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MUSICAL TOURNAMENT AND PICNIC AT ST. GEORGE, N. B.

The following graphic description of the Picnic given by our friends of the "St. George Red Granite Band," on the 21st ult., was sent us by one who was present:

Mr. Broad, the leader of the St. George "Red Granite Band," conceived the idea of getting a number of the Bands on the harbor to assemble at St. George, for a day's pleasure, as well as to have a friendly competition in the rendition of music. Tuesday last the Calais Band, St. Stephen Loyal Orange Association Band, and the St. George Red Granite Band, assembled on the grounds of Douglas Wetmore, Esq., which are most picturesquely situated on the eastern side of the Magalloway River, and directly opposite the village of St. George. On the summit of the hill a grand stand, gaily decorated with bunting was erected for the accommodation of the bands, on the slope of the hill, immediately above the bank of the river was erected a spacious rustic tent, in which were three rows of tables, on which was spread a dinner for all comers. The ladies of St. George are justly celebrated not only for their grace and beauty, but for understanding how to get up a good dinner, and the one on this occasion was unsurpassed by any previous effort, the provision made was most bountiful, being arranged on the table with artistic taste, and served by the most obliging, handsome, and attentive of waiters. The competing Bands were the guests of the Red Granite Band. The usual sports were provided for the amusement of the public, but the performance by the bands attracted most attention, the rendition of a number of Irish airs by the Calais Band, including "The Harp that once thrang" "Tara's Hall," and "Savourneen Dhoelish," by the Calais Band, was much admired, and received the plaudits of the listeners.

A large number of the pleasure seekers spent the hours in roving through and over the grounds, viewing the landscape from different points, which at every step presented new and fresh combinations of natural beauty; standing on the top of the hill looking northward the mountains in which the red granite was discovered, presented themselves to the eye, the presence of the quarries being denoted by red streaks or gaps plainly discernable. At one's feet lay the pleasant village of St. George with its neat churches and comfortable private residences, prominent amongst which is that of A. H. Gillmor, Esq., M. P., to the right lies Lake Utopia the home of the far famed monster that hitherto has baffled every attempt made to capture it; turning to the east and south just at our elbow almost, stands Fort DuRoi with its brzen mouthed guardians as sentinels of protection over the fair village of St. George; further to the right is the residence of Douglas Wetmore, Esq., that worthy son of a worthy sire, one of the most genial and whole souled men in the County of Charlotte. In whatever direction the eye turned fresh panoramas of beauty presented themselves, as varied in their beauty as a kaleidoscope.

After tea, which was served in the dining tent, the numerous pleasure seekers in response to the screeching signals from the steamer, began most reluctantly to take their departure, the writer with his friends embarked board the schooner, "homeward bound." The sail down the river was most enjoyable, enlivened as it was by the strains of the Calais and St. Stephen bands, and the singing of choice musical gems, sacred, sentimental and comic; solos, duets and choruses, by a number of ladies and gentlemen; one old gentleman of some seventy summers, carried away by the enthusiasm of the scene sang in excellent style that fine old song "The girl I left behind me," he could do it feelingly too for he is an old bachelor. Mirth, music and song, was the order of the evening; as we sailed down the river the sun gradually sank to repose in the western horizon, its golden rays lingering lovingly among the tree tops, fringing the banks of the river,

baptising them in a halo of softest light.

As we entered the Bay, the waters of which were as calm and peaceful as an infant in repose, the moon arose, her silvery rays kissing the surface of the waters, which reflected them back from every ripple with added brilliancy, the phosphorescent sparks in the water sparkling like showers of brilliant gems. In due time St. Andrews harbor was reached, where a crowd was assembled at the wharf, who gave us a right loyal greeting.

The St. Andrews contingent having landed, the up river party left the wharf saluted with hearty cheers by those who almost felt sorry to be left behind. This first effort of the "St. George Red Granite Band" was, in so far as providing a rich and unalloyed days' amusement, a great success. It is to be hoped that their reward financially, was as great as their efforts to please merited.

THE LAST WISH.

Sweetheart, I pray thee come and stow
A flower or two,
Where lonely 'neath the lime tree shade
Thy love is laid.

That little children may not dread
My narrow bed;
But seeing it so decked and fair,
May linger there.

And though in love thy spirit blends
With other friends,
Yet come and lean o'er me sometimes
Beneath the limes.

For thou has them beside thee still;
Thou canst at will
By countless words and deeds of love
Thy fondness prove.

For me remains nor word nor kiss,
But only this:
To look upon the grassy heap
Where thou'lt sleep.

