

tions, were slain. The Elibank Captain, Captain Rook, was trading in the South Seas, and the massacre took place at the Solomon group of islands. Whilst the Elibank Case was off that place 20 or 30 natives came on board ostensibly for the purpose of purchasing goods from the crew. The natives were allowed to board the vessel, notwithstanding the fact that they were armed with spears and hatchets. Suddenly they made a furious onslaught on the crew. Captain Rook, the mate, the cook, a seaman, and a native boy were either speared or tomahawked to death. Two others of the crew, named Brown and Gittie, managed to come out of the attack with their lives; but they could do little or nothing

gain somewhat eccentric. It was a wooden area. The real one was shot off at Gettysburg.

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"My dear, don't you intend to invite Mr and Mrs Green to your party?" asked Mr. Biller. "Certainly not," "Why not, my dear?" "The good friends of mine," "What if they are? I'm going to invite Mr and Mrs Brown," "Well, can't you invite the Greens, too?" "Why, John Biller, you appeal me with your shocking taste. Brown and Green in my parlour together! Why, now, they'll be asking me to wear blue and yellow. I declare you men have no idea of harmony."—Chicago News.

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THE LIBERAL ORGANIZATION.

The meeting to be held in St. John on Thursday next, for the purpose of discussing a provincial organization for the Liberal party, is called none too soon. No one who has participated in the active work of an election campaign need be told the value of thorough organization. Without it the labor of managing a campaign is very great and much of it is sure to be neglected. Indeed in a constituency where the two opposing parties are pretty nearly balanced victory is almost sure to attend the better organized. But it is not for local purposes alone that organization is desirable. In order that the full strength of the Liberal party may be put forward, its principles explained and the wisest course of policy adopted in all the constituencies under any emergency, it is desirable that some central representative organization be established. For such a body many important duties would devolve. The object of the provincial organization of the Liberals is to secure harmonious and united action in the party all over the province, to lead to the adoption of a common line of action upon all public questions, to facilitate an interchange of views and generally to promote strength and stability. The meeting held in this city yesterday was considering the shortness of the call and the almost impossible condition of the roads, a very promising beginning in the way of local organization. No special effort was made to secure a city attendance. All the gentlemen present were impressed with the importance of the matter in hand, and there is every prospect that at the adjourned meeting, which will be held on Monday next at 8 o'clock, p. m., will see the initiative taken in a thorough organization of the Liberals of this country. A preliminary step, in the appointment of an executive committee, has already been taken. We hope as many of our friends as possible will come in from the country districts on Monday next. We can promise them an interesting meeting.

AIM AT A HIGH MARK.

A successful farmer is one who produces articles which are the best of their class, and no farmer ought to be satisfied with doing less than this. From year to year the aim should be to improve. Two factors enter into everything produced upon a farm—the productiveness of the soil and the labor of the farmer. Upon these the character of the crop depends, that is upon both of them. Therefore, if the crop produced is inferior, there must be a deficiency in one or the other of these factors or else they are expended unwisely. The great majority of our New Brunswick farmers have a fertile land and work hard; but they do not as a general rule produce articles which are the best of their class. The butter which comes to our markets is on the average poor; the average of beef is not first class; inferior grain is the rule rather than the exception; the large majority of horses in the country are below mediocrity; even potatoes, which we can produce in quality and quantity equal to any country in the world, fall very short of what they ought to be. These things are the result of a few common errors. One of these errors is the cultivation of too much land. It is quite safe to say that if the area of tilled land in New Brunswick were reduced one half and the same labor expended upon that half that is now devoted to the whole the crop would be fully as large as it now is and the quality better. The census of 1881 shows that the average yield of wheat in New Brunswick is 13 bushels to the acre. Now it is evident that as the majority in number of our farmers must raise less than 18 bushels of wheat to the acre, because the cases in which 25, 30, or 35 bushels are raised are by no means uncommon, therefore to bring the average as low as 13 bushels there would be a large majority under that figure. Thus we see that more than half the farmers in this province plough three acres, harrow it, seed it and reap it, to produce what many do from an acre and a half and not a few do from an acre. But it is evident that after the acre had been brought into condition fit

