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By Telegraph

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 3.
It is reported that Gladstone will negotiate with the Vatican regarding the Irish question. Romanians adds forty thousand troops to her army.
The Czar has sent the Pope a friendly note expressing hope for better relations with the churches of Russia.
The Shah of Persia has sent the Pope a congratulatory telegram.
A general strike has occurred at the anthracite mines in Wyoming Valley. The Pennsylvania coal traffic will be suspended to-morrow.
Owing to the Fisheries negotiations the Canadian Parliament will not meet till the 23rd February.

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And Canadian Silver taken in payment at par.
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S.U.F.

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THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING of the above Lodge will be held in the Central School Room, on this (THURSDAY) Evening, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.
(By order of the W. M.)
jan3,11 E. H. DAVEY, Secretary.

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40 brls Bright Grocery, "Glebe."
10 brls White.
10 brls Cut Loaf.

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NOTICE.

The Newfoundland Steam Screw Tug Co
LIMITED.

THE SHAREHOLDERS AND OTHERS HAVE this day formed, and do now form, a Company, under the name and style of The Newfoundland Steam Tug Company, Limited, by virtue of the Companies Incorporation Act, 1873. The object of the Company is the towing of vessels and other maritime pursuits. The Capital stock of the Company is \$10,800. The Directors for the first year are the undersigned.
Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland, the 31st day of Dec., A.D., 1887.

P. G. TESSIER,
E. H. HAYWARD,
KENNETH R. PROWSE,
THOS. R. SMITH,
ALEXANDER GRAHAM,
JOHN GREEN.

In presence of D. Jos. GREENE, Solicitor and Notary Public. jan3,11

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G. J. ROWE, Principal.
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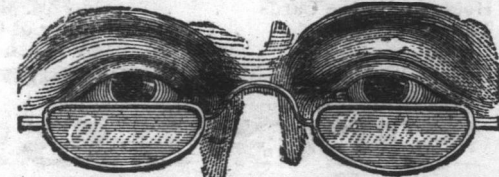
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SHOT ONE OF HIS CREW.

Mutiny on Board a Yankee Ship.

THE CAPTAIN AND HIS STEWARD MAINTAIN AN UNEQUAL FIGHT AGAINST A VARIOUSLY COLORED CREW—A MURDEROUS JAPANESE GIVEN COLD LEAD—TRIAL FOR MURDER.

A STORY of mutiny and death on the Java Sea is brought by the bark Freeman, of Boston, which arrived in that port Saturday, as has already been reported. When about to drop the anchor the police boat Protector steamed alongside, and Captain Gould, with Deputy Marshal Gallupe, climbed on board. The deputy inquired for Captain Howes, and a tall, well-built bronzed man stepped forward.

"I have a warrant for your arrest on the charge of murder," said the Deputy Marshal. "I expected it," said Captain Howes, and he gave himself up at once.

When the party reached the United States Court Captain Howes said to a reporter:

"I have been on the water thirty-one years, and this last trip is the hardest I ever took. I wouldn't go through that experience again for a mint of money. I was alone on the Java Sea; the steward was the only other European on board, and I was the only navigator. My crew had acted strangely, and one man in particular had given me lots of trouble. On Aug. 6 he tried to interfere with my management of the crew. I slapped his face and told him to mind his own business. He grabbed me around the waist and tried to throw me. I broke away from him and he ran into the fore-castle. I went after him to put him in irons, and he ran at me with a marlinespike. Then I shot him in his tracks. I had to do it to save myself and my vessel. If I had not the crew would have quickly overcome me. It was an awful position, and I regret that it was necessary to take life."

Captain Howes said that the man who was killed was one of the most insolent sailors he ever shipped. "I took him aboard at Yokohama," said he. "I was short of hands, and put into that port to strengthen my crew. My first and second mates had left me, and my steward was the only white man aft. I went to several places, but could not find substitutes for them. Among the Japanese sailors was this man Hidakikimatsu. He was a powerful fellow, but only five feet three inches or so high. I waited as long at that port as I dared, and then I cleared for Cebu to discharge my cargo. I didn't know but I might find a mate at that port. I was unfortunate, however, and was obliged to start for home without any officers. It was a big undertaking, and this is the result. I ought not to have tried it. I shipped this sailor on May 28, and didn't have much trouble with him until after we had left Cebu, and were headed for home. I knew that he could speak English almost as well as I could, but when I gave him any orders he would snarl at me in Japanese. Of course, I couldn't tell what he was saying. He took his own time about obeying orders, and I was obliged to speak rather sharply to him more than once. I didn't work him hard because he had been quite sick at Cebu, and I didn't know but that might have affected his mind in some way. I provided a doctor for him there, and told my bos'n to attend to everything he needed. I didn't do anything for him personally, because I didn't think it would be wise. Things went on in this way until Aug. 6. We were then in the middle of the Java Sea, and were sailing under a fair wind. Several times during the day I had occasion to reprimand the man for neglect of orders. I saw that he had been talking with the crew, and that they were getting disorderly. They didn't obey me readily as usual. I saw that trouble was coming and longed for a mate and second officer. I was alone, and if I was injured we would be at the mercy of the wind and waves. Just after dark I told this fellow to do something, and he jabbered away in Japanese. I don't know what he said, but he surely didn't obey my orders. I sprang forward and slapped his face and told him to obey the order, and in the future to mind his own business. He