And muse o'er all the dreamy hours
Of former days,
When thou and I, by care untied,
Walked side by side.

And if thy faithful heart should grieve
That I must leave
Thee and all those to whom I cling,
So young, so young;

Bethink thee, in the rosy light
Of prospects bright,
That fancy freely for us wrought,
We always thought;

If God will, we'll be great and good,
But if he should
Soon call us home, we know that this
Is surest bliss.

LIE NEVER.

Not long ago, on an English steamer, 4 days out from Liverpool a small boy was found hid away behind the cargo. He had neither father nor mother, brother nor sister, friend nor protector among either passengers nor crew. Who was he? Where did he come from? Where going? Only nine years old; the poor little stranger, with ragged clothes but a beautiful face, full of innocence and truth! Of course he was carried before the first mate.

"How came you to steal a passage on board this ship?" asked the mate sharply. "My stepfather put me in," answered the boy; "he said he could not afford to keep me or pay my passage to Halifax, where my aunt lives. I want to go to my aunt."

The mate did not believe the story. He had often been deceived by stowaways. Almost every ship finds one or two days out at sea, men or boys concealed among the cargo, who try to get a passage across the waters without paying for it. And this is often troublesome and expensive. The mate suspected some of the sailors had a hand in the boy's escape, and treated him pretty roughly. Day after day he was questioned about his coming, and it was always the same story—nothing less, nothing more. At last the mate got out of patience, as mates will, and seizing him by the collar, told him unless he confessed the truth in ten minutes, he would hang him on the yard arm—a frightful threat.

indeed. Poor child, with not a friend to stand by him! Around him were sailors of the midday watch, and before him the stern first officer, with his watch in hand, counting the tick, tick, tick of the minutes as they swiftly went. There he stood, pale and sorrowful, his head erect, and tears in his eyes; but afraid to cry, not a bit! Eight minutes were already gone.

"Only two minutes more to live," cried the mate. "Speak the truth and save your life, boy."

"May I pray?" asked the child, looking up into the hard man's face.

The officer nodded his head, but said nothing. The brave boy knelt down on deck, and, with hands clasped, and eyes raised to heaven, repeated the Lord's prayer, and then prayed the dear Lord Jesus to take him home to heaven. He could die; but lie—never! All eyes were turned towards him; and sobb broke from stern hearts.

The mate could hold out no longer. He sprang to the boy, told him he believed his story, every word of it. A nobler sight never took place on a ship's deck than this, a poor, unbelieved child, willing to face death for truth's sake.

He could die; but lie—never! Got bless him! And the rest of the voyage, you may well think he had friends enough. Nobody looked at him before; everybody was now ready to do him a kindness. And everybody who reads this will be strengthened and to do right, come what will, by the noble conduct of this dear child.

POETRY AND MADNESS.

Tom Moore, "the poet of all circles" and the darling of his age, was a complete mental wreck for some time before his death. Such also was the fate of Sir Walter Scott. A man who claims to be a nephew of Moore, and who also claims to be a poet, though he followed the much more profitable business of a mason and builder, was taken to a lunatic asylum in New York recently. They had to put a strait-jacket on him in the Tomb, but even then the poor fellow recited verse after verse of his own composition, and some of them were really very good, according to a correspondent. He is a full namesake of Ireland's favorite poet, and he says his father and the poet were brothers. This may be merely a lunatic's vagary, but at any rate the man's misfortune excites a good deal of sympathy for him among his countrymen.

THE FORCE OF TRUTH.—Dreadful limits are set in nature to the powers of dissimulation. Truth tyrannizes over the dissimulating members of the body. Faces never lie, it is said. No man need be deceived who will study the changes of expression. When a man speaks the truth in the spirit of truth, his eyes are as clear as the heavens. When he has false ends, and speaks falsely, his eye is misty, and sometimes aquint. I have heard an experienced counsellor say that he never feared the effect upon a jury of a lawyer who does not believe in a verdict that his client ought to have a verdict.—*Emerson's Essays on Spiritual Laws.*

DECESSIONS AND CONJUGATIONS.—Miss S., an American heiress and quite beautiful, has been exciting much admiration in London during the present season, and is about to marry, it is said a nobleman connected with the royal household. American heiresses are by no means shunned abroad; quite the contrary, for they are generally as well educated and in every way as presentable as their foreign sisters, and do not except the first impetuousness of nobility that has a thronet about him. Some years ago the daughter of an American minister in London was much sought after by patrician youngsters. She was discovered writing letters, and observed, "I am writing my declarations. This London is a good enough place for flirtations, but I mean to conjugate at home."

