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BORDEN'S NAVAL POLICY.

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On Thursday last Premier Borden brought down his naval bill, which provides a gift to Great Britain of \$35,000,000 for the purpose of building three dreadnoughts. The ships are to be equipped and manned by England and to be part of the English fleet.

The newspapers throughout the English speaking world have commented on the bill, some in favor, others not in favor of it.

The Liberals at Ottawa are in favor of the Laurier policy, which was to build, equip and man the ships in Canada, forming a nucleus for a Canadian navy, to protect our own shores and to aid England in any time of necessity.

Sir Wilfred spoke on the Borden scheme on Tuesday.

The Toronto Globe says:

"Mr. Borden has dealt a deadly blow at the principles of a Canadian naval defence force. His policy is a policy of tribute. Forgotten are his fervent words of March, 1909, in favor of a Canadian navy; forgotten his expressions of national pride as he joined Mr. Foster in urging that Canadian manhood as well as Canadian money should be devoted to the safeguarding of the Empire at sea. Today he offers Britain the price of three 'Dreadnoughts,' but not a sailor to man them."

"If he means what he says, Canada is committed to the payment of a 'Dreadnoughts' tribute for a half-century, and Canadians are asked to assume a position of inferiority and to make confession that they are unable to undertake the organization of their own defence upon the high seas."

Mrs. Murray Lloyd of Bengough, Sask., is visiting her former home at Bannock.

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AN ODD MEETING

With One Who Had Been In a Different Position

By MILDRED LOUISE DODGE

The social world is a boiling pot. That which is under goes to the top and after whirling about awhile sinks again. The loss of fortune among the aristocrats of Europe produces disastrous effects on the losers. There is little or no hope of its recovery, and they must drop to a lower scale. They can't bear to live among people who have considered them far better than themselves.

There is now an American colony in every capital in Europe, and those who are financially able to entertain and be entertained have an easier entrance to the one main social circle prevalent over by royalty than any other nationality, for the reason that since we have no titles in America no rank is expected of us. Some years ago a wealthy American gentleman named Tracy spent a month in Rome. His wife and daughter, Henrietta, had always moved in the upper circles of America, and, having friends in the



HE WAS LUIGI BRANDINI

Eternal City to introduce them, they soon found themselves in the swim there.

Henrietta Tracy was much sought after by Italians, who would have been glad to marry a beautiful American with a fortune. Her only object in accepting their attentions was a natural desire to see the world in Rome. One young man she fancied, but he was supposed to be perfectly independent financially and did not seem inclined to join the throng of her suitors.

But the lady was not sure that indifference was the cause of his standing aloof, though she did not know. There are young men who are either too proud to enter into a competition for the hand of a girl pursued by fortune hunters or too sensitive to pay attention to such. But this young man, Luigi Brandini, was not a pauper and no such motive could be attributed to him, though his estate was said to be involved in a law suit of many years standing.

Nevertheless Brandini showed Miss Tracy every attention he could without indicating that he was likely to become a suitor. The last time she saw him at a social function was a ball given at the Quirinal palace, where he was her partner more than once during the evening. He seemed gloomy, and Miss Tracy could not help wondering if her departure, which was to take place the next day, had anything to do with his depression. When she was leaving the palace the young man bid her goodnight and goodby with a far-away look in his eye that boded some impending calamity.

That was the last the Tracys saw of Rome for some time. From there they went to Berlin, thence to London and finally sailed from England to America.

Two years passed. One day Miss Tracy entered a restaurant in an American city with a party of friends for luncheon. When they were seated a waiter advanced with a napkin on his arm to serve them. Looking up at him Miss Tracy met his eye. The hot blood rushed to his cheeks and an expression of mingled pain and mortification showed itself in every feature of his face. The man recognized her as she recognized him. He was Luigi Brandini.

He turned and went away, and she saw him no more. Presently another waiter came and took the party's orders. It is needless to say that the luncheon had been spoiled for Miss Tracy. The face of one she had just met as a guest in the Quirinal palace in Rome changed to a waiter in an American restaurant was appalling.

Being ignorant of what had caused this downward course in the social scale on the part of Brandini, she wrote a friend who made Rome her residence and who had recently come to America for a visit. In reply she was informed that soon after her departure from Italy an important suit of many years' standing between Luigi Brandini and a cousin had been decided in the court of last appeal against Brandini and made him a pauper. He had disappeared from Rome, and no one knew where he had gone. Rumor had it that he had enlisted in the French foreign legion; that he had committed suicide; that a bandit who was terrorizing a province in Sicily under the name of Catania was Brandini. For awhile these wild rumors went from mouth to mouth; then the poor man was forgotten by the social world as completely as if an ocean had closed over him.

Miss Tracy read the information imparted, and her sympathies went out all the more to her former acquaintance, especially at learning that his fall was not attended with disgrace. It was hard for her to understand that helplessness under which gentlemen of Europe who were not born to work experience what they are thrown out upon the world. It does not exist—certainly not to so great an extent—in America.

What could she do for Brandini? Nothing. The pride which had caused him to flee from such help as he might have received from his friends would prevent his accepting assistance from a woman he had known in that exclusive circle. One of the unseen advantages that beset the way of those who tread roseate paths had been suddenly exposed to her vision.

The only effort Miss Tracy felt herself in a position to make in Brandini's behalf was to inform her father of her meeting with the Italian, with a view to learning if anything could be done for him. Mr. Tracy was disposed to help one who had contributed to his and his daughter's pleasure in a foreign land. He went to the restaurant where Henrietta had seen Brandini, described him to the proprietor and was told that a man answering that description had left his service on the day Miss Tracy had met Brandini. The proprietor did not know where he had gone. That ended the matter for the time being and possibly forever.

But Fate, who delights in arranging all sorts of complications for us, was working the matter in his own peculiar fashion. Many a man's career has been determined by some slight incident such as missing a train, falling into a river or running up against some one turning a corner. In this case the agent through which fate worked was a newspaper.

Some eighteen months after Miss Tracy's meeting with Brandini in a restaurant she advertised for a chauffeur. Receiving several replies, she appointed a day and an hour when the applicants for the position might present themselves for inspection. When she entered the room where they were assembled and cast her eye over them whom should she see among the number but Luigi Brandini. His mortification was apparent in his scarlet face. He made a movement to retire, but changed his mind. It was too late.

Miss Tracy questioned the men one after another, dismissing them as soon as examined until she came to Brandini. The two stood alone together, Brandini looking as if he would like to escape. Miss Tracy looked as if she would like to prevent him from doing so.

For a moment she hesitated whether to speak to him as a former friend or as an applicant for the position of chauffeur. She decided on the latter course.

"Your name?" she asked.
"Giovanni Riedonna."
"How much experience have you had in running automobiles?"

"None whatever, signora. I am sure I would not suit you. I should not have answered your advertisement."
"Nevertheless I like your appearance and think that, after a little practice, you will be able to drive my auto very well. You are engaged?"

"Pardon me, signora. I am quite sure I should not be able to." He stopped, bowed his head and fixed his eyes on the floor.

"Signor Brandini," said the lady, "you are among friends."

"There was no reply to this. He did not even raise his eyes."

"You Roman," she continued, "were very kind to us when we were in Italy. My father, my mother and I were indebted to you among others for a very pleasant sojourn in your Italian capital. Perhaps my father may be able to help you out of this quagmire into which you have fallen."

He raised his eyes to hers.
"I wish you would consult him in reference to my affairs. He would consider it a favor if you would permit him through you to return some of the favors received from your countrymen while we were in Rome."

"There is nothing he can do for me, signora."

"You mean that your ancestral pride will not permit you to accept anything at his hands. In that you are wrong. Indeed, you are absurd. You need some one to throw a switch to turn the ralls of fate and place you on the main track."

"Signora, you are apt at condensing the expression of ideas."

"Give me your address."

He acceded to her request, and she secured a promise from him to answer any communication that might be sent to him. Then she permitted him to depart.

That was some years ago. Now Luigi Brandini is a member of the Italian parliament, and his wife, formerly Miss Tracy, is prominent in Roman social life and, possessing a fortune, can afford certain important charities. The Romans have often tried to learn where Brandini passed those years that he was lost to Rome, but have never succeeded. Of all concerned the Tracy family are the only ones who know that the legislator once swung a napkin in an American restaurant.

ANTICIPATING HER BLUFF.

The Landlord Profits by the Experience of Other Springs.

"I have called to collect the rent," said the landlord.

"Yes," replied the lady of the house, "come in. Now, before I give you this money this month, I—"

"Just a minute, madam," said the landlord. "I can save your time for you. I know the parlor isn't fit for a pig to live in; the dining room wall paper is a shock to people of refinement; the kitchen walls are a disgrace, and the back porch is a menace to life and limb. I'm also aware that you won't stay here another month unless the barber shop wall paper in the back bedroom is changed to something in a delicate pink, and I'm next to the fact that you're ashamed to have people look at such gas fixtures as I have provided. This spring I'm going to paint the front and back porches and let it go at that."

"Thank you very much," said the lady meekly. "You have saved me a lot of trouble. That is all we really expected to have done, but I was afraid that I should have to make the same old bluff to get that much out of you."

—Detroit Free Press.

A Real Treasure.

After addressing a woman's cooking club a famous lecturer was besieged by the members, who questioned him about his own household and about his kitchen in particular.

"Are you satisfied with your cook?" some one asked him.

"Yes, indeed," was the reply.

"Is she economical?"

"Very."

"Can she bake pies and bread?"

"The best in the land."

"Is she neat about her work?"

"As tidy as a pin and as attractive in appearance as one would care to see."

"How about her disposition?"

"I think it is about perfect."

"Bosh!" exclaimed one of the matrons who had been having trouble with her cook. "It's a wonder you don't marry the girl."