to grow from 25 to 35 bushels of wheat to the acre it would require much less labor to keep it in first class condition than the majority of farmers devote to the cultivation of two or three acres from which it follows that in a series of years the crops produced on land in the highest state of fertility cost less in labor than those produced upon inferior land. The electricians have discovered a way by which they can store up electricity so as to have it ready for use when wanted, and scientific men are discussing whether there is not some way of storing up waste heat so as to effect a saving in fuel. The farmer who has tilled land only to reap a poor crop would be gratified beyond measure if he knew that the labor which had produced so little, had not been lost but was stored up some where for future use. He can store it up if he expends it wisely, he can make this season's labor contribute to next year's crop; he can store it up as the electrician stores up the electricity that he does not use and as the manufacturer would like to store up the heat which they do not need to produce steam. To do so he must not spread his labor over too wide an area. But not only will such a course lead to economy of labor, but the resulting crop will be better. The quality of the grain, or the roots, or the grass as the case may be, will be better, and the results from the sale or the domestic consumption of it will be better. The farmer ought to set a high standard and work towards it. It will pay to do so. Let the thousands of young men in this Province who are beginning a life of farming adopt for their motto, "the best is none too good for us." If they do, and act upon it, they will revolutionize the agriculture of the Province. The best is none too good for them. Let them appreciate their own value and do themselves justice.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We must entreat the Sun to be more careful. Grammar, says the immortal Lewis, is the art of writing and speaking the English language with propriety. Thus in the sentence quoted from the GLEANER by our contemporary, the phrase "whom constitute the majority" is about as ungrammatical as it can be, but every word is good English. Yet the Sun says it is bad English. Our contemporary is sorry for its errors in syntax, but possibly they are excusable. To be obliged to express from day to day so much that is untrue is enough to warp anybody's syntax out of shape.

GENERAL NEWS.

Lord Lansdowne left Ottawa for New York yesterday.
Gladstone refused on Saturday to grant an interview to Hyndman and his colleagues.
Lowell, Mass., is to have a semi-centennial, and James Russell Lowell is to be the orator on the occasion.
The Socialists have decided to abandon the proposed meeting at Cumberland market, as they believed their objects have obtained sufficient publicity.
A man in Richmond, Va., has built a house by a most singular mode of industry. For many years past, he has picked up from the streets one brick at a time, and a year ago he had accumulated a sufficient number of bricks to build him a small house in the suburbs.

On the person of a tramp named J. Boyen, who was taken to the hospital on account of his feet being frozen while sleeping in a barn at Huntington, L. I., were found books representing \$10,000 deposited by Boyen, who refused to allow the use of any part of it for his comfort.

William Henry Smith is a good deal laughed at in London for his very brief tenure of office as chief secretary for Ireland. He took the oath on Monday and walked out with his government on the following Wednesday, so that this famous prototype of Sir Joseph Porter had hardly time to "polish up" the handle of his big front door.

It is a new evidence of the uncertainty of life that General Hancock whose can didacy in the Democratic National Convention of 1880 as against Mr. Tilden, was urged largely upon the grounds of his superior health and strength, should now be lying dead while Mr. Tilden heads the list of subscribers for the benefit of his widow.

Symptoms of a Decline.

The toboggan craze has reached a stage at Albany at which philanthropic persons naturally give toboggans in charity. The Albany Express states that "Mr. LaRose has donated a toboggan to St. Peter's Hospital Fair. It has been upholstered in mahogany plush by John C. Myers, the upholstering he also donated." By the North Pole, what would our fathers have thought of a proposition to go coasting on gorgeous machines upholstered in mahogany plush? Does not the decline of Rome date from the voluptuous day when the Roman small boy, enervated by overmuch luxury, began to ride down the seven hills on sleds decorated with mahogany plush? We think it does.—N.Y. Tribune.

A REASONABLE ITEM.

—During the breaking up of winter, when the air is chilly and the weather damp, such complaints as rheumatism, neuralgia, lumbago, sore throat, cold, and other painful effects of sudden cold, are prevalent. It is then that Hagar's Yellow Oil is found truly valuable as a household remedy.

Veterinary Department.

[All Communications for this column should be addressed to "Editor Veterinary Department," Gleaner, Fredericton. Questions answered without charge. This column is open only to our subscribers.]