turned on me like a wild beast. My right hand was disabled through a previous injury, and I couldn't hit him. After a struggle I freed myself, and he ran into the fore-castle.

I ordered the steward to go in and get him and put him in irons. He went in and then ran out again, saying that the man tried to kill him. The crew were crowding around and acted as though they were ready for any mischief. I was scared, but I put on a bold front and walked into the fore-castle. I saw the sailor in the corner. He beckoned to me and called out three times: 'Come in.' I walked toward him and he rushed for me. The place was only about three and a half feet wide, and he was on me in a second. I saw by the dim light that he had something in his hand, but couldn't tell what it was. I was disabled and could not tackle him alone, and none of the crew would help me. The only thing I could do was to shoot him. I had my revolver in my right hand, and as his body came in contact with the muzzle I fired. The bullet went through his breast. He fell like a log, but breathed for twenty minutes. The steward and I stood over him till he died. As soon as I fired the rest of the crew scattered. The next day we buried the man in the sea. I asked the crew if any of them could say a Japanese prayer, but none could do it except the cabin boy. He mumbled something over the body, and then it was cast into the sea. I had no further trouble with the crew. I shipped a new crew at the first port I reached, and then sailed for home. The old crew notified their government of the shooting, and I understand that this arrest is made in accordance with their request. That is the whole story. It was a question of killing or being killed, and I chose the former. I had to consider the safety of my vessel and cargo. I have a small ownership in the vessel, and the rest is owned by Boston merchants. We had a cargo of sugar and hemp, and it was valued at about \$25,000. The ship was worth as much more. I came from Dennis, down on the Cape, and have been at sea thirty-one years, and this is the first serious trouble I ever had with a crew."

LOSS OF THE GIANT RAFT.

The Steamer Miranda Badly Damaged—A Dangerous Obstruction in the Path of Navigation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The raft, on its way here from Nova Scotia, was lost near Newport shoals during a storm on Sunday morning. The steamer Miranda, which had the raft in tow, came near being wrecked, also, and got into Whitestone this morning in a badly damaged condition.

The raft consists of 30,000 pieces of spruce timber. It is held together by a complex system of chains, and required nearly six months to get it prepared for starting. When the immensity of the raft is considered, it can readily be seen why it was that the undertaking was so closely watched by the lumber trade. The importance of the experiment will be appreciated by the outside public when it is learned that to carry this lumber to this city would require nearly 100 schooners, each carrying 100 tons. The loss of the raft involves a very large sum of money. The report of the loss created a good deal of excitement in shipping circles.

Captain Leesman came on from Whitestone about noon, and was found at the office of Baring & Archibald, the contractors for bringing the raft. He was very melancholy and seemed to feel the loss as keenly as though it was his own property. He said that on Sunday night about 11 o'clock, when they were about 11 miles out at sea, the big raft broke loose of the propeller. The fog was very dense, and, though he searched around, he could find no trace of it. He believed from the manner in which the raft parted that it was intact, and especially because he found no drifting logs. No logs are reported at the entrance of Long Island sound, though it is possible that if the raft broke they may have drifted to sea.

But if the raft is intact, it is right in the line of navigation, where, on account of its huge bulk, it would prove a very great danger unless it is recovered. It weighs 9,000 tons, being the largest floating body ever launched upon the ocean. It is considerably longer and wider than the steamship Great Eastern, and 2 1/2 times as heavy. It was built and launched in one of the arms of the bay of Fundy, near Port Joggins.