With a satisfied smile the lecturer replied:

"That's exactly what I did. My wife does her own cooking." —Kingstown Telegram.

His Twenty Dollar Egg.

A hen on the farm of Henry J. Jost, assistant prosecuting attorney, laid her first egg the other day. Incidentally it was the first egg laid by any member of the flock, and Mr. Jost took his account book down from his shelf and figured just what that egg cost him.

"As nearly as I can estimate," said he, "I am out just \$20 for that egg. I have been feeding those chickens all winter, and now, at last, I am rewarded. Occasions when I could sit down to a banquet that cost \$20 a plate have been rare with me, but I can claim to have eaten a twenty dollar breakfast this morning. Some of my friends have insisted that I should have had the egg framed, but I ate it and got at least \$20 worth of enjoyment out of the meal." —Kansas City Journal.

Deplorable Result.

A public house in a Yorkshire district displays in one of its windows this notice: "Football Results Received Here." Into this haven one evening a man entered, supporting a young man whose figure testified to the fact that he had been engaged in some violent encounter.

"To receive further results here, I see," said the barman.

"Yes, we do," replied the barman.

"Well, here's one true the futbol match. Ye might keep him till he comes to himself!" —Farm and Home (England).

Non-Pickable Pocket.

A non-pickable pocket is the latest English invention. Jewelry and valuables, it is claimed by the inventor, can be carried in this pocket without the slightest fear of robbery by pick-pockets. The pocket can be applied alike to coat, vest or trousers, but more particularly to the latter.

The device consists of a separate pocket beneath the ordinary trousers pocket. The under pocket has its opening normally closed by press buttons or other fastenings, which are concealed by a flap stitched to the pocket opening.

This is arranged to be tucked away inside the first or ordinary pocket, to the lower side of which it is secured by other fastenings. The outer portion of the flap is made of similar material to the garment, which presents the appearance of having, in the case of trousers, an ordinary side seam pocket.

Were Clever Smugglers.

English smuggling has stories as amusing as the recent Italian incident. There is, for instance, that of the gloves on which duty was never paid. An agent bought the consignment abroad and shipped over only the left-hand glove to England. These were duly seized by the customs and eventually put up for sale. No one wanted odd gloves, and it was easy for those in the plot to acquire them at a nominal price. Then, after a suitable interval, the right-hand gloves came over, similarly sold and—found their long-lost partners.

Bring Windsor Castle Up-to-Date.

A new suite of apartments for the Prince of Wales has been prepared recently at Windsor Castle. The provision of these rooms is part of an extensive scheme of alterations and improvements which is now approaching realization. Notable among the improvements are developments in keeping with the spirit of the times. So comprehensive are the changes that it is now considered that little structural alteration will be necessary for some years to come.

OVERCOAT WEATHER

The Weather Man says "rain and snow much colder and freezing"—just a melee of all sorts of weather. But never mind—we've been expecting just such conditions and have made ample provision for your comfort and appearance. Here are

Handsome, Warm And Stylish Overcoats

They'll knock out old Winter, but spare your pocket-book.

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CENTREVILLE ANNOUNCEMENT

December 2nd, 1912

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We hope we may be favored with the trade of all Mr. Richardson's customers during the past and of many new ones during the years to come.

It will always be our desire to make this business fill the wants of the people, and in this way have the same success as the Woodstock store.

In closing we shall request that you watch this space next issue for our Christmas announcement.

Yours very respectfully

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The Best Drugs } J. C. STEVENS, Manager } Lowest Prices

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Millinery Sale

21 Felt Hats will be closed out at extremely low prices. Large assortment to select from. This is your opportunity to get an up to date hat very reasonably.

Stock Reducing Sale!

Big Bargains for Next Two Weeks.

Fall and Winter Suits, Sweaters and Overcoats

My stock of General Merchandise is very complete and I ask your examination of quality, style and price.

Farm Produce of All Kinds Wanted Highest Cash Price for Hay

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BALKAN RULERS DESCRIBED

TWO ONLY ARE CONSIDERED "WORTH WHILE."

Ferdinand, of Bulgaria, and Nicholas, of Montenegro, Given the Palm.

The tendency of the age is to de-throne hereditary rulers or else to let them reign but never govern. The Balkans, however, are still a fragment of the middle ages, despite the advent of trams and telephones and electric light. Their sovereigns are at least as potent as the average Prime Minister, writes Robert Vivian in the London Express.

That, of course, does not apply to the puppet Sultans of Turkey, who were given their brother's khalifat by revolutionaries who are now conspiring against him. Whatever Abdul Hamid's faults may have been, he was at least an expert diplomatist, and arrested the crumbling of his empire. But poor old Mohammed V. is merely a signing machine for corrupt self-seekers. He is so fat and unwieldy that he has to be helped up a flight of steps into his carriage, and when he is lifted on a horse the odds are that he will have to be caught in a soldier's arms on the other side.

FERDINAND OF BULGARIA.

Ferdinand, Czar of Bulgaria, has a very different temperament. He is probably owed to his Orleansist, Saxe-Coburg and Gotha ancestry all the astuteness, audacity, and ambition which have eclipsed a strain of carelessness, caution, and drowsy luxury still observable through the child in his armor.

To the world and his people he is a reincarnation of his faithful Bulgars, the heir-presumptive of the crown of Constantinople. Pompous ceremonies and imperial mantles were the joy of his life. But he was the king of the people. He was a man with a very different soul. Botany and natural history were his chief interests besides genealogy and the fine arts.

SHOWED STRENGTH EARLY.

He was called to the throne when a simple subaltern in an Austrian cavalry regiment, where he had not even learned to ride. The odds were enormously against him, but he never hesitated for an instant. He made his way to his capital, only to find that the Powers would not recognize him as Prince and Stamboul, his Prime Minister, expected to have everything his own way. As a stranger in a rude land, where the language of which he did not understand, he would seem to have but a poor chance. But he applied his amazing energy to the task, and advanced from strength to strength.

I remember two little incidents which emphasized the strained relations between Prince and Premier. From my windows at the Hotel Bulgare I could see everything that went on at the palace gates. One afternoon Stamboul drove up in a little open carriage, surrounded by alerting guards. After some fifteen minutes the Prince and his mother, Princess Clementine, came out on the balcony and watched him depart.

SIGNS OF STORM.

They were evidently in a state of great perturbation after a stormy scene. "Ferdinand" was frowning and his mother was wringing her hands. Next morning I attended a party at the palace, when the Prince distributed Easter eggs at 3 a.m. Stamboul sat in an outer room, glittering with decorations like a Christmas tree, and smoking a big cigar. After some sulky small talk he slouched away out of the palace a gross breach of etiquette. Some courtier mentioned this to the Prince, who shrugged his shoulders and said: "I did not know he had been asked."

A little later, when Stamboul was dismissed, this "Bismarck of the Balkans" entirely broke down. He knelt at his master's feet and sobbed, "I am your dog. I will serve you faithfully all my life. Do with me what you will." He had not much time for faithful service, for he was out to pieces in the street by some of the many men whom he had grievously injured.

PETER OF SERBIA.

Peter only counts as a symbol of the rule of the regicides. Though he saw active service during the Franco-German War, he has developed into an abject coward. He hears strange noises at night, and attributes them to the propinquity of the scene of his predecessor's mutilation. At meals he parades sobriety by drinking nothing stronger than water. But he retires early and devotes himself to deep potations of plum brandy, which also constitutes his breakfast. This inebriation doubtless accounts for his frequent falls from his horse.

I hear that his son Prince, who ceased to be a regicide, has returned to Belgrade full of zeal for war. This young hopeful tried to drown his tutor in the Save, tried

to kill him out riding, took pot-shots at old women from his window on the Terzasta, and amused himself by burying cats up to their necks in the earth, and then stamping them to death.

NICHOLAS OF MONTENEGRO.

The greatest ruler of the smallest state is, of course, Nicholas, King and Gospodar of Montenegro. He is probably the pluckiest man in the world as well as the cleverest statesman. I do not know when I have spent a happier hour than that which he accorded me in the garden of his simple palace at Cetinje. He had all the manners of a genial country gentleman, all the charm of a perfect host. He spoke quite freely, and allowed me to express my inmost thoughts. I am told that he is thus with everybody.

MAKING DETECTIVES.

How Scotland Yard Trains Them for Their Duties.

The plan for the scientific training of Parisian detectives is no new thing for the detective force in London, says the Daily Mail.

"The system which Mr. Lepine, Prefect of Police, and M. Investigator of the Criminals, are now about to inaugurate has been in full operation here for many years," said one of the chiefs at Scotland Yard.

"Every officer before he joins the lowest branch of the detective service has to pass an examination in police law—that is, what he can do and cannot do in certain given circumstances—and he has to attend lectures dealing with crime and criminal methods. The examining board is composed of the chief constable and two chief inspectors. Before the officer can receive promotion he has to pass a more difficult technical examination and also a civil service examination."

"Every man in the Criminal Investigation Department is taught all about the finger print system, all about the known burrows, all about the marks the different kinds leave on woodwork, he understands the different kinds of locks, he can take impressions of footprints and he has received lessons in cipher reading. At the same time certain officers who have shown the possession of the certain qualities specialize in forgery and finger print cases."

"As to the special studies in the psychology of crime, which are a part of M. Lepine's plan, some of the most serious and most baffling of crimes are committed by men who are not known criminals. How would the study help in these cases? Of course, in the case of 'Bill,' the bank-robbler, or 'Tom,' the forger, or 'Jack,' the jewel thief, all of whom stick to their own class of crimes and have been convicted many times, we know the particular methods of each man and are intimately acquainted with his method of working. In these cases the psychology of crime does come in."

