









Johnston, 1st: A. E. Johnston, W. A. McFate, 2nd; 1/2 bushel apples—B. McFate and Henry Beyer.

MANUFACTURES. Three pairs socks—N. Stephenson, 2nd; D. Connolly, 2nd; M. McEwen, 2nd.

ST. MARTIN'S FAIR. St. Martin's agricultural show No. 54 held their annual show on the 15th inst. on the grounds of the Martins Trotting Park.

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FARM PRODUCE. Pumpkin—Geo. Mosher, 1st; Robert Mosher, 2nd; M. R. Daly, 3rd.

Long orange carrot—Geo. Mosher, 1st; J. B. Howard, 2nd; W. F. Mosher, 3rd.

White turnip—C. F. Black, 1st; J. B. Howard, 2nd; W. F. Mosher, 3rd.

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Meeting of the St. John S. S. Association Thursday, 14th Inst.

Encouraging Reports Submitted—The Officers Elected—Some Brief Addresses.

The St. John Sunday School Association met in Brussels street Baptist church Sunday school room on 14th inst., the president, T. S. Simms, in the chair.

The president then delivered a report. This he said, was an age of great activity, but there was a lack of organization.

There were 6 normal classes in 1896, now there are 12, with 488 members. Then there were 81 officers and teachers, now 94; then there were 7,838 in the schools, now 9,713; then there were 146 in the home classes, now 337.

Another report read by Mr. Machum related to the formation of the superintendent of the examinations, Mr. Thompson reported for the primary union, stating that a meeting is held every Friday afternoon, and has proved of very great advantage to all who participate.

The secretary reported for the home class department, showing that whereas there were 3 classes with 166 members last year, there are now 15 with 337 members.

President—W. J. Parks; vice president, A. J. Heath; secretary, B. R. Machum; asst. secretary, Miss P. Vant; treasurer, J. Hunter White; executive, Baptists—T. S. Simms, W. J. Thompson; Methodists—W. D. Basden; Miss M. L. D'Orsay; Miss Tennant; Presbyterians—Alex. Watson, Mrs. A. Manuel; Reformed Baptist—E. Connon; Episcopal—Walker H. Smith, Rev. W. O. Raymond; Congregational—W. Pfeiffer; Baptist of Christ—J. W. Barnes; F. C. Baptist—James Patterson.

Mr. Parks was escorted to the chair and thanked the association for the honor conferred. He showed receipts of \$47.78, expenditure \$27.97, balance \$19.81. The receipts from the provincial fund were \$38.48, and that from the county and \$167.50 collected by Rev. A. Lucas. Report referred to audit committee.

THE ABERDEENS.

The Vice-Regal Party Given a Heartly Welcome to the Border City.

Civic Address—A Drive About the Town and Into the Suburbs.

ST. STEPHEN, Oct. 18.—Lord and Lady Aberdeen and party arrived here by special train at 1.30 this morning. At 1.30 they were waited upon by a delegation headed by Mayor Whitlock and members of the town council and including officials and prominent citizens of St. Stephen, Milltown, Calais and surrounding districts.

The vice-regal party stepped upon the platform. Three heroic cheers were given for Lord Aberdeen and three for her excellency. Mayor Whitlock read the following address: To His Excellency the Right Honourable John Campbell Hamilton Gordon, Earl of Aberdeen, Governor General of Canada.

May it please your excellency—The mayor and town councillors of the town of St. Stephen, in behalf of the inhabitants of the town and parish of St. Stephen, most heartily welcome the presence of the official representative of our sovereign lady in the government of Canada, and as an illustrious statesman of her majesty's wide empire. In this year of national rejoicing, when the people of these border towns have joined with their fellow subjects throughout the Queen's dominion, and with their kindred in the neighboring republics to celebrate the completion of the sixtieth year of her most gracious majesty's sovereignty, they welcome this visit with peculiar pleasure, recognizing in your excellency one whose counsels have materially aided in upholding and extending her majesty's sway and adding to the triumph of her glorious reign.

The mayor and councillors, on behalf of the town, also most cordially welcome Her Excellency the Countess of Aberdeen, whose good works are known throughout the land, and whose kindly interest in the weak and suffering will not cease to be a blessing to the thousands of miles of the two countries, and yet nowhere, in all the length and breadth of the dominion, a more loyal and devoted people than here in the valley of the St. John.

With an assurance of the continuance of the loyalty and devotion her excellency's throne and person, a renewed assurance of welcome to your excellency, in the most respectfully and dutifully submitted.

PREPARED FOR SQUALLS. "What," asked the druggist, "do you intend to do with this chloroform?" "Oh," said the three-looking man, "I want to get a little sleep to-night. My baby of mine has kept me awake for nearly a week now."

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THE BRUTAL SPANIARDS.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—The Daily Chronicle this morning comments on the death in Cuba last week of W. Hughes, correspondent of Black and White of London, who is said to have started to die in the streets of Havana after having been maltreated and robbed by a party of Spanish guerrillas.

Hughes was found dead on the Prado last Tuesday night. He had recently visited Pinar del Rio with a pass from the military governor. It is said that while there a party of Spanish guerrillas in broad daylight in the presence of Spanish officers, assaulted and robbed him everything he had except his clothes. Hughes, it is alleged, appealed to the military commander for help and demanded the restitution of his property, but was only laughed at. He was obliged to walk the entire distance to Havana and reached the city ragged and starving. Having lost his passport, he could not establish his identity or communicate with friends in England. He starved to death in the streets.

Hughes had earned an excellent reputation as a war correspondent in Africa, having followed the Sudan expedition, and also travelled in various parts of the world as a retired British army surgeon. The case had been reported to the British consul at Havana.

NAME SUGGESTED ITSELF. (From the Chelmsford Recorder.) "Why do you follow me all the mountain 'Cath Hill'?" asked the tourist. "Because," said Pledge Bill, "it can't be seen."

ONE HONEST MAN. Dear Editor—Please readers, that if driven to concealment, I will mail in a sealed letter, portions of an offering from nervous debility, neural weakness, slight loss and weak memory, and a few other ailments, and will make this certain means of cure known to all sufferers. I believe that the universal brotherhood of mankind is the only one that can be maintained, and that the only one that can be maintained, and that the only one that can be maintained.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., OCTOBER 27, 1897.

A MAN OF MYSTERY.

Since the death of Horace Greeley Charles A. Dana has been the most conspicuous American journalist. The New York Sun is regarded by the American press as an ideal newspaper...

A SERIOUS CHARGE.

The valued Telegraph makes a serious charge against the correspondent who furnished the report of Mr. Blair's banquet speech to the government press. The charge is stated in these words:

reports of the New Brunswick legislature and frequent political correspondent and editorial writer for the St. John Telegraph. It is the same report that appears in all the other government daily papers...

A P. E. ISLAND DIFFICULTY.

The retirement of Mr. Peters, leader of the Prince Edward Island government, has occasioned some distress and confusion in local political circles.

CONCERNING MR. DANA.

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February—Pledged, \$40; paid, \$39.85, or \$0.15 less than '06.

March—Pledged, \$75; paid, \$69, or \$6.07 less than '06.