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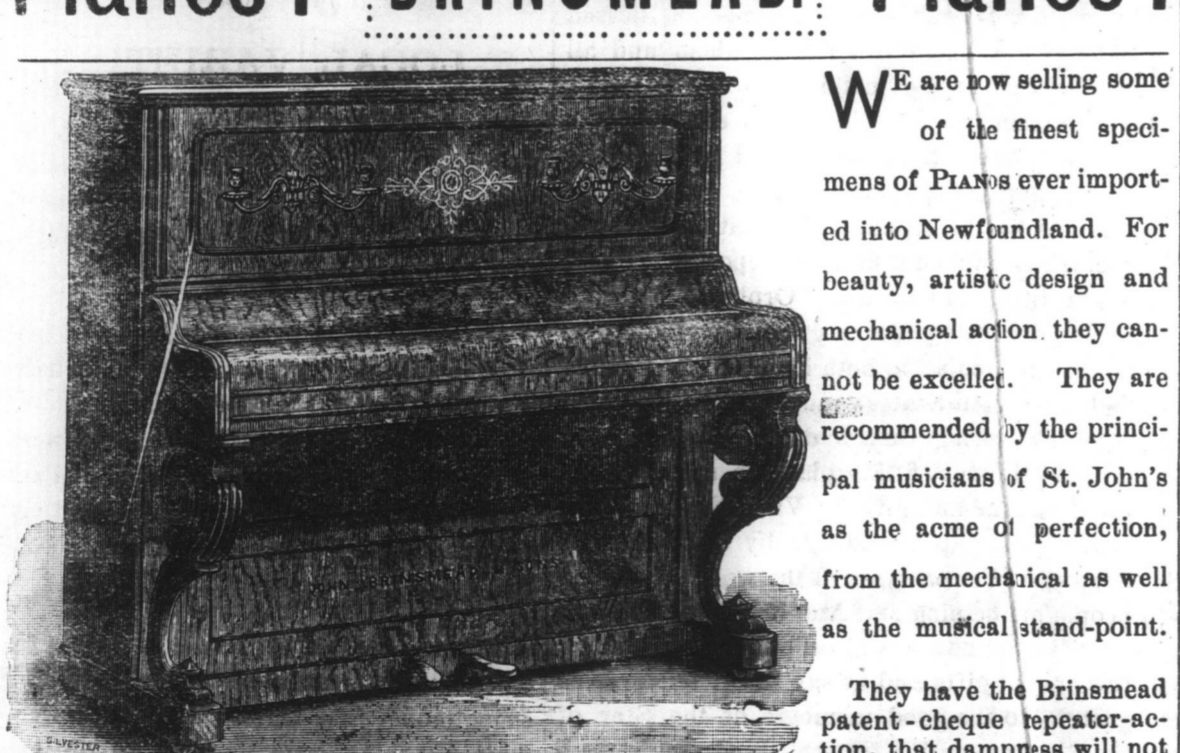
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CHAPTER IX. (Continued.)

'I am frightened at myself,' she thought. 'If I open my heart to this wondrous love, this wondrous happiness, I can never cast it out again; it will be there while my heart beats, either for my happiness or for my misery—my life-long delight, or my life-torture.'

She knew enough of herself to understand that it must be life or death to her; therefore she hesitated to yield herself to the sweet subtle influence—she hesitated to let herself respond to the love that was lavished upon her. But now he had almost conquered her. Why should she hesitate? Why should she shut herself out from this sweet, bright heaven? Why refuse to take the great happiness offered to her?

'He loves me,' she thought; 'he will never—he never can—love any one else as he loves me.'

She would wait just a few days longer, and then she would tell him that she loved him. For she did. Her heart grew warm, her face flushed as she remembered him, as she thought of his words; she knew in her heart that she cared for him—ah, well, perhaps quite as much as he cared for her.

She never forgot the day on which she had her first love-letter. The receipt of a letter was a rare event with her; at long intervals she received one from her brother. But this was a love-letter, full of passionate pleading, of sweet words, of tender expressions—a letter that brought happy tears to her eyes. She read it over and over again, until every word was impressed on her memory. She slept with it under her pillow; and then, some hours after she had received it, she went, trembling and half frightened, to the first volume of "Sir Charles Grandison," there to deposit an answer. Allan smiled as he read it—it was so simple, so naive, yet so eloquent.

The days passed on, and it seemed to him that he wore his heart away in fervent persuasions. He wrote to her every day—he told her all his thoughts. No woman was ever more chivalrously wooed. And then, at intervals, he saw her. Sometimes he overtook her when she was out with the children, and then he could not say much. There were one or two happy interviews stolen in the library. Once or twice she was asked into the drawing-room; and once there was a children's party—and he danced with her.

Each of these meetings was deeply impressed on his mind; he loved her more and more dearly, for she was timid and coy. He could not win any word or promise from her, until one day, when she fancied he looked tired and ill, she chanced to meet him in one of the corridors, and told him so.

'You are right, Margarita,' he said—'I am very unhappy—all through you, it seems to me. You will never care for me—and I am beginning to despair.'

That same evening he found a little note. It contained but a few lines, but those few changed the whole current of his life. 'Dear Allan,' it said, 'do not be unhappy. I do care for you. I love—I must not tell you how much.'

CHAPTER X. For long days after that he could not see her. She avoided him more than ever. He wrote rapturous letters of thanks to her, and she wrote kindly enough to him in return, but he could not see her. It was only by the craftiest stratagem on his part that this was accomplished.