"After all, the problem set a detective force is, 'Catch your criminal.' Now the simple fact is that there is less undiscovered crime in London than in any other large city in the world. That is the justification of the detective methods employed at Scotland Yard."

18,015,000,000 ANCESTORS.

Statistics Show Great Multiplication Since Time of Christ.

Statistics say every adult has between the birth of Christ and the present moment been blessed with 18,015,000,000 ancestors, including fathers and mothers-in-law, back through the generations.

One hundred years ago, the age of Napoleon, each adult now living had eight ancestors. Going back 100 years, to the Seven Years' War, the table shows there were sixteen ancestors for each person now alive. From this period back to the birth of Christ the figures grow at an incredible rate. For instance, during the Thirty Years' War, 250 years ago, 128 ancestors had accumulated, while 350 years ago, during the reformation period, they numbered 1,024. Four hundred and fifty years ago, when printing was discovered, every adult of to-day had 3,192 ancestors.

From the time of the Mongolian invasion of Europe to the present age, 650 years, the total number of ancestors given by the table is 524,300, while from to-day back to the time Pope Gregory VII. was installed, the family trees had increased to 10,770,000 ancestors.

From the time when Mohammed began to teach a new religion down to the present age, a period of 1,300 years, each adult person in this country can lay claim to 137,400,000 ancestors.

Monumental on ancestral portraits have a fine opportunity of making a genealogical gallery that will outlive any gallery in history if they start collecting pictures of their eighteen trillion ancestors. It is easy to see how such staggering figures can be produced. Each adult has had a father and mother. Each father and mother had a set of parents. That makes six ancestors. The statistician has hardly started. Keep multiplying with each generation and it does not seem incredible that the statistics are correct.

HELGOLAND'S NAVAL VALUE

ITS PLACE IN GERMAN COAST DEFENCE.

One of the Strongest Links in the Chain, But Value Has Been Over-rated.

A system of coast defence does not, of course, begin and end with the coasts themselves, a statement whose truth will become obvious when the position of Heligoland with reference to the German North Sea littoral is examined, writes the naval correspondent of the London Standard. This island, in the fact, is regarded as the centre of the web of defence on which the coast is surrounded with every advance in the numbers and utility of torpedo craft, both surface and submarine.

Heligoland was, of course, handed over by Great Britain to Germany in 1890 in exchange for certain rights on the East African coast, and while this barter deprived Germany of a port that might conceivably have been of some use to her in a guerre de course against British commerce, it also deprived the coast defence system. The value of the island is undoubtedly over-rated in Germany; but the value it would have been to us is sufficiently indicated by the fact that one of the first objects of our fleet in war would be to seize an island off the German coast for use as a base for our torpedo craft. The knowledge of this intention, again, has been largely responsible for the energy with which, in recent years, the fortification of the islands has been proceeded with.

What Island Is Like.

The general characteristics of Heligoland are well known. It is composed chiefly of friable rock, which is in a constant state of absorption by the encroaching sea. The German government is reputed to have spent enormous sums of money on "armor" the cliffs against subsidence, a German newspaper having estimated in 1910 that a sum of no less than six millions sterling had been expended for this purpose. At that time, when other £80,000 was being asked for the work, Count Reventlow was so doubtful as to the ultimate fate of the island that he suggested the whole of the defence works should be abandoned and the place destroyed altogether. However, much as the works may have cost, it must be some satisfaction to Germany to know that they have been effective even beyond expectations.

Fortifications.

In the spring of this year, according to the "Revue de Marine," exhaustive experiments were made at Heligoland in order to determine with accuracy the effect of heavy artillery fire on the soft and friable stone of which the island is composed. The result of the experiments was entirely satisfactory, as it was demonstrated that the most prolonged bombardment, and the explosion of the most powerful shells were unable to produce, as had been asserted, would be the case, any great fall of rock. The "Revue de Marine" added that the island (that is, of the Overland) had been made bomb-proof, and that the position of the batteries is such that they are entirely invisible from the sea. The range of the 12-inch guns in position is stated to be 12,000 yards, while they are mounted in steel turrets ten inches thick. All the batteries and inter-communication by means of bomb-proof galleries, and the roads which unite the summit of the island with the lower parts (the Underland) are also protected against gun fire.

An Impregnable Island.

In view of these facts it may be

admitted that Heligoland is as impregnable as it is possible for any island to be, and if that is the case Germany has rendered it impossible for the place to be seized and used as a base by British mosquito flotillas. The role of the island in the scheme of German defence is, however, more than a negative one. The depth of water in the "harbor," which is represented by the space between Heligoland and Dune, is not sufficient to allow of large ships taking shelter there; but three years ago the construction was begun of a harbor for torpedo craft.

This work, which is estimated to cost altogether £1,500,000, is expected to be completed by the end of this year, and as, in addition to the harbor itself, there will be a full range of stores and depots built, there is good reason to believe it to be the intention of the authorities to make it the permanent base of a torpedo and submarine fleet—possibly of both.

In the strategy of German coast defence, Heligoland is, or will shortly become, the central pivot of the whole organization; though this does not imply that the headquarters will be shifted from their present position at Cuxhaven. For such a role the island is excellently situated. It is 60 miles distant from Borkum and from Konigsberg, in the island of Sylt, while it is only 44 miles distant from Cuxhaven, which is the outer fortified guard of the Kiel Canal and the headquarters of the coast artillery. Heligoland is frequently referred to as the guardian of the Kiel Canal, of the Imperial dockyard at Wilhelmshaven, and of the mouths of the Elbe and the Weser. The influence of Heligoland per se, however, does not extend beyond the range of its guns. Apart from its negative value—that is, from its value to Germany as being German, and not being longed to be an enemy of Germany—it is valuable only as a very important link in the chain of coastal defence. A line drawn from Sylt to Borkum has Heligoland slightly to the eastward of its centre, and behind that line lies the whole organization of German coast defence.

A PUNISHED LEOPARD.

Traveller Saw a Remarkable Battle in Africa.

The leopard likes the meat of certain monkeys, but the indulgence of his taste sometimes costs him dear. A remarkable battle between a leopard and a company of baboons, seen by a traveller in Africa, is described in Das Buch fur Alle.

I was sitting in the shade of a ravine, resting from the midday sun, when a company of baboons came clambering down the opposite wall toward the water. I sat still and watched them. A big male led, and after satisfying himself that all was safe, uttered a few deep notes.

Reassured by the call, the others quickly followed; a mother, with an ever-watchful eye on her two young ones, brought up the rear.

Suddenly, like a streak of lightning, a leopard sprang from behind a rock, and with one blow of his paw, felled the little baboon nearest him. But before the furious mother off with his prey, the furious mother attacked him. The attack had come so quickly that the rest of the company hardly realized what had happened. But at the mother's cry of rage, they all at once turned and fell upon the robber.

In a moment the leopard was surrounded and almost covered with furious baboons. The battle waxed hot. Although numbers of baboons went down before the powerful paws of the cat, they were not immediately filled by others. It was not long before the leopard began to tire; he could make no noticeable impression upon his assailants, and his strength was sapped by their sharp teeth. He struggled bravely, but in vain; slowly he sank out of sight beneath the fiercely clattering foe that he had despised. The baby baboon was avenged.



TWAS EVER THUS.

The Man—"Isn't the water rather cold at this time of year?" The Kid—"Oh, it's somethin' terrible! I wouldn't go in only me father told me not ter!"—Puck.

STORY OF THE "GOLLILAS."

New Style of Neckwear Was Once an Important Thing in Spain.

The shape of a collar may seem an affair of moment to the ultra-fashionable young man, but in these days it is not generally considered a matter of national importance. In the days of Philip IV. of Spain, however, things were different; not only did the monarch himself take an active interest in the introduction of a new style of neckwear, but the great Inquisition did not disdain to interfere in the business. The story of the gollilas is told by Martin Hume in "The Year After the Armada."

Sumptuary laws were at one time very rigid in Spain. In 1611 a Spaniard was forbidden to wear a ruff, on pain of the pillory. When Philip IV. came to the throne, he upheld this law and enforced it. As it was unlawful to use starch, a big square limp collar was adopted, called the Walloon. This collar was wrinkled so easily that it was regarded with disfavor. An ingenious young tailor submitted a new device to the young king. This was a high square collar of cardboard, covered with light-colored silk on the inside, and on the outside with the stuff of which the doublet and abellac, means of heated rollers and abellac, the cardboard was shaped into a graceful curve, bent outward at the chin.

Philip was delighted, and immediately ordered some to be made for him. The tailor was in high glee; but also, in those days of suspicion and persecution, heated rollers turned with handles and smoking pots of abellac were questionable articles to have about. Spies of the council seized the uncanny instruments. The president decided that they had to do with witchcraft; the tailor's stock was burned before his door, and the poor man himself was put under lock and key.

The prime minister, hearing of the arrest, was furious, and he rated the president soundly as a meddling old fool for burning the king's collars. The president of the council declared his ignorance of the king's interest, but held that if the tailor was breaking the law, he was breaking the law, for the new collar was being ridiculed in shape. He was promptly silenced by the minister, who informed him that the collars were the best and most economical things ever invented; that they did away with the constant need of washing, and that one collar would last ten years without further expense or trouble.

The gollilas, as they were called, became popular with high and low. Heads had to be carried stiffly in them, and turned slowly, but Spaniards' heads were meant to be used so, and no one complained. They remained in favor for one hundred years. They were finally changed by Philip V., the Bourbon. He was too wise to run stiff at them at first, but he wore them up to pamphlets, and showed their usefulness for soldiers. Under his influence, the gollila was abandoned for a lace stock and tie.

EDUCATING INDIA.

Growth of Literacy Shown by Latest Figures.