April—Pledged, \$250; paid, \$200.90, or \$49.10 less than last year.

The total receipts amounted to \$418.10, and the expenditures \$2,654.42.

The chairman then announced that as Mr. Lawrence was anxious to leave for his home Thursday afternoon...

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What the Mount Allison Girls Said to Lady Aberdeen, Lady Aberdeen,

And What Lady Aberdeen Said to the Mount Allison Girls.

Following is a copy of the address presented to Lady Aberdeen by students of the Mt. Allison Ladies' College...

It is highly gratifying to us to know of your excellency's deep interest in the promotion of the cause of higher education for young women...

Our sympathy and interest has been directed to your excellency's untiring efforts in behalf of the sick and suffering...

We also deem it an honor and privilege to extend a warm welcome to His Excellency Lord Aberdeen...

Because of the presence of both your excellencies on this occasion, the year 1897—memorable in the national history...

THE PRESBYTERY. KEMP MORE SHEEP. Every farmer ought to keep more sheep, say twenty sheep on a hundred-acre farm...

THE ST. JOHN PRESBYTERY met on the 19th instant in the school room of St. Andrew's church...

THE AUGMENTATION COMMITTEE presented its report to the presbytery...

JUDGE STEVENSON reported on the right of presbytery to change the date of congregational meetings...

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GEORGE M. PULLMAN DEAD. CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—George H. Pullman, the inventor of the sleeping car, died at his residence in this city...

HEADS THAT ACHE. Heads that ache can be made bright, clear and free from pain by using Buckle Head Brilla...

THE STORM SEVERE. The Worst Passage on Record—Six Vessels Lost Off the Labrador Coast.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Oct. 18.—The British steamer Bonavista, Captain Fraser, from Montreal, arrived here today after the worst passage in her record...

SHE CHANGED HER MIND. Penelope—Bridget, when Mr. Hickey calls her again I want you to be more polite to him...

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SONS OF TEMPERANCE ANNIVERSARY. Lakeside Division, S. of T., held its first anniversary in their new hall, Lakeside, Kings county, last evening...

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A DOWNWARD PATH.

DR. TALMAGE'S WARNING AGAINST RUNNING INTO DEBT.

The Evil Influence of Social Life That Drive Men "Like an Ox to the Slaughter" - Towards of Honesty and Industry.

Rev. Dr. Talmage preached on Sunday morning from Proverbs vi, 22, "As an ox to the slaughter..."

We are apt to blame young men for being deluged when we ought to blame the influences that destroy them. Society slanders a great many young men by the heathen: "You must keep up appearances..."

The Bible distinctly says the borrower is servant of the lender. It is a bad state of things when you have to go down some other street to escape meeting someone whom you owe.

But I think more young men are deluged through irregularity. Take away a young man's religion, and you make him the prey of evil. We all know that the Bible is the only perfect system of morals...

A steamer 1500 miles from shore with broken rudder and lost compass and hulk leaking 50 gallons the hour is better off than you are...

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Being a young man and tell me what his physical health is and what his mental caliber and what his habits, and I will tell you what will be his destiny...

When a young man willfully and of choice having the comfort of his credit, he knows not into what he goes. The creditors get after the debtor, the pack of hounds in fact cry, and the dog is a reminder!

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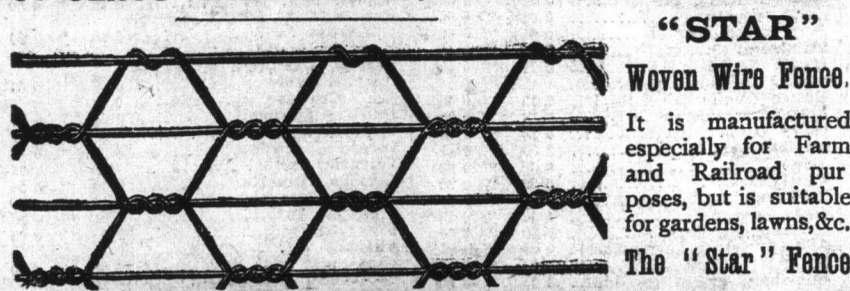
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OTTAWA, Oct. 19.—Crazed with liquor and carrying a 32 calibre revolver, Ferdinand Carrier, who had from Rimouski, started down Wellington street this morning, scattering people on all sides. As he neared the Club he commenced crying: "I am after the Minister, and I will shoot him," at the same time pulling the hammer of his revolver, which went off with a loud report. Constables McEwan and Joliat met Carrier near the United States consular office, where he was still flourishing his revolver and looking for Premier Levesque. He was stopped and taken to the police station, where four of the six chambers were loaded, and in his pocket were found two boxes of cartridges.

Under the new regulation of the government of the retirement of commanding officers of regiments, seventy officers will step down this year or next. The change is generally approved, as it will give a chance of promotion. Thanksgiving day has been definitely fixed for Thursday, November 25th. The marine department has made a grant from the shipwrecked sailors fund of \$10 to each of the sailors of the Quebec schooner Eugene, which was wrecked off Langan, C. B. An order in council has been passed revising the value of foreign currencies for customs purposes. After the inauguration of the Drummond railway Hon. Mr. Tarte will make a trip to New York to inspect the harbor. W. B. Campbell, of Kenilworth, president of the Dominion Atlantic Railway and Steamship company, is here today on business with the government. He said he was willing to take \$100,000 for the amount fixed to each of the railroads as the equivalent for the company's surrender of its charter privilege to import free of customs duties supplies for use on the railway. Parliament will be asked to deal with the question.

OTTAWA, Oct. 20.—Dr. Borden received a cablegram from the colonial office this morning, stating that on Lord Lansdowne's instructions a medal will be issued to all who participated in the Fenian raid in Canada in 1868 and in the Northwest expedition in 1870. The message adds that those who had been engaged in the subsequent Fenian raids will not be entitled to a second medal, but will have a suitable clasp attached to the first medal. The medal will be the same as was issued to those taking part in the quelling of the Northwest rebellion in 1865, except that it will bear no other inscription than the word "Canada." The expense of striking the medals will be borne by the dominion.

General Montgomery Moore was sworn in as administrator today. The range lights have been put in operation at the mouth of eastern harbor, Cheticamp, C. B. Writes for three federal by elections, Temiscouata, Rimouski and Drummond and Arthabaska were issued today. Nomination in each case takes place on November sixth, polling one week later.

In view of the complications which have arisen in connection with the Atlantic mail service, it is announced that the government is disposed to receive further propositions for performing this service for the coming year.

OTTAWA, Oct. 21.—The order in council fixing Thanksgiving day for Nov. 25th has been made. The government is being urged on all hands to make it two weeks earlier and that Canada is under no obligations to follow the lead of the United States in this matter.

Under the terms of the Dairy act of last session, which provided among other things for the registration of cheese factories and creameries, a register was opened a few days ago by

the department of agriculture. As a result numerous applications for registration certificates have been received from all the provinces. Over 200 have passed through Prof. Robertson's hands, and at the rate at which they are coming in will soon reach a thousand. The act provides that the person to whom a registration number is assigned shall have exclusive right to use it to designate the dairy products he manufactures. This means that he obtains free of cost what is practically a trade mark, under which he may make a name for the butter or cheese he puts on the market.