Lady Davenant was rigidly particular about attendance at church. Every Sunday morning the whole household, including visitors, children, and servants, drove over to Laston church, leaving only one or two domestics to attend to the house. Worldly and irregular-living people considered that one of the drawbacks in visiting the Priory was that Lady Davenant never relaxed her rule. Whether it was liked or disliked, it was always expected that all should go.

But one Saturday evening Allan chanced, quite accidentally, to overhear Lady Davenant say that little Maud had a severe cold, and that she must remain at home with her governess.

'I shall remain also,' he thought; but he did not reveal his intention until it was time to start, and then he went to Sir Charles and told him he was not going.

'Why not?' asked the hospitable baronet.

'I have an important reason for remaining at home,' said Allan.

'Love-letters to write?' interrogated Sir Charles, quite unconscious how nearly he had struck the mark. 'Well, you will have to make peace with Lady Davenant afterward. She will most probably give you a lecture, for she likes to see us all good boys.'

It so happened that Lady Davenant did not notice Allan's absence until the whole party were seated in church, and then it was too late to do anything. Mentally, her ladyship called him idle and indifferent. She had not the faintest idea of the real state of the case.

Allan watched them depart in a fever of impatience. He knew that there were only two or three servants left in the house, and that they were engaged in the servants' offices. He had resolved upon a bold step. He would go to the school-room, and ask for Miss Avenel. If, at the very worst, it should become known, he was quite indifferent. In that case, he would boldly tell them all that he wished Miss Avenel to be his wife.

So he went and knocked at the school-room door. It was opened by Margarita herself. He could not doubt but that she loved him when he saw the sudden flush of joy, the light that came into her beautiful eyes, the smile of welcome that parted her beautiful lips. And then she seemed suddenly to recollect herself, and she placed her finger on her lips in token of silence.

'Hush!' she whispered. 'Poor Maud is really ill, and she has just fallen asleep.'

Without one word he took her hand and led her from the room, gently closing the door.

'I do not wish to wake the child,' he said, gently, 'but I am determined to speak to you.'

'If you are determined, you must,' she returned; 'but I cannot talk to you here. I will accompany you to the library, I shall hear then if Maud cries for me.'

'I hope Maud will enjoy the blessing of a long, deep slumber,' he said laughingly, as they entered the library. 'Ah, Margarita—sweet, coy Margarita—I have caught you at last!'

'Mr. Estcourt,' she said, gravely, 'how is it that you are not gone to church?'

'I remain at home purposely to see you. Ah, Margarita, you thought you could escape me—you thought you could evade me! Why are you so cruel to me? Since you wrote that one precious little note you have never looked at me, you have never spoken to me; you have spurned me as though I were your worst enemy instead of your husband that is to be. Why is it?'

'I do not know,' she replied, trying to hide her burning face from him.

'Nor do I know, but it must not occur again. See, I have had to brave Lady Davenant's displeasure in order to have a few minutes with you. Margarita, how am I to thank you for that letter? Did you mean what you wrote? Is it true?'

She was silent for some minutes, then she raised her eyes bravely to his face.

'Yes,' she replied; 'every word is true.'

'And at last you love me with your whole heart?'

'Yes. Oh, do not make me say any more! But I shall; I am too happy to be quite generous. I want you, dear, to lay both your hands in mine and promise to be my wife.'

Her dark eyes raised to his were full of wistful pleading.

'Oh, Allan,' she cried, passionately, 'will you never repent it? Are you quite sure that the time will never come when you will repent having loved and married me?'

'I am quite sure of it,' he answered. 'But I know that I shall repent my whole life long unless you do become my wife.'

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The Evening Telegram

ST. JOHN'S, JANUARY 3, 1888.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

"INDEX"—Your interesting letter on "Government Pap" will appear to-morrow. Why not give the name of the professional gentleman who accosted you on this subject? It would provoke many a smile, especially among the *habitués* of the Court House.

"Flagellate the Tricksters"—We have received your lengthy and incisive communication, and shall give its contents due consideration. Let us see your real name, and we shall have much pleasure in publishing the letter *verbatim et literatim*. It contains nothing that has yet been ashamed of. Indeed, we regard it as one of the ablest and most striking indictments against the present Government that has yet been penned, and it seems a pity to withhold it from the public.

"Inquirer"—We are not aware that Mr. M. T. Knight has "actually made up his mind to resign the office of Financial Secretary and take a seat on the Opposition benches;" but it is true that a report to that effect has been current here for some time past. However, it appears to us about the best thing Mr. Knight could do under existing circumstances. The people of Twillingate district are certainly opposed to the present Government's corrupt policy, and will never again elect Mr. K. or any one else as a supporter of the same. Therefore, if it be his intention to offer himself as a candidate for that important district at the approaching general elections, he had better at once renounce all connection with the "profligate, speculating and played-out Thorburn Administration," as Sir Ambrose Shea's successor in the representation of St. John's East appropriately terms the present Executive. What the "free and independent electors" of Twillingate district want is a team of able and fearless men—men who will take the trouble to make themselves thoroughly acquainted with the requirements of the people and insist upon the same being promptly and carefully attended to. With three good, honest, stalwart representatives on the floors of the Assembly, we'd like to see the Government that would dare to ignore the just claims of Twillingate or any other district. Such a team, we believe, our friends up north are determined to select and elect when next called upon to exercise the rights of the franchise.

