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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The unpleasant tone of voice in which Americans, and especially American women, make known their thoughts to others has often been commented upon. One critic in speaking upon the subject was severe enough to characterize it as "a mixture of whim, twang, affectation and acridness." While this is rather over-shooting the mark, it contains nevertheless much truth. It would appear that the offenders are conscious of their shortcomings and are anxious to improve themselves. In some of the eastern cities classes in "speech culture" have been formed, where an attempt to render the voice soft and musical will be made, as well as an attack made on provincialisms, which will be combatted until they are overcome. This is good news for all those who consider that a low soft voice is a great harm.

We learn from an exchange that a gentleman who bought largely of Annapolis Valley apples last season found some curiosities in some of the barrels marked No. 1. Among other things he mentioned one piece of trace six feet long, one clevis without bolt (he wants the bolt put in next time,) one piece of old buffalo robe, two sheep skins, one old curry comb, one old horse brush, with divers and sundry other articles too numerous to mention. It is also stated that he has all these hung up on the wall of his ware room. "The apple packer" should beware. As the packing season approaches he should endeavor to lay in a store of grace for that time of temptation. It will never do to mix such articles as are mentioned above with apples, or the patient consumer will in time lose his taste for that fruit.

An over-enthusiastic admirer of Lieut. Stairs, who signed himself "New York," some days since contributed to a city contemporary a most delightful specimen of hyperbole. Charging Halifax rather unfairly with undue neglect of her distinguished young explorer, this ecstatic writer concluded as follows:—"Let not England, Germany and the United States reproach Nova Scotia for her indifference and neglect. Boston, New York, London and Berlin are envying the chance you do not seem to value." We were really quite unaware that we were risking the reproach of empires and the envy of great capitals in this matter. Mr. Stairs has been dined and wined, and is about to be gifted with a sword by his native city. Still we agree with "New York" that "Stairs is greater than an oarsman or ball player," and yet some oarsmen and ball players have met with greater applause. There are, however, some living Nova Scotians eminent in science or literature who would perhaps deserve a public reception quite as much as the gallant young explorer—Sir William Dawson, for example, or Dr. Bourinot, or Principal Grant, who by-the-bye is at present visiting Halifax.

Jamaica bids fair to have a very successful exhibition, and our manufacturers must see to it that this country is well represented. Extended markets mean expanding trade and a greater prosperity.

Much interest is felt in the proposed attack on Halifax by the squadron, and speculation is rife as to the mode of attack to be adopted by the ships. The squadron is visiting Quebec, and on leaving there the attack is to be carried out.

Sir Edwin Arnold, author of "The Light of Asia," is still in Japan, and the newspapers say that a young Japanese lady has infatuated him. He is said to be determined to marry the charming Jap and settle in the country, and his Indian trip has been indefinitely postponed. Sir Edwin's friends are making every effort to get him out of the country, but so far without success.

The dome of St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome is said to be seriously cracked. A similar state of things occurred about 100 years ago, and was remedied by encircling the dome with a strong band of metal, which was heated, and in contracting closed up the fissures. The use of electricity is recommended by the *Electrician* if a similar method should be tried in the present case.

It is a surprise to some persons to hear of the number of icebergs that are to be seen this year in crossing the Atlantic at this late season. An old and well known sea captain informs us that the cause of this unusual number of unseasonable bergs is attributable to there having been two successive mild winters in the Arctic regions, and the quantity of ice set free has been correspondingly large. This may be the cause, but after all it is but surmise. The horizon of knowledge is yet far beyond the reach of we poor mortals.

For the comfort of all travellers by train it is to be hoped that the report that the smoke problem has been solved by a down draft locomotive is true. It is claimed that a locomotive on this principle, which recently made a trip on the Maine Central Railway, drew a heavy train nineteen miles and return at a speed of forty miles per hour. As a result of complete combustion no smoke or cinders were emitted. This being the case, the present style of locomotive which belches forth thick smoke and cinders at every snort will have to retire to the limbo of out of date machinery, and we will gladly welcome the new order of things.

One would imagine that New York would be too hot in the summer time to be the scene of such a squabble as that which Mrs. William Waldorf Astor has been indulging in with another Mrs. Astor for the privilege of being called "The Mrs. Astor." It is amusing to hear of struggles for a title in democratic America, and the present case is almost as good as the Scotch story of the MacNabs. Two gentlemen of this name having occasion to call upon each other, the first one left his card, inscribed "The MacNab" at the residence of the other, who, not to be outdone, had his made out in large characters, "The Other MacNab." Could not the Astor ladies adopt some such method of settling their claims, and so give their friends a rest.

The *Toronto Week* is offering prizes for the four best short stories by Canadian writers, on subjects distinctively Canadian. The offer and conditions were published in the news column of THE CRITIC of August 1st. This is a praiseworthy scheme and encouraging to Canadian literateurs, and would no doubt be largely taken advantage of were it not for the deterring effect of two of the conditions, namely, that the stories must be type-written, and all Mss. sent in will become the property of the *Week*. Very few writers of ability would care to run the risk of losing their work in case the prize mark is not reached, and fewer still, with this contingency in view, would go to the expense of having their story type written. To stipulate that it should be legibly written would be sufficient, and if this rule was not complied with the competitor would be the one to suffer most by it.

The importance of 's, sign of the possessive, has lately been demonstrated in a judgment given by Mr. Justice Kehewick. In 1856 Mr. David Lewis started the business which has become famous in Lancashire as Lewis's. At first there was little enough in the name, but now, according to the story told by the Attorney General, it is a property upon which £500,000 has been spent in advertising. Figures were given to show this. Not only was the advertising carried out in the newspapers and by means of posters, but hundreds of thousands of penny Shakespeares, inflated balloons, and medals all stamped with the name of Lewis's, have been given away, while an eager public have flocked in to have their handkerchiefs printed with pictures of the various establishments in Liverpool, Manchester, and Birmingham. Local attractions have been provided also, such as bears kept on view in the shop windows. All this has been done by the present proprietor, who is not a Lewis at all, but a Colren. But the genuine Lewises, of Lancashire, grudge this appropriation, and Mr. J. Lewis, who sells ready-made clothing, dropped his initials and advertised "Lewis's trousers." Under the pressure of litigation he restored the J. M., but this was not considered enough, and further suit being brought Judge Kehewick has decided that the correct possessive case of "Lewis" is "Lewis'," and that if Mr. J. M. Lewis wishes to describe his goods he can speak of them truthfully, correctly, and lawfully, as "J. M. Lewis' trousers," but that if he conforms to general usage and describes them as "J. M. Lewis's" he invades the rights of the older firm. That the law should allow a man his possessive case, and yet refuse to allow him to use the form sanctioned by universal custom is not a little odd.

During the past week building operations have been suspended in New York, owing to the strike of the masons and bricklayers. As to the merits of this strike we are not in a position to speak, but the frequency of strikes in all parts of the world, and the suffering and hardship they entail, should make men think whether there is not a certain justification for these demonstrations, and if so, whether there is not some remedy for the evils complained of. This labor question needs a solution just alike to employer and employed, and powerful as is capital it will have to share its profits with labor or lie unused and useless.

Cincinnati, Ohio, has been excited recently by a battle between those who uphold and those who oppose married women teaching in the public schools. The argument of those who are against the employment of married women is that there are 300 unmarried girl graduates in the city who cannot obtain positions, and that women who may be expected to derive support from their husbands should not take the bread out of the mouths of girls who have no other resource for a livelihood. This is a very good argument, but the root of the trouble lies in the fact that probably nine-tenths of these girl graduates ought to be domestic servants, or lady helps, if they like the latter term better, instead of school-marms. And for the married women's side of the question, it might be said that they have as much right to earn their own living as their unmarried sisters. For the best results to all concerned the question should be one of competence. Let the best woman win. If there are too many applicants for this kind of work let those who are left take up domestic service, where recruits are needed.

A New York lady, named Mrs. Edith Sessions Tupper, was arrested in Toronto a few weeks ago by mistake, and was detained until it was decided that she was not the person wanted. The lady is a correspondent of the *New York World*, and since the event occurred, she has aired her grievances in that journal. She alleges that she was treated with rudeness and discourtesy by Sergeant Redburn, of the Toronto Police Force, and was not allowed to communicate with her friends. Quite a long story is made of it, and the Police systems of both Canada and the United States are pitched into. It would appear that Sergeant Redburn could not release Mrs. Tupper in the face of the orders from Police Superintendent Morine, of Buffalo, but this does not excuse any rudeness on the part of the first named official. It is not so very long ago that a Fredericton lady was arrested by mistake in Montreal, and found great difficulty in communicating with her friends, and establishing her innocence of the crime with which she was charged. Such cases cannot but awaken our sympathy and arouse a feeling that all suspects should be treated as if they were innocent until they are proved guilty, nor should they be placed in a cell like a condemned prisoner. The Toronto Police department is said to be very much exercised over Mrs. Tupper's story, and although some allowance must be made for a clever woman's making the most of her sensational adventure to arouse feeling in her behalf, yet some of the matters she mentions ought to be investigated and remedied. The Police Sergeant denies that he treated Mrs. Tupper discourteously, and states that she thanked him in the presence of witnesses for his courtesy. She was probably so glad to be free once more that she forgot everything else. Mary Wilson, the real thief, had sent her trunk to Niagara falls as a blind, and had herself gone to Boston with her booty.

Capital punishment is a subject which, since the execution of Kemmler, has been receiving an immense deal of discussion. Some soft-hearted humanitarians advocate the abolition of the death sentence altogether, which is a view the public is scarcely willing to endorse. Others, with the hope of being just without being vindictive, are looking for a method of putting a murderer to death with the least possible cruelty. That such a method is terribly needed is patent. The account of Kemmler's electrocution was bad enough, but it does not come near the horror of a hanging and a "garotte" which have recently taken place. The hanging was done at Birmingham, England, the man, Frederick Davis, being a wife murderer. "His head," says the despatch, "was half torn off, and the wind-pipe and carotid artery were severed, and blood poured all over the scaffold. The hangman explained that the unusual occurrence was caused by the victim having too long a neck. Davis was given a six foot drop. The other was the execution of Higinia Balagner, a Spanish murderess, at Madrid. The wretched woman was kept in a chapel during the twenty-four hours preceding her execution, and all the fine señoras and mashers came and stared at her while she was being preached at by relays of monks. The vast prison yard where the "garotte" was performed was filled with 10,000 spectators, who whiled away the time just before the execution by yelling curses at the executioner. This might well have unnerved the man and rendered him unfit to perform his task, which consists in giving three wrenches of a lever to an iron collar by which the convict's neck is adjusted to a post. The roar of horror which arose when the executioner removed the handkerchief which covered Higinia Balagner's face and exposed her features, hideously distorted by strangling, to the public gaze, is said to have been awful to hear. In view of such horrors as these two instances, the Kemmler case seems quite humane. Something should be done to make the removal of people who are dangerous to the community a less ridiculous affair. The opinion of a man who has had much experience on the application of electricity to the human body is, after many experiments, that electrical execution is all humbug, and that the ideal method for exterminating murderers is the secret introduction of carbonic acid gas by concealed pipes into a lethal chamber, where the criminal would sleep the sleep of death. Some people will think this method far too good for the man who recently threw his wife over Niagara Falls, in order that he might marry another woman.

CHIT-CHAT AND CHUCKLES.

THE BLUSHING HABIT.

Why should the maid endowed with grace,
In youthful beauty's pride,
When'er a blush comes to her face
Feel strangely mortified?
What's fairer than a maiden's blush,
Of innocence the boon,
As radiant as the rosy flush
Upon the face of June?
Sweet maid be not ashamed to blush:
"T will all too soon be gone,
Some future day you'll use a brush
And pink to put it on.

—New York Press.

The man who goes to a seashore resort for change frequently comes back without any.

Oyster crackers are now made in the shape of an oyster and bear the stamp "blue point."

Parrot—"Polly want a drink." Polly's owner—"Polly can't have a drink without a cracker." Parrot—"Darn Boston anyway."