OTTAWA, Ont., Oct. 22.—The trade returns for September, which will appear in the Canada Gazette tomorrow, show exports valued at \$4,947,985, an increase of \$3,841,045. The increase is general, consisting of products of the mine, lumber, agricultural products and animals and their products. The imports for the month are valued at \$13,071,115, an increase of \$729,007. The customs revenue increased \$98,874; increase in exports for the quarter over last year amounts to a total of \$9,264,914. The imports, however, are practically stationary. The duties collected in the quarter shows only an increase of \$83,000.

Chief Justice McLean, of Bengal, acknowledging the final statement of the Canadian contributions to the India famine fund, says that outside of Britain and India, Canada was the largest contributor. He believes the result will tend to the unification of the empire, joining the people of India that the other subjects of her majesty take a warm interest in her.

Hon. Mr. Joly is endeavoring to the introduction of the metric system in Canada. He has prepared sets of instruments from Paris and will present them to the normal and training schools so as to make the teachers familiar with the system.

OTTAWA, Oct. 24.—The customs department yesterday issued the consolidated and amended regulations respecting the entry of goods under the reciprocal tariff. Two new points are embodied in the order. The obligation on the exporter to make a declaration that the goods are the product of the country, and entitled to reciprocal rate, before a magistrate, notary, etc., is abolished, and "substituted with a certificate" substituted. In other words, the exporter may make a declaration before one of his own employees. This change is made because it has been found in England that all these official charges are for making a declaration, varying from one to five shillings, which the importer eventually had to pay. Both the Canadian importer and consumer will benefit from this change. The second new point is the substitution for the exporter's declaration, a declaration by the importer when the goods are of less value than ten dollars for the whole importation.

OTTAWA, Oct. 25.—The new issue of postage stamps will be on sale about December first. They bear the vignette of the Queen as she appears today, not as at coronation. The color of the ones, three and five will be changed in accordance with the postal union regulations, to green, red and blue respectively. The other denominations are unchanged. The American Bank Note Co. will print them.

A telegram from Victoria stating that the government has decided to revoke the regulation allowing prospectors to take one hundred pounds of goods into the Klondyke country free of duty, is emphatically denied at the customs department.

St. Louis Davies today purchased for \$1,000 the residence of Sir John Carling on Metcal street. Reports received at the department of agriculture indicate the later arrival of Canadian fruit in England, much more successful than the earlier ones. The pears, peaches and tomatoes sold well. The grapes were also in good condition, but apt to drop from the stems.

WINDSOR FIRE SUFFERERS.

Money Still Being Received at the Mayor's Office and Other Places.

The Suspected Fire Fiends Under Examination Before Magistrate Farquhar Monday.

(From Daily Sun, Saturday, Oct. 23.) The work of forwarding assistance to the Windsor sufferers still goes on. Yesterday a large number of ladies were at work making underclothing from cotton and flannelettes donated by Wm. Parks & Son.

Andrew's rink will be opened all day for the purpose of making garments for the Windsor sufferers and any lady who wishes to help will be welcome.

The Canadian Drug Company having learned that drugs of various kinds were much needed, telegraphed Mayor Smith and received a reply to the effect that a donation would be acceptable. Yesterday four large boxes were made up and go forward to the care of Mayor Smith this morning. The Canadian Drug Company previously contributed \$100 to the fund.

A meeting of the North End Polymorphians is called for at C. F. Brown's, Main street, on Monday, 25th Oct., at 8 o'clock, to consider the best means to supply funds for the relief of the Windsor sufferers.

A lecture will be delivered by Rev. J. de Soyres on Wednesday evening, Oct. 27, on the "Story of the Huguenots" at St. John's church school house. It will be free, and a collection will be taken for the Windsor relief fund.

No. 3 fire company has placed in the hands of Chief Kerr \$20 towards the fund for the relief of Windsor firemen. As soon as all the money from the firemen is received, Chief Kerr will forward the sum to Windsor.

Main street Baptist church a few days ago sent forward \$10 to their brethren in Windsor. Since that time the additional sum of \$36.50 has been donated, as follows:

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Thieves trying to break the seal of a provision car near Lady Dufferin's private car tonight, were fired on by Private Turpin with blank cartridges. They were afterwards captured and proved to be three Halifax men, Wallace, Edward Purcell and Edward Corless.

The militia also had a busy time chasing tongs, who insulted ladies in the pitch darkness of the town. Some of the insurance companies are making a great deal of trouble in asking evidence as to the quantity of furniture in burned houses. They have made a deal set of this kind on Mayor Smith and others, who have been paying premiums for many years.

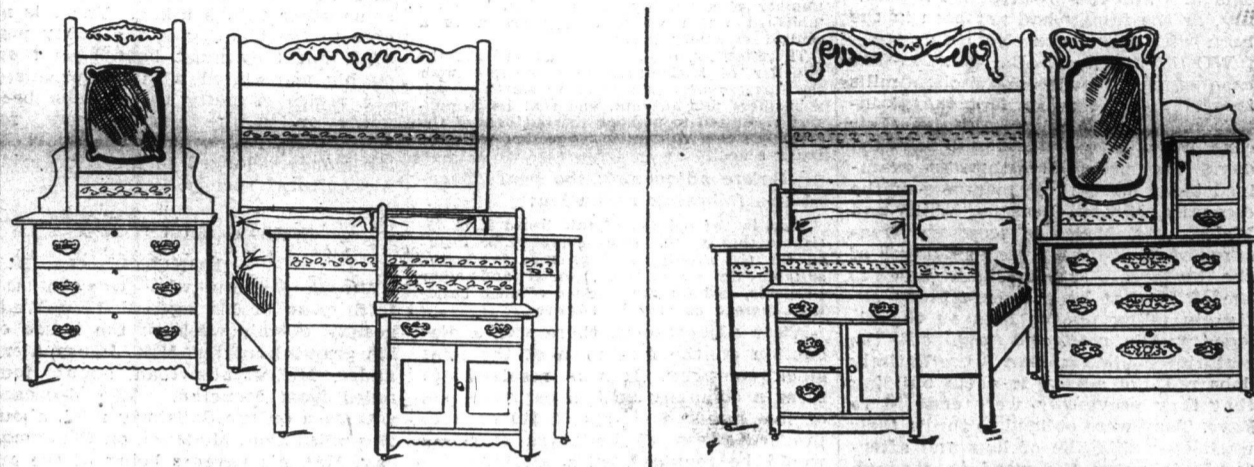
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On Saturday St. Andrew's rink was a busy place. Sewing machines were running and a large number of ladies

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Sergeant Elms of Halifax called the mayor's attention to stealing from the provision stores this morning. The mayor ordered the guard to follow the thieves. The capture of a Halifax man was subsequently made by Sgt. Elms.