A. V. Omsogto. I see by THE GLEANER you gave "Kingdemon" an article on the advantage and disadvantage of keeping spayed cows, and also "Subscriber" another on feeding milk cows. Now as our young cattle and calves have been, and are yet troubled with diarrhoea, we would like you to give us some information in regard to it. Ans.: Simple diarrhoea—this variety does not call for much description, as it is only an effort of nature to get rid of something that is injurious. By its removal the purging will stop. Simple diarrhoea rarely calls for treatment, but if it should, a change of feed and pasture land will be the first thing to be attended to, and if necessary after a trial of new feed and pasture, give a few powders composed as follows: Prepared chalk, two ounces; ginger, half an ounce; opium one drachm. This may be divided and given in form of a drench, with wheat flour gruel. Repeat the dose if it is necessary, but never be in a hurry to give astringents in looseness of the bowels, as much mischief may be done by counteracting the effect of nature, which is always of a salutary effect, if not too violent, for the condition of the beast, and in that case inter-ference is necessary. Chronic diarrhoea: This condition is sometimes called the rot, from the belief that the animal is rotten. Chronic, or indeed any kind of diarrhoea, should not be looked upon as a disease at all, but merely a symptom of internal irritation of some kind. Cause: This is an important inquiry in cattle pathology, for farmers are sometimes disappointed when they are told the animal will die within a given time, not knowing the nature of the disease of which diarrhoea is but a symptom, and the symptoms. Chronic diarrhoea is the sequel to tuberculous consumption already described under that head, or dysentery may show itself before even consumption is either thought of or recognized. However, chronic diarrhoea, or dysentery, is the result of tubercles situated on and in the white membranes throughout the body. Treatment: Generous diet, composed of linseed cake meal, commercial sulphuric acid, sixty drops to one pint of water once a day, also gentian half an ounce, sulphate of iron two drachms, mix and feed once a day. Diarrhoea in calves: This is a frequent affliction among young calves, and destroys thousands of them every year. Cause: Depending upon the character of the milk, not so much its quality as the time and manner of giving it. Thus calves are not allowed to suck their own mothers. Frequently they are not allowed to suck at all, but have to drink the milk out of a bucket, and then it is often cold before they are allowed to have it. The rapidity with which they drink their allowance, which is often too much for them, gorges the stomach and paralyzes the digestive organs, hence the white diarrhoea so often seen among young cattle, the symptoms of which, one would think, were alike in all animals. But this is not the case so far as diarrhoea of calves is concerned. They have a voracious appetite. Swelling of the belly, watery excrement, discharges of wind or gas, white or yellowish colored excrement or dung, while in some bad cases the true milk is passed unchanged by the action of either stomach or bowels. Treatment: This is a matter of cure, and consists in allowing the calf, until several weeks old, to suck its own mother, not only morning and night, but at least three times in the day, dividing the periods as even as possible, thus by allowing calves to suck the milk for themselves, paralyzing and gorging the stomach with cold milk is avoided, and white diarrhoea prevented. Treatment: Give three thousandths of carbolate of soda in well boiled wheat flour gruel once a day. If this is not convenient, give a tablespoonful of common rennet after each feed of milk the calf takes. This will materially aid proper digestion by its power in decomposing the milk and fitting it for assimilation.

The Poor Dead Father.

"Yes," said a Frenchman in Paris recently, "I was walking in Palace Vendome when a poor woman with two children attracted my attention. They were suffering. I stopped them. The husband had died this morning; they were penniless. I went to their home and there saw the poor father. I gave them money and left the home of sorrow. I thought when I reached the street that I had not given them enough. I knocked at the door and the poor dead father opened it. I left."—Boston Journal.

A Brutal Father Tries to Roast his Child Alive.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—David Kelly, Claremont street, was tried at the Police Court this morning with endeavoring while drunk to roast one of his children alive, at one o'clock this morning. His wife succeeded in wresting the child from him, and he then chased her and the other children out of the house and kept them in the street till a policeman appeared on the scene and arrested him.

News Summary.

London, Feb. 13.—The editors of a Polish journal printed in the city of Posen have been arrested, tried and sentenced to six months' imprisonment in consequence of their publication in their paper of an article libeling Prince Bismarck and the Prussian ministers. The publication of these articles was due to the action of the Prussian government towards the Poles in Posen.

London, Feb. 15.—Lord Dufferin, viceroy of India, has decided to garrison Burma with 16,000 troops, under command of General Pendergast. The military occupation and martial law will be continued until November, as Lord Dufferin does not think the country is ripe yet for the establishment of civil law. Lord Dufferin has also decided to send a strong military expedition to Shan Hills.