These fine evenings lovers sit on the stoops to conquer.

FIGHT WITH A VICIOUS HORSE.

John Morrison, of Franklin township, Tenn., had a contest one day a few weeks ago with a vicious horse, which he had recently purchased or traded for, and barely escaped alive. He mounted the horse for a ride, but he refused to go, and viciously endeavored to throw his rider off. Not succeeding in this, he began biting. Then Mr. Morrison dismounted and undid the bridle, which endeavored to attack her, but was restrained by the harness, who held the halter. When his wife had got out of the way, Mr. Morrison left the horse and placed himself out of reach as soon as possible, glad to escape with his life. He then went to the house of a neighbor, Mr. Waggoner, and borrowed a rifle. Some men at work there declared they could subdue the beast, and went back with Mr. Morrison for the purpose. Their attempts were vain, and the horse was shot. Mr. Morrison being determined that such a vicious animal should not be allowed to live, lost he might take human life. Mr. Morrison was severely bitten about the head and shoulders.

HIGH ETIQUETTE.—If the fine manners are naturally associated with rank, the supposition would be that the higher the rank, the finer the manners. It would then follow that the guest of honor, who was also the stranger, would take precedence of all others. It is therefore bewildering to learn that when the Prince of Wales recently gave a dinner to General Grant, the distinguished guest brought up the rear of the procession to the dining-room. We are but bores in etiquette, yet if the Prince of Wales had been the guest of the President of the United States, he would not have been permitted to close the march to dinner; and he would have preceded not as prince, but as guest; for it would be equally true of untitled Mr. Bright or Mr. Gladstone as of a prince. Courtesy is a poor thing if it can not dispense, upon due occasion, with the rigidity of ceremonial forms. It is rumored that the American minister in England was long absorbed in the task of arranging General Grant's invitations, so that he should not be apparently insulted by being treated at entertainments given in his honor with less consideration than any other guest. This is hardly credible to an unsophisticated American, because he can not comprehend either that an English gentleman should offer or an American gentleman accept such a situation. The rules of really good society, whether titled or untitled, are every where the same in regard to certain essential points, and it is a pity if they are violated in the house of a prince. To invite an untitled man into a titled company, upon an occasion of pure ceremony where titles determine precedence, is to invite him to go behind. If a prince gives a dinner in honor of an untitled guest, he is bound to honor him chiefly, and he invites the company merely to help him render the honor. If, therefore, it be true that the Prince of Wales gave a dinner especially to General Grant, and permitted the greater part of the company to precede him to the table, General Grant should quietly have left the house, and all the more if, as is constantly said, etiquette and forms are real things to European society. For if that be so, the significance of the situation was that an American without a title, however illustrious, however honored at home, and the especial guest of the occasion, is not to be recognized as the equal of titled people. Probably, if the story be true, General Grant was not troubled; but if English gentlemen are required by etiquette to acquiesce in so flagrant a discourtesy, they are greatly to be pitied.—*Barrow's Easy Chair, in Harpers Magazine for September.*

POPULAR SAYINGS IN VERSE.

As poor as a church mouse;
As thin as a rail;
As fat as a porpoise;
As rough as a gale;
As brave as a lion;
As shy as a cat;
As bright as a sixpence;
As weak as a rat.

As proud as a peacock;
As sly as a fox;
As mad as a March hare;
As strong as an ox;
As fair as a lily;
As empty as air;
As rich as Croesus;
As cross as a bear.

As pure as an angel;
As neat as a pin;
As smart as a steel trap;
As ugly as sin;
As dead as a door nail;
As white as a sheet;
As flat as a pancake;
As red as a beet.

As round as an apple;
As black as your hat;
As brown as a berry;
As blind as a bat;
As mean as a miser;
As full as a tick;
As plump as a partridge;
As sharp as a stick.

As clean as a penny;
As dark as a pal;
As hard as a mill stone;
As bitter as gall;
As fine as a fiddle;
As clear as a bell;
As dry as a herring;
As deep as a well.

As light as a feather;
As hard as a rock;
As stiff as a poker;
As calm as a clock;
As green as a gosling;
As brisk as a bee—
And now let me stop,
Lest you weary of me.

VARIETIES.

The slowest man in America lives in Off City. It is a common occurrence for his watch to run down while he is winding it up.

A little boy seeing the swan plunge its head under water, called out: "Mother come and see the swan cast anchor!"

Any boy can have just as much fun around a bonfire made of an old straw bed, as any man can have in seeing a hotel burn down.

When the man saves his cigar money to buy his wife a new bonnet and the children new shoes, it indicates a spell of sunshine.