The progress of education in India is interestingly indicated in the census returns for 1911, which, although not yet completely analyzed, give an idea of the progress made since the vernacular test of literacy has been made higher than for the 1901 census, and is now confined by the ability to write a letter and read a reply.

The present return shows 108 males and 77 females per thousand to be literate, against 98 and 7 respectively a decade ago, and these figures represent an increase of 15.3 per cent. of males and 60.7 per cent. of females.

Burma heads the list of greatest literacy, where among the Buddhists over 80 years of age, more than 1,750,000 out of 5,500,000 can read and write. The numbers literate in or studying English have also increased considerably in the past ten years and the 1911 total shows 1,670,637 against 1,125,231 in 1901, which is equal to an increase of 100 per cent. of males and 7 females and 100 and 10 respectively. The growing demand for English education insures a very large increase in the last decade and scholars and colleges are springing up all over the country.

Scientific Recruiting Plan.

Remarkable results are expected from the works of the army laboratory of morphology, which, by a decision of the minister of war, M. Millerand, has been opened near Paris. The object of this new department of the military medical service is to study the physical structure of new recruits as they arrive and sort them out into the various services most suited to their characteristics.

Why is paper money more valuable than gold? When you put it in your pocket you double it, and when you take it out find it still increases.

HAY FEVER FAULT OF BLOOD

NOT MUCOUS MEMBRANE, DR. DEKKER CLAIMS.

Pollen From Certain Fruits and Flowers Enters Blood, Causes Disturbance.

Dr. Herman Dekker has an interesting theory to explain hay fever and the allied asthma, as well as the rash which sometimes attends these diseases and which in non-sufferers from either is frequently caused by strawberries or other fruits.

Everybody knows, of course, that it is the pollen of certain flowers, much as golden rod and the tiny seeds that detach themselves from new mown grass which are most liable to cause the mischief. The pollen is supposed to irritate the mucous membrane of the nose, thus causing the catarrh and sneezing which are the symptoms of hay fever.

Dr. Dekker's theory is that the blood is at fault and not the mucous membrane. It is only through the mucous membrane that the pollen most frequently effects its entrance into the system, and it is not because the pollen irritates the mucous membrane, but because the albumen contained in a particular kind of pollen is inimical to the blood of certain persons. This would explain why certain hay fever sufferers are sensitive to pollen of certain flowers and non-sensitive to others. Some get hay fever from golden rod, some from clover, some from grass, some from fertilizer. Dr. Dekker points out that it is all some organic substance, that is, some substance containing albumen, which is responsible for the disease.

Blood Is Changed.

Why should certain kinds of albumen affect some folks and not others? Let us see first of all what happens when a bit of albumen of any kind enters directly into the blood instead of being passed into the stomach through the mouth. If the stomach does not digest the albumen, it is introduced directly into the blood, as in treating a patient with diphtheria, or a serum obtained from some animal, and therefore containing the albuminous substance of that particular kind of animal. If examined almost immediately afterward, contains digestive ferments which it did not contain before, and which are similar, if not identical, with the ferments which in the digestive organs attend to the digestion of albumen. Thus the albumen injected into the blood splits up into extremely small particles. In the digestive organs these minutely small particles are separated and sifted. The useful elements are taken up into the blood, the injurious ones are carried out of the system. But, if directly introduced into the blood, the injurious elements cannot be drained away.

Injurious Elements.

Along with the useful elements they are carried to the various tissues and cells and organs of the body, and are incorporated with them, interfering considerably with their normal chemical action. It takes eight to ten days for the system to assimilate albumen injected into the blood, and after the first treatment apparently no bad effects are sustained; but if the experiment is repeated after, say, ten days, the old poison now heaped up and distributed throughout the body is transformed into a sort of explosive, by combining with the new poison, interfering material with the respiratory organs, increasing the lungs and lowering the temperature. This is called the anaphylactic experiment.

According to Dr. Dekker, persons who get hay fever from golden rod pollen have a certain amount of old, latent poison stored up in their system. On coming in contact with the new, fresh poison, the trouble is renewed.

\$80,000,000 in Cigarettes.

The consumption of cigarettes in Germany has increased 100 per cent. in the last four years. The value of cigarettes smoked last year was \$80,000,000. Each cigarette smoker consumes 1,200 a year. Restricted legislation is pending.

Prevention.

Smith—"I didn't know you owned a motor car—why those auto goggles?" Smyth—My wife has hatpins.

"My son," said the wise father, "never run after a street car, a woman, or an insurance agent—there will be another along in a few minutes."

Daughter—"I love him. He is the light of my life." Father—"Well, that's all right, but I object to having my house lit up by him after midnight."

Griggs—"I should say that the two keys to success are luck and pluck." Briggs—"Certainly. Luck in finding some one to pluck."

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MRS. ARMSTRONG WINS \$5.00.

Another Special Prize Offered—
Contest Closes New Years Day.

That energetic lady, Mrs. Arthur Armstrong of Greenfield, wins the special prize of \$5.00 in gold offered for the best work done by any candidate during the first week in December. She sent in subscriptions during the week that entitled her to 78,000 votes. She has increased her total vote to 255,000 and is still working.

Next to Mrs. Armstrong, the most energetic worker was Mrs. Harry Sewell, who certainly deserves credit.

A little bird has told us that a surprise is in store for someone in this contest and this brings to mind the common saying that "one must not judge by appearances."

It is possible for candidates to "lie low," so to speak, and not let it be known just where they stand in the competition. We suspect more than one is doing this.

We do not doubt that every reader of The Observer has by this time become genuinely interested in the progress the candidates are making. It is quite likely that every one has a "favorite" candidate whom they would like to assist. It is easy for them to "do their friend a favor" if, when they are buying Christmas gifts for other friends, they spend their money with those merchants who are co-operating in the contest. These merchants are: A. L. Baird, Hartland, Belyea Bros., Coldstream, Bohan & Co., Bath, Mrs. C. A. Phillips, Bristol, S. W. Smith, Mount Pleasant and Florenceville (2 stores), and C. M. Sherwood, Centerville. These merchants are the leaders in their localities and are commended as dealers who give good value. To those cash customers WHO ASK for them they will give coupons good for 5 votes for every cent spent at their stores. The coupons will be made out in favor of any candidate named. Won't you "Do Your Friend a Favor" by asking for a coupon if you have 5 cents or \$5. or \$50. to spend? That will call for no effort on your part, no extra expense. It will mean the lasting gratitude of whichever candidate you favor—and remember these candidates are working hard after that Piano. Their earnest efforts make us wish, as the Christmas season draws near, that we had a Piano for each of them.

Alas! we haven't it. There is only one. That one, a beauty personally selected by one of the firm of Willis & Co., was shipped to The Observer from the great factory at St. Therese, Que., last Friday. It should be here by the time this reaches the readers.

Another Special Prize.

To the Candidate who between this date, Dec. 12, and Dec. 24 sends to us Voting Coupons given by merchants amounting to the largest aggregate sum of purchases, we will give a present worth \$10. Is that worth working for, Candidate Friends? It means for you to distribute blank coupons among your friends and IMPELORE them to buy from the merchants named above.

THE CONTEST WILL CLOSE

on Jan. 1st, 1913, and the name of the winner will be announced as soon thereafter as possible. The standing of the Contes-

tants on Monday last was as follows:

Mrs. Arthur Armstrong,	255,000
Miss Myrtle Dickinson,	85,235
Mrs. Harry Sewell,	69,535
Ellis Carmichael,	18,000
Lizzie Wiley,	8,000

Our Neighbours

Upper Brighton.

Mrs. Robt. Blackie and Mabel Hayward were the guests of Mrs. Chas. Carr one day this week.

Mrs. Clara Hallett and Mrs. Maurice Jordan were visiting Mrs. Rourke, on Thursday.

We are sorry to learn that Herbert McLean and family are going west after Christmas. We wish them success in their undertaking.

Mrs. Ezekiel Secord has purchased Herbert McLean's residence.

Rainsford Rourke, is spending a few days at Bath.

Gordon Luskey has been confined to his bed for a few days with a severe cold, but is able to be around some now.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Seeley are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby boy.

Geo. A. Nevers has moved to Hartland and is occupying the Ad. Bradley house.

Chas. Carr has returned from Perth.

Robert Blackie and Roy Higby have returned from the west.

Mabel Hayward who was staying with her aunt, Mrs. Blackie, has gone to her home in Rockland.

A number of ladies met at the home of Mrs. Garston Day and enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon on Thursday.

Mrs. Scott Hallett and Mrs. Gordon Luskey spent Saturday and Sunday in Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Day attended the funeral of Fred Dickinson at Wakefield on Sunday.

The prayer meeting of the U. B. church will be held at the home of Mrs. Addie Campbell on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Robert Denton of Caribou, Me., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Seeley.

Robert Kidney has gone to the poultry show at Amherst, N. S.

Mrs. Harvey Darrall of Gordonville is visiting her daughter Mrs. W. Bubar.

Miss Luella Pearson has accepted a position as clerk in Keith & Plummer's store.

Mrs. Bert Day was calling on Mrs. Maurice Jordan on Tuesday.

Andover.

Miss Marion Lawson, of Caribou, spent a few days last week with her friend, Miss Millicent Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dinsmore (nee Miss Margaret Magill) of Port Fairfield, were in town on Sunday, the guests of Miss Annie Magill.

Mrs. Sadler, of Tobique, is the guest of Senator Baird.

The Ladies' Bridge Club spent a delightful afternoon this week at the home of Miss Muriel Kupke.

Guy G. Porter left on Thursday for a short business trip to Boston.