A vigilance committee was formed this morning, with Special Constable Dimock in charge. The object is to raid the houses of colored people at the Plains to recover a large quantity

WINDSOR, Oct. 25.—Before James

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STOCK, Oct. 20.—The case of Woodstock Woolen Mills Co. v. The Moose for obtaining possession of the woolen mills, was commenced in the circuit court before Justice Macdonald. It is a case of some importance, and is expected to be decided in a few days. The case involves the rights of the woolen mills and the Moose.

Dr. Stockton and A. B. Gregory, Q. C., and F. B. Carr, Q. C., for the plaintiffs, and Gregory, Q. C., and F. B. Carr, Q. C., for the defendants. Considerable time was taken in the preliminary proceedings, which were held in the court. Gregory objected to the copy of the two prior tenements, and Tobias McLean, the defendant, objected to the copy of the two prior tenements. The case is expected to be decided in a few days.

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NOVA SCOTIA NEWS.

IS IT A MURDER?

A Strong Suspicion that Another Has Been Committed in Nova Scotia.

Thomas Buckley, who Recently Sold His Farm, Found Dead With a Bullet Hole Through His Head.

AMHERST, Oct. 26.—After a lingering illness of some months' duration, Hon. Hiram Black died at about seven o'clock last night, at his residence on Victoria street. Although he had consulted the best medical skill here and in Montreal, it was without avail, and for some weeks it has only been a matter of awaiting the end. The deceased was a son of the late Josiah Black, whose grandfather came from Huddersfield in the latter part of the last century. On his mother's side the deceased was connected with the family of loyalists, who settled at Fort Lawrence at the time of the American revolution. He was born in Amherst on Oct. 9th, 1827, and was thus a little over sixty years of age when he died. He was educated at the common school here and at Mount Allison Academy. On Nov. 12th, 1874, he was married to a daughter of Geo. Smith of Westville, N. S. For many years he had been prominent in public affairs and was the first member of the central body of agriculture for Nova Scotia. In 1874 he was elected to the house of assembly for Nova Scotia as a member of the Cumberland. In 1879 he was appointed to the legislative council, which seat he held until his death. In politics he was a staunch conservative and has long been regarded as a local leader. He leaves three sons and one daughter, Mrs. Alfred Chapman, Moncton; Mrs. John Church and Mrs. George M. Doull of Amherst are sisters. A slight fire at the Robb Engineering works, last night, caused some damage to the roof of their machine shop. The fire was caused by the exploding of a lamp. It burned for twenty-one hours. He has been in the employ of Krupp, the celebrated gun maker. On the 23rd ult. Dr. S. N. Miller of Middleton, assisted by Dr. L. R. Morse of this town, successfully removed from over the spine of Mrs. E. Nichols of South Westville a large fibromatous cancer which had imbedded itself under each shoulder blade. Mr. Benson has the reservoir completed and expects to finish laying the main pipes in a few days. George Bruce left on Tuesday for Wolfville. He intends entering this term as a student at Acadia. SOUTHAMPTON, N. S., Oct. 22.—A specimen of quartz has just been laid on our table by County Surveyor C. Hartwood, who has just returned from surveying out claims on the property of James Gibbet and James Jeffrey in Lakeside. For years the impostress has generally prevailed that gold existed there, as the cropings are plainly visible from the Parroboro road. Recently James Grey and Joseph Smith of this place looked over the land and found some rich specimens, and others expect equally valuable finds. Fred Melanson and John Nolles have purchased a block of claims, comprising 1250x3000 feet or 100 acres. A copy of the by-law adopted by the commissioners during the present year making a further change in connection with the vessels exempted from pilotage at the port of St. John, N. B., showing also the date when the by-law was adopted by the commissioners, and the names of the respective commissioners who voted for and against the adoption of said by-law. A copy of amendment to sec. 13 of by-law, amending the following vessels from being exempted: "All vessels of 200 tons and under, and all vessels outward bound beyond the first district." Dated April 1st, 1897. Mr. Skidmer said he was prepared to argue that this portion of the resolution was not in the interest of the public. The commission contended that this part of the request was not pertinent to the enquiry. Mr. Schofield—We will pass section 4 as only partly answered and will deal with it later on. A copy of the communication sent by the commissioners or their secretary to the minister of marine and fisheries has been made known with the by-law referred to in the preceding paragraph. (Copy produced dated April 6, 1897, merely a formal notice.) 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Rev. Chas. J. Beals, returned missionary from China, gave an interesting address in the Methodist church on Sunday evening. Revs. Toole, Wallace and F. H. Beals took part in the exercises. Crossley and Hunter held services in the Baptist church on Wednesday afternoon. The church was packed. Thomas Dennis, brother of Mrs. S. J. Jefferson, was the guest of his sister this week. She had not been seen for twenty-one months. He has been in the employ of Krupp, the celebrated gun maker. On the 23rd ult. Dr. S. N. Miller of Middleton, assisted by Dr. L. R. Morse of this town, successfully removed from over the spine of Mrs. E. Nichols of South Westville a large fibromatous cancer which had imbedded itself under each shoulder blade. Mr. Benson has the reservoir completed and expects to finish laying the main pipes in a few days. George Bruce left on Tuesday for Wolfville. He intends entering this term as a student at Acadia. SOUTHAMPTON, N. S., Oct. 22.—A specimen of quartz has just been laid on our table by County Surveyor C. Hartwood, who has just returned from surveying out claims on the property of James Gibbet and James Jeffrey in Lakeside. For years the impostress has generally prevailed that gold existed there, as the cropings are plainly visible from the Parroboro road. Recently James Grey and Joseph Smith of this place looked over the land and found some rich specimens, and others expect equally valuable finds. Fred Melanson and John Nolles have purchased a block of claims, comprising 1250x3000 feet or 100 acres. A copy of the by-law adopted by the commissioners during the present year making a further change in connection with the vessels exempted from pilotage at the port of St. John, N. B., showing also the date when the by-law was adopted by the commissioners, and the names of the respective commissioners who voted for and against the adoption of said by-law. A copy of amendment to sec. 13 of by-law, amending the following vessels from being exempted: "All vessels of 200 tons and under, and all vessels outward bound beyond the first district." Dated April 1st, 1897. Mr. Skidmer said he was prepared to argue that this portion of the resolution was not in the interest of the public. The commission contended that this part of the request was not pertinent to the enquiry. Mr. Schofield—We will pass section 4 as only partly answered and will deal with it later on. A copy of the communication sent by the commissioners or their secretary to the minister of marine and fisheries has been made known with the by-law referred to in the preceding paragraph. (Copy produced dated April 6, 1897, merely a formal notice.) A statement showing the various changes that have been made from time to time up to the present date in connection with the system of sending pilots abroad for vessels bound to the port of St. John, and also the respective dates when said changes came into effect. (a) The system of sending pilots abroad for vessels: Down to May 23, 1883, merchants had the privilege of selecting any pilot they wished; On Feb. 10, 1886—Ed. Lantlham was adopted a resolution (brought about by a request from Mr. Schofield) granting merchants the privilege of selecting any pilot from each boat in turn. On July 21st, 1887, the commissioners adopted a resolution returning to the first system of allowing the merchant the privilege of selecting any pilot he wished to go away for a vessel. (b) Copies of all communications that have been received by the commissioners from time to time from the owners and agents of vessels at St. John in connection with the so called "Pilot System" or pilotage. (c) Following letter dated St. John, May 30, 1888: "Referring to the recent decision of the pilot commissioners against allowing owners, agents and masters to select the pilots whom they may wish to send abroad for their vessels, we the undersigned ship owners and brokers respectfully protest against the adoption of any such rule for the following reasons: (1) We claim that while the appointment and control of the pilots themselves properly rests with the commissioners, they have no right whatever to control the property or business of vessel owners; (2) we claim that