A FLOOD IN NEW ENGLAND.

Serious Damage by Floods in Boston, Taunton and Elsewhere.
From all parts of New England come reports of serious damage by floods. In Central Massachusetts, along the line of the Old Colony and Boston and Albany railroads, bad washouts have occurred, completely shutting off travel. At Taunton, the dam on Mill river gave way, the water sweeping through the city and flooding the streets to a depth of many feet. The people attending church on Sunday were surprised by the sudden overflow and could scarcely reach their homes. The break was finally stopped by arduous labor, but not until tremendous damage was done. Blackstone river, in Rhode Island, overflowed, causing immense damage in Providence, Woonsocket and towns along its course. There is a vast deal of suffering among the poorer classes in Roxbury (Boston), which is being rapidly and systematically relieved by the city. The imprisoned inmates of houses are suffering greatly from lack of fire, their fuel being generally stored in cellars now filled with water. All the railroads south are washed out, and no trains left the city in that direction Saturday or Sunday. The hotels are consequently overcrowded, and cots are being placed in the halls and corridors, for the accommodation of guests. Many poor people, who have been driven from their houses, have lost all of their possessions, the contents of their houses having been destroyed by the flood. Boats and rafts are used to navigate the streets in the southern part of the city. Madison park, one of the finest public squares in the city, is a lake of muddy water from four to eight feet in depth. The waters are now subsiding, and it is hoped that the climax of the flood has been passed.

A Wise Choice.—In selecting a remedy for coughs and colds the wise choice is to take one that loosens the tough mucus clinging to the throat passages. Such a remedy is Hagar's Pectoral Balm, which promptly breaks up hard colds and their troublesome effects.

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LIBERAL MEETING.

Initiative Steps Taken for a County Organization.

A meeting of the Liberals was held in Fisher's building at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

There was a good representation from the city and vicinity, but owing to the bad state of the roads, there were not many present from the country districts.

Mr. Z. R. Everett was chosen chairman. On motion the following delegates were appointed to attend the Provincial Convention to be held in St. John on Thursday next.

Geo. F. Gregory, Jas. Dever, J. F. Simmons, Hon. P. Thompson, Z. R. Everett, Richard Bellamy, Arthur Limerick, F. S. Cull, Warden Everett, Conn. Hawley, Conn. March, Richardson Boone.

An executive committee was appointed as follows:—

J. F. Simmons, Geo. F. Gregory, Z. R. Everett, J. H. Crockett, Richard Bellamy (Southampton), M. Hall, Messrs. Hammond (Kingstons), J. McManis (Stanley), John Anderson (Huntsville), John H. March (Queensbury), J. P. F. Warden Everett (Kingstons), A. C. Whithead (Queensbury), Conn. Bowley (St. Mary's), Jas. Dever, G. T. Whitley, Arthur Limerick, W. A. Quinn, John Owens.

This committee are empowered to take the initiative in county organization.

After other business was transacted the meeting adjourned to meet again on Monday next, 22nd inst., at 8 p.m. in Fisher's building.

A FATAL ACCIDENT.

A Little Boy in Cemetery Killed While Playing in a Bar.

A twelve-year-old son of Rev. A. H. Trafton, of Bel River, York Co., was accidentally killed while playing in a bar near that place last week.

The boy was playing with some other children in a bar where a plowing machine was suspended from its rollers. Young Trafton was swinging on the ropes attached to the machine, and one account says that the blocks gave way and in falling struck him on the head; another account says that the boy was climbing the ropes and lost his hold, and fell to the floor beneath. The little fellow, it is said, lived only a few minutes after the accident.

All About the Weather.

We have every variety of weather, as the Ritz shepherd boy said of Scotland, and it never grows monotonous. The continued wet weather closed last night with a heavy downpour of rain and about midnight the sky was lighted up with several vivid flashes of lightning, and some claim to have heard distinct rumbling of thunder. The weather is much improved to-day and the temperature is below freezing point. The travelling is still in a wretched condition and the effects on business is most discouraging. There is, however, a prospect of a change for the better. An afternoon meeting, who was watching the clouds, said that the clouds were breaking up, and if this forecast is true, the weather will be much improved to-day.

A SPLENDID WORK.