A western editor who has heard that Grant eats with his knife, indignantly asks if a man is expected to eat with his fingers.

The model husband has been found in Philadelphia. He don't permit his wife to do but half the work. She puts up the canned fruit in Summer, and he puts it down in Winter.

A western newspaper has improved on the original plan, and now says: "No communication will be published in this paper unless accompanied by the full name of the writer and a five-dollar bill; these are not requested for publication but as a guarantee of good faith."

The Board of Health of Milwaukee, Wis. has appointed a person to test the various fancy drinks made and sold at the retail bars in the city, allowing him two months for the purpose. There was doubtless a great pressure for the place.

At a recent meeting in which there was much religious interest, an old man gave expression to his joy by shouting, and continued it until he began to interrupt the services. Brother H. said to Brother W., "Go stop that old man's noise." He went to him and spoke a few words, and the shouting man at once became quiet. "Brother H. asked Brother W., 'what did you say to the old man to quiet him so promptly?' Brother W. replied 'I asked him for a dollar for foreign missions!'"

THE SQUADRY OF WILD GESE.—The huge flocks of geese which are constantly passing over the town are frequently shot at, but they generally fly at too high an altitude to be reached by the fowling missiles. Sometimes, however, the shots take effect. The other day we were watching a flock flying southward, when the report of a gun was heard and we observed one of the geese begin to fall slowly. The others perceiving that their comrade was wounded uttered shrill cries of distress, and about a dozen of them flew over the wounded bird, huddling together so that their backs formed a sort of a bed upon which the wounded one rested. They buoyed it up for some time, the others meanwhile looking on and manifesting their concern by uttering loud, discordant shrieks. Finally their companion was unable to longer accommodate them in their flight, they abandoned him to his fate, and he fell to the earth, and into the arms of an expectant Chinaman.—*Eng. Cal. (Cal.) Gazette.*

THE GOLD MINING CASE IN TORONTO.

The following is the evidence, condensed, of Ald. Close and Mr. J. W. Johnson, in the above named case, they having been examined at the Police Court after the issue of yesterday's third edition:—Ald. Close stated that he was a director of the Toronto Gold Mining Company; he was present at the November meeting of the stockholders; it was thought best to place the Company in insolvency, because no one was willing to advance money; he did not believe the report on the assay of the ore sent to Germany; had he known the property was going to be brought up by a Syndicate he would not have consented to insolvency; if Mr. Rankin would have given more than anyone else, he would have been unwilling for him to have bought it; he learned after the meeting that the company was thrown into insolvency so that Mr. Rankin and others might buy up the property; he saw no disposition in Rankin to anything wrong; Mr. Rankin laid before the November meeting a letter denying the statement that the report of the German assays was false. On being cross-examined, he further said there was no objection raised to insolvency at the November meeting; witness had left his claim in the hands of Mr. Bigelow, and had not ordered anyone to set aside the insolvency proceedings; he was induced to buy his stock in the property by Mr. John Moss, Manager and Director of the Company; he understood Mr. Rankin once that the Company was to be taken out of insolvency and preferential stock opened to all stockholders. Mr. J. W. Johnson, a director and stockholder of the Company, said he paid assessments to develop the mine, with the understanding that it would be paid back when the mine became paying; after the assignment, Mr. Blacklock informed him of the Syndicate, and said they were going to buy up the property, and "freeze the small fry out." Blacklock, Bryan and Murray told him the mine was valuable; he consented to insolvency but would not have done so had he known then what he did now; he had proved his claim against the Company, and had taken no steps against the insolvency proceedings; he could not at the November meeting see that anything else than insolvency could be resorted to. Dr. McMichael put in evidence of Mr. Rankin taken before the assignee, and reset the case for the prosecution on this, together with the evidence adduced in Court. The minutes of the meetings held on Nov. 20th and February 16th were also included in the statements put in as evidence. The case for the defence will be opened at two o'clock to-morrow afternoon. —*Montreal Star, Aug. 23d.*