THE PERSONS WHOSE PROPERTY AND BUSINESS IS INVOLVED AND WHO PAY FOR THE PILOTS' SERVICES SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO SELECT THE MEN THEY PREFER OUT OF THE NUMBER LICENSED BY THE COMMISSIONERS; (3) IF THE COMMISSIONERS WERE TO SELECT THE PILOTS THEY WOULD BE INEQUITABLY COMPELLED TO GIVE PREFERENCE TO THE WIDEST AND MOST REGULAR EVERY PILOT, AND WOULD THEREBY DESTROY THE PRINCIPLE OF SELECTING A FEW OF THE MOST COMPETENT MEN, WHICH THEY APPEAR TO CONDEMN OWNERS FOR DOING; (4) THE RESULT WOULD BE THAT PILOTS WOULD BE SENT FOR WEEKS TO HALIFAX, BOSTON, NEW YORK AND OTHER PORTS, WHO HAVE HAD NO PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE OUTSIDE OF THE LIMITS OF THE BAY OF FUNDY, AND HAVE NO ACQUAINTANCE WITH THE COASTS BEYOND; (5) THE ADOPTION OF SUCH A SYSTEM WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY DESTROY ALL STIMULUS TO EXCELLENCE AMONG THE PILOTS THEMSELVES AND PRACTICALLY TAKE AWAY FROM THE WIDEST AND MOST COMPETENT PILOTS THE PREFERENCE WHICH AT PRESENT THEY DERIVEDLY OWING TO THEIR LIFE-TIME OF CARE, EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE COASTS; (6) THE COMMISSIONERS ARE CLAIMING THE RIGHT TO SELECT THE PILOTS TO TAKE CHARGE OF EVERY VESSEL AND STEAMER VISITING THE PORT, NO GUARANTEE WHATSOEVER IS OFFERED THEM BY THE BOARD AS TO THE LOSS THEY MAY SUSTAIN BY REASON OF THE INAPACITY OF THE PILOTS SO SELECTED. WE THEREFORE BEG TO REQUEST THAT THE COMMISSIONERS WILL RECONSIDER THE PRESENT DECISION AND ALLOW OWNERS, AGENTS AND MASTERS TO SELECT IN FUTURE TO SELECT THEIR OWN PILOTS AS HERETOFORE." This communication was signed by A. O. Crookshank, Turnbull & Co., S. Schofield, Donald Carmichael, Joseph Likely, F. B. Sayre, Andrew Macdonald, J. Thomson & Co., Seaman Bell, H. J. Oliver, F. Tufts & Co., Oliver Emery & Co., R. C. Elkin, Alfred Mills, James Kennedy, D. V. Roberts, Taylor Bros., Oliver Emery, George F. Baird. Also following letter dated 3rd May, 1886: "We the undersigned ship owners and agents having frequent occasion to send pilots to neighboring ports for the purpose of bringing in the mails, and for other business, beg to request that your board grant us the privilege of selecting on such occasions whichever pilots we may desire, whether it is their regular turn or not. Our reason for making this request is that we are often entirely unacquainted with the pilots whom turn it is in the boats, and we naturally prefer to send men whom we know, and can recommend with confidence to our agents and passengers to us and rely upon our judgment in the matter." (Signed) P. pro R. A. H. Stewart, John H. Donald, Henry Vaughan, R. C. Elkin, Charles R. Robinson, Fred R. Titus, Geo. F. Smith, S. Schofield, Seaman Bros., Wm. Thomson & Co., Donald Carmichael, H. J. Olive, Hall & Fairweather, Turnbull & Co., Oliver Emery & Co., F. Tufts & Co., Taylor Bros., L. E. Vaughan, Andrew Malcolm. An extract from the minutes of the meeting of pilot commissioners held in January last showing the decision of the commissioners in reference to the pilots' suggestion concerning the future working of the pilotage business at the port of St. John. 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Cline, apprentice, of the pilot boat Minnie Cline; (j) copies of the letters sent by the secretary on or about February 23rd, 1893, to Richard Cline, master, and Richard B. Cline, apprentice, of the pilot boat Minnie Cline. Ans.—(a) February 1st, 1892, and (b) February 8th, 1897. (c) Pilots R. Stone, A. Cline, James Bennett, T. L. Stone, M. Spear, J. S. Spears, R. Scott, R. Thomas, J. B. Monteale, and F. G. Duddy at various times; (d) Given verbally by his master to the board; (e) There was no resolution suspending him; (f) None given, but at the instance of Mr. Schofield this answer was afterwards amended, and the explanation in connection with the following reply of query "11": "Office of Pilotage Authority, "District of St. John, N. B., "February 23rd, 1893. "Richard Cline—Sir—Information having been received by this board that you are not and have not for some time past been serving your time on board of a licensed pilot boat, but have in this particular and in many other particulars, wilfully neglected your duties as an apprentice, and have been spending your time in the employ of other people, I have therefore to inform you that pending a statement of the matters from you, your indenture and do not now extend you an apprentice. Your board will be glad to receive any explanation you may wish to make, and give to the following information: (a) the date when you were apprenticed; (b) the date when you were allowed full time; (c) the date when you were suspended; (d) the date when you were reinstated; (e) the date when you were allowed full time; (f) the date when you were suspended; (g) the date when you were reinstated; (h) the date when you were allowed full time; (i) the date when you were suspended; (j) the date when you were reinstated." 13. The book kept by the secretary showing the following information: (a) the amount of the pilotage bill against every vessel; (b) the date when payment is received by the secretary; (c) the date when the money is paid to the pilot. Mr. Skidmer stated that the books of the commission would be available in court when wanted. Answers were not forthcoming to the following sections: 14. A statement of all the outstanding pilotage fees earned by the pilots but not yet paid to them, showing the following information in detail: (a) the name of each vessel; (b) the name of the owner or agent; (c) the amount of the pilotage fees; (d) the date when earned; (e) the cause of nonpayment. 15. A statement showing the total amount of pilotage fees collected at the port of St. John during each of the past ten years, and also this year up to September 30th. 16. A detailed statement of the present situation of the financial affairs of the board, duly certified by the secretary. Mr. Skidmer stated that the secretary had prepared all the answers possible in the time at his disposal. Sections 14, 15 and 16 would entail a great deal of work, if the information sought for was given in detail. Mr. Schofield replied that section 14 only called for a statement of arrears of pilotage, if any existed. If any pilotage was in arrears there ought to be a record of it. If the record when produced were not complete, he could put the pilots on the stand to supplement it. Capt. Douglas said an abstract was all that was required. Mr. Skidmer contended that it was a very unusual thing to ask witnesses to prepare their case out of court. It would take quite a while to prepare even an abstract of what was covered by section 14, but he would be glad to do so. Mr. Schofield replied that as there were only 12 pilots, the statement of arrears could be made up in not over twelve lines. He knew there were some pilotage in arrears, but he did not think that the record would be at all voluminous, or occupy much time in its preparation. J. Willard Smith said he was unaware of what Mr. Schofield was contending for. No contracts had been made to the board by pilots as to arrears due them, and he thought it passing strange that the pilots should now come before this tribunal and seek redress for something on which they had never approached the board. 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THE COMMISSIONERS SUBMITTED ANSWERS TO MANY OF THE PILOTS' QUESTIONS, BUT MORE TIME WAS GRANTED TO ENABLE THEM TO COMPLETE THE RETURNS DEMANDED.