C. P. Burr, in Johnston's Obituary, pronounces this history the greatest original work of Charles Knight.

Altogether, says Burr, it is a masterpiece of the pen. It is a history of the nation as a whole. It is a history of the nation as it is today.

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A FLYING COLUMN.

Gen. Middleton's Plans of Organizing for the North West.

The Troops to Leave Fredericton in a Short Time.

What Residents of the North West Think of the Indian Uprising.

As was intimated in the last issue of the GLEANER, the information having been obtained from good local military authority, Major General Middleton has proposed the organization of a flying column to be sent to the North West.

A Montreal despatch states that a great deal of interest exists in Montreal military circles over the report that the government intends to organize a flying column this spring to make a military demonstration in the unsettled districts of the Northwest. Major-General Sir F. Middleton has recommended such a move.

It is understood a demonstration will be made in Blackfoot country. The column will be commanded by the major general, and will be composed of the corps of the permanent force. The permanent corps have been wanted to hold themselves in readiness, and in the three branches of the service the corps are recruited up to their full strength.

The regular corps which are expected to form the column are A company Infantry School Corps, Fredericton, N. B., 100 men; Cavalry School Troop, Quebec, 100 men; Mounted Infantry Troop, Winnipeg, 100 men; A Battery, regiment of Canadian artillery, Kingston, 200 men; B Battery, R.C.A., Quebec, 200 men; I S.C. St. John's, Quebec, 100 men; C company, I S.C., Toronto, 100 men. This would make a column of 700 men, and are now ready to join hands with four nine-pounders and two Gatlings. As these corps are very near perfection in the matter of discipline and equipment, it is believed that there will be no necessity to call upon the volunteers, except for garrison duty in place of the permanent corps. It is understood that the whole or the greater part of this force will be stationed at Calgary, Regina, or some other point in the Northwest for the greater part of next summer.

Supreme Court.

The motions made on Saturday besides those already given were:—

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SPORTING NOTES.

Boating Prospects for the Coming Season.

W. Beach, the world champion, announces his intention of leaving Sydney, N.S.W., early next month, with a view to meeting some of the leading scullers of this country during the season.

John McKay is wintering at Halifax, but intends looking for a race against any one, barring Teece, and Hanlon, in the spring.

P. H. Conley is desirous of meeting George Perkins in a race over the Thames championship course, and as an inducement he agrees to allow the Englishman a start of five seconds.

George H. Henson is taking good care of himself, and will challenge Jee Laing early in the spring to a return race to occur on Canadian waters for \$200 a side.

Should Conley find a good mate, he will challenge Gaudin and Hann to a race for a suitable stake.

Several open regattas are being talked of for the season, the first of which will be decided at Lake Quinsigamond the first of May.

Should Beach arrive in this country early in the season it will give boating matters a boom for the entire year. Both Teece and Hanlon will be only too willing to accommodate him with a race for any amount.

Wallace Ross is understood as to what he will do next season and will likely resort to racing in regattas. He talks of a race with Hanlon, and long to go where Capt. Webb went over the Niagara Falls.

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TELEGRAPHIC TIDINGS.

The German Government and the Vatican.

Trouble Brewing Between France and England Over Egyptian Matters.

The Socialist Meetings in Birmingham—General News.

Special to THE GLEANER.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Feb. 16.—The Cook Wrecking Company, have contracted to float the British schooner, Laura Brown, before reported ashore at high head. The vessel is in good condition and can be easily repaired.

Gladstone and the Irishmen.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Gladstone is sending letters of enquiry to all sorts and conditions of Irishmen, probably including the Parliaments.

The German Government and the Vatican.

Special to Gleaner.

Berlin, Feb. 11.—The Government's changed attitude toward the Vatican, is semi-officially explained as follows:—The Government for two years desired to accede to the wishes of Catholic subjects but was hindered by the fact that the sessions of Parliament were attended with circumstances tending to raise the impression that the Government could be driven by attacks and threats to unwillingly consent. There is no longer any ground for fear. The Government has introduced the present bill in the Landtag. The bill abolishes the remainder of May laws with the exception of the obligation to obtain the Government's approval of religious appointments.

The Soudan Difficulty.

Special to Gleaner.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—A despatch from Cairo says that refugees report that the rebellion in Kordofan is assuming large dimensions.

Military Orders of the French.