The New Year's Holiday.

THE New Year's holiday passed off in almost unprecedented quietude. There can hardly be said to have been any celebration of a social kind of the event, and were it not for processions of the British Society and the Total Abstinence Society, and a couple of arches of evergreens erected in their honor, there was nothing to distinguish the season of jollification from a holiday in any other part of the year. But the home enjoyments of the festival no doubt compensated for the lack of outward display.

Judging by the satisfactory reports of the Water Street dealers who retail the good cheer for Christmas and New Year, the people were in abundant supply of everything to enable them to feast and be merry. Perhaps, after all, this is the main element in the enjoyment of any holiday, but is the *sine qua non* for the due celebration of Christmas and New Year, which is a period of united family gatherings around the festive board and the old hearthstone, the cultivation and renewal of ties of kindred—ties which the selfishness and avariciousness of modern manners, with their morbid appetite for wealth and social position, tend to weaken and sunder forever. It is this spirit of reunion that was doubtless the basis of the custom of making New Year's calls. It was noticeable, however, that this observance is losing its hold, and in a few years will be, so far as our little world is concerned, a thing of the past. What the cause of it is 'twere difficult to say—it may be that the custom of visiting is becoming too ceremonious, surrounded by too much formality; or it may be that in this small town we all see and know each other too well to be under the obligation of making special visits.

The turn-outs of the two societies referred to were occasions of genuine popular demonstrations. The British Society had attended Divine worship in St. Andrew's Church, where they listened to an eloquent sermon by the Rev. W. Graham, and, at the conclusion of the services, formed into line and walked through the principal streets. They called *en route* on His Excellency the Governor, who reviewed their ranks and addressed them in words of warm congratulation. The President of the Society proposed three hearty cheers for the Governor and Mrs. Blake, which were given with a will. In the afternoon the Total Abstinence Society, with the Juvenile Branch, enjoyed their annual parade—the weather being delightful. They called upon His Lordship Dr. Power and the clergy, and were received in the cathedral—the Bishop delivering a short address full of congratulation and good augury. On their way through the town they halted before Government House and greeted His Excellency and Mrs. Blake with repeated cheers, which the Governor acknowledged in a happy reply. In the evening there were several private dancing parties, and a public assembly in one of our halls was patronized by a large number.

FAREWELL TO 1887.

Some Prominent Features of the Closing Year.

ARTICLE V.

THE remedy proposed by the President of the United States for his depleted treasury is a reduction in the duties on imported goods; the excise, or internal revenue duties being not, in his opinion, excessive. It will thus be seen that the President is opposed to free whiskey, although a friend to free trade. The change of public opinion on this point in the two countries, Britain and the United States, is remarkable, the tendency in Britain being now towards protection, while Uncle Sam, on the other hand, is making tracks in the direction of unrestricted commerce. The growth of trade in the latter country during the present century is one of the marvels of the world, being only paralleled by that of our Australian colonies. One of the least important states, for instance, the southern state of Florida, has increased its assessable wealth in seven years at the rate of 163 per cent., from 29 millions of dollars in 1879, to 76 millions in 1886. Other states, the very names of which are almost unknown in England, such as Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Washington and Oregon, show a similar marvellous increase, while the great grain states bordering on the lakes, of older settlement, are accumulating wealth and population in a like ratio. What the country will become when fully occupied we may form some idea of from the consideration of the fact that one state alone—Texas—contains a number of square miles sufficient to form a country as large as the United Kingdom nearly twice over, or nearly one-third larger than the whole German Empire. Considering that the population of the United States has increased in fifty years from 13 to 50 millions; and that the population of the whole of Germany does not exceed the latter sum, we may form some idea of what the population of that country will be which contains one state out of 46 that is able to accommodate a population larger than that of the German Empire. We may add that the United States have gained an increase of population of ten millions during the last half century from immigration only.