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Capt. Douglas, R. N. R., resumed his enquiry at ten o'clock Friday morning into pilotage matters, holding his court in the large room of the marine and fisheries department. A number of pilots and several of the pilotage commission were present. C. N. Skinner, O. C., announced that he appeared on behalf of the pilotage commission and handed into court a type written reply prepared by the secretary Thomas in answer to the memorandum filed by Mr. Schofield last Wednesday. After the arrival of Secretary Thomas the answers were read to the court by Mr. Schofield item by item as follows: 1. A copy of the notice form usually delivered to the pilots each year, prior to the present year, in regard to the equipment and inspection of their pilot boats, stating also the date when such notices have usually been issued by the board. 2. 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THE DRUMMOND COUNTIES RAILWAY.

The Drummond Counties railway opened on Friday last has a history. Ninety miles of the road had been completed before July, 1896, and according to the sworn statement of the company, the cost of the road and rolling stock had been at that time \$1,366,485. This included \$400,000 of capital stock, which is not supposed to have cost the owners much. It fact, it was stated in the house, and not contradicted, that not a dollar of the capital stock had been paid for in cash. The remainder of the outlay was represented by floating debt and capital received from other sources, amounting to \$385,387, and by \$603,000 at that time received in subsidies. Subsequently an additional provincial allowance was received in commutation of certain land grants, bringing the total subsidies up to \$853,000. There were other subsidies payable on the portion of the line completed and some computations make the total subsidies \$750,000, but the figures given represent the whole amount returned in the accounts available to us.

At this stage then the road had cost the government in round figures \$550,000 and the owners \$360,000 of borrowed money, in addition to the capital stock, which is not supposed to have cost anything except the energy of the promoters, the price of the charters and other incidental expenses. The actual outlay on the road was as nearly as may be \$1,000,000, of which two-thirds had been paid by the public. The floating liabilities were last winter due to a bank which held as security the bonds of the company, none of which had been sold. It was stated in the debate of last year by Mr. Haggart and others, and not contradicted, that the road had not been offered for sale as it was for \$400,000. It was not a promising property and let Mr. Green-shields cut safe, and given him a small profit.

There remained to be constructed 42 miles of road to make connection with Chaudiere. It appeared that the part constructed cost, exclusive of the capital stock that was distributed, about \$11,000 a mile. This included rolling stock. By the contract made with Mr. Blair the additional 42 miles were to have easier grades and be laid with heavier rails. If we add \$3,000 per mile for this improvement the allowance should be high enough to provide for the additional road-bed without rolling stock, it being remembered that there are practically no station buildings and very little fencing on the line. This makes the cost of completion \$88,000.

By the contract made by the minister of railways with Mr. Green-shields this completed road was to be transferred to the dominion government. The cost of the property so acquired would, according to the above generous calculation be:

Federal and local subsidies ..... \$550,000  
In cash ..... \$50,000  
Total ..... \$1,000,000

Besides the capital stock, which at least cost the price of printing the certificates, Mr. Blair's own calculation was that the government could build such a road for \$1,600,000. In parliament his estimate was criticised as excessive, and it probably was, judging by the liberal way the same amount is reached in our calculation.

If Mr. Blair had bought the completed road at the price for which it was offered by the bank, namely, \$400,000, and had completed the line at a cost of \$600,000, he would have had the whole road and rolling stock for \$1,000,000. If he had repaid Mr. Green-shields his cash outlay and given him say \$250,000 for profits, promotion and political expenses, he would have had the road and rolling stock for \$1,250,000. Mr. Green-shields would have got reasonably rich out of the transaction. Let us see what Mr. Blair, assisted of course by Mr. Tarte, did agree to pay to Mr. Green-shields.

The agreement provided that the government should pay to the owners of the Drummond Counties railway, \$4,000 a year for ninety-nine years. The amount was reached by assuming a valuation of \$1,600,000 and paying four per cent. on the same. But the contract of the government of Canada, to pay Mr. Green-shields \$64,000 a year without condition of any kind is worth exactly the same to Mr. Green-shields, and costs the country exactly the same, as an agreement to pay that annual sum to a British bondholder. The price of this annuity in the markets of the world would be based on the rate of interest at which government bonds could be issued. The security is exactly the same as Mr. Fleming offers.

Now the current rate of interest on Canadian bonds of this year's issue is less than three per cent. Mr. Fleming has sold his bonds at a rate that his own press claims to be equal to 23-4 per cent., but which is really only

equal to 27-8 per cent. Canadian three per cents are selling at 106. Now an examination of the annuity tables will show that an annuity of \$64,000, payable in 99 years, calculated at three per cent., is worth \$2,940,000. That is to say Mr. Green-shields can go to the money markets of London and sell for this amount the annuity that he will receive, and the purchaser will get three per cent. on his investment after setting aside enough to repay the principal in 99 years. If we go on the basis that the three per cents are worth 105, Mr. Green-shields will get \$100,000 more. Not only is the annuity worth this much to Mr. Green-shields, but it will cost this much to the government. For no one will deny that Mr. Fleming can float a two million three per cent. loan at par.

So while the government might have dealt with the bank and got the road and rolling stock for \$1,000,000, its market value, or might, by dealing with the promoter and giving him a profit of \$250,000, have had the road with equipment for \$1,200,000, the Blair-Tarte bargain gave Mr. Green-shields \$2,940,000, or \$2,140,000 for the railway without the rolling stock. It gave Mr. Green-shields a clear profit of \$1,100,000 with three per cents at par. In addition Mr. Green-shields would have what Mr. Blair might be induced to allow him for his rolling stock, perhaps \$100,000 more.

This was the bargain that the senate declined to endorse. After the bill was thrown out Mr. Blair announced that a new subsidy would be given for the additional 42 miles of railway, and that when it was completed the government proposed to operate the system under a temporary arrangement. The minister of justice gave a stern pledge in the senate that no action taken before the house again would bind the country to carry out the original programme. So the matter stands, but all the ministerial talk this summer has assumed that the Blair-Tarte scheme is to be carried out. There are strong reasons for supposing that the outside transactions with the owners of the Drummond line hardly leave the ministers free to abandon their friends who stood to profit by the arrangement.