The Book Lovers' Club of Lower Andover, have arranged for a very interesting course of lectures to be given once a month in the Beveridge hall. The first lecture will be given on Dec. 13 by the Rev. Dr. Keirstead, of the U.N.B., Fredericton. They have also prepared an interesting winter program to be carried out by the club. On January 1 roll call answered by New Year's resolution; January 23, roll call answered by two minute impromptu speeches, subjects to be chosen by committee; vocal solo by Miss Gertrude McPhail; Feb. 6, to be young people's night; Feb. 20 is to be a literary at home; March 6, debate on woman's suffrage; vocal duet, Mrs. McPhail and Mr. Porter; March 20, roll call answered by current Canadian events and three minute papers on prominent Canadian women, by Mrs. Ailes, Miss Pearson, Miss Gillett, Mrs. D. R. Bedell, Miss Grace McPhail and Mrs. B. Beveridge; piano solo by Mrs. W. E. Spike.

The friends of Geo. Simpson are glad to see him in his old position at Perth Junction.

Mr. Bennett, of McAdam, was the guest of Rev. Mr. Hopkins on Sunday en route to Plaster Rock, where he took the place of Rev. Mr. Smithers.

T. J. Carter, M.P.P., and Mrs. Carter left on Monday for Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Holt and Mr. Thorburn Holt, of Fort Fairfield, were in town on Sunday by auto, guests of Mr. and Guy Porter.

Mrs. H. T. Bonnell and son, Eldon,

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of Grand Falls, are guests of Dr. and Mrs. Dickinson, Perth.

J. E. Charles and Barney Armstrong are home for a few weeks, having completed their contract on the Minto Railway.

The members of the Masonic Lodge, Andover, will give their usual at home on Friday evening, Jan. 3.

The Women's Institute met on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James E. Porter. —Telegraph.

Bristol.

We regret to state that Bristol is soon to lose one of its stores and a number of its citizens. Mrs. Belle DeLong Lockhart is now selling out and intends to go west in the early spring. There is now a fine chance for bargain searchers as the stock is being sold at greatly reduced prices.

Mrs. Groombridge with her two children arrived last week from England to join her husband who recently opened a blacksmith shop in the village. They will occupy Mrs. McLean's house.

The work of putting in a pump and lavatory equipment is now being carried on at the station. A new well was drilled there several weeks ago.

A concert and Christmas tree is now being arranged for the Sunday school children. The entertainment will take place Christmas eve.

Mrs. A. W. Phillips has been confined to her bed several days with a severe attack of la grippe.

Miss Olive Gould has been suffering lately with an abscess on her eye. The Primary Dept. of the school has been closed on account of this disability.

E. Carey our popular painter and house decorator, has finished his week with Mooney and Sons on the new bank just completed at Florenceville. Mr. Carey was highly complimented by both contractor and architect on the splendid work done by him on the bank building.

A trial of unusual interest was conducted on Friday before Magistrate McLusky. The trouble arose over some sheep which one man accepted several years ago to return double the number in a stated time. The plaintiff claims that four sheep had thus been accepted and only six were returned. The defendant claims only three were accepted and one rejected and thus he should return only six. After the evidence was taken the jury failed to agree and were discharged. A new trial will be held on the 16th.

Mainstream.

Will Swim of Rockland has moved in Ernest Foster's house for the winter.

Judson Foster and family have moved home to Alexander's.

Mrs. Jarvis Shaw had the misfortune to fall on the ice and hurt herself. Her granddaughter, Miss Mabel Shaw, is staying with her.

Miss Mary Palmer is staying with Mrs. Freeman Ellis for the winter.

Miss Alexa Shaw was visiting friends in Windsor last week.

Cassie Swin is staying with her aunt, Mrs. Tom Foster.

Amos Belyea spent last week at home.

Mrs. J. T. Trainer and children have returned home to St. Stephen after stopping two months with her sister, Mrs. J. M. White.

Miss Sadie Foster spent Saturday afternoon and night at H. D. Clark's. Manor Clark was home last week with neuralgia.

Scott Clark of Wakefield is visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Well Shaw have a new baby boy at their house.

Monaie.

James Young of Kintore was a caller here on Saturday.

Mrs. S. E. Giberson spent a few days at Bath this week.

Mrs. Cox is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. W. Miles.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Tompkins made a trip to Bath Wednesday.

Mrs. William McDougall has purchased a new organ.

Mrs. John Tompkins who has been in poor health for some time is improving.

Mrs. W. H. Miles went to Hartland on Thursday to see A. W. Ride, out who is very ill.

Spurgeon Cox of Andover was a caller here recently.

J. Giberson was the guest of his brother, S. E. Giberson this week.

Santa Claus has arrived at the store of A. A. Grant. He has a fine assortment of Christmas goods, and is doing a rushing business.

Armand.

On Thursday Asa Dickinson went to Lowell to spend the winter. On the eve of his departure his friends and neighbours of this place gathered into his home to say farewell and give expression to their good wishes for his future prosperity.

Sam McAfee is very ill of rheumatism fever.

On Sunday Lynne Kimball and his mother, were visitors at the home of Elwood Foster.

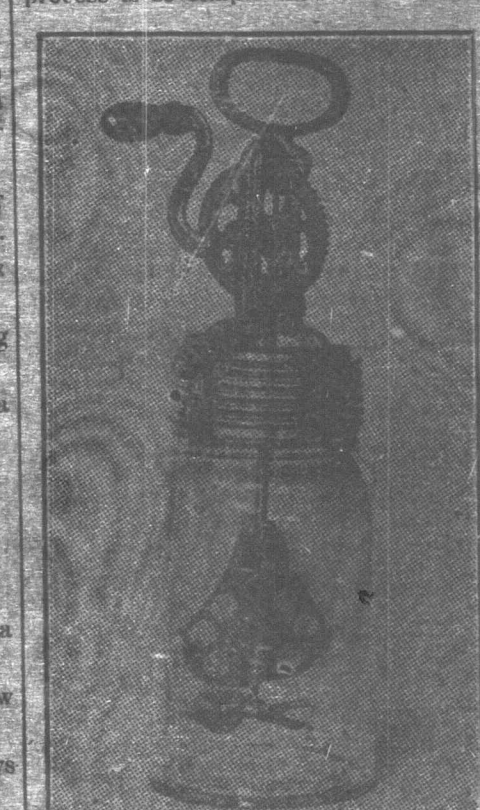
On Thursday Mrs. Edmund Spiney spent the day with Mrs. Edmund Robinson.

Mrs. Murray Lloyd is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wilmet Kimball.

Produce Prices.

While prices are high good roads are most in demand. This week dealers are paying prices as follows: Potatoes, \$1.10; hay \$5 to \$8; oats, 42 cents; meal, \$2; chickens, 10; eggs, 30 and butter 25 cents.

Better Churn For Thrifty Housewives. Appreciated by the busy economical housewife is the butter churn with which little trouble cream may be converted into delicious butter. The process is so simple that with instructions...



THE NEW CHURN

One who would be able to use the device. The churn is operated by a little wheel which sets the "fans" in motion, in which the butter is made revolving.

Bound to See the Bad Side. A certain country minister was one day visiting some of his church members, among whom was an old gossiping woman who was always complaining of something. No sooner had he sat down than she began with her grumbling. "But," said the minister, "I don't see what you are always grumbling at. For instance, your potatoes are the best I have seen in the village."

"Ah," replied the woman, "but what's the bad ones for the pigs?"

Oddities of Welsh.

The quite erroneous idea that Welsh is a language of consonants probably arises from the number of w's it contains, according to a Welshman in The London News. "W" in Welsh is generally—and always between two consonants—a pure vowel, sounded like "oo" in English. Thus "cwm" is pronounced "coom," rhyming with "boom." What is really one of the most remarkable features about the Welsh language is the number of vowels which can come together. In English three vowels in succession are not often met with. In Welsh it is not uncommon to find four or five—e.g., in "ilywiadwr" (governor). Here each of the five vowels "ywlw" is pronounced separately in rapid succession. Here are four lines, consisting entirely of vowels, made by Gwyn Owen in the eighteenth century:

O'i wyl wy a weuse,
lneau o ia, ai e ly?
lneau o ia, ai e ly?
A'i au i wau ei we wyw?

Benevolence.

"So you won't take children in your apartment house?"

"Couldn't think of it," said the landlord.

"Why do you dislike children?"

"I don't. I'm so fond of them that I don't want to take a chance on their being kept awake by people who play the piano till midnight."—Washington Star.

We desire to express our deep gratitude to the many friends and neighbours for their assistance and sympathy during the illness, death and burial of the late Edward W. Cox.

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MEETING
—OF—
Poultry Association

There will be a meeting of the members of the Carleton Co. Poultry Association and others interested in Poultry in Fort-Edward Hall on Monday, Dec. 16th, at 1.30 p.m., for the election of officers for the coming year and to consider holding a show.

Everyone make it a point to attend.

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Local News and Personal Items

George Nevers has moved into the Bradley house.

W. C. Craig was down from the woods this week.

Winfield DeForest of Lakeville was here yesterday.

Dressed beef is bringing 5 cents per pound by the carcass.

Very handsome calendars have come to us from Hatfield & Scott.

Best Manitoba Flour reduced to \$6.50 at Carr's. Other grades cheaper.

New raisins, currants, and other fruits for Christmas at Carr's.

D. W. Jackson, bridge superintendant, was in Hartland yesterday.

Bishop Richardson of Fredricton was operated on for appendicitis last Thursday.

James, the six-months-old child of Mrs. James Barker of Lower Brighton died on Monday.

Mrs. Herman Shaw has moved from Rockland and occupies G. C. Watson's Main street residence.

Christmas advertising is the newspaper man's harvest. Our first page looks like a poster, but it will repay careful reading.

Those in a position to purchase 40 or more gallons of kerosene will find it advantageous to call on Keith & Plummer.

The condition of A. W. Rideout is critical. His son, Rev. A. A. Rideout of Dorchester, Mass., has been called to see him.

