packers are greatly discouraged over the salmon situation. The Fishermen's Union, a compact and powerful organization, has fixed the price of fish on the Columbia River at \$1.25. Tin plates, it is alleged, will cost packers 60c. per box more than last year. One of the largest handlers of salmon in the United States asserts that it will cost pretty nearly 5s. 7d. per dozen tins to pack salmon on the Columbia, making no allowance for expenses of selling. We have been unable to learn that a single sse has as yet been made, and the packers take a despondent view of the situation. The stock is regarded as insufficient to meet the usual requirements from now until next season's catch is available.

LOCAL VARIETIES.

The closing of the mails has been extended to 10.30 o'clock to-night.

Don't forget the Athenæum concert this evening. It promises to be a very brilliant affair.

The thermometer marked 4 degrees below freezing point at one time last night. After daylight it went up to 34°.

Whether or not communication by steam-boat or rail the more likely to develop our resources," is the subject of debate by the St. John's Mutual Improvement Association to-morrow (Tuesday) evening.

SOME of the Gulf steamers went out this morning, but a couple of them still remain in port awaiting an off-shore movement of the ice, which has been packed in pretty densely on the land by the prevailing southerly and easterly winds.

It will be seen by our advertising columns that Mr. N. Snow has accepted the challenge of Mr. Julius Jensen to a trial of speed on skates in the Parade Rink this (Monday) evening, should the ice be in fitting condition. This will be the event of our season of winter sports and one that will awaken prodigious interest. Of course good taste and pleasant feeling, as well as fair play, will greet the plucky pair.

It is stated that a project is afloat in Twillingate for tinning whortleberries by the ordinary process of preserving fruit, and that Mr. M. T. Knight has received a requisition from those interested in the enterprise urging him to advocate in the Assembly a concession of a drawback from the revenue upon the value of the sugar used in canning the berries. This idea of utilizing whorts is one of long standing, and certainly deserves a trial in a country whose facilities of affording employment are all too few.

THE Mercury characterizes as incorrect a statement made in the TELEGRAM on Friday last respecting the prohibition of land grants on the French Shore within half a mile of the sea. The statement rests upon the authority of an official of the Government, one well informed on the subject, one whose opportunities of positive knowledge are every whit as good as those of the editor of the Mercury, and who, unlike the said editor, is no dealer in half truths, and doesn't invoke verbal quibbles to discredit an adversary. As for the *Colonist's* contradiction of the matter, it is not worth the paper it is written upon. If the Government wished to shelve publicity, coming, as it does, so inopportune and placing a weapon in the hands of the opponents of the Bait Act, it is not likely that any official of the Surveyor General's office would commit himself by giving a confirmatory reply "over the counter" to its reporter. No, Messieurs, the information comes from too good a source to be invalidated by either of you; and, till a responsible member of the Executive denies the fact in the Assembly, we shall still hold to its truthfulness.

DIED.

On Sunday last, Ralph Chesley, infant son of John B. and Sarah B. Ayre.
On Sunday morning, after a long and painful illness, Stephen Francis, beloved son of Thomas and the late Bridget Maher, aged 19 years; funeral on Tuesday at 2.30, from his father's residence, Lzybank road; friends will please attend without further notice.
On Sunday morning, after a long illness, Mrs. Bridget Kidney, aged 62 years; funeral on Wednesday at 2 p.m., from her late residence, 25 Adelaide street.
On the 4th inst., at Port Townsend, after a long illness, Supt. Patrick Coady, T. N. C., a native of the County Kilkenny, Ireland, aged 70 years, leaving a wife and seven children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and fond father; funeral on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m.; friends and relatives are invited to attend.
Last evening, at Burin, Isabella, beloved wife of Mr. John Kelly, leaving a husband and three children to mourn their sad loss.

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