A QUESTION OF RESIDENCE. The Telegraph explains that when the minister of railways said the various unconvincing and untrue things about St. John that the Sun quoted the other day, "he was not a resident of St. John and had no connection with it." This is hardly a justification. It is quite true that Mr. Blair was not at that time seeking St. John votes. He was living in York and canvassing there. Apparently it suited his purpose to represent St. John as a suspicious, jealous, selfish, grasping and pretentious community, which was anxious to get every possible unfair advantage over York. There was no ground for this attack except that Mr. Blair's St. John candidates had not been elected. It is not sound doctrine that a public man, even though he is premier of the province, has a perfect right to assail and malign the people of any city so long as he does not live in that town. According to this theory Mr. Blair might still have gone on talking of St. John as a narrow, unjust, pretentious, unscrupulous and arrogant place, if the people of York had been so obliging as to retain him for their representative. The fact is that the people of St. John were not more pretentious or unscrupulous or selfish six years ago than they are now, and Mr. Blair's disposition is probably about the same as it was then.

Who sees anything in the art papers in these days about the cost of the high commissioner's office? The last word that has been heard on this subject in the papers that are now government organs comes from the editor of the Toronto Globe:

We have savaged a good deal of querulous but at its worst it was worth more than have ever paid for its maintenance, and we are paying a few thousand dollars a year to keep up a mere full-dress diplomatic agency in London, but that we ought to be maintaining by generous contributions from the dominion and the provinces, if necessary by the dominion alone, a great permanent exhibition of Canadian products, managed by Canadian officers, thoroughly equipped for their work, and established in the very mid-stream of traffic on one of the chief London thoroughfares.

While every other New York paper contains long accounts of Charles A. Dana, late editor and chief proprietor of the New York Sun, all describing him as the most conspicuous journalist in America, the New York Sun itself merely says "Charles Anderson Dana, editor of the Sun, died yesterday."

MONCTON. MONCTON, Oct. 25.—A stone hurled through one of the windows of the Free Christian Baptist church during the service last evening created quite a commotion. It is supposed to have been thrown by some person who had been thrown by the pastor of the church, Rev. E. S. Parker.

Frank McNaughton created a sensation late Saturday night by discharging a pistol on Main street, the bullet going through one of the windows of the Transcript printing office. McNaughton was drunk. He says the discharge of the pistol was accidental.

CENTENARY CHURCH.

The services connected with the celebration of the anniversary of Centenary church began Sunday morning. The pastor of the day being Rev. Dr. Brodbeck of Boston. The church was fairly well filled, both body and balconies, and the service, which lasted an hour and three-quarters, was very interesting. Rev. John Read, pastor of Centenary, conducted its opening exercises, and referred to the pleasure all felt in having Dr. Brodbeck with them. Mr. Read also referred to the excellent response a year ago to the appeal for funds to reduce the debt on the church. He trusted the congregation would do even more at these anniversary services. In some general remarks, Dr. Brodbeck spoke of the great beauty of the church, and advised that he would not have left the work of a very laborious circuit to come here but that he hoped his coming might be instrumental in doing good. For the lessons of the day, Rev. Dr. Brodbeck read the 53rd chapter of Isaiah, and the 6th of Philippians. The text of his discourse was Matthew xxvii. 42. "He saved others; himself he gave up for them." The subject of the sermon was: The Supreme Condition of Success in Christian Work. In the afternoon an open session of the Sabbath school was held. There was a large attendance of the scholars and officers, as many of the friends of the school. Geo. Jenkins, the superintendent of the school, conducted the exercises. Rev. John Read, the pastor of the church, led in the singing of the opening hymn by the choir. The church orchestra was present, and led by Morton L. Harrison, added greatly to the service.

A solo by Miss Jennie Trueman, with piano and violin accompaniment, was followed by the Bible lesson, the superintendent reading the first portion of the verses and the school the last. After singing another hymn, Mr. Jenkins led the school in a short public school, questioning scholars and teachers alike.

Morton L. Harrison, in referring to the Madame Harrison concert to be held in Centenary on Thursday, said that three money prizes would be given to the S. S. scholars setting the largest number of tickets.

Rev. Dr. Brodbeck was then introduced by Mr. Jenkins. The reverend gentleman referred to the pleasure it gave him to be present, and complimented them on having such a beautiful school room. He very briefly called attention to the vast difference between the Sunday school of his boyhood days and the schools of the present. The present was the chief glory of such a never before in the history of the church was such thought being bestowed upon them. Everything was being done for their benefit, so that they might learn to love the Lord Jesus. He was particularly glad to see a prominent part had been assigned them in the anniversary, as in the years to come they will be the mainstay of the church. They were a happy, healthy looking lot of children, but to maintain that happiness they must be given to God. "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." Love does not amount to much without a gift. It should be a pleasure to them to give. Another thing he hoped was that they would never get lost and go to Sunday school. They should always be connected with the school, continuing their study of God, and be merry and womanly.

At the conclusion of his very short address, Mr. Brodbeck was heartily applauded. After the offering had been taken up the service was closed in the usual way.

Rev. Dr. Brodbeck preached some evening to a very large congregation.

GOES TO TORONTO. A firm of tailors in this city, acting under instructions from Philip Jamieson of Toronto, have taken the measure of the carriers for suits to be made by Mr. Jamieson. This is a new departure, as the letter carriers have always had their uniforms made here. The present postmaster general, who is a Toronto man, seems to have no use for St. John tailors.

The Return Of the Pendulum.

In 1882 the prosperity of the commercial schools may be said to have been at its height. Some expedient that would render them still more prosperous, the proprietors of many of them had produced excellent results and adopted others which were wholly experimental. It was widely held that in most cases the change was not made with the strengthening of education, but that the new ideas would have greater advertising value if retention had set in. The conclusion has been forced upon thoughtful teachers that the school that educates its pupils best advertises itself best; that a device which may attract inexperienced boys and unthinking parents, may not commend itself to the class of people whose friendship and patronage must be secured and retained as a basis of permanent prosperity. Those schools which adhered to the tried and approved methods, which gave their pupils solid and symmetrical education, which steadily refused to be carried off their feet by patented systems of knowledge, are now reaping the benefits of their wise conservatism. Such schools have not the task before them now of repairing the damage done by experimenting with one or another of the new schemes; are realizing that their reputation for real efficiency has been injured, and are setting their most conservative co-workers forging ahead. Only a proportion of the larger schools swung off in 1882 and some of them retreated as soon as the character of the road they were upon was perceived. When pretence will pass for performance, when cheap traps will be accepted in lieu of genuine education, then, perhaps, the public will take kindly to the motto of education—Progress, Rochester, N. Y.

Just as the pendulum of the Catalogue of the Transcript printing office, and a clear conscience to temporary gain. Result: Our fall opening is the best we ever had. It is most gratifying to find ourselves classed in the right list and our position vindicated from so important an educational centre.

Little Willie—All my crying has got a holiday, and I ain't got none. "Victor, why, that's too bad. How is little Willie (between sobs)—I don't go to school yet."

THE POTATO TRADE.