At the Centennial Banquet after the toast to President Hays had been responded to, President Phelps, of the Centennial Commission, said:—"We are celebrating the anniversary of a great victory over the troops of Great Britain, but we can rejoice in the fact that it is more than sixty years that peace has reigned between us and the mother country. Long may it continue. I am happy to state that courteous and gratifying correspondence has taken place in reference to the celebration between Governor Fairbank and that excellent nobleman, Lord Dufferin, Governor-General of Canada, who was invited to be present on this occasion. He writes to say that if it were not that his duties called him out West, he would have been happy to have responded appropriately in his official capacity." Mr. Phelps then read a letter from His Excellency Lord Dufferin, excusing himself from attendance. Mr. Phelps continued:—"We should not be doing our full duty if we forgot that illustrious lady who through so many years of blameless life, has been more than Queen of Great Britain. She has been Queen in the virtues of Queen in the hearts of all her people. I, therefore, propose the health of Her Most Gracious Majesty Victoria, Queen of Great Britain. God bless Her." The band then played the English national anthem. Mr. Phelps then called upon Hon. Wm. M. Evans to speak. Mr. Evans, in response, said, touching the majesty of that nation, of that gracious lady the Queen, is it not the best token of the great and Christian character of the nation and of herself, that on the celebration of a battle so fatal to the power of her ancestry, and so glorious for the prosperity of this country, that we should receive such a letter from the Governor-General of Canada, the representative of the British Crown. It is fitting that we should respond at our festival with royal homage, with the martial and loyal airs of England. Let us, in looking back upon the mother country, yield to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen our homage to Her as a woman which we deny to a Queen. I believe, Mr. President, that had Queen Victoria been on the throne instead of George III., or if we had postponed our rebellion until Queen Victoria reigned, it would not have been necessary, and if there had been any rebellion at all it would have been on the part of England."

The intelligence brought by every mail from South Africa is now of a most satisfactory character. Since the annexation of Transvaal, tranquillity has been everywhere restored, and many improvements are being carried out.

The central portion of the cotton print works at Thorniebank, near Glasgow, was destroyed by fire on the 15th inst. Loss about £20,000.

THE GLASGOW ST. JOHN FUND.—A meeting of the committee entrusted with raising subscriptions on behalf of the sufferers by the St. John conflagration was held in the Council Hall, Glasgow, on the 15th inst., the Lord Provost presiding—to decide what should be done with the balance of the fund still on hand. The total sum received was £4682. 14s. 2 in 225 separate contributions. £4000 had been transmitted to the Mayor of St. John, which left a balance of £582. 17s. 4d. The balance was ordered to be remitted to the Mayor of St. John.

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FINAL NOTICE.

It is not pleasant to dun, but in the present instance there is no other course left, as from time to time bills have been handed to subscribers without any response other than a "promise to pay." This will no longer answer, as we feel obliged to adopt this unpleasant course of compelling payment by law, and after the 1st SEPTEMBER all amounts due and unpaid, will be placed in legal hands for collection; delinquents therefore will have themselves to blame, should they be put to extra expense. Having recently made large additions of printing material to the ST. ANDREW'S office, and bills falling due for the same, which must be paid promptly, we appeal to those indebted for job work, advertising and subscriptions, to pay a portion at least. Those at a distance can remit by Post Office order.

THE LABOR QUESTION.

The great problem which is engaging the attention of the people of the United States, as well as those of Great Britain, is the question of labor. The recent strikes have acted injuriously not only to the employers but to the employed, and even up to the present the strikes have continued in the Western States. The cheap labor of the Chinese in California and Oregon, has led to unpleasantness, which has culminated in bloodshed. But from the following, it appears that countries besides the United States are suffering from Chinese labor:—

Queensland, after all, is to be the arena, on which the first grand struggle of Chinese cheap labour for a place in civilised society will be fought. In the United States, people have only got the length of appointing a Committee to inquire into the matter, who, after adding up long parallel lists of the advantages and disadvantages derived from the presence of a Mongol element in the population, have brought out a heavy balance against the possessors of pig-tails. In Queensland, it would appear, no preliminary investigation is needed. The danger impending over the whole social and political institutions of the Colony is too big and too close at hand for any one to doubt its reality for a moment. Chinamen have come up and covered the land like a plague of frogs; and the instinct of the colonists of Caucasian race is to pick up the yellow scintillating creatures and fling them, with the minimum of ceremony, out of their premises. Indeed, justice is the only sort of justice which the intruders are likely to have, and the colonists, in their precipitate eagerness to get rid of the inconvenient Chinamen, have managed to entangle themselves and him in a number of delicate questions of treaty obligations and international right, and to bring about something like a collision between the Queensland Legislature and the Home Government.