While it is pleasing to notice this vast growth of dear old Britain's elder offspring in the North Atlantic, it is equally gratifying to observe the progress made by its younger child on the opposite side of the globe, in the South Pacific. Part of that great island-continent, Australia, which has hitherto been governed as a crown settlement, is about to be erected into an independent colony, having made the latest application to the imperial mother for the rights of self-government. West Australia is a country of enormous dimensions, 1,500 miles long and 850 miles broad, with an area of one million square miles, an area which makes it four times the size of Texas and eight times as large as the United Kingdom. This great tract of country is almost unpopulated, and contains at present but 30,000 inhabitants, so that, assuming it to be able to support a population equal to that of the British Isles, in proportion to its area, it may yet entertain a population of 200,000,000. A glance at the map will show that this portion of Australia is but one-third of the great island, whose western coast is laved by the waters of the Indian Ocean. As Britain's colonial and foreign possessions now embrace about one-third of the surface of the entire globe, and nearly a fourth of its population, there is not likely to be much lack of either land or people beneath the protecting folds of the Union Jack for some time to come.

Another of the Saxon mother's progeny has lately taken a distinct start in the race of competitive progress; we mean our left-handed neighbor, Canada. The Pacific Railway, now completed, has given her a thoroughfare to that ocean, and made the "great lone land" a highway for oriental travellers and commerce. Concurrently with that territorial development, Britain's northern daughter has inaugurated a vigorous stimulation of her own natural domestic commerce, and, under the masterly leadership of Sir John McDonald, a bold son of Caledonia, has "protracted" a vast wealth of domestic manufactures into active existence, supplementing both these "steps in the right direction" by an "encouraged" stream of emigration thitherward, which is now going on. Of the growth of this great empire in the future there can be little doubt, under these favorable conditions, a fact which should give encouragement to us, who have to contend with the same difficulties of climate, and the refrigerating influence of a six months' winter. This new Scotland will be, and is, largely colonized with a class of inhabitants translated from the Northern latitudes of Europe, and therefore accustomed to similar climatic conditions, and qualified to "flourish amid the snows." The hard hand of industry and the indomitable energy of the Anglo-Saxon arm will evolve flowers from the wilderness and wheat from the arid breast of winter, as they

have already done under equally difficult conditions elsewhere, thus proving that it is the hardy race, and not the easy circumstances, that makes the successful colony.

The rate of "progress" thus begun in Canada cannot now be allowed to abate without the imminent risk of panic and collapse, the great problem of our neighbors being, can they promote the occupation of their waste lands and provide a productive population fast enough to back up the policy of progress and honor its drafts on maturity? Sir John knows that "the policy" will last out his day, at all events, and it will be for his successors in office to meet the obligations his ambitious enterprise involves. Meanwhile we cannot but admire the bold dash for success exhibited in this latest, and, to us, nearest, scheme of colonization, and, while we watch with interest its gradual development, give a whole-souled British cheer for the brave pioneers who are carrying forward the standard of our beloved country.

At various times we have been urged to unite our fortunes with this New Dominion, and to merge our autonomy in its westward-setting star of empire. Like most great questions, much may be said on both sides of it, there being considerations for and against Confederation that weigh with different classes of people as various as are the conclusions they arrive at. Certain it is that the steps of Canada have been our footsteps for the last twenty years, although we follow at a distance, like a poor relation. Considering that this "poor relation" would have to contribute, under Confederation, an equal per capita to the common sum of taxation, without having an equal share in the benefits of the whole, the experiment appears to lack that element of equitability which forms the substance of most partnerships. The argument advanced by some that adversity should drive us into the sheltering arms of the larger country, seems to want logical force, in view of the same fact, for a dowryless bride before marriage is apt, in political alliances, to become a neglected spouse after it. If we could demonstrate our own capacity as a colony to support our population, and to show a surplus revenue without unduly taxing them, we might open negotiations with the wealthier state on an equal footing and obtain that measure of justice we can now neither demand nor hope for. It is to be feared the policy of statesmen ruling here since representative government was introduced has been in direct opposition to this goal, and has aimed at such a local prostration of this colony as would make Confederation the sole solution of its career. At all events the agony of taxation has been piled on with merciless and ceaseless iteration, and its products have been scattered with the recklessness of a gambler playing his last card before surrendering the game. Thus our population have fled to countries as highly taxed as Newfoundland would be under Confederation, and is now, but possessing more natural and industrial advantages, leaving us a colony without Confederation, and themselves a people without a home.

THE BAIT QUESTION AGAIN.

Letter from Harbor Mille on the Subject.

SIR,—In perusing your journal of the 11th inst., I notice a letter from Mr. A. B. Morine, M.H.A. We think also with him that the learned Judge has too high a sense to express his own opinion on the "Bait Bill." What are we then to understand if no licences are to be issued for nothing more than to provide our own Bank fishermen with sufficient bait to enable them to prosecute their laborious avocations? Goodness knows they eke out a scanty livelihood enough now by their exertions; and again to be denied the bait that swarm in their own waters is something monstrous. Why, such legislation was never before heard of. If licences be issued, it will be a monopoly business in this district. Few, if any, but merchants and traders have the means to pay for a licence.