The American Agriculturist says the potato crop in the States is the smallest since 1882. County and township returns from all the leading potato growing states to that journal show the yield of potatoes to be 174,000 bushels less than in 1896. In 1896, 238,000,000 in 1895, 235,000,000 in 1894, and only 152,000,000 in the short crop of 1892. The average rate of yield per acre is placed at 61 bushels, taking the country at large, against 66 bushels in 1896, 59 in 1895 and 63 in 1892. (Montreal Trade Bulletin.) The demand for good potatoes is not very active, although a few cars of Early Rose and choice white varieties have sold at 40c. per bushel. A car of fairly good stock sold at 45c. and another car at 47.5c. on track. The sale is reported of 2,000 bags of a country lot at \$7.45 per bushel, with a 5c. per bag freight rate to this city. Be- low that, however, sales have been made at 25 to 30c. per bag. It is rather singular that in the face of the great shortage estimates of the crop in the United States, some placing it at about 50 per cent. below an average yield, yet values in New York have dropped about 75c. per barrel of 180 lbs. during the past month. It is to be feared that estimates of the potato crop are like the estimates of most other crops; they are bound to appear less than they really are, as growers invariably give their estimates of their crops at a low figure. If they give their full quantities the market will be severely. Prices in this market are 10c. per bushel, whereas prices a few weeks ago. In New York, sales have been made this week at \$7.25 to \$1 per bag of 90 lbs.

EXCITEMENT IN APPLES.

TORONTO, Oct. 21.—Apples are growing scarcer than ever in this part of the country. It is predicted it will be difficult to buy a bushel of apples in the market before long for the reason that the shippers are buying or have already bought up the supply in the orchards for export. Good snow apples were sold at \$1.75 per bushel of 35 per bushel, and \$2.75 was asked for a barrel of a little poorer quality, while for a barrel of windfalls \$1.75 was asked. (Trade Bulletin.)

Owing to the limited quantity of winter fruit held at points of production, values are firmly held, and sales are reported to be at \$1.75 to \$1.75 c. o. b. In the west, several lots having been purchased at those figures in Prince Edward county and around Woodstock for shipment to Manitoba. Several cars of winter varieties were also sold at \$2.75. The majority of holders are asking \$3.50 c. o. b. in the best Ontario sections. A large dealer and shipper at Colborne, Ont., is said to hold the largest quantity of apples, estimated at 40,000 to 50,000 bushels, but of course these are not all ready for sale. Dealers who have two, four and five thousand bushels each. A Montreal firm is credited with having between 15,000 and 20,000 bushels. The English market is booming now that the better qualities of winter fruit are beginning to arrive, and it would no doubt have boomed before but the stock going over consisted of rubbish that would not carry and, as we have repeatedly stated, it never has been shipped. At Wednesday's market, Liverpool, Canadian apples sold at \$3.35 to \$3.65 for late falls, \$3.85 to \$4.45 for Greenings, \$4.95 for Spies and \$5.50 for Kings. This of course has not been dealt with by the west, but perfectly wild with excitement, and they are all dreaming of apple Klondykes, and holding on to their stock more firmly than ever.

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY CROP.

(Kentville Advertiser.) The difference in the shipment of the fruit from Nova Scotia this year and that of last year is very marked. In the season of 1896-97 over 400,000 barrels were exported from the province. This year a conservative estimate of amount for export would be about 100,000 barrels. Some have raised the estimate to 140,000 barrels, but it is generally conceded that this is too high. Gravenstein sent in the first steamer from here were picked about the 15th of September and were not highly colored. However, they have netted \$3.50 per bushel. It is hoped that the subsequent shipments will do as well or better. The most of the lots of Gravensteins have been bought up at prices ranging from \$2 to \$2.75. Some of the best of the good lots left are holding for \$3.50 per barrel.

P. E. ISLAND MARKETS.

(Charlottetown Examiner.) The potatoes that are changing hands in Charlottetown bring from 15 to 25 cents per bushel. But owing to the drop in the price of tubers in Boston the buyers are chary about paying that price. The price in Newfoundland is also said to have fallen. In some sections of Nova Scotia, potatoes retail at a good figure, and in certain parts of that province they are said to be very scarce. Shippers will therefore be able to dispose of some of their stock in the sister province, where the duty does not eat up the profit.

The oat market abroad is reported steady, and in Charlottetown the price is 25 cents.

The buyers are paying 13c. for what eggs are moving. The best "Hen" fruit goes to the British market, where it brings seven shillings a long bushel. There is not very much doing in dead pork just now. The Messrs. Ralstonbury are paying 6 cents a pound for dead pork and 5 cents for live. But they prefer to buy it alive.

(Summerside Agricultural.) In Summerside the quotation for oats is the same as last week, 21 cents, but potatoes have dropped to 20 to 25 cents, this being due principally to large receipts of western potatoes in Boston and other eastern markets. Eggs are 13 cents, turkeys 14, hides 6, Island pork \$1.85 to \$2 per hundred pounds, pork 4-1-2 to 5-1-8, wool 18 to 22, geese \$7 to 50 cents, dressed, 45 to 50, hay \$6 to \$7 loose and \$7.50 to \$8.50 pressed, and oysters \$2.50 to \$3 per barrel, with higher quotations for Curshaw Island oysters.

Potato digging is about done in this province. The crop is not as large as in former years, but the quality of the tubers is up to the average. Farmers should market their potatoes without delay, as the roads are now in excellent condition, and prices are fairly good.

WHY LITTLE WILLIE WEST. Visitor—What are you crying about, little Willie? Little Willie—All my crying has got a holiday, and I ain't got none. Visitor—Why, that's too bad. How is little Willie (between sobs)—I don't go to school yet.

W. A. MONTGOMERY MOORE, General Comptroller of the Dominion of Canada.



A WIDOW'S STRUGGLE

Hard Work Brought on a Severe Illness Weakness—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills Came to Her Rescue After Hospital Treatment Failed.

(From the Fort William Journal.) In the town of Fort William lives a brave widow, who for years has by dint of constant labor kept the wolf from the door and her little family together. From morning till night she toiled to provide comforts for her loved ones until nature at last proved tested against such a constant drain on her strength, and so she began to lose health. Soon the slender frame became unable to bear its daily load of toil, and the poor mother was at last forced to give up the unequal combat, and become the chief support. Nervous prostration, heart disease, consumption and other ailments were given to her steadily by local physicians, but months passed, during which she suffered untold agony, without finding any relief from her sufferings. Palpitation of the heart, dizziness, extreme pain in the chest, loss of appetite and nervousness were some of the symptoms of the disease, gathering and becoming excruciating pain in the knee joints and other parts of the body, and at last she became perfectly helpless and unable to walk or even sit up. At this stage she was advised to enter the hospital, Liverpool, Canadian apples sold at \$3.35 to \$3.65 for late falls, \$3.85 to \$4.45 for Greenings, \$4.95 for Spies and \$5.50 for Kings. This of course has not been dealt with by the west, but perfectly wild with excitement, and they are all dreaming of apple Klondykes, and holding on to their stock more firmly than ever.

FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON, Oct. 25.—Judge Forbes will preside at the adjourned sitting of the York county court here tomorrow, at the request of Judge Steadman, who is still confined to his residence.

Robert Wilson, convicted of shop lifting in the store of C. N. Clark, was sentenced to one month's