A. S. Estabrooks, erroneously reported to have gone west three weeks ago, in reality left only yesterday, accompanied by his family.

Premier Fleming has bought the handsome residence of Norman Loane in Woodstock and will take possession of it in the spring.

The school at Victoria will give a concert in the Orange hall at that place on Thursday evening, Dec. 13. The price of admission will be 20c.

Visitors to Woodstock yesterday included Mrs. Curtis, Mrs. Graham, Miss Smith, Mrs. B. Seeley, Mrs. W. E. Thornton, Mrs. H. H. Hatfield.

A broken rail at the depot street crossing derailed one of the big freight engines one night last week. It was replaced without difficulty.

The Observer is in receipt of a convenient 1913 calendar issued by the Sun Fire Ins. Co. and presented by the agent, P. S. Marsten, Woodstock.

Reserved seat tickets (50c.) for the Jubilee Singers on sale at Simms' store beginning Monday, Dec. 9 at one o'clock. You may select seats by telephone.

Died at Jacksontown, Nov. 21, Francis, son of Frank Drake, aged 10 years and 7 months. Funeral at Upper Waterville, conducted by Rev. E. C. Jenkins.

Have you seen the air-tight Heaters H. N. Boyer is selling? Will do the work of an ordinary cylinder with half the fuel and hold fire over night. Good looks too.

The Jubilee Singers next Wednesday evening in the Foresters' Hall are going to draw a big crowd. While the advance sales are large good seats are still available. Plan of the hall is at Simms' store.

At 1.30 in the Foresters Hall, next Monday, there will be a meeting of the Carleton Co. Poultry Association at which plans will be laid for the annual show. The Association has done much to create an interest in poultry raising and every person who keeps feathered stock should attend.

Jubilees

**Foresters' Hall, Hartland
Wednesday
December 18**

Reserved Seat Tickets, 50c; at Simms' Store.
General Admission, 35c
Children under 12 years in front row, 25c.

Do your Christmas shopping early.

Mrs. Harry Foster has been seriously ill.

Fred L. Thornton was confined to the house by illness last week.

An experienced female bookkeeper is wanted at once by Ziba Orser.

Rev. S. W. Schurman will preach at Jacksontown Sunday morning, Dec. 15th, 10.30.

A. D. Caldwell of St. John has accepted the foremanship of The Observer office.

United Baptist district meeting next week, Monday evening and Tuesday, at Waterville.

United Baptist services for Sunday, Dec. 15th, as follows: Upper Brighton at 3 p.m.; Hartland at 7 p.m.

Mrs. Charles Bowlin, a daughter of Mrs. Owens of this village, has been seriously ill at her home at Woodstock.

Mrs. Jennie Tilley Brewer of Fredericton, is visiting Mrs. J. B. Williams for a fortnight or so, also her daughter, Miss Dorothy Brewer. — Fort Fairfield Review.

The pupils of the Rockland school will give a free concert in the new school house on the evening of Friday, Dec. 20. Entertainment begins at 8 o'clock. A basket social will be held afterward.

Charles Henderson, who was recently appointed train master on this division, has resigned and asked for his former position—that of conductor. Conductor Barney Craig has been appointed train master.

Russel Boyer, fishery overseer for the county, paddled a canoe, loaded, from Bath to Victoria in 24 hours one day last week. He thinks that the 20 miles was made in record time. Who can beat it?

Miss Mac Clark of Woodstock, who has been in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph Company for about twenty years will leave on Dec. 16 for the west to take charge of a new station for the C.P.R. near Saskatoon.

The express from Montreal was on Saturday derailed near Jackman, Me., and a general mix-up ensued, although no person was seriously injured. Wm. N. Stevens was among the passengers. He had been in Toronto in the employ of Hatfield & Scott.

The Cleveland Bridge Co., which concern has the contract for the steel superstructure for the new highway bridge across the Becaguimac, has a crew of men at work completing the structure. About six weeks time will be required to finish the work.

The Hartland Woodworking Co., which of late has been working overtime to keep up with orders, recently shipped a carload of house finish to Charles Cyr who is building a big hotel at St. Leonards. They have also made considerable shipments to Perth and Grand Falls as well as to Woodstock.

A crew of men under Sydney Grant are at work ripping up the fill made last summer to straighten the railway track north of the Becaguimac bridge. A train is kept busy hauling granite boulders from the Gibson branch and a steam derrick is used to lower them to the shore to prevent the ice wearing away the embankment in the spring.

I wish to thank the people for their patronage during the past and to notify them that I have located in Somerville and am ready for Picture Framing. I am still Enlarging Pictures. I have a nice line of Singing Books, Fancy Scripture Mottoes, etc. Please give me a call. Henry S. Seeley, Somerville, N. B.

There will be but one more issue of The Observer before Christmas. That issue will reach more people in Carleton county than any other paper under the sun. Merchants who wish to display their Christmas stock to the thrifty buyers of the county can do so at a moderate cost. Applications for space should be made immediately.

Stanley A. Highly, a respected citizen of the Tobique, who has been a fire warden in that neighborhood for a number of years, died at the Fisher Memorial Hospital, aged 72. He has been un-

der treatment in the Hospital for two weeks. The remains were taken home for interment, accompanied by Harry Tibbitts, of Andover, and David Currie, of Tobique, with whom he made his home. He was unmarried.

An entertainment will be given by the young people of Lower Brighton at J. F. Richardson's hall on Friday evening Dec. 20. Doors open at 6.30 p.m.; entertainment begins at 7.15 p.m. Come one, come all and sharp. Come one, come all and enjoy a pleasant evening. Don't forget the "Sunny South Comedy" who will present themselves for the first time here. A silver collection will be taken to help bear expenses. If it storms entertainment will be held next fine night.

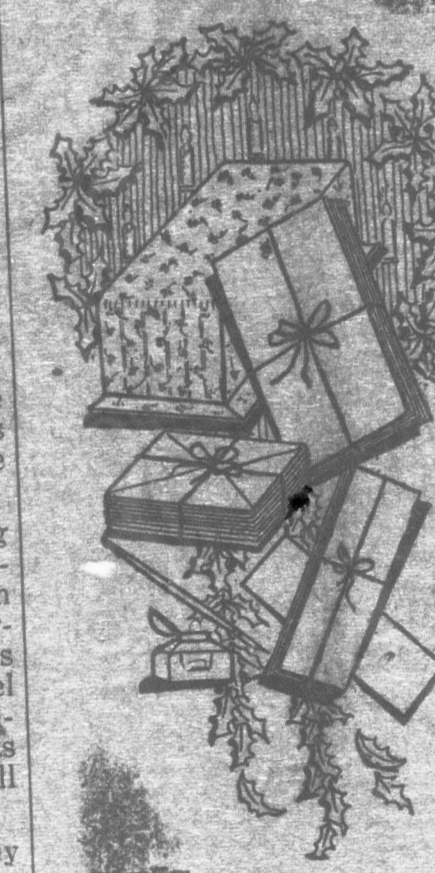
A. W. Clark is making extensive alterations in his hotel. When the changes and improvements are completed it will be one of the best fitted hotels along the river. The ground floor is being fitted up for office, dining room and kitchen, all of which

will be spacious and modern. Mullioned windows will admit light from the street and south sides. The upper stories, where hitherto the dining-room and kitchen have been, will be utilized altogether for bedrooms.

The gates the C.P.R. put in at Hartland recently are the first of the kind on the division. While Woodstock has been having much to say about getting the same thing for the King street crossing Hartland crossing is protected without the company or the Commissioners being petitioned. The gates were put in by Del Brewer and crew assisted by Melburn Seely. They never before saw such a piece of mechanism installed and put these in without plans to guide them, yet they work to perfection.

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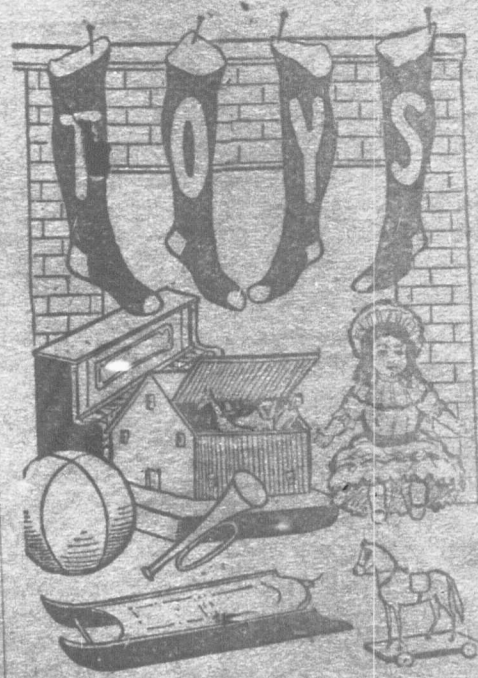
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"Win the grave," arose about the sepulchre being found empty, I felt a deeper sorrow than ever. I sent for Malcolm, who informed me that he had placed lieutenant, Ben Isham, with the hundred soldiers, around the sepulchre. He told me that Isham and the soldiers were greatly alarmed at what had occurred there that morning. I sent for this man, who related to me, as near as I can recollect, the following circumstances. He said that at the beginning of the fourth day they saw a soft and beautiful light over the sepulchre. He at first supposed the women had come to embalm the body of Jesus; and their custom, but he could not understand how they had got through the guard. While he was thinking of this, the women were passing through his mind, behind, the whole place illuminated, and there seemed to be crowds of the dead in shrouds; all shouting and wailing and ecstasy, while all around above was heard the sweet music. The whole air seemed of voices praising God. Then it seemed to be reeling and falling from the earth, so that it came so sick and faint that he could no longer stand on his

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Mr. Carvell's Speech.

The Liberals of New Brunswick have sent many able men to parliament, but they never had a more eloquent, forcible and courageous man to champion their cause on the floor of the House than Mr. F. B. Carvell, who represents the fine County of Carleton. A gentleman of clean personal reputation, an able lawyer and a born fighter, he stands high in the councils of the party and his great ability is recognized and appreciated by Liberals all over Canada. Mr. Carvell does not often take up the time of parliament but when he does speak his message is usually of such a nature that the members on both sides of the House sit up and take notice. His opponents both hate and fear him and perhaps not without some reason as the sturdy warrior from Carleton, when dealing with them and their methods does not as a rule temper his criticism to the shorn lambs. So far as Toryism is concerned he gives no quarter and asks for none.

It will be remembered that during the last session of parliament Mr. Carvell turned his guns on one A. B. Morine, a discredited Newfoundland politician who had received an appointment from the Borden government as chairman of the Inquiries Commission. He related some facts concerning Morine's past life which shocked Parliament and the country, and as a result of Mr. Carvell's exposure the government which appointed Morine to office was compelled to dismiss him, and only a few weeks ago it was announced that he had pulled up stakes and returned to Newfoundland, where for the good of Canada it is to be hoped he will remain.

On Thursday of this week Mr. Carvell contributed to the debate on the address, one of the ablest and most aggressive speeches which parliament has listened to for many a day. He had in the Macdonald election outrages a good theme and it is needless to say he did it ample justice. At the first volley Hon. Bob Rogers, whom Mr. Carvell aptly described as "the adiposities of all the electoral trainy and debauchery that went on," rose and skulked out of the chamber, followed by the peers of the Liberal members. The Tammany boss from Manitoba found himself up against the real thing for once, and treated the house to an exhibition of cowardice not creditable to a cabinet minister. The "gunmen" who operated for the Tories in Macdonald were likened by Mr. Carvell to Gyp the Blood and Dago Frank and he pointed out that like these worthies they merely carried out the orders of their masters. In other words the Manitoba officials who arrested Liberal workers and cast them into prison without cause were merely carrying out the orders of Premier Roblin and Hon. Bob Rogers, upon whom the responsibility for the Cossack methods employed in Macdonald must rest.

Mr. Carvell took up the gauntlet on reciprocity thrown down by Finance Minister White, a few days ago and clearly defined the position of the Liberal party on this great question. As he pointed out, if reciprocity was good economically in 1911, it is good economically today.

He cited facts and figures to show that Canadians had lost millions of dollars by the defeat of reciprocity and he reminded the House that the problem of wider markets still remains unsolved. No Tory flag-bearer can deny that Canada is today the best customer that the United States can boast of. If it is right then for us to buy goods from our American cousins, why should it be looked upon as displayed to sell our products to them?

With a parliamentary experience extending over the short period of only eight years, Mr. Carvell has already become a national figure. A sturdy champion of the rights of the people he has steadily forged his way to the front, and there is not a constituency in Canada that would not be honored by having such a man to represent it in Parliament. There is but little doubt that the public life of this country has high honors in store for the gifted son of Carleton County.

Job Printing at "Observer" Office

Jardine Brook—Adair's Camp.

As we have been in this place since Oct. 10 and seeing no items in your paper from this vicinity, we concluded to try our hand.

Our camp is situated one half mile from Hammond Siding, thirty-two miles from St. Leonards, two miles from Jardine Brook. Our boss is Herbert Adair and a jolly good fellow he is.

We landed here Oct. 10 with a few men and Albert Orser, Jr., as cook, but the changes of time has enlarged our crew and changed our cook. We have upwards of fifty men now. Our cook's name is T. T. Therien and Joseph Therien is cookee. They certainly know how to dish up the food and give good satisfaction both to men and boss.

There are four yarding teams. The teamsters names are Joseph H. Wallace, William Adair, John Hill and Elias Crabb. They seem to be nice fellows always on hand (at meal time). One of them, John Hill, seems to like pie and if you want a broad smile from him just pass the pie to him twice.

We will try and give an account of the men as they are in the crews.

Joe Wallace's crew consists of John and Wallace Barlock as choppers, Bythe and J. Burlock as swamper, Howard Quick grip tender and last but not least Fred Wallace as yard tender, they claim to have yarded the most logs and the biggest pine, one cut scaling 1000 ft. but there they would claim anything (they found).

Will Adair's crew comes next with Herb Treacart and Wood Rookwell as choppers, George and Frank Burlock as swamper, Layton Kimball grip tender, and Freeman Ellis yard tender, with Alex Wallace as handy man. Elias Crabb has William Burrell and Harry Irvin as choppers, Coadie Craig and Walter Treacart, swamper, Henry Sharp grip tender and Charlie Mun, yard tender, and Alex Ross as handy man, by the way the same Alex is camp tailor he can sew anything anywhere, he has often sewed oats. Now comes John Hill's crew he and Albert Jones are subcontractors and they have Samuel Allen and John McDonald as choppers, Albert and Willie Jones as swamper, Walter Wason, grip tender, and Ray McDonald, yard tender. This crew is doing good work, but they are very noisy about it.

Oh say we will have to tell you about the road monkeys, they are monkeys, is Quisha Shaw and the baby baboons are Burton Wallace, Henry Wason, Omer Shaw and Robbie Crossing, the less we say about these monkeys the less we'll tell. "So nutted."

Our carpenter is Charlie Jones he is also our musician I mean our head musician as we have four minor ones. Dances seem to be the popular amusement, but pile on, leap frog, lifting sheep, and going to mill comes in for their share of sport and tricks, the cook and cookee are full of them.

We have heard that Harvey B. Jones is cooking for Mansford Crabb at Carleton. The crew sends a vote of sympathy to the men. One man that he cooked for on Nashwaak says he can get some pie up here to make stretches if he wants to save the victims pelt. Crabb Bros may be catching foxes but Harvey will get the most game in the end.

Wm. Burrell is boxing master again this winter, he shows the boys a few points and some punches, he gets a few letters this winter and is going

home Xmas so we surmise he is up to something. Oh yes we will have to mention our neighbours just across the brook Wess Lawson has a crew Mr. and Mrs. Sam White cooks for him and his boys most of his boys are on the tender side of twenty one, but they are all right (at the table) notwithstanding that.

We are piling the logs up at a live-ly pace the crews average about seven thousand a day the logs grow on a steep hill or at least some of them do and as soon as they are cut free of the top there is something doing doing, a cry of look-out down there a flurry of snow a crash and the log with two or three hundred feet in it is at the foot waiting for the team.

It is dangerous work but we are the boys that fear no noise although we are from home. We get our mail three times a week and by the way some of them get letters they will get female in the spring, I can't give any name because when I get behind them where they are writing they cover the heading with their hand. One could hunt the country over and not find a nicer camp than this it has one set back they have no place to put the teamsters except with the men and one of the teamsters has whiskers almost a sixteenth of an inch long they sometimes get in the soup.

I guess we will ring off and if this is printed we will write again. We would also appreciate a copy of your paper if you would send it our address, we remain with love to the girls.

United Baptist Church at Plaster Rock.

At business meetings of the United Baptist churches representing Plaster Rock circuit, an unanimous invitation was extended to Rev. C. S. Young to remain pastor of the churches another year. Since Mr. Young went to this large and taxing circuit a year ago, the churches in some parts of the field have shown growth.

The debt on the new church at Plaster Rock has been reduced to over three hundred dollars besides being up to date in paying their pastor. The church at Sisson Blago is nearly completed and will be dedicated in the early spring. This church has recently experienced a revival under the leadership of Rev. C. F. Wilson, the home mission evangelist. The church, dormant for the past few years, has been reorganized with eighteen members.

All the churches on the circuit paid their allotment to the Home Mission Board this year.

The congregations are good the spiritual interest deepening. Mr. Young has everything to encourage him to remain another year. Furthermore, it would be impossible to find a more generous and sacrificing people than the citizens of Plaster Rock and surrounding communities. The congregation at Plaster Rock presented their pastor with a purse of money a few weeks ago to purchase for his benefit a new overcoat. The presentation was made by Mrs. Ritchey accompanied by an address. Mr. Young although taken by surprise responded. Address was also

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THE GO-PREACHERS.

Rev. S. W. Schurman Continues His Article.

Continuing the letter of week before last let us consider the more local phase of this so-called Go-preacher sect.

THE METHODIST PREACHER AT HIGHGATE.

In the letter written by a correspondent from Highgate reference was made to the Rev. P. A. Fitzpatrick's visits to that place and his attendance at the meetings held by Messrs Cook and Allen. The inference was to the effect that Mr. Fitzpatrick did not approach the speakers in the correct manner; but this does not agree with the statements of those who accompanied him there. However, the same action may quite easily be viewed in two different ways and therefore let it be granted that the attitude assumed by the Methodist pastor could so be construed—by the Cook friends as offensive and by the friends of the preacher as all that might be expected of anyone. There is this to be said, however, that the purposes and motives of the visiting preacher were above reproach. And if because of knowledge of and some experience with the missions of this "no-sect" sect he were seemingly over-zealous his error should be graciously condoned by those in whose interests (the people of Highgate) he was spending his efforts.

COOK AND ALLEN, GO-PREACHERS?

It is not the purpose of the writer, nor was it the purpose of the Methodist minister, to criticize the work Messrs Cook and Allen have done in this county. Our purpose is to forestall a repetition of the work they—at least one Cook—have done elsewhere in this province, (Smithtown). In this province the so-called go-preachers have proved themselves what Dr. Shearer said they were, "amischievous sect". We have here in Smithtown a lady who says there is no doubt but that she can identify the Mr. Cook who has worked in this county as the Mr. Cook who, associated with a Mr. Snadden and was a worker with the go-preacher sect in Smithtown. It is noted that their work there had a tendency to break up homes and mar the work of the churches. And that they taught doctrines, after that they gained the confidence of the people, contrary to the accepted teachings of the local denominations cannot be fairly questioned. One of their pet doctrines was "Trine Baptism" (three immersions) and they practised what they taught. One or more of their followers who had been immersed and members of a Baptist church in Smithtown, was thus re-baptized. Cook and Allen have not, so far as we can learn, taught any new or foreign doctrines around here as yet, but this, says Dr. Shearer, is the Go-preacher way: "First to worm themselves into the affections of the people, then to teach their peculiar doctrines."

GO-PREACHER DOCTRINES.

Above we notice their doctrine and known practice of "Trine Immersion" (three baptisms). They undoubtedly also teach a modified mormonism, and to substantiate this I have a letter before me stating that one lady who had become a go-preacher follower, near Moncton, was informed that she should not consider herself the wife of her legal husband alone but must be a wife in common, thereupon she left them and returned to her home. They further teach that houses of worship, paid pastors, etc., are an abomination in the sight of God.

In closing, for since the go-preachers have left the country, I will not write more concerning them, I would like to address a few words to the people of Highgate and people living in such

more out-of-the-way districts regarding religious services. There can be no question but that they have a good reason for complaint on account of the lack of handy religious services. However it does seem that if these people were really anxious to attend such services they could well drive into Hartland at least once in three months, and they would be welcomed. That is, it seems this could be done as easily as to come for some more ordinary purposes such as election speeches, poultry shows and any common entertainments, as for these some frequently do come and it would not cost them any more than it would to attend these same affairs and they might go back better fitted for life's duties.

The people in many of these places are to be congratulated on their Sunday schools. And it would be a good Christian act if some of the churches by the river would give their pastors a day off to visit these good people in the back districts. If these people would turn out on a week night I am sure the pastors would be glad to go and visit them with the common gospel without money and without price.

Yours,

S. W. SCHURMAN.

A Word for the Clerks.

Nineteen hundred and twelve years ago Christmas meant peace on earth, good will to men. It still means that to many people. But to many others it brings ill will, bad temper, nerves, worry and scurry.

You spend some time in the stores the week before Christmas. In the turmoil of tardy shopping your gifts are likely to be mislaid. Even if they prove acceptable, you have put new wrinkles into the faces of girls who have toiled long hours for days or weeks at top speed. Query, how much peace and good will has your gifts added to the world?

The salespeople with whom you come in contact are not all that your shopping touches. There is the scrambling army of expressmen and mail clerks and carriers. There is the pathetic underworld of workers in the candy and notion factories, down to the conscript bands of children whose pattering feet are down in to the whirl of the machine.

The world should have learned a lot of things in 1912 years. In most ways it has. When you compare the life of the Bethlehem shepherd, under the starry sky and the wind of the morning, with the Christmas shop girls trying to wait on a dozen snapping customers at once, the shepherd of the year one seems to have fared the better.

The plain fact is that during the fortnight before Christmas thousands of working people must suffer serious injury to health, because of prevailing principles of never doing to-day what you can put off until to-morrow.

Why not buy your Christmas gifts to day this week? You will find fuller stocks. You will find those stocks fresh, clean, unhandled, unpressed. The merchants will shake hands with you and give you intimate tips on bargains. The clerk will smile her sweetest.

Then you can say Merry-Christmas with a cheery heart. You can feel that you have done what you could for a Christmas that shall be like that of Bethlehem for peace, good will, and ordinary humanity and common sense.

Never find fault because a newspaper fails to give every scrap of news, if you are one of the people who never give the editor any information. An editor isn't a mind reader or a medium but he gets his news the same way the milkman gets his milk, by pumping. This is true especially of that class of item known as "locals." Rightly they are not "puffery" or "tally" but simple personal mention given for the benefit of the local readers, and if you have a friend or relative visiting you, let us know and we will be glad to give the item proper notice. Put any bit of news, worth printing in the way of pencil pushers.

A Winter Fair for New Brunswick.

J. B. Daggett, secretary for agriculture, returned yesterday from Amherst, N. S., where he attended the Maritime Winter Fair.

"The time is near at hand when Frederickton, as the central point, will be the place for an annual winter fair for New Brunswick," said Mr. Daggett to The Gleaner. "The exhibitors from northern and central New Brunswick exhibiting at Amherst at the present time are under a distinct disadvantage."

Mr. Daggett was much pleased with the Amherst show, which he said was the most successful ever held. The greatest advancement he noticed was in dry poultry. There was over 3000 birds in the poultry exhibit and New Brunswick was well represented. There was a fine exhibit of fruit, the sheep and swine departments were up to and better than the average while the seed grain exhibit was the best in history. New Brunswick's representation from points north of St. John was not large.—Gleaner.

Glassville Induction.

On Tuesday evening, Nov. 26, the Presbytery of St. John met in the Presbyterian church at Glassville for the purpose of inducing into the pastoral charge of that congregation, Rev. James Colhoun, late of Derwick, Ireland. The members of Presbytery present were Rev. H. M. Manuel, of Florenceville, who presided and inducted; Rev. R. J. Miller, of Richmond, who delivered an interesting and inspiring address in which he set forth the work of the Christian ministry, and exhorted the minister to the faithful discharge of his duties; also Rev. Frank Baird, of Woodstock, who clearly set forth the relation of the people to the minister and charged the congregation to encourage the minister by their support and co-operation in every good work.

On Thursday evening, Nov. 28, a large number of people assembled at the manse and gave expression of the warm feeling with which they welcome their new pastor and his family.

The Glassville congregation was vacant for eighteen months. In June last Rev. Mr. Colhoun, while on vacation, visited this province and preached for one Sabbath in Glassville. The people at once fixed their minds upon him as their choice for a pastor, and proceeded with the call. Both the minister and congregation are to be congratulated on the outcome of these efforts. The field is an extensive one, offering splendid opportunities for pastoral work, especially among the larger number of young people and the splendid recommendations which have come with the new pastor predict for the congregation a very prosperous future.

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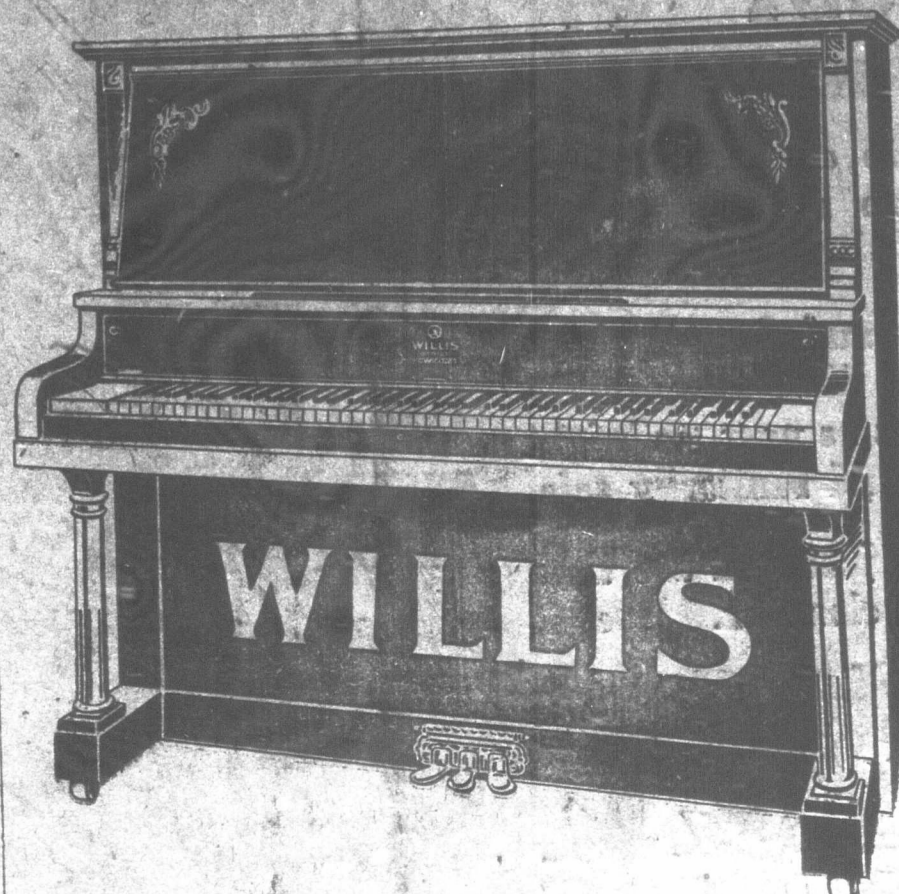
Yes, these are hard times. We throw away ashes and soap. We raise dogs and buy hogs. We grow weeds and buy vegetables. We catch fish from a four-dollar rod. We build school houses and send our children away from home to be educated. At last but not least, we send our boys out with a forty dollar gun and a twenty dollar dog to hunt ten cent game. Yes these may be hard times, but whose fault is it?

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No candidate can withdraw in favor of another; votes once cast cannot be changed.

Certain merchants will give voting coupons for cash purchases. A list of them will shortly appear. They will give 5 votes for every cent spent with them.

Every candidate should ask their friends to assist them by paying a few years ahead for The Observer and by securing voting coupons from the merchants.

Below is a subscription blank which may be used, but so long as names and addresses are written plainly and the amount, each subscriber has paid is correctly indicated any kind of paper may be used. More blanks will be supplied candidates. The names of old subscribers should be given just as we have them on our books.

Candidates are invited to call at The Observer office. We can offer some helpful suggestion—perhaps. Anyway we want to meet personally each one who enters the contest so that we can be sure of no misunderstanding, but of course it is not absolutely necessary.

Make remittances promptly by postal note, post office order or registered letter. Do not send postage stamps.

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