Let, sir, some of the promoters of this consort bill pay their fare per *Curlew* to this Bay (if they have the good of the country at heart), and judge for themselves as to my assertions. I have not resided in the district a number of years without knowing its financial condition. We are now on the eve of the frozen herring business. What is the will and pleasure of the promoters of said Bill with regard to us? It is time now we should know. Again, they say benefits will be derived from their labors in compiling such a Bill. Prove it to us in a clear, business-like way. Then and not till then will we give them a helping hand for the common good. Thanking you for space, I am, sir,

Yours very truly,
EXCELSIOR.
Harbor Mille, Nov. 30, 1887.

The members of George Street Methodist choir are requested to attend the service to-night in George Street Church,

LETTER FROM FATHER MORRIS.

ST. THOMAS'S HOME, VILLA NOVA,
New Year's Eve.
Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—Will you please allow me the use of the columns of your paper to say a few words of thanks to the many good friends who thought so kindly of the little orphan boys at Villa Nova and sent us such nice rich Christmas gifts?

I am glad to be able to say that we were all in much better spirits at Villa Nova and much better able to appreciate the gifts sent this year than last. Last Christmas we had ever so many little fellows laid low with measles; Christmas Eve, 1887, when we sang the *Adeste Fideles*, we mustered nearly 100, and not so much as one on the sick list. Therefore, when we saw the piled up quarters of beef sent us by Judge Little, Captain and Mrs. Cleary, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgibbon, John Henderson, Esq., Mr. and Mrs. Cantwell, Mr. and Mrs. Fenelon, John Casey, Esq., and Mr. and Mrs. O'Mara, we felt like singing, as we hauled it home: "O, the Roast Beef of Old England, and O, the Old England Roast Beef." Barrels of flour and boxes of raisins from W. R. Firth, Esq., Mrs. Stafford and Mr. Doyle, gave us visions of unlimited quantities of "sweet bread" and figgy pudding; the turkeys from J. D. Ryan, Esq., and Mr. Morris, and the apples and dough-nuts from W. P. Walsh, Esq., gave us the extras for our Christmas dinner. The sweet loaves sent us by Mr. and Mrs. Fitzpatrick were as good in quality as they were many in number, and almost our only regret was that there was not enough of ice and snow to use the beautiful toboggans and slides and skates sent us by Miss Gleeson. Notwithstanding the rise in market prices, there was no decrease in the annual gift from Messrs. James and John Fox. The envelopes that brought us a Christmas greeting from Mrs. A. Jack, Richard Fennell, Esq., Miss Carroll, J. J. O'Reilly, Miss Keefe, and Miss Collins, contained something more substantial than Xmas cards; and when I add that the mail from St. Pierre brought us \$20 from Joseph Benning, Esq., "a little offering towards the goodwork of sheltering and educating orphan boys," and a like one from Mrs. Gorman,—why, I almost wished that there was no Bait Bill to vex and annoy.

I hope I am not breaking confidence if I say that nothing touched me more than a pretty note from a little friend who, enclosing £5, wrote, "this is from mamma, and you are to do whatever you like with it." As my little friend wrote "strictly private" across her note, I am not able to mention her name, or that of her good mother, but all the same, the Blessed Babe of Bethlehem will reward them and all who help the orphan children.

In conclusion, I would like to say that the reason I have not acknowledged in the daily papers during the year the many gifts I have received for the orphanage is that, as we have decided to publish a financial report every year in our little annual, the "Orphan's Friend," and as our little paper is gradually gaining an increased circulation both here and in Canada and the United States, and as the little annual is more enduring than a daily paper, I have thought the most fitting place to acknowledge the donations and gifts to Villa Nova will be in that little paper, and side by side with the account of the progress of the work these good people are helping on. And if I break through the rule just now it will be only to mention a few special gifts and to say that I felt ever so grateful to the good members of the Star of the Sea Association for their kindness in placing at our disposal their splendid hall for our lecture and concerts, and the members of the Total Abstinence Society were equally kind. During the year I received through my friend, Miss Gleeson, £30, proceeds of coffee party in T. A. Hall, and from Mrs. Hutton £40, proceeds of concert in Star of the Sea Hall. R. Holden, Esq., gave us a jubilee gift of £10, with a promise of repeating it in the years to come, and if we do not make good biscuit in our bakery at Villa Nova, it will not be Mr. Frank St. John's fault, who supplied us with some necessary machinery. It would seem out of place, I dare say, even at the end of a year, if I thank our good Bishop for his unvarying kindness to Villa Nova, seeing that he is the beginning and end of the young institution; but I would like to say that many of the priests have imitated his noble example. To the many gentlemen in business establishments who, during the year, have shown us kindness and given us their valuable patronage, we send a glad New Year's greeting, for to all our dear friends at home and abroad we will pray earnestly that 1888 may come to them freighted with the *spolia opima*, and that they may be blessed by the good God to their hearts' desire.