The new downward draft locomotive is the thing. It puts the smoke, cinders and flames under the cars instead of over them and into them.

She (in the parlor)—Oh, Charley, I didn't know it was so late! Just see my watch! I'm almost one! He (rapturously)—Oh, my darling! Almost won! Let me hope that you will make your mind up fully.

Cashley—"It's a fact, old man. Since I met the girl I cannot eat or sleep. I am a miserable man. Is there nothing I can do to cure me of this mad infatuation?" Dashly—"You might try marrying her."

Covetousness of things is always bad: covetousness of qualities is always good. If you see a man has something, do not want it unless you have earned it. But if you see a man has a quality that is good, covet it as much as you like, and try to get it.

"What's the trouble between young Bond and his landlady?" "She asked him to say grace at dinner on Sunday, and he said: 'Oh, Lord, for what we are about to receive make us truly thankful, for without Thine aid we are likely to be otherwise.'"

Jean Ingelow, who has now an honored place in literature, lives in retirement with her mother in Kensington, England. She is 55 years old, and has never married. She writes but little now, but devotes her time and spends her income in charitable work.

A Query Answered.—Drawing Teacher—Now, this is a symmetrical figure. Can anyone tell me what symmetry is? Ah! There is a little boy with his hand up! What is symmetry, little boy? Jimmie Scanlan—Plaze, sorr, it do be a place fwhore they buries dead paplo.

Things one would rather not have said.—Mr. Youngman—"I suppose it is the old gentleman you're speaking of, Miss Ancient, not his son?" Miss Ancient—"I don't call a man old because he's fifty." Mr. Youngman—"Well, I suppose I shan't call myself old, either, when I'm his age."

Daughter (at the seaside)—"Papa, I am going to marry Algernon, who has waited on us at the table since we have been here." Papa (with a glad light in his eye)—"Thank heaven, my child, for that. The fortune I have given him in tips may still remain in the family. Bless you, bless you, daughter."

Never make love in a corn field. Remember that corn has ears and is easily shocked. You should make an oat of this.—Philadelphia Inquirer. It would certainly be a maize-d. We have another growing which isn't rye-pun'ough yet, but wheat trust it will be ready about Exhibition time.—Gripsack.

TEXT BOOK REVISION.—Teacher of Natural History (to a class of young women)—Is it true that animals feel affection? Young Woman—Yes, in almost all cases. Teacher—Name the animals that feel most affection for man. Young Woman—Weman!

FITZY TRIED TO BE FUNNY.—"Hello, Fitzzy, where did you get that black eye?"

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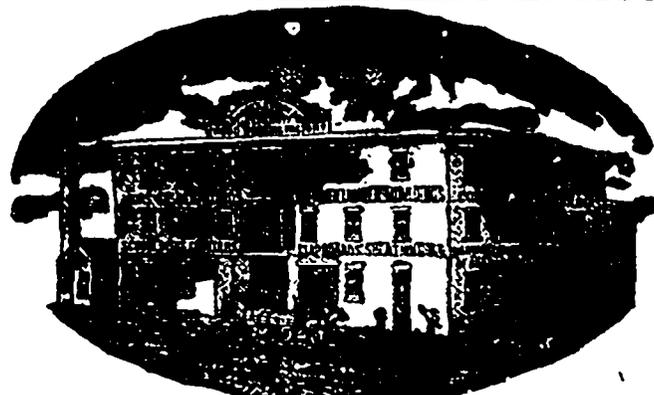
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Tuesday was Labor Day at Springhill.

Ottawa celebrated labor day for the first time on Monday.

Sir Ambrose and Lady Shea, of the Bahamas, are now in Quebec.

A man named Forshaw was drowned at the Narrows, Halifax Harbor, by the upsetting of a boat on Sunday afternoon.

The men-of-war *Bellerophon*, *Canada* and *Thrush* arrived at Quebec on Monday. The vice-regal ball is to take place on the 18th.

Theo. J. Farquharson, of Charlottetown, was fatally burned on Saturday last while trying to save some horses from a burning stable.

There will be an attack on Halifax to-morrow afternoon as a preliminary to the grand attack to take place after the return of the fleet.

The committee to present an address to Lieut. Stairs met on Wednesday. It has been decided to present a testimonial of plate instead of a sword.

Hattie & Mylius have sold their New Glasgow branch drug store to G. B. Sutherland, who has been with their firm for the past eighteen months.

The Dominion line steamer *Vancouver* collided with an iceberg in the Straits of Belle Isle on Friday last. Quite a panic ensued. She had a narrow escape.

Attorney-General Longley, who has been visiting several cities in Canada and the United States, was banquetted at Toronto and New York. He is going as far as Washington.

The consecration of Coadjutor Bishop Charles Macdonald took place at St. Dunstan's Cathedral, Charlottetown, on the 28th inst. The ceremonies were very imposing.

Surveying is being now carried on by Messrs. Palmer and Duval on account of the Labrador Railway. They will pursue their explorations until the early part of November.

The Presbyterian Synod of the Maritime Provinces meets in Moncton on Thursday, October 2nd. It is expected that 200 clergymen and laymen will be present from all parts of the three provinces.

The Halifax County Exhibition is to be held in the Exhibition Building at Dartmouth on the 24th, 25th and 26th of this month. The prize list totals nearly \$2,000. No charge for entry of exhibits.

A stabbing affray took place in the Kingston Penitentiary on the 29th ult. One convict made a deliberate attempt to kill another with a huge pair of scissors. The wounded man is in a precarious condition.

It is probable that before long Canada will have a Royal Humane Society, to take cognisance of and arrange for the recognition of acts of bravery and self-sacrifice in the saving of human life and other noble deeds.

The business men of Argyle Street have followed the excellent lead of the Granville Street merchants and suspended a row of arc lights up the middle of the street between Buckingham and Jacob Streets. Gottingen Street will probably also be similarly lighted before long.

The annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association opened at Rideau ranges on Monday. The matches concluded yesterday. The 63rd Battalion ranks second in the Dominion of Canada match. The attendance was about four hundred, the lower Provinces' contingent being large.

The annual championship games of the Maritime Provinces Amateur Athletic Association will be held on the grounds of the Truro A. A. Club, in Truro, N. S., on the afternoon of Saturday, October 4th. Entries for the several events will close with the Secretary, Halifax, on Thursday, the 25th inst., at 6 p. m.

The steamer *Ulunda*, reported ashore last week, is a total loss. All her cargo has been got ashore safely, and it is likely everything moveable will be taken off if the weather continues fine. It is said the fog horn near where the steamer struck could not be heard, and that that is the reason why the vessel's true position was not known.

Hon. L. E. Baker is in Scotland awaiting the *Boston*, which will sail on the 10th September. This, the sister ship of the *Yarmouth* for the Yarmouth and Boston route, was promised June 1st, but owing to strikes she was not launched until three months after the time. Letters received from Mr. Baker indicate that the trouble is ended.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen, who were passengers from England by the steamer *Parisian*, will reside during the autumn months in Hamilton, Ont., where they will occupy "Highfield," the mansion of the late Senator Turner. After a trip across the continent the Earl will return to England, having been absent four months. He will probably be the next Governor-General of Canada.

A meeting of ratepayers was held in Dartmouth on Monday evening to discuss the matter of a water supply. The attendance was small, but all were unanimous that the town must have a water service. The meeting was adjourned to the first Monday in March next, in order that the Act in relation to the matter may be amended by the Legislature so that a board elected directly by the ratepayers may be appointed.

The Sixth Sunday School Convention of Nova Scotia will be held at Bridgewater, Lunenburg County, on the 7th, 8th and 9th of October next. All Sunday schools are asked to send delegates and the proceedings will doubtless be of great interest to all who have the work of training the young at heart. J. Parsons, Esq., Halifax, is corresponding Secretary, and John B. Calkin, M. A., Truro, is President of the Association.

The Nova Scotia Volunteers go into camp next Tuesday at Aldershot and continue for eleven days. There will probably be 1,100 men in attendance, the battalions being the 78th of Colchester, Pictou and Hants, and the 69th and 72nd of Annapolis. The Y. M. C. A. tent will be fitted up for reading and writing, and will be in charge of H. Theakston and S. E. Whiston of Halifax. This tent is a great benefit to the men and is much appreciated.

Mr. Adam Brown, M. P. for Hamilton, Commissioner representing Canada at the Jamaica Exhibition, addressed the Board of Trade on Monday in reference to the Exhibition to be held in Jamaica next January. He spoke of the advantage which would accrue to Canada if suitable exhibits are made and trade built up between the West Indies and this country. Special passenger rates are to be provided at Exhibition time, and exhibits are to be carried free at the expense of the Government. A vote of thanks to Mr. Brown was moved and passed.

We regret to state that A. Robb & Son's foundry and machine shops at Amherst were destroyed by fire on the night of the 28th ult.; nothing but the boiler works were left standing, and several dwelling houses in the vicinity were also destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$30,000 over insurance. Over one hundred men are thrown out of employment for the time being, but as the firm will at once re-build, many of them will be employed in that work. The insurance only amounted to \$13,500. All the fire department were able to do was to protect the surrounding buildings. This should be a lesson to other towns to keep their fire department in such a state that when they are called upon they will not be found wanting. Much sympathy is felt for this enterprising firm in their loss.

Boston celebrated Labor Day on Monday. It was a public holiday.

Henry George arrived at New York on Monday by the steamship *Servia*.

The railway strikes in Chicago collapsed on the 29th ult. Work began at once.

The 1,000 union miners of the Standard coke works at Scottdale, Pa., have struck against unorganized labor. The furnaces have been banked and the plant is now abandoned.

Two hundred weavers employed on corded cotton flannel in the mills at Slatersville, Woonsocket, R. I., have struck. They receive 63 cents a cut and ask 70. They say they make about \$6 a week and that on similar work weavers elsewhere can earn about \$9. Eight hundred employes are affected.

Emperor William has returned to Potsdam.

Spanish physicians are having a hard time of it fighting the cholera. Mobs have set upon them and assaulted them while risking their lives to save others.

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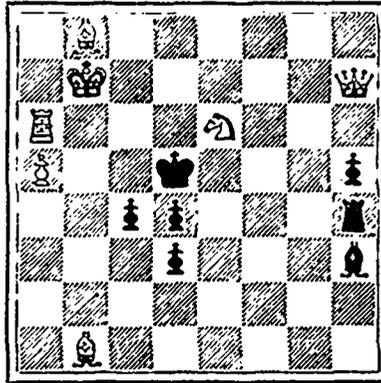
Solutions to problems 30, 31, 33 and 34. Q to KB3, K: to K4, Q to QKt8, and R to Kt6. Solved by C. W. L.

PROBLEM No. 35.

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White to play and mate in 2 moves.

GAME No 36.

First game in the match now being played between Blackburn and Lee at the Bradford Chess Club.

FRENCH DEFENCE.

- | WHITE | BLACK. |
|------------------|--------------|
| Blackburn. | Lee. |
| 1 P to K4 | P to K3 |
| 2 P to Q4 | P to Q4 |
| 3 Kt to QB3 | Kt to KB3 |
| 4 P takes P a | P takes P |
| 5 Kt to B3 | B to Q3 |
| 6 B to Q3 | Castles |
| 7 Castles | B to KKt5 |
| 8 B to KKt5 | P to B3 |
| 9 Kt to K2 b | QKt to Q2 |
| 10 Kt to Kt3 | Q to B2 c |
| 11 Q to Q2 | Kt to R4 d |
| 12 Kt takes Kt a | B takes Kt |
| 13 KR to K1 f | QR to K1 g |
| 14 R takes R | R takes R |
| 15 P to KR3 | Kt to B1 |
| 16 R to K1 | R takes R sq |
| 17 Kt takes R | Kt to K3 |
| 18 B to K3 | Kt to B5 |
| 19 B to B1 h | K to B1 |
| 20 Kt to Q3 | Kt takes Kt |
| 21 B takes Kt | B to Kt3 |
| 22 B takes B | RP takes B k |

NOTES BY GUNSBURG.

a The old form of French defence is renewed, the newer move of B to Kt5 being doubtful.

b A well-known method to get an advantage. If Black plays B takes Kt, White can play K to R1 and R to Kt1, then P to B3 and Q to B2, etc., etc.

c The usual place for the Q in this opening.

d A good developing move.

e Danger for white in this exchange.

f Bold, White offers KRP for an uncertain attacking prospect.

g Declines the offer on grounds of safety, but the position may keep.

h If B takes Kt, B takes B and White Q is driven out of play.

k No prospect of either player obtaining an advantage now.—*The Week.*

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If she unclosed her lips and made her woean.
 She would not be so weary with her woe—
 A burden shared is lightened; even so,
 The weight is heavier than we bear alone,
 And anguish pent within, turns hearts to stone.
 The fellowship of sorrow to forego—
 To suffer and be silent—is to know
 The blackest blossom from the black root grown.
 And yet, great joys and greatest woes are dumb;
 Small is the sum that reckoning can compute—
 The shallows bubble, but the depths are mute.
 The great mid-sea our measure may not plumb:
 King Love, King Pain, King Death, in silence come.
 And meeting them we silently salute.

—Louise Chandler Moulton

I AM 'THY KNIGHT.

I am thy knight, and thou hast sent me forth
 To battle with the demon of despair,
 To conquer self, and from its ashes bring
 The phoenix of my boyhood's fervid dreams;
 To live the long, long years and make my life
 Like to the sower as he passes by
 Scattering the grain on rock and fertile field,
 To reap or lose, as fate shall will it so.

No favor hast thou sent, as those of old
 Wore lovingly and closely on their hearts
 When they went forth to far-off Palestine,
 But simply for thy word that it is best
 And for the trust and message sent by thee,
 Do I go on to conquer in the fight
 Of man, the brute against the man divine.

Count me no idle dreamer—most of all
 I pray you not on some high pedestal
 Entrench my nature; I am but a man,
 Who loves, and hates, is merry and is sad,
 Has known of gladness and has tasted of woe,
 And holds no higher honor to himself
 Than truest love to all things true and good,
 And pity infinite for suffering.

Here is my hand—and to the world my gaze,
 For as I journey onward in my quest
 I shall not falter, even where I fall:
 But having from the strength of thy rare soul
 Caught some reflection of a light divine,
 Full armed am I, and resolute as death
 To face the utmost rigor of my fate,
 To cleave to hope, to hope for happiness,
 To be my better self as best I can,
 And so through all the lapses of gay time
 To be a man because I am thy knight.

—Ernest Metcalfe.

[FOR THE CRITIC.]

LETTERS TO A COUNTRY FRIEND.

My Dear Friend,—There comes, I think, to all of us who journey far enough on the road of life, a time such as you say has come to you, when home, always the dearest place on earth, becomes a heaven from which we care not to wander, and when if by compulsion we wander from that blessed heaven, we know no rest, no comfort, no real enjoyment until home again.

I think, indeed I have decided time and again, that I prefer city to country life, take it all together. Yet I confess that when I read your last letter, I longed for the dear old country home, the country air pure and fresh, sweetly laden with odors of hay, and with the voices innumerable, voices of insect life, songs and chirping of birds and insects, the low of cattle, bleating of sheep, tinkling of bells, shrill neighing of horses, voices of men and implements at work, voices of children at play, and of song from the mother and daughters about the homestead, that unite and blend together in most delicious harmony. Well, it is useless to recall the past, save for the melancholy pleasure which it affords. I shall never again guide the plow or follow the harrow. I shall never again scatter the seed, watch the tiny blade bursting through the soil, and the youth of the crops till the harvest time, nor shall I ever again join in the harvest home, rejoice in my own well filled bags, groaning scaffolds, and heaped up bins.

When the things of the yesterdays and the to days fade from the mind, as passes a reflection from a mirror with the object that occasioned it, memory will retain vivid recollections of twilight hours around the old stoop, beneath the stately poplars, of peaceful country Sabbaths, of quiet country strolls, and everything but quiet parties, picnics and expeditions, and of rural scenes and incidents innumerable to which it loves to recur.

The remoteness of the district school, and the imperfections which you have more than once referred to in your letters, and more particularly in your last, are of course inseparable from "schooling" in sparsely settled districts, and constitute one of the chief disadvantages of living in the country. Only at properly graded schools can children get instruction and treatment suited to age, ability, and advancement, but the adoption of the graded system is impracticable except in village schools and very thickly settled sections. It is, however, only fair to admit that the large majority of our country teachers evince a remarkable power, and most praiseworthy desire, to adapt themselves and their instructions to all grades of scholars, from the hisping toddler sent to school to get it out of the way, to the young lady who is "studying for a license," or the young man who is "finishing off" with book keeping and others of the higher branches of study. Great advance has been made in the science of education, and great improvement in methods of imparting instruction, since we went to old Dalhousie together, yet to my mind there is not only still very great room for improvement, but in some important respects, the old school was better than some at least of the new.

What a drilling we got in English composition from Mr. C—! How proud we were if our exercises received his "Good!" How exultant over the rarely gained "Very good!" Now-a-days, much less attention is paid, as far as my limited observation enables me to judge in the matter, to the proper expression of thought in language, which is the only practical application of grammar. Scholars are required to memorize a lot of rules of which they neither comprehend the meaning nor the use, and of which consequently they will never make any practical application either in written or oral expression, whereas they should be habituated to the correct use of language in ordinary conversation as well as in the studied composition exercise.

School life is so short, and the practically important branches of education so many, that no time should be devoted to what will not be of essential service. There is indeed a great deal of hard, even fatiguing and disheartening work, such as memorizing dates of historical events, dry numerical statistics and facts of geography, and the exact wording of rules, required of scholars that might be dispensed with, not only without detriment to their educational welfare, but with positive advantage to the supreme ultimatum, "a sound mind in a sound body." But, if time and effort is worse than wasted in such memorizing, what shall be said of, how shall I characterize, the terrible struggle of the infant mind in its efforts to memorize our most unphonetic, most barbarous orthography!

Were our language destitute of characters for its visual representation, and were a commission appointed to supply this desideratum, common sense would dictate that the phonetic elements of the language be first ascertained and classified, that in devising an alphabet there be but one simple, easily and quickly made character to represent each phonetic element or sound of the language, that each such character be sufficiently distinctive in shape or appearance to be readily distinguished the one from the other, while possessing certain class characteristics, and finally that they be susceptible of being easily joined together into words. The result would be a scientific alphabet, or system for the visual representation of the language, such as was invented by Isaac Pitman, of Bath, England, and is now extensively employed wherever the Anglo-Saxon language is used, and which with slight modification is applicable to all languages. When a child has learned a phonetic alphabet it can read, as the mere utterance of the phonetic elements of a word with the correct accent produces such word.

If the commission I have imagined were to devise and recommend for adoption such a complicated, cumbersome, unphonetic alphabet, and such a barbarous system (pardon the misnomer,) of orthograph as the alphabet and orthograph to which Anglo-Saxon people cling with barnacle-like tenacity, how think you would the result of their labors be received? Would their report be regarded as a huge practical joke? as a production of lunatics? or as the work of men whose ingenuity had with demoniacal perversity been employed in devising "how not to do it?"

Did any one ever give, hear or conceive one practical common-sense reason why our present system of visual sound representation should be retained in preference to a phonetic system, such, for instance, as that invented by Mr. Pitman? When such a system shall have been adopted, the years that past generations of children have wasted in learning to read will be so much added to the school life; language will be free from a burden that it has so long carried, free to speed with all the speeding forces of the age; and only the funny men, who will be deprived of an inexhaustible source of material for bad puns, will have reason to regret the change.

The electrocution of William Kemmler, concerning which you ask my views, when an event of the past, crowded out of the public mind by fresh horrors, will, I believe, have prominence in history as an unique and pregnant event, even though there be other or many other electrocutions, which at present does not appear probable. I have not the technical knowledge essential for arriving at correct opinions as to the respective merits and demerits of the various modes employed or proposed for accomplishing the death penalty. I have, however, no doubt but that life would be extinguished instantaneously, painlessly and quietly by the passage of an electrical current of sufficient though not necessarily very high voltage through the body of the victim from an electrode held in one hand to an electrode held in the other hand, and that this as a method of criminal execution would compare most favorably with the horrors inseparable from the gallows, the guillotine or any other mode at present practised. The first electrocution was bungled and therefore a failure. The published accounts of the event sent a thrill of horror through the anxiously waiting world, and I am impressed with the opinion that not only will the voice of the people declare against electrocution, but that it will also be aroused and stimulated to demand the abolition of the death penalty.

Is it not far better that ninety and nine wretches who have, with malice aforethought, slain a fellow being, should be spared from just retribution, and be punished by imprisonment for life and the lash of conscience, than that one innocent man should meet the death penalty?

Now, time's up, and I must close. How is the orchard panning out? Can we get from you our winter's supply?

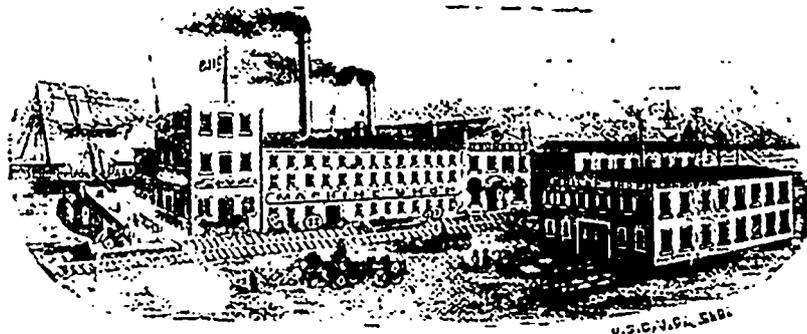
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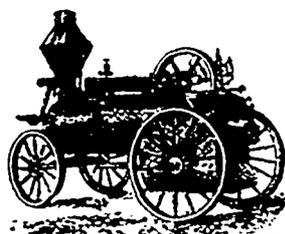
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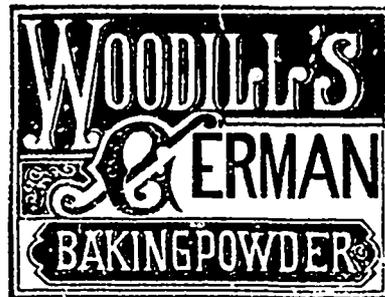
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THE MARITIME PRESS ASSOCIATION.

The meeting of newspaper men at Charlottetown last week was a grand success. The number attending was larger than ever before, and a great amount of business was transacted, such as agreeing on an equitable rate for foreign advertising, arranging for the formation of local unions to establish uniform local advertising rates, requesting Postmaster-General to alter existing postal regulations, and many other matters. The discussions on these and other subjects were particularly interesting and instructive.

The objects of this Association are to weed out and correct the abuses that creep into the profession, to make the newspaper men personally known to each other, and to make the men who write about these Maritime Provinces perfectly familiar with the country with which they have to deal.

The Nova Scotia contingent joined the I. C. R. train at various points on Wednesday morning, and arrived at Pictou on time, where we boarded the S. S. *Princess of Wales*, and immediately attacked a very substantial dinner. We had a very pleasant run across the straits, the Captain, Purser and Steward being very solicitous for our comfort. But alas, when nearing Charlottetown the rain came down in torrents, and a very wet reception was tendered us as we landed on the wharf. Our party immediately separated, a number of us going to the Hotel Davies, and glad were we that we did so; for if a good table and courtesy makes a good hotel the Davies leads all the Island hotels.

Shortly after supper the New Brunswick contingent arrived by train from Summerside, considerably swelling our number.

Early on Thursday morning we boarded a special car, kindly provided by Mr. Unsworth, the genial Supt. of the P. E. I. Ry., and started for Summerside. A complimentary luncheon and an excursion on the harbor had been arranged for, but owing to the rain and very high wind the latter had to be abandoned, and after partaking of the luncheon at the Hotel Russ many of the gentlemen braved the storm to visit a brother journalist's (W. A. Brennan, *Summerside Journal*), fine thorough-bred horses, whose pedigrees Mr. Brennan has in his head for numberless generations back, and whose appearance thoroughly bore out the thoroughness of their breed.

We returned to Charlottetown the same evening, and early the next morning visited the market, and the variety and excellence of the products there displayed showed the capabilities of the Island farms. On the afternoon of the same day the directors of the Charlottetown Driving Park and Exhibition Association entertained the party by driving them to the grounds, where several impromptu races were run, and many fine horses were given trials, after which we were shown through what is by all odds the finest Exhibition Building in the Maritime Provinces. (See extract in next issue.)

After leaving the Exhibition Grounds we were driven through the city, past Charlottetown's grand square, which is beautifully decorated with floral beds and contains so many fine public buildings, past rows of handsome stores, private residences and churches, and thence through Victoria Park, of which Charlottetown may well feel proud.

On the evening of the same day we were entertained at a grand banquet at the Osborne House by the local press men, the after-dinner speeches proving that the press and politicians of P. E. I. on both sides of politics are loyal and patriotic to the core.

On Saturday morning a special train took our party to Souris, and after host Cox, of the Seaview Hotel, had supplied our inner men (and women) the citizens of Souris turned out *en masse* and drove us through the surrounding country, the beauty and fertility of which is not exceeded by any other part of the Maritime Provinces. Small wonder is it that the people of Prince Edward Island are so prosperous. They have good soil, and they know how to work it to advantage; but back of this is the fact that the people are energetic and industrious.

A word as to their Railway. The writer well remembers when visiting P. E. Island some dozen years ago, how miserable the accommodation was, few trains, running very slowly, and dirty and uncomfortable cars. Now, however, we doubt if any railway in America is more popular. The trains are run to accommodate the public, at a very fair speed, the cars (built at the Railway workshops in Charlottetown,) are handsomely fitted, are neat, and scrupulously clean, while all the employes vie with each other in being polite and courteous to the traveller. They all seem to have the interest of the road at heart, and the best of feeling prevails between the management and employes.

We spent the Sunday quietly at Charlottetown, and fully appreciated a day's rest.

On Monday we started for home *via* the new Cape route. Arriving at Cape Traverse at 8 30 a.m., we immediately embarked on the *Alameda*, a very small tug-boat. The sea was running very high, and many of the party were drenched to the skin. On reaching the pier at Cape Tormentine it was very difficult to get the boat close to the wharf, and the crew were compelled to call on the newspaper men to assist them, after which the boat came in with a rush, thus illustrating "the Power of the Press." In fair weather the trip across would be a very pleasant one, but until a new and larger boat is secured we do not imagine that any of our party will venture over that route again. After landing at Cape Tormentine we had a wait of several hours before the welcome sound of "dinner is ready" greeted our ears. At 5 p.m. we boarded a new and splendidly fitted car of the N. B. & P. E. I. Railway, and were whirled off towards Sackville at a good rate, having barely time left us to catch the C. P. R. train for home. We were delayed on the road by our engine getting off the track, but it ran on again quite as easily as it ran off, and we reached Sackville just on time; but alas, the C. P. R. train was an hour and a half late. However, we spent the time pleasantly in viewing Sackville, and when the train came along we were quite ready to enjoy the supper served from the buffet of the car; and now

we are on the home stretch, and looking back we can say that this meeting of the Maritime Press Association will be agreeably remembered by all who were present.

CITY CHIMES.

The 63rd. band gave a delightful free concert in the Province Building Square on Tuesday evening. The night was fine and a large concourse of people promonaded the Square and enjoyed the music.

The marriage of Rev. L. H. Jordan and Miss Kate McDonald, daughter of Chief-Justice McDonald, will take place next Wednesday in St. Andrew's Church, Halifax. The wedding is to be very quiet.

The N. S. Yacht Squadron race for the United Banks Challenge Cup was sailed last Saturday in spite of the rain. The *Uirra* won the race, with the *Etienne* second and the *Psyche* third. Much interest was taken in the race and a large gathering was present at the club house.

McKay's gymnasium, known the hall of health, has been purchased by the 63rd. rifles for the free use of all effective members of the battalion during the coming winter. The hall of health is centrally situated near the drill shed and should be a great boon to the men. It is the most thoroughly equipped gymnasium in the Maritime Provinces. Mr. McKay is leaving Halifax to take a position at Lakewood, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Silver celebrated their golden wedding on Tuesday. A reception was held at the residence of their son-in-law, John Y. Payzant, on Spring Garden Road, in the afternoon, at which about five hundred visitors presented their congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Silver. A large number of handsome presents were received from private friends and different Societies, of which Mr. Silver is a member. Among the guests present were Lieut. Governor Daly and Mrs. Daly, Hon. A. G. and Mrs. Jones, T. E. Kenny, M.P., and Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Clerke. Everyone felt the occasion to be a very happy one. The completion of fifty years of married life, with children, grand children, relatives and friends present to join in loving wishes for greater length of days and prosperity, and enjoying the respect and confidence of the community, are blessings not often united in their bestowal. We add our congratulations and wish Mr. and Mrs. Silver many more years of health and prosperity. A family gathering took place in the evening, at which all the children were present, except Mrs. Morton, of Trinidad. Of the twenty-three grand-children many were also present, and a most delightful re-union was held. The employees of the firm of W. & C. Silver were entertained at dinner at the Queen Hotel, where a pleasant evening was spent around the festive board.

Last Friday evening the Lorne Amateur Aquatic Club gave the last of their pleasant boating concerts for this season. It was a perfect moonlight night, and hundreds of boats congregated about the Club's wharf and mooring ground. Fireworks were set off during the entire evening and made an attractive display. St. Patrick's band played a fine programme of music on the wharf, which was thronged with listeners. The Club House, which is very commodious and convenient, is supplied with three balconies, commanding a splendid view of the water, and is a credit to the club. A large sum of money has been spent both on the house and wharves since the Lornes came into possession of them. A billiard table stands in the large room, and is, we believe, made good use of by the members. The lower floor of the building is given over to the Janitor and his family, but plenty of room is left for club purposes. The balconies were crowded with ladies and gentlemen last Friday evening, the Club's hospitality being very generous and much enjoyed. The boathouse and bathing facilities are first-rate, the latter being turned over to the ladies in the mornings. It is to be regretted that there is not another concert to look forward to this summer; but what the Club has done it has done well, and given much enjoyment to the residents of the north-end, as well as to the boat loads of people who have made the Lorne Club their objective point on band nights.

The Academy of Music, while as pretty and convenient a theatre as we could wish, is slightly the worse for wear in some respects. The management have recognized this fact and have announced the fact that they intend holding a series of entertainments for the express benefit of the house. The stage is sorely in need of a new drop and other scenery, and it is probable that every lover of dramatic performances in our city will make it a point to attend these entertainments, in order that the eyes of future audiences may be gratified with the sight of a drop scene through which they cannot see and stage scenery that shall be a credit to the theatre. The first entertainment is to be a musical and literary affair, under distinguished patronage, and will take place before long. The second is to be a dramatic performance and will not be given until winter arrives. We are anxious to see the Academy kept up in the best of shape and sincerely hope that this effort on the part of the management will be successful.

The Northwest Arm was illuminated in honor of Stairs on Wednesday evening. All the residences on the banks of the Arm were brilliantly lighted and bon fires burned at several points. The scene was most beautiful. Many yachts and other craft, illuminated, added to the effect, and the 66th band played on the grounds of T. E. Kenny, M. P. The hero of the occasion viewed the scene from a small boat.

The "Nineteen Club" will give a dance at Maplewood on Monday evening.

The Social Session Co. appeared at the Academy on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Those who enjoy a good laugh should not fail to attend. In addition to the comicalities introduced, a good orchestra and a splendid cornet solo will be heard.

COMMERCIAL.

The trade situation invites no special comments, being substantially the same as at our last report.

Public and private picnics, yachting, boating, ball games and other outdoor amusements and recreations, together with visits by many to various parts of the country, and the fact that the agricultural portions of the community are engaged in caring for their ripening crops; all these causes combine at this season to produce a dullness in the general state of trade. Still the prospects continue to be very favorable for a large volume of fall business being accomplished. However, it will probably be two or three weeks before all are ready to resume the active duties and labors of everyday life.

Payments continue to gradually improve, and this, with the fact that our wholesale dealers generally maintain the conservative policy of discouraging as far as possible the creation of new debts on the part of retailers, proves that trade is assuming by degrees a stronger position than heretofore.

Bradstreet's report of the week's failures:—

| | Weeks corresponding to | | | | | Failures for the year to date. | | | |
|--------------------|------------------------|------|------|------|------|--------------------------------|------|------|------|
| | Aug. 29, week. | 1889 | 1888 | 1887 | 1886 | 1890 | 1889 | 1888 | 1887 |
| United States..... | 134 | 160 | 176 | 136 | 143 | 6797 | 7003 | 6721 | 6112 |
| Canada..... | 36 | 20 | 21 | 23 | 29 | 1080 | 1076 | 1154 | 887 |

DRY GOODS.—A more cheerful feeling pervades this market, which is induced by an improvement in the demand, several houses reporting good orders for fall goods from customers who have been holding back, while travellers now out on the road are satisfied that there will be a good turnover this fall. English agents now in Canada also report a freer desire towards ordering spring lines than was manifested at the same time last year. So that, taken altogether, the outlook appears good. With the return of temporary urban residents from the country the city trade has experienced some accession.

IRON, HARDWARE AND METALS.—The past week has witnessed a marked stiffening of ideas as to values on the part of holders. An advance of 50c to 75c. has occurred. This has been expected for some time under the influence of the fact that in the primary markets a gradual process of strengthening has been in progress. When the cables noted on the 25th ultimo that Scotch warrants had advanced to 50s. 3d. and the day after that the price of all grades of pig iron had been marked up 1s. per ton an advance was a natural and logical result, and the outlook points to still higher prices with ocean freights as well as the material itself advancing. Tinplates show no change; firmness being unabated with a continued activity in Great Britain. Agents will not talk business except on outside figures, unless they are allowed time for consultation with their principals. Business in shelf hardware has not opened out as yet, but the outlook is for a good movement this fall and the various wholesale houses appear to be preparing for it. Other lines of metals show a steady feeling on the whole.

BREADSTUFFS.—The local flour market rules firm and, although there is a fair demand, buyers are not so eager as they were, still they are taking a fair quantity. On strong bakers and patent spring holders are very independent and will hear of no concession. Beerbohm's cable reports wheat cargoes off coast quiet but firm corn do., do, nil; do on passage and for prompt shipment, wheat fair but less active; corn very strong; Liverpool spot corn and wheat rather easier. French country markets easier. The New York wheat market declined 2½c. The decline at St. Louis was 1½c. to 3½c. At Toledo wheat was quiet and easier; corn was dull. Oats nominal. At Duluth wheat was easier.

PROVISIONS.—In this market pork continues to move in a jobbing way, but in a manner that dealers say is satisfactory to them. Smoked meats are also meeting with considerable attention. There has been no change in the prices or position of provisions in the Liverpool market except tallow, which advanced 3d. In Chicago hogs and hog products were strong, but no actual gain in prices appears to have been made. The cattle market there was firm.

BUTTER.—There has been no change in the market—a steady, quiet business in a jobbing way being the order of the day. Stocks in the country have not been touched to any appreciable extent, as holders generally ask too much. Cables from Great Britain offer no encouragement to hope for better prices than at present obtain. With the prospect—we may say the certainty of advancing ocean freights—the buyer who buys according to holders' ideas to ship cannot possibly reap any profit, but rather is almost sure to lose money by the transaction.

CHEESE.—We have nothing new to add regarding the cheese market. Spot business is not by any means brisk, and whatever activity there is to note is confined to buying operations in the country. This state of affairs is due to the unresponsiveness of the English market, which persistently refuses to follow the position here, and it would seem from some cables recently received that some operators there are inclined to "bear" the markets still further. As to actual business we do not hear of much doing.

EGGS.—Considerable large quantities of eggs are in constant receipt but, owing to a supposed large American demand, the producers have so far succeeded in pushing prices and keeping them at very high prices for this season of the year. From 20c. to 22c. are asked and obtained for lots of 15 to 40 dozen. As a food article in comparison with poultry, meat, fish, etc., eggs are not worth more than half that price.

FRUIT.—Although there is not much doing at present in dried fruits, the outlook is favorable for a good movement this fall with old stock well in hand, so that the market is in a generally healthy state to receive fresh

supplies. No business is reported in new crop raisins or currants, but with the stock of old well reduced the prices are expected to open favorably. Still, so far, no facts are available on which to base a spot price for new crop.

SUGAR and MOLASSES.—A good active trade is being done in sugars. Cables are to the effect that beet and cane are firm on the other side, but the prices of refined here are unchanged though steady. Molasses is very strong but no large transactions are reported.

TEA AND COFFEE.—Japan teas are in very active demand, and medium grades are almost unobtainable. New York houses have instructed their agents throughout Canada to withdraw all teas for the present. Blacks are very firm, and have advanced 1c. to 1½c. Coffees are very firm, but the demand continues light. The New York and Montreal markets are firm on all grades.

FISH OILS.—Our reports from Montreal, Boston, Gloucester, and other points are to the effect that those markets are quiet with little or nothing doing, but that prices are firm and unchanged.

FISH.—A considerable quantity of herring that will average about No. 2's have been taken during the past fortnight along our immediate shores, boats taking from five to ten barrels each. Mackerel are very scarce just now. The last draft of these fish taken a few weeks ago were small ones—what the Americans call "tinkers"—which brought \$7 to \$7.50 per bbl. But they made up in numbers what they lacked in size, and we are pleased to know that those who captured them have, on the whole, done well. The weather has been rather too boisterous and uncertain for deep-sea fishermen to make any considerable catches of cod, hake, haddock, halibut, etc., but they appear to have made the most of their opportunities and to have done fairly well. The local market continues to be depressed, owing to the absence of an outside demand, and nearly all fish that arrive go at once into store. Under date of September 1 we received the following advice from Gloucester, Mass.:—"We quote new Georges codfish at \$5.25 a qt. for large, and small at \$4.50; Bank \$4.75 to \$5 or large and \$4 for small; Shore \$5 and \$4.25 for large and small. Dry Bank \$5.50, medium \$4.75. Cured cusk at \$4 per qt; hake \$2.62; haddock \$3; heavy salted pollock \$2.25, and English gutted do. \$2.87 per qt. Labrador herring \$4.50 bbl; med. sp'it \$4; Newfoundland do. \$5; Nova Scotia do. \$5.50; Eastport \$4; split Shore \$4.25; round do. \$3.50; round Eastport \$3.25; pickled codfish \$7; haddock \$6; halibut heads \$3; sounds \$11; tongues and sounds \$3.50; tongues \$8; alewives \$3.50; trout \$14.50; California salmon \$15; Halifax do. \$23; Newfoundland do. \$16."

MARKET QUOTATIONS.—WHOLESALE RATES.

Our Price Lists are corrected for us each week by reliable merchants.

GROCERIES.

| SUGARS. | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Cut Loaf..... | 8 |
| Granulated..... | 6½ to 6¾ |
| Circle A..... | 6½ |
| White Extra C..... | 6 |
| Standard..... | 5½ to 5¾ |
| Extra Yellow C..... | 5½ to 5¾ |
| Yellow C..... | 5½ to 5¾ |
| TEA. | |
| Congou, Common..... | 17 to 19 |
| " Fair..... | 20 to 23 |
| " Good..... | 25 to 29 |
| " Choice..... | 31 to 33 |
| " Extra Choice..... | 35 to 36 |
| Oolong, Choice..... | 37 to 39 |
| MOLASSES. | |
| Barbadoes..... | 34 to 35 |
| Demerara..... | 32 to 36 |
| Diamond N..... | 47 |
| Porto Rico..... | 33 to 35 |
| Cienfuegos..... | 32 |
| Trinidad..... | 32 to 33 |
| Antigua..... | 32 to 33 |
| Tobacco, Black..... | 38 to 44 |
| " Bright..... | 42 to 58 |
| BISCUITS. | |
| Pilot Bread..... | 3.15 |
| Boston and Thin Family..... | 6½ |
| Soda..... | 6½ |
| do in lb. boxes, 70 to case..... | 7½ |
| Fancy..... | 8 to 15 |

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|-------------------------|----------------|
| SALMON, No. 1..... | 18.00 to 19.00 |
| HADDOCK, per qt..... | 2.75 to 3.00 |
| HARK..... | 2.00 to 2.25 |
| POLOCK..... | 1.50 |
| HARK SOUND, per lb..... | 12½ |
| COD OIL A..... | 25 |

BREADSTUFFS.

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|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Manitoba Highest Grade Patents..... | 6.40 to 6.50 |
| High Grade Patents..... | 5.50 to 5.75 |
| Good 90 per cent. Patents..... | 5.30 to 5.40 |
| Straight Grade..... | 5.10 to 5.15 |
| Superior Extras..... | 4.90 to 5.00 |
| Good Seconds..... | 4.60 to 4.70 |
| Graham Flour..... | 5.00 to 5.25 |
| American Supr. Extras, in bond..... | 4.35 to 4.40 |
| American 90 per cent. in bond..... | 5.00 |
| Pillsbury's Best, in half bbls..... | 3.50 |
| Oatmeal..... | 5.00 |
| " Rolled..... | 6.00 |
| Kiln Dried Cornmeal..... | 3.00 to 3.20 |
| Roll'd Wheat..... | 7.50 |
| Wheat Bran, per ton..... | 18.00 |
| Shorts..... | 23.00 to 25.00 |
| Midlings..... | 26.00 to 28.00 |
| Cracked Corn including bags..... | 32.00 |
| Ground Oil Cake, per ton..... | 35.00 |
| Moulce..... | 28.00 |
| Split Peas..... | 3.75 to 4.00 |
| White Beans, per bushel..... | 1.55 to 2.00 |
| Pot Barley, per barrel..... | 4.00 to 4.50 |
| Canadian Oats, choice quality..... | 85 to 60 |
| P. E. I. Oats..... | 56 to 60 |
| Hay per ton..... | 10.50 |

PROVISIONS.

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| Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid..... | 12.50 to 13.00 |
| " Am. Plate..... | 12.50 to 13.00 |
| " Ex. Plate..... | 13.50 to 14.00 |
| Pork, Mess, American..... | 16.50 to 17.00 |
| " American, clear..... | 18.00 to 19.00 |
| " P. E. I. Mess..... | 16.00 to 16.50 |
| " P. E. I. Thin Mess..... | 14.00 |
| " Prime Mess..... | 12.50 to 13.00 |
| Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island..... | 12 |
| " American..... | 11 to 12 |
| Hams, P. E. I., green..... | 8 to 9 |
| Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable to change daily. | |

FISH FROM VESSELS.

| MACKEREL.— | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Extra..... | 14.00 |
| No. 1..... | 13.00 |
| " 2 large..... | 12.00 |
| " 2..... | 11.50 |
| " 3 large..... | 11.50 |
| " 3..... | 11.50 |
| HERRING. | |
| No. 1 Shore July..... | 3.25 to 3.50 |
| No. 1, August, Round..... | 2.50 |
| " September..... | 2.50 |
| Labrador, in cargo lots, per bl..... | 3.00 to 3.25 |
| Bay of Islands, Split..... | none |
| " Round..... | none |
| ALEWIVES, per bbl..... | 3.00 to 3.25 |
| CODFISH. | |
| Hard Shore..... | 4.25 to 4.50 |
| Bank..... | 4.00 to 4.25 |
| Bay..... | 4.00 to 4.25 |

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

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|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Apples, per bbl., N. S..... | 2.50 to 3.00 |
| anges, new Jamaica..... | 9.50 |
| Lemons, per case..... | 8.00 |
| Cocoanuts, new, per 100..... | 4.20 |
| Onions, American, per lb..... | 3½ |
| Dates, boxes, new..... | 5½ to 6 |
| Raisins, Valencia..... | 8½ to 9 |
| Figs, Eleme, 5 lb boxes per lb..... | 11 |
| " small boxes..... | 10 to 13 |
| Prunes, Stewing, boxes..... | 7 |
| Pineapples, per doz..... | 2.50 |
| Bananas, per bunch..... | 2.00 to 2.50 |

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BUTTER AND CHEESE.

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints..... | 25 |
| " in Small Tubs..... | 20 to 22 |
| " Good, in large tubs, new..... | 18 |
| " old..... | 10 to 15 |
| " Store Packed & oversalted..... | 10 |
| Canadian Township, new..... | 18 |
| " old..... | 8 to 10 |
| " Western..... | 16 to 17 |
| " old..... | 7 to 10 |
| Cheese, Canadian, new..... | 10 |
| " Antigonish..... | 10½ |

THE AMBER DEMON.

(Continued.)

"Not half beautiful enough for you, my darling," he said fondly. "If I were a king I would make you my queen."

"You love me so much?" coquettishly.

"I love you, Else, better than anything on earth, nay, better than life itself. For you there is nothing I would not do. Tell me, my own, that you return my love. I should never weary of hearing your sweet lips say 'I love you,'" and he bent upon her an impassioned glance, "Say, I love you, Ole."

"I love you, Ole," she repeated, returning his gaze with one that sent the blood madly coursing and pulsing through his veins as he met the look from those liquid eyes that seemed the fountain of purity and truth.

"Mine, mine only, nothing, not even death, can part us now!" he cried exultingly, straining her to him with a convulsive pressure that was almost painful in its intensity.

"Not even death, ha! ha!" screamed frantically a voice so hoarse and strained, it sounded like nothing human as it seemed to come out of the ground at their feet.

"What is that?" cried Else starting out of Bertel's clasp, and looking fearfully around, "I thought I heard a cry."

"It must have been some sea-bird, there is nothing here," said Ole soothingly, though he had been somewhat startled at the sudden sound which had seemed like a repetition of his own words; "or it may have been the wind, I hear it rising."

Else shivered, and looked apprehensively over her shoulder. "Let us go home," she said, "it is getting dark, and hark how the sea is roaring."

Something told her whose voice it was that she had heard, though nothing was to be seen around but the hillocks of sand covered with the dune-grass, and a strange premonition of evil came over her as she listened to the melancholy sound of the distant sea. Little as she was apt to be touched by any external thing, that dismal cry as of a soul in despair, had an effect upon her shallow nature, though unfortunately for herself, it was an evanescent one.

CHAPTER IV.

For a time Else adhered to her resolution of not allowing Karl to see so much of her.

She was so dazzled at the prospect opening before her when she would be Ole Bertel's bride, the mistress of the pretty cottage, and able to look down scornfully upon all her former companions, the village maidens, who would still be obliged to work hard disentangling the pieces of amber from the sea-tang, wetted through and through by the icy spray, as they are obliged to stand as close as possible to the water's edge; while she, Else, could pass her time in luxurious idleness, dressed in finer clothes than any of them possessed or were ever likely to possess.

Karl haunted the spots where he had been used to meet her, but without avail; she studiously kept out of his way, and she could the more easily do this as she knew the time the boats usually returned from the reef, and used to make a point of ostentatiously greeting her betrothed and walking away with him.

Karl writhed in secret under her treatment of him; and once or twice Else felt herself shuddering when she met the gleam of his fierce eyes.

She remembered her grandmother's story. Karl was quite capable of treating the village to another tragedy, though on slightly different lines.

There were times when on passing him by Bertel's side, she had felt that she and her betrothed had been very near their deaths. Yet her coquetry was such that she could not resist trying the extent of her power over the unfortunate young man, and she would send him languishing glances that seemed to set his soul on fire, and made the blood course through his veins like a raging lava flood.

And still Ole Bertel's luck increased.

Whether it was that the thought of his approaching happiness made him work harder, or he really had exceptional luck, certain it is that not one of the amber-fishers, even those working with him at the celebrated reef, could boast of such splendid blocks of amber as had fallen to his lot.

It was hard work poking about with a stout crowbar and pronged iron among the masses of weed, sand and stone, that formed the sea-bottom; or crawling on hands and knees loosening from the sea-floor any blocks recent storms might have dislodged; and often though the sea was icy cold, so severe was the strain of working under water, that, when he rose to the surface for a few minutes' rest, and to bring up the treasure he had accumulated in the receptacle round his waist, he was bathed in perspiration. But he never thought of the hardship of his occupation. Love smoothed away all difficulties. It was for Else he worked, his peerless darling who loved him alone.

Karl Malen was by no means so successful, but then this was scarcely to be wondered at. His mind, too, was full of the image of but one person, the woman who had made a plaything of his heart, little dreaming of the dangerous nature of the toy she was amusing herself with. He thought of her to the exclusion of everything else. Her face floated before him in the depths of the ocean, with its alluring smile and maddening eyes. He saw it when he came up to take breath. The remembrance of her kisses burned like fire upon his lips even amid the icy coldness of the water, trails of seaweed reminded him of her golden hair, as it had floated over his breast when he had clasped her unrebuked in his arms. Her voice, with its dulcet tones, sounded ever in his ears mingling with the roar of the waters. Was it any

wonder, that with his mind preoccupied thus he should pass over pieces of amber and fill the receptacle at his waist with rocks, stones, and other unprofitable things which he absently gathered.

When, as was sometimes the case, Malen took his turn at working the air-pumps, dreadful thoughts would keep constantly passing through his mind.

Was there any truth in that story of the Demon of the Amber Reef who lived down below and yearly claimed his toil for the right of fishing there?

That toll—a human life.

True it was, that never during the memory of man had the amber harvest been gathered year by year without someone falling a victim to wind and wave. Now it had been one in the prime of life, a husband and father, and the mainstay, perhaps, of a numerous family all dependent upon him, and too young to support themselves when suddenly bereft of the bread-winner.

The next year it might be an old man, hale and hearty, but yet who could not, in the course of nature, hope to have many more years to live; or it might be a youth in the first flush of early manhood, with all his wonderful hope and aspirations unfulfilled, who was called upon by the inexorable demon to pay the tax. It mattered not what they wore or whether their loss was irreplaceable, if the summons came, go they must—there was no hope of escape for them.

Karl thought of this as he worked away at the pumps. Up to the present no one had fallen a victim during this season's fishing. Who would be the next one to pay the tax of his life to the Amber Demon?

If only the choice were to fall upon his rival. Else had owned that she loved him, Karl, the best.

It was only for the sake of Bertel's wealth that she had accepted him. Out of the way—if only he could be removed out of the way—she would then be his, his alone.

He could never rest day or night, at sea or on land, he was still tormented by these thoughts. At night, after the day's work was done, instead of trying to get the repose he so needed after the labor of so many hours, he wandered about the sand-dunes, like an evil spirit, fighting with his misery and revolving various schemes in his mind, by which he might get rid of his rival.

Outwardly friends with Bertel, inwardly he regarded him with the bitterest feelings.

He believed Else's statement that she loved him and looked upon Bertel in the light of a spoiler.

What right had he to buy the woman he himself loved so madly?

He knew enough of Bertel's false love to be aware that she would never content herself in his tumble down cottage, which was even more dilapidated than the one in which she lived with her grandmother, but love is blind, and he imagined that his passion would make up to her for anything she might lose in a worldly point of view, if she became his bride instead of Bertel's.

He did not know, any more than her betrothed, that Else was incapable of feeling deep or true love for anyone save herself. Her shallow nature could not understand the force that passion could have over some minds, and she did not recognize the power she held over both young men, and which the least thing might turn to evil, at all events, in Karl Malen's strong, but undisciplined organization.

She could not see the harm her selfish vanity and love of admiration was causing, and even now half regretted that, for the time being, she had given up her pastime with Karl.

It was so lonely in the cottage with her grandmother, she missed those walks and meetings with him. His fiery love-making satisfied her vanity even more than Ole's quieter, but none the less sincere, protestations of affection.

She began to think she was foolishly nervous; there was nothing to be afraid of in Karl. He loved her, he would do her no harm; it was not likely he would murder her as at one time she had half begun to fear, might be the case.

She did not work now; since her engagement with Ole, she had given it up. No need for the wife of the richest man in the village to soil her hands with labor.

So she thought and spent a great deal of her time wandering about the sand-dunes, half hoping that she would meet Karl, and listen once more to his fiery love-speeches.

One day she was wandering disconsolately over the brown heath. She was aware that both her lovers were out with the fleet of fishing-boats that lay just off the lighthouse that had been erected on the reef, and that there was no chance of her meeting either of them until the return of the flotilla in the evening, but a restless spirit had seized her, and she felt she could not stay and listen to her grandmother's homilies.

Her steps strayed into the little churchyard which overlooked the bay within the barrier.

It was not often Else came here, for it was a melancholy place, little suited to one of her gay and frivolous temperament.

There was a small church erected almost entirely of hewn boulder stones. It had no steeple, and the bells were hung between two beams in the open air.

In the churchyard not a tree nor a bush was to be seen; not a single flower had been planted there, nor had a wreath been laid upon the graves. Rough mounds showed where the dead had been buried, and rank grass, tossed by the wind, grew thickly over the whole churchyard. Here and there a grave had a monument to show, in the shape of a half-decayed block of wood, rudely shaped into the form of a coffin, the block having been brought from the wild sea itself, where the inhabitants of the Samland find the hewn beams and planks, and fragments which the breakers cast ashore.

However, these rude monuments do not last long. The wind and the

sea-fog soon destroy the wood, and it crumbles down and lies in fragments on the graves where the rank grass grows over and hides it.

It had a melancholy and depressing effect, that deserted graveyard, hence it was not a favorite spot of Else's, but this day by some chance her steps strayed there.

She was wandering among the mounds when she suddenly became aware of a figure seated on the rank grass with its arms leaning on one of the coffin shaped blocks, and with its head bowed upon them.

Curiosity made Else draw near that drooping figure, its attitude was so dejected. "Someone who has lost a husband or child," she thought, as she approached.

At the sound of her footsteps the figure raised its head. "Joanna!" she exclaimed, in surprise, as she saw the pale, drawn face lifted to meet her gaze.

"Yes, it is I," she answered quietly.

"What do you here? are you going to be married, too, that you can afford to sit idle?"

A faint flush mounted to Joanna's pale face at the implied taunt, but she said, in a calm unruffled voice: "I often come here when I am tired, I fancy she can hear me," and she pointed to the grave from which she had just risen.

"What sentiment," sneered Else. "As if your mother, or any of the dead that lie here can hear you, no matter how loudly you call to them."

"I like to think that I am near her, the world is so lonely for me," and a tear glittered in Joanna's eye as she remembered that in all the universe there was no one with whom she could claim kin.

"You can soon remedy that," Else remarked coolly.

"How?" and the soft eyes were raised to hers in surprise.

"Easily enough, get a lover."

If Joanna had blushed before she was doubly red now, cheek, throat and brow were dyed crimson.

"Ha! ha!" laughed Else, maliciously, "I see how it is, the little prude has already done so, my advice was needless."

"You mistake," said Joanna, as the flush receded, leaving her paler by the contrast.

"Oh! indeed," incredulously.

But the calm voice went on, "I have no lover and never shall have."

"But that is no reason why you should not love. Come, confess: which among the hardy fishers is honoured by the fair Joanna's preference?"

Once again the crimson mounted to Joanna's brow, but she managed to say quietly, "I have told you the truth. I have no lover and am never likely to have one."

"Nonsense. Are not Jens and Martin and Glob all ready to become your betrothed if you would only permit them?"

"I shall never marry," affirmed Joanna.

"It's my belief you are in love now. Who can it be with? Not Jens or Niels; you shake your head. Is it Karl? You might do worse. No. Ha! ha! What fun it would be if you were in love with Ole."

At this home-thrust Joanna rose suddenly, and confronted Else with her eyes flashing, and her chest heaving.

"How can you say such things?" she cried, passionately. "Ole loves you better than anything, even than life itself, he has no thought for any other woman."

"I did not say that he cared for you," with supreme contempt "Not likely when he is in love with me. I assure you I am not in the slightest degree jealous. I know he would never look at you or any one else."

A sudden resolution came to Joanna.

It was true. She did love Ole Bertel with a pure disinterested affection such as Else Preben could have no conception of, but hers was an unselfish love which could put itself aside for the good of the beloved object.

"Else," she cried, impulsively clasping her hands, and coming a step nearer to her unconscious rival, "Ole loves you with his whole heart and soul. Surely such love as his merits some better return than you are making?"

"What do you mean?" Else demanded, haughtily.

"I—I saw you, Else, that day among the sand-hills."

"What day?"

"Oh! Else, you must know."

"I do not," frowning heavily, as if by that means she would daunt the girl before her from saying any more.

But Joanna could be brave enough in Ole's behalf.

"I saw you," she said, "and you were lying in Karl Malen's arms, you were allowing him to rain kisses on your lips."

"That was before I was engaged to Ole."

"No, Else," firmly, "it was since, and—and it was not the only time."

"And if it was, I do not care to have you sitting in judgement on my conduct," Else said fiercely. "Who are you that you should dictate to me?"

"I have no wish to dictate; but Else, think, there will be nothing but misery before you if you go on in this way. What would Ole say if he knew?"

"You are not going to tell him?" hurriedly, in some alarm.

"You need not fear me, but what I saw others may see and then——"

"Then, I can let that take care of itself."

"You will not meet Karl Malen any more?"

"You take a very great interest in my affairs."

"Else, for Ole's sake."

"Humph! all your solicitude is for Ole; well, I will tell you this: not for you, nor for Ole, nor for anybody else will I change my mode of proceeding"

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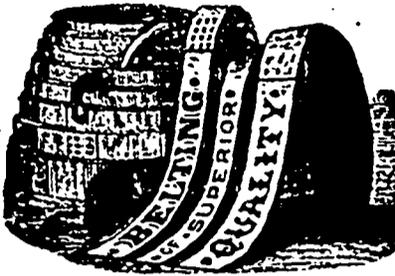
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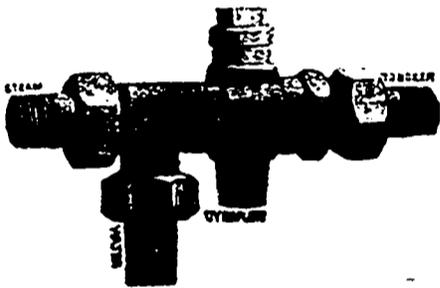
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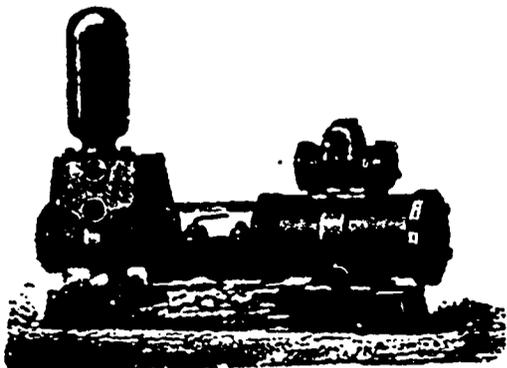
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ASHLAND.—At Ashland, a few miles west of Ellershouse, and three miles east of Central Rawdon, it is reported that Mr. F. Beckman has stripped several gold-bearing leads having all the characteristics of the Central Rawdon leads, as they run north and south across the measures and are evidently fissure veins.

SOUTH UNIAKKE.—On the Withrow property prospecting has resulted in the discovery of several new leads, which give promise of richer returns than the original Withrow lead.

SALMON RIVER.—The Dufferin Mining Company return for August 197 ozs. gold from 500 tons of quartz crushed.

MILLIPSIGATE.—The Millipsigate Gold Mining Company returns 4 ozs. gold from three tons quartz crushed, a trial test, in August.

CARIBOO.—A sale of considerable magnitude is almost closed in this district.

KILLAG DISTRICT.—Advices from this district state that the lode now working is looking better than ever. The quartz is from 9 to 15 inches in thickness, and will yield at the rate of 5 ounces per ton. Some of the rolls are reputed as valued at 10 ounces per ton. A level is being driven at a depth of about 30 feet to connect the two shafts. When this is completed the rich streak will be opened for over 75 feet in length. A recent break in one of the mortars in the mill prevents active crushing from being carried on immediately.

On Monday evening quite a gathering of prominent men, including some well known in mining and scientific circles, witnessed Mr. J. R. Wilson's demonstration of the marvelous work the Shaw Machine is capable of performing. Amongst the number were Mr. H. S. Poole, Mr. D. Madden, Deputy Inspector of Mines, Premier Fielding, Hon. Mr. Church, Commissioner of Mines, Principal Forrest, Prof. McGregor, Prof. Lawson, Mr. J. Morrow, Mr. Lithgow, Geo. E. Boak, Hon. Wm. Ross, Speaker Power, Dep. Prov. Secretary Crosskill, Wm. Roche, M. P. P., Maynard Bowman and Mr. T. R. Gue.

Mr. Wilson gave a series of interesting tests, proving the marvellous accuracy of the machine in determining the quantities of gas present in the air, and then put a Davy lamp to the crucial test, showing that 2½ per cent. of gas had no appreciable effect on its flame. He then illustrated the numerous uses the machine could be put to in practical mining by means of a diagram of the Morell Mine in which it is adopted, the diagram being clearly brought out in enlarged form on one of the walls of the room by a magic lantern. It would be difficult to describe the working of the apparatus without a diagram, suffice it to say that with the apparatus in use the superintendent in his office is kept constantly informed of the state of the air in the workings, and by a series of ingenious signals can receive and send messages with great rapidity from and to the miners. Entombed miners may be supplied with pure air and liquid food, fires speedily extinguished, and loss of life largely prevented. The audience took deep interest throughout in Mr. Wilson's lucid exposition of the working of the apparatus, and were all convinced that as a testing machine for gases it has no equal.

A GREAT ENTERPRISE.—We learn with a great deal of pleasure that Col. Snow has completed his arrangement for the purchase of the Converse Plaster and Gypsum quarry, at Mabou, C. B., and is now in control of the seven hundred acres comprising that industry. These mines have been idle for some years owing to the want of a harbor for shipment, but now owing to the work done by the Government dredges, Mabou harbor has twelve feet of water at its mouth, and this difficulty is removed. Professor Robertson of the Dominion service personally inspected these quarries this summer and had samples analysed by the Government Chemist, who pronounced the lime and gypsum to be of the highest grade for agricultural purposes; and when mixed with manure which accumulates around stables or used in compost heaps, making the best fertilizer known. This will be of special interest to our farmers and agricultural class generally, as the easy access and cheapness of shipping will supply a long felt want of a reliable and inexpensive fertilizer. Col. Snow with his usual push and hustle is already at work at the quarries, and has orders for some large shipments to Canadian firms. Russel Johnson has been appointed agent here, and will soon have a large supply on hand for the Pictou market. We wish the new enterprise every success. It means another of our great natural resources opened up, and fresh evidence of the wealth of our mineral deposits.—*Pictou Exchange.*

The Gay's River Gold Mines are attracting considerable attention, and a good deal of work is being pushed in that locality. It may be well to give some explicit and reliable information about the region, and what is going on there.

The mines are in the extreme southwestern corner of Colchester County, and six miles distant from Shubenacadie station. They are not on Gay's River, but a small brook that is a tributary to that stream. The country thereabouts is undulating, and partly under cultivation. In a cut of the stream one may see that a layer of gravel, forming the surface, rests upon a

stratum of pudding-stone or conglomerate. This rock is made of small pebbles and sand, mud and smooth boulders pressed into a hard compact mass. This rock rests upon a far more ancient slate formation.

More than twenty years ago gold was discovered in this conglomerate rock, and also in crevices of the underlying slate. For some years after this discovery work on a small scale was carried on, mostly in search of rich seams or cracks in the slate. Small crushers of a crude type, were built, and operated more or less, on the conglomerate. One crusher was run for seven years upon a single area (150 x 250 feet), and more than \$30,000 in gold was taken from it. For the last seven or eight years no work of any consequence has been done.

An American Company, known as the Coldstream Mining Co., has been formed. They have purchased the claims of many owners, and leased others from the Government, making a property of two hundred mining areas. Upon this they are now building, by contract with the Truro Foundry & Machine Co., a 50 stamp mill, that is to be as good as any in the world. It will be lighted by electricity, as well as the mines, and no pains will be spared to have every department in a condition to do the best work at the cheapest rates. It is expected to crush two hundred tons of ore in twenty four hours with this mill, and the supply seems to be almost inexhaustible and great hopes are entertained of the results.

Of this Company Mr. Gilbert Parker is President and a large owner of stock. Mr. R. R. McLeod is one of the directors and holds a large interest, and prepared the report upon which the Company was formed. Capt. O. B. Brown is at present conducting the mining operations there, where he holds a good interest, and has done much toward making known the valuable features of the mine.

In the course of five months the stamps will be dropping, and the success of this operation will mean much to Nova Scotia gold mining.

There are other properties thereabouts that will be described in another issue.

MOLEGA NOTES.—At Parker & Douglas Co's Mine things are booming. The plates never looked so well. The mill is working like a charm. The Golden Gate Concentrator is doing its work, and not leaving a grain of sand. Mr. Parker believes the "best is always the cheapest," and the Golden Gate is the best in the world. They are cutting two new leads this week, and Rorie says they are "not too bad," and that means quite a showing of gold. There is quartz enough opened on this property to keep a 100 stamp mill running for the next fifty years. Mr. Parker informs us that preparations are being made now for additional twenty stamps. It will not be long ere this will be the best paying mine in the Province.

Things are having a busy look at the Caledonia. Cutting a new lead south that shows considerable gold. The South Lead is now being worked with a force day and night, and showing up some fine sights. The diamond drill will be set at work cutting south in a few days on this property, when all the leads will be located, and no doubt we will hear of some promising finds.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker are now at their Molega home.

QUEEN'S COUNTY.—Mr. Billou, manager Boston Gold Mining Co's Mine, is pushing the necessary improvements on that mine, and no doubt ere long will have his machinery in operation.

The Malsga Co's Mine, under the management of Mr. G. A. Wade, has of late made some improvements. Only a small force are now kept at work, but we have reason to believe the mill's crushing has been satisfactory.

Mr. Chas. McLeod, contractor on the Caledonia Mine, is pushing his work as one can who is familiar with his business.

Mr. Gilbert Parker, President of P. D & Co's Mine, and also of the Caledonia Mining Co., arrived this week, accompanied by his wife, from Philadelphia.

Capt. Smart, Mill Superintendent, accompanied by his family, arrived Sunday last from Boston.

Both the P. D. & Co. and Caledonia Mines, with the present able management, both underground and on the surface, indicate a larger amount of business being done in the near future. Both Mr. Rod. McLeod and Capt. Smart do not intend to spare labour or pains to make this property the bonanza mine of Queens.—*Gold Hunter.*

FOR YOUR MOULTING HENS.—The time when hens shed their feathers is again at hand. It is a very exhausting process. Are you preparing to help them through this trying period? Eggs have not been so high for years at this season as now; they will still be higher. Hens rarely ever lay while moulting, then help them to get their new plumage quickly.

Many people get only five to six dozen eggs in a year from a hen and lose money when they ought to get three times that many and make money rapidly. How? There are about 600 eggs in the ovaries of a hen; get all you can of them in two years and keep the hen no longer. You thus save two or three years feed of the hen which is no small item if you buy all the food. When a hen is in "condition" says a high poultry authority "she will lay plenty of eggs." Therefore help her through the moulting season, that she may be in condition to lay early, as everything is pointing to higher prices for eggs this fall and winter than ever before. The elements needed by a hen at moulting, in addition to good food is contained in Sheridan's Condition Powder to a very high degree. Thousands of people have proved it to be worth its weight in gold when hens are moulting. It keeps them in health, helps to form the new plumage, and gets them in condition to lay early. A hen will not lay while moulting. But if you give them during the moulting Sheridan's Condition Powder daily in extra doses, they will get to laying much sooner and lay all winter; larger, better, and more vigorous eggs for hatching, than pullets. But don't keep them a third year; get all the eggs in two. Remember Sheridan's Powder is not an egg-food; you can roast or make food as cheaply as anyone. To any person interested, I. S. Johnson & Co., Boston, Mass., on receipt of address and stamp for reply will send a recipe for making a good egg-food. Any person buying and using Sheridan's Condition Powder now, will get their hens in good laying condition and stand a good chance to win one of the large gold premiums to be offered later by the same firm; who are the only makers of Sheridan's Condition Powder. For 50 cents they will send two 25 cent packs, five packs for \$1.00; or for \$1.20 one large 2 1/2 pound can of Powder, postpaid; six cans for \$3.00 express prepaid. A copy of the best poultry magazine published, sent free; The paper one year and a large can of Powder for \$1.50.

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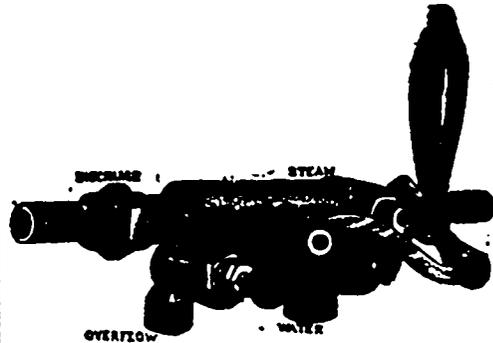
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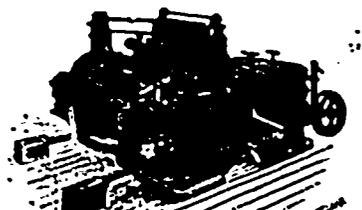
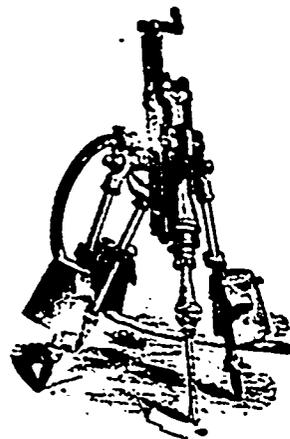
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LETTERS TO COUSIN CARYL.

Dear Cousin Caryl,—I have had hosts of company the past week and been dissipating to quite an extent. Do you remember the Bent girls from Washington? Well, they suddenly put in an appearance last Monday night. I hadn't seen them for ten years, but they looked, as the man said, "as large as life and twice as natural," especially Lucia, the elder. I expect Laura will be married this fall, and I went shopping with her, and saw hosts of pretty things. You know an old uncle, who ran away years ago to California, turned up a few years back enormously wealthy, and used to give them over so much. And last year it pleased a kind Providence to remove him after he had made a will in which his two favorite nieces were very generously remembered. So now Laura and Lucia are heiresses. They are not a bit changed however. Laura became engaged three years ago to Will Cummings, a "poor but worthy young man," and although she "came out" in New York Society since and has had a dozen so-called brilliant offers since then (from impecunious young men without much in the way of steady habits but with a great deal in the way of family,) she has not once dreamed of anybody but her Will. I helped her to pick out her trousseau—al of d inty silk and finest laces. I wish you could see the baby blue silk night gowns we got at Stearnes. I told Laura that if I ever come to own such things I shall sit up all night in front of the looking-glass just to see myself in them—I know I shall. The softest, creamiest lace in cascades down the front and at the throat fini h them, and they are altogether "too sweet for anything." Her linen was most of it beautifully embroidered by hand (nun's work,) although some of it was trimmed with valenciennes lace, and one set with the fine strong Irish point. She got some lovely dresses too; one or two of them are being made to order for her. One was a charming gown of white veiling, into which were woven delicate blossoms of clover, the petals of which were of the palest rose-heliotrope, brightened here and there with a gleam of silver thread. The edge of the skirt was bordered with a deep band of clover-pink: The draped bodice was gathered into a gold and silver embroidered zone, into which pink ribbon was folded. A chemisette of rosy crepe de Chine filled in the front of the bodice. The hat which accompanied this beautiful gown was of white lace-straw, lined with pale clover-pink velvet, the crown covered with blossoms and grass. Her wedding-dress is to be of ivory satin and crepe de Chine, entirely embroidered by hand. It seems to me, that if I were marrying a penniless young man like Will, even if I were an heiress in my own right, I would not care for anything quite so elaborate as she has, but it is none of my business. I saw a wedding-gown the other day for one of Boston's heiresses that went far ahead of everything else in this country. This piece of loveliness has outrivalled all the wedding-gowns for costliness, and for the beauty of the rare Alencon lace with which it was trimmed. For a fortnight curiosity-shops and collections of rare laces were ransacked to find enough Alencon for its adornment. The cream-white satin was specially ordered from Lyons. The train, three yards long, was covered with two lengths of lace. This vision of bridal white wrought in lace and satin and long trails of orange-blossoms was insured for nearly 20,000 francs (£800,) just half its value, and a duty of 7 500 francs (£300) was paid at the New York Custom-house. Well, we ordinary people like to see and hear of such things once in a while, even though we may not aspire to them. There are not many people in this country who can afford such things.

Lucia Bent is not a bit like Laura. She is much plainer in dress, but she does a great deal of good with her money. I am told that she spends nearly half her income for other people. And who doubts that she is happier for it?

Of course there is not much new in the way of fashions so far. Nobody has got home from the watering-places yet, and the place to see style is not in Boston in August. There are few new fancies in household knick-knacks.

The "memory hoop" is the newest craze among society young ladies. Any hoop will do, for it is covered up by pieces of ribbon, presented by girl friends, upon which must be painted or embroidered the name of the giver, and the date when given. The ribbon must have been worn, else it possesses no charm. From gentlemen friends a copper cent is obtained, highly polished and engraved with the initials of the donor. These are suspended by ribbons from the hoop, which in turn is suspended in the owner's room. If a piece of ribbon fades, or one of the coppers turn dark, it is a sign that the giver is ill, in trouble, or false, and the owner immediately sets to work to find out which. Of course, it is an infallible test.

This is about as sensible as the bangle bracelet which was begged from one's "dear five hundred friends." Another new fad is the "paper pillow," which beats the pine pillow and the "ever-lasting" pillow all out. To make them you tear the paper into very small pieces, not bigger than your finger nail, and then put them into a pillow sack of drilling or light ticking. They are very cool for hot climates, and much superior to feather pillows. The newspapers are printing appeals for them for hospitals. Newspaper is not nice for use, as there is a disagreeable odor from printer's ink, but brown or white paper and old envelopes are the best. As you tear them stuff them into an old pillow case and you can see when you get enough. The easiest way is to tear or cut the paper in strips about half an inch wide and then tear or cut across. The finer it is the lighter it makes the pillows. Some girls who have a fancy for making them give them to the hospitals, and in that way do some good with them.

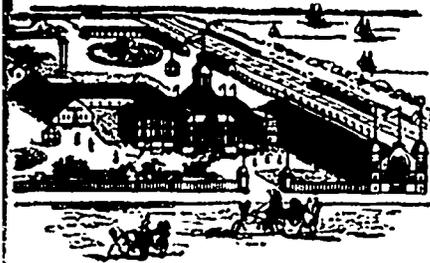
The pretty double pillows to hang across the back of an easy-chair are as popular as ever. Some of them are as dainty as bon-bon cases; but it is best to make them of some good silk material that will not show dirt, or of the lovely "wash" silks. These latter are taking beautifully. I have seen

shirt waists, and dresses too, made of it that launder as well as gingham. They make lovely suits for children. You should have some for your babies. Don't you want me to send you enough for a couple of dresses?

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GAME 69-DYKE.

The following very neat stroke was problem 13 in the *Detroit Free Press*. Mr. A. S. McKay of Halifax gives the following

SOLUTION.

Black men 5, 15, 22, 23, 28, kings 9, 30; white men 21, 24, 29, 32, kings 7, 19; black to play and win.
23-27 32 23 26-17 black
19 10 30-26 21 14 wins.
22-25 29 22 9-20

The solution to problem 181 will be given next week.

GAME 69-DEFIANCE.

Played between Dr. A. Schaffer and Mr. Thos. Rayn, and appeared as game 23 in the *New York Clipper* of August 16, 1890.

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 11-15 | 8-11 | 3-8 | 1-5 |
| 23 19 | 19 16 | 31 26 | 11 8 |
| 9-14 | 12-19 | 8-11 | 6-9 |
| 27 23 | 23 7 | 32 28 | 14 10 |
| 7-11 | 2-11 | 11-15 | 9-13 |
| 22 18 | 25 22 | 20 16 | 8 3 |
| 15-22 | 4-8 | 12-19 | 13-17 |
| 25 9 | 26 23 | 23 16 | 3 7 |
| 5-14 | 8-12 | 14-18 | 18-22 |
| 29 25 | 30 26 | 17 14 | 7 11 |
| 11-15 | 11-15 | 10-17 | 21-30 |
| 24 20 | 22 18 | 21 14 | black |
| 15-24 | 15-22 | 15-19 | wins. |
| 28 19 | 26 17 | 16 11 | |

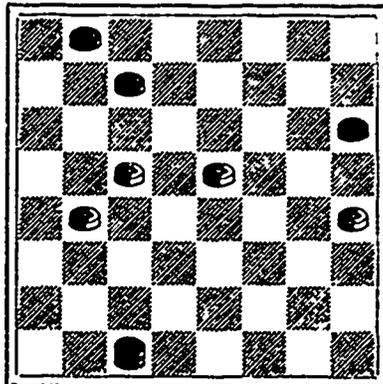
Mr. A. S. McKay of this city thinks that Mr. Rayn could have drawn by the following play:-

| | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| 23 19 | 17 14 | 26 22 | 22 17 |
| 15-24 | 10-17 | 23-26 | drawn. |
| 28 19 | 21 14 | 19 15 | |
| 14-18 | 18-23 | 26-30 | |

This leaves the men in the position as below, which we entitle

PROBLEM No. 183.

By Mr. A. S. McKay.
Black men 1, 6, 12, kg 30.



White men 14, 15, 17, 20.
Black to play and white to draw.

We think that some of our critics will find this a hard nut to crack.--Ed

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IN THE SUPREME COURT,
HALIFAX, S.S.

BETWEEN:-WASHINGTON I. SNYDER, Plaintiff,
AND
THE BRUNSWICK GOLD MINING COMPANY, absent or absconding debtors, Defendants.

To be sold at Public Auction, by the Sheriff of the County of Halifax, or his Deputy, at the County Court House in Halifax, in said County, on Saturday, the thirteenth day of September next, at twelve o'clock noon.

All the estate, right, title, interest, claim, property and demand, which the above named defendant company had, at the times of registering the attachments and the judgment in the above cause, or at any time since, of, in, to and upon all and singular, that certain lot of LAND situate at Pope's Harbor, in the County of Halifax, beginning at a birch tree at the head of Pope's Harbor, aforesaid, thence running north two hundred and sixty nine chains, thence east sixteen chains, thence south three hundred and nine chains, thence by the shore of Pope's Harbor to place of beginning: being lot No. one on the plan of the late John Creighton's land at Pope's Harbor, containing five hundred acres, more or less, together with the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging, with all mill machinery, plant and tools, mining gear, and effects thereon situate.

Also-All the estate, right, title, interest, claim, property and demand, which the above named defendant Company had at the times aforesaid, or at any time since, of, in, to and upon the following Gold Mining Leases of areas in the Tangier Gold District, in the County of Halifax, viz: Lease No. 143, bearing date July 17th, 1882, registered at page 83 of the Register Book of said District, in the office of the Commissioner of Mines and Minerals at Halifax, and containing seventy-nine areas; and Lease No. 144, bearing date July 17th, 1882, registered at page 81 of said Register Book, and containing thirty-nine areas.

Also-The following buildings, mill-machinery, mining plant and tools, gear and effects, with the other articles of personal property hereinafter mentioned, and which are situate upon the premises of the said defendant Company at Tangier, in the said County of Halifax, viz: -

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- 1 Barn and Stable.
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- 2 Sheds.
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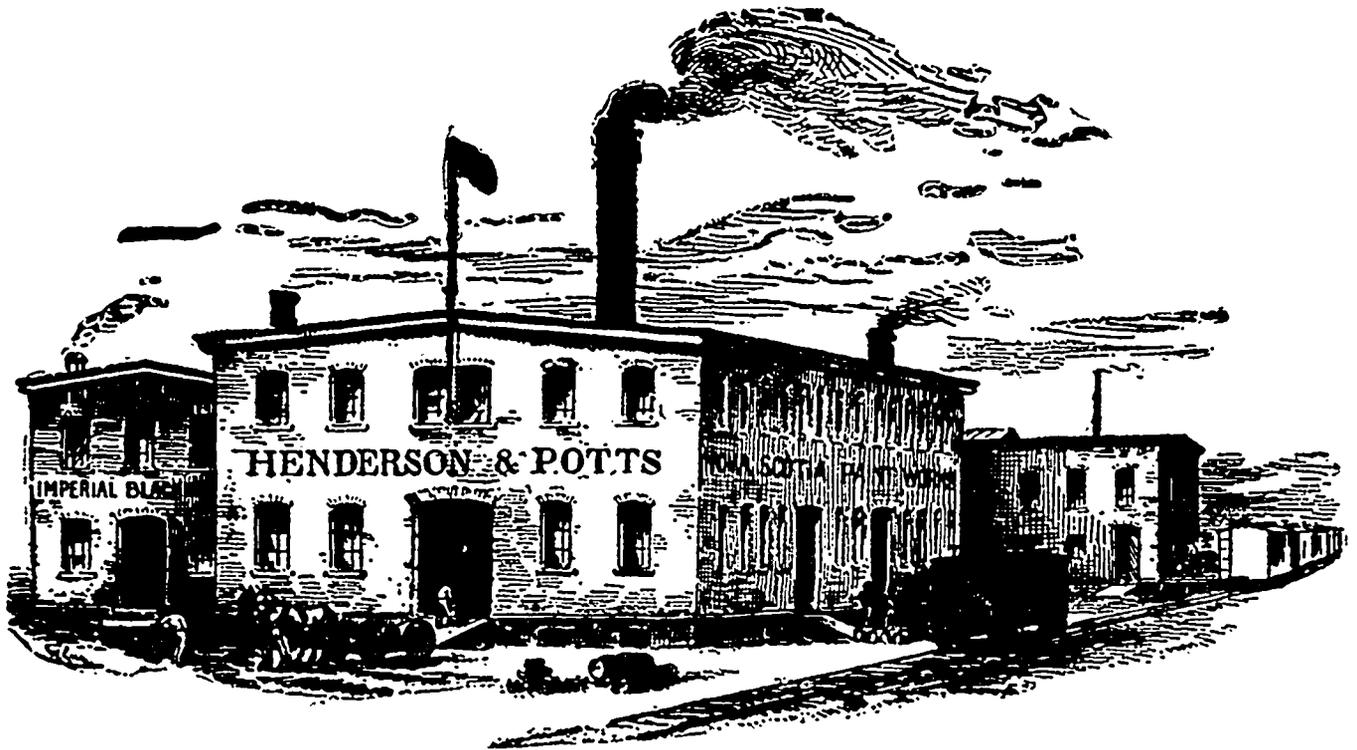
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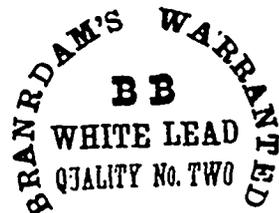
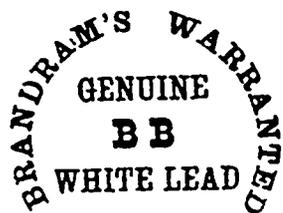
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