On a dispassionate view of the situation there seems not a little cause for alarm. The Chinese have marked Queensland for their own; their presence there has ceased to be simply a ridiculous social selection, and has become a matter to be regarded, if not exactly with shuddering horror, with grave concern. There are several reasons why the tide of Chinese immigration set more strongly in this direction than even towards California. The semi-tropical climate is suited to the race, and the country is comparatively near at hand. The main attraction, of course, is gold, and the prospect of turning a honest penny among a people with full pockets and high stomachs. The Chinamen had the advantage of coming early on the scene, and has the better chance of getting a share of what is going. Queensland, without Chinese help, has quadrupled its population this ten years; it is the most "go-ahead" of Australian colonies; and if there has been something exotic in its growth, there has also been much solid progress. It is still, however, a vacant land, and the "rush" of Chinese into its empty spaces has been in obedience to the law of nature that abhors a vacuum, as well as to the strong attractive power of gold. Already it is said there are 15,000 Chinese at the Palmerfeldfields; they constitute probably over 10 per cent. of a population that is still under 200,000; when a recent mail left there were 2300 of them lying in quarantine, waiting disembarkation in the Colony, and 3000 more at Hong-Kong ready to start, while behind there is a population of four millions to draw upon. No wonder if to the Queensland settler a thick, yellow scurf seems to be gathering over the land, and that valiant purging remedies itself as the only effectual cure.

LOCAL MATTER.

THE RED GRANITE BAND'S MUSICAL FESTIVAL, passed off admirably, according to the lengthy description published on our first page.

It is pleasing to learn from the market reports, that Sugar and Flour are falling in price.

With all its losses and cares the City of St. John is troubled with a rowdy element, which if not put down soon will give much trouble.

It is satisfactory to learn that the crops in the United States are abundant, and that there will be a grand surplus. This is cheering news these dull times.

Some of the visitors who have been sojourning here for the past few weeks, have taken their departure for the States and Ontario. It is satisfactory to know they were so pleased with their visit that they will return next year, with others provided they can engage private lodgings.

THE FREDERICTON SCHOOL BOARD have thought proper to reject the proposals of the Roman Catholics for amalgamating the schools, in consequence of their insisting upon two Sisters of Charity being employed as teachers. When will these difficulties cease and the School Law be carried out in spirit. It is to be hoped arrangements will be carried into effect without any compromise. Let us have peace.

His Worship, the popular Mayor of St. John, Dr. EARLE, was here on business, last week. The Doctor's many friends were pleased to see him; his public and professional duties however, do not permit of his being absent from the city.

The Hon. Richard Hutchison was here on Thursday last. Capt. Alfred Waycott is on a visit to his relatives here.

The hon. Surveyor General arrived here on Saturday and returned on Monday to Fredericton.

Thursday and Friday last were the warmest days during the present season, the thermometer indicating 90° and had it not been for a mild sea breeze, the heat would have been uncomfortable; as it was at Calais and St. Stephen where it is reported the heat was intense—nearly 98°. On Saturday morning a refreshing rain which lasted about an hour, cooled the air, and refreshed the parched ground. On Sunday and Monday rain fell which was much required.

DEATH OF COL. WELLS.—We noticed in a late paper the death recorded of Lieut. Col. F. WELLS, formerly commanding the First Batt. Royal Scots Regt. Some twenty-five years ago, Lieut. Wells was quartered in this garrison, as a subaltern in our old friend Capt. D. Gares's company. He was a graduate of Toronto University, and after leaving college, joined the 1st Royals as they were then called. While here, he made many friends and was generally liked. His view of St. Andrews, which was lithographed and colored, is a correct picture of the town, harbor and surrounding as they then were. Col. Wells served with distinction during the Crimean War, and retired from active service a few years ago, and died at Liverpool, Toronto, on the 4th inst.

"THE PEN AND PLOW."—How much and great good has been accomplished by them; have they not been civilized—potent instruments which have moved both the philosophic and material parts of the globe, they have reclaimed, subdued, and conquered, educated and refined. We are reminded of those truths, by the monthly receipt of an exceedingly well conducted New York journal bearing the above title, devoted to agriculture, floriculture, rural architecture and other subjects which tend to enlighten and embellish social life. The management of such a journal it appears to us, requires extensive reading, a thoroughly disciplined and educated mind and withal a refined taste, that a political newspaper seldom needs, as its articles are generally written for the hour, and partake in some measure of party leanings, while a literary journal such as the *Pen and Plow* is edited for the purpose of "cultivating the mind and soil," and deals more in art and science and kindred subjects. Its editor Mr. Low, is an educated man and a former student of the late Prof. Mapes. The price of the paper places it within the reach of everyone, as it only costs one dollar a year—and furnishes 16 pages monthly of instructive and interesting reading.

LOCAL MATTER.

The *Daily Times*, Moncton, is received. It is a spirited little sheet.

General Grant is being feted and honored wherever he visits, he has been presented with the freedom of several cities.

Coal strikes continue in Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Virginia. What the result will be it is not possible to anticipate.

The extra Session of the Legislature was opened yesterday. It is not at all probable that the Legislature will grant a Provincial guarantee for a Two million loan for rebuilding St. John. St. Stephen and Woodstock are as much entitled to assistance as St. John.

SCHOOL HOUSE BURNED.—The School house at Beaver harbor was burnt to the ground on Tuesday, 21st inst. A lad named Foley is in jail charged with having committed the incendiary act. This is the second time within a few months, that a school building on the same spot has been destroyed by fire.

The British Rifle Team arrived at New York on the 25th inst., and were enthusiastically received by the U. S. National Rifle Association. The firing will take place at Creedmoor Range. The English Team is accompanied by three or four of their wives.

Several gentlemen from St. Stephen, called here on Tuesday, on their way for a cruise among the Islands. Among them were Messrs. Vaughn, John Grant, M. McGowan and others.

CROWN LANDS.—From the judicious management of the Surveyor General, the income of the Crown Land Department has increased several thousand dollars beyond the amounts received by his predecessors in office; and it is probable that the total receipts for timber and lands, will amount to a very large figure at the close of the fiscal year.

It is said that the St. John Freeman will appear this week, its proprietor hon. Mr. Anglin, having purchased a new office since his former one was destroyed by the great fire. We regret to state that Mr. Anglin has had a severe attack of illness, but are pleased to learn that he has so far recovered as to be driven out.

LOW PRICED KNITTER.—In another column is published a card of Knitting Machine Manufacturing Co. These machines are becoming as popular as they are useful, in fact no family where there are children should be without one; it is adapted for cotton or woolen socks. The No. 3 is adapted for every variety of work.

THE EASTERN WAR still is waged with varying success, and from the published reports it is difficult to ascertain which side will ultimately prevail—on whose banner victory will perch. Although the Russians have lost ground, they still maintain that they will conquer the Turks. The accounts of recent fighting is conflict ing; but it is plain that the Turks by their late success have gained courage and feel confident of victory.

Field Marshal Count Moltke, it is said, was asked by a princely personage the other day whether he would not prosecute a speedy and complete victory by the Russians and the entire subjugation of Turkey. "Certainly," said the Count; "The Russians will vanquish Turkey as soon as their commander-in-chief is found to possess the four G's which are necessary to every general." "And which four G's do you mean?" asked the Count's questioner. Moltke replied, "Geld, Geduld, Genie and Gluck (money, patience, genius and good luck.)"

SPAIN has passed a tariff strongly hostile to Great Britain and France; and it is believed by competent authority that this has been done for the purpose of bringing a pressure upon England. The manufacturers have taken up the matter and have requested the Government to remonstrate with the Spanish Government. The gist of the matter is—Spain wants Gibraltar and has made many attempts to get it, but while Britain has a man or gun, or shot in the locker—Spain can never hope to possess the Rock, as the old song has it "They shall not have Gibraltar."

Reliable correspondents of journals give harrowing accounts of the fearful cruelties committed by the Russians and Turks on each other. The Russians are increasing their army daily; even in Bulgaria they have 230,000 men under arms, and yet the Turks are more numerous than has been generally believed.

Special to the 'Standard.'

OPENING OF THE LEGISLATURE.

FREDERICTON, Aug. 28.

The House was opened at half past two to-day by the Lieut-Governor; there was no Military parade or salute.

The speech refers wholly to the fire in St. John, with allusion to St. Stephen and Woodstock also.

McKay moved and Fiewelling seconded the Address.

Marshall, a bill for restoration of property in St. John, and give notice of motions to suspend rules to get in private bills relating to St. Andrews Church and Protestant Orphan Asylum.

Humphrey introduced bills to incorporate Moncton Gas and Water Company.

Address in reply to Speech, is to be taken up at eleven o'clock to-morrow.

TRADE PROSPECTS.

The "Scottish American Journal" writing of the fall business says:—"At this season of the year there is, generally more or less discussion on the prospects of the Fall trade. The subject is universally attractive at the present time, in consequence of the long commercial depression from which the country has suffered, and the peculiar, threatening labor crisis through which it is now passing. It is perhaps too early to form any opinion approaching to accuracy; but it is satisfactory to note that so far as inquiries have been made the information obtained warrants the conclusion that a better state of things is about to dawn. The reports of the harvest prospects are generally encouraging. There are good crops, and if the present favorable weather continues for ripening and reaping, the yield will be abundant. This, as one report says, means full pockets, good bank accounts, and a large business. In the banks the reserves continue high, whilst in the prices of stocks there is undoubtedly an upward tendency. Many of the large wholesale houses of the country indicate increased activity; and in some branches of the retail trade more has been done within the last few weeks than formerly. These are hopeful signs; and after the black cloud which has so long thrown its shadow over the country the sun of prosperity may now be about to shine."

NEWS ITEMS.

Fish in the Mississippi near Vicksburg, are dying in large numbers.

Joseph Crosby, of Bosely, Mass., was bitten by a cat eight weeks ago. On Saturday last he died of hydrophobia.

The New York *Witness*—the only religious daily in the United States—has died after sinking more than \$75,000.

A Texas paper reports that all over the State military companies are being organized with amazing rapidity.

Louisiana's corn crop will be the largest since the war; and the crops generally are reported to be excellent throughout the State.

The troops will be withdrawn from the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, the Governors of Maryland and West Virginia considering them no longer needed.

The St. John *Telegraph* estimates that it will cost the Dominion Government upwards of half a million dollars to rebuild the public buildings destroyed there in the recent fire.

A Yankee editor says:—"Send us from every town and county in America poems; send sweet dreamy poems on 'Summer.' Write only on one side of the paper, please. We want the other side of the sheet to write editorials on."

THE MOTHER'S INFERENCE.—How touching is this tribute of the Hon. Thomas H. Benton to his mother's influence:—"My mother asked me never to use tobacco; I have never touched it from that time to the present day. She asked me never to gamble; I cannot tell you I am losing in games that are being played. She admonished me, too, against hard drinking; and whatever capacity for endurance I have at present, and whatever usefulness I have, I attribute to having complied with her pious and correct wishes. When I was seven years of age she asked me not to drink, and then I made a resolution of total abstinence; and that I have adhered to it through all time I owe to my mother."

During the late riot in Chicago, a party of policemen had driven the mob across the bridge near Archer avenue, when some roughs in the rear turned the bridge, cutting off the retreat of the officers, and the crowd in an instant faced about. The situation was critical, but the ruffians who turned the bridge, and then leaped overboard, to be out of harm's way, had left upon it, unnoticed, a brave lad, only nine years old, James O'Neil. Jimmy, seeing what was to be done, sprang to the bar, turned it, regardless of the threats and missiles which assailed him, and slowly swung the bridge into position. The policeman rescued by his courage, cheered him and took up a collection then and there for his benefit.

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by her petition bearing date the second day of
June, instant, represented that the personal es-
tate of the deceased which has come to her hands
is insufficient for the payment of the debts due
and owing by the said Estate, and hath prayed
that Licence may be granted to her to sell a part
of the Real Estate of the said deceased, sufficient
for the payment of the debts due by the said Es-
tate.
You are therefore requested to cite the heirs
at law of the said Simon J. Frankland, and all
other interested, to appear before me at a Court
of Probates, to be held at my office in Saint An-
drews, on SATURDAY the 30th day of JUNE
instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the
consideration of the said petition, and the grant-
ing (if deemed necessary) of such Licence.
Given under my hand and the Seal of the said
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CHAS. D. SMITH, Esq.,
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should ought to go?"

"Yethum."

"Hahnt' I bin kine an' tender with you
an' treated you like my own ehile, which
you is?"

"Yethum."

"Hahnt' I reezoned with yer, an' prayed
wid yer, an' deploied de good Lord to
wrap yer in His buzzum?"

"Yethum."

"An' isn't yer water' detector an'
garden for de law?"

"Yethum."

"Well, den, do yer s'pose I see a gwine
to hab yer morals ruptured by de white
trash? No, sah! Got in de house-
hold, an' if I eber ketch you 'munit-

ing with de white trash any mo', fo' de
Lord, nigger, I broke yer brack head wid
a brick."

DIGNITY OF DEMONSTRATION.—Dignity of demon-

stration should characterize the bench in its inter-

course with the bar. Chief Baron Parker, though a

very honest and very learned man, was a very

undignified judge. When he was delivering

his opinion in the case of *Perrin v. Blake*, he

exclaimed, in a loud tone, "Stare decisi,"

an' gave his desk so severe a rap with his

knuckles that the court rang again. Lord

Camden used frequently to sit in court in a tie

wig, and would garter up his stockings while

the counsel were the most strenuous in their

eloquence. Lord Clare, the Irish Councillor,

had a favorite dog that would often follow him

to the bench. One day, during the argument

of *Mr. Curran's*, his Lordship stooped down

and began to caress the dog. Curran stopped

short in the middle of a sentence; the judge

started. "I beg pardon, my Lord," said the

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