Faithfully yours,
MICHAEL P. MORRIS.

Two foreign arrivals, one with P.E.I. produce and one with coal, were the only entries since Saturday night. Two brigantines were signalled this afternoon.

By Telegraph

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 2.
Italian Liberals have made a demonstration at Florence in favor of Gladstone.

Germany and Austria have asked Belgium to join the triple alliance. England asks guarantees for the execution of the treaties, guaranteeing the neutrality of Belgium.

Snow storms throughout Europe continue, impeding travel.

All European Governments and learned societies agree to unite in the celebration of Columbus' discovery of America.

Five Allan steamers were at Halifax on Saturday.

Dr. McKenzie reports that the malignant symptoms in the Crown Prince's throat have disappeared. The case is hopeful but protracted.

Rome, yesterday, in honor of the Pope's jubilee, presented a magnificent appearance. St. Peter's Cathedral was packed. Forty-eight cardinals and two hundred and eighty-eight bishops attended mass. The Pope fainted twice, remaining unconscious a few minutes.

FROM CAPE RACE.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)
CAPE RACE, This Evening.

A gale of wind is blowing from the north-west and the weather is cloudy. The brigantine "Miriam" was off the Cape last evening, bound inward. Nothing has been sighted to-day.

ANOTHER LETTER OF THANKS.

Editor Evening Telegram.

SIR,—Will you kindly insert the following letter of thanks? Will all the friends, merchants, public, and shipmasters who so very kindly subscribed to the brief of the late Captain Paul, of the *Emulator*, to enable the widow and orphans to return to their native home, Penzance, Cornwall, England, please accept their very best thanks and well wishes; and I may here say that in all cases every one that I asked came forward nobly, except in two instances. Also the widow very kindly thanks Captain Skardon, of the *Spark*, for his kindness in collecting amongst the shipmasters. Our efforts have been rewarded with the handsome sum of £29 11s. 6d., cy.; and should any person feel desirous to see the lists, they can do so by calling on board my vessel, the *Minnie*, of St. Ives. By inserting this letter you will oblige
HENRY ROW,
In behalf of Mrs. Paul.

St. John's, 2nd Jan'y, 1888.

LOCAL VARIETIES.

THE Rev. H. J. Wood of Montreal, who is on a short visit to St. John's, preached on Sunday last in the Congregational Church in the morning and St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in the evening.

WATCH services of more than usual interest were held in the Methodist Churches here on Saturday night. Appropriate addresses, specially prepared for the occasion, were delivered at Cochrane Street by Rev. J. Parkins, at Gower Street by Rev. George Boyd, and at George Street by Rev. G. Bond, B.A. All the services were well attended.

THE teachers of St. Patrick's gave a felicitous little entertainment to the public in the school-house last night. It was musical, elocutionary and dramatic, the "Irish Tutor," and Mr. Doyle, who has a rich vein of humor in his composition that kept the audience in roars, being the farce and the leading player. Mr. Jackman contributed a great deal to the success of the performance, and the other members displayed marked talent for the stage. Misses Mahoney, Rafus and Jackman gave some charming vocal selections. Mr. Doyle's song and hornpipe were the last things of their kind on the amateur stage; both were done to perfection.

BIRTH.

This morning, the wife of M. F. Smyth, machinist, of a son.
January 1st, the wife of R. H. Rice, of a son.

MARRIED.

On the 27th ultimo, at Briggs, by Rev. James Dove, Mr. James E. Ellis, of St. John's, son of the late Wm. H. Ellis, Esq., M.H.A., to Jessy E., third daughter of the late George Gushue, Esq., of H. M. Customs, Briggs.
On the 30th ultimo, at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, by the Rev. Wm. Forristall, Mr. William Cullen, of Bay Roberts, to Mary Ann, relict of the late Augustus Villeneuve, of St. John's.
On the 30th ultimo, at the residence of Mr. Garland, Lazy Bank, by the Rev. Geo. J. Bond, Mr. Silas E. Soper, of Carbonar, to Miss Sophia Catherine O. Carter, of Greenspond.
On the 31st ultimo, at the Methodist Parsonage, Hamilton street, by the same, Mr. Frederick McNeven, of Halifax, N.S., to Miss Rosanna Bryan, St. John's.

DIED.

Yesterday, 2nd inst., Edward Power, Esq., a native of the city of Waterford, Ireland, aged 94 years; funeral to-morrow, Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, No. 220 Water Street.
This morning, Mrs. Frances McNamara, aged 79 years; funeral on Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., from her late residence, Theatre Hill.
On the 1st inst., after a long and painful illness, Jas. Kirby, aged 85 years; funeral on Wednesday next, from his late residence Old Cove Road; friends and acquaintances will please attend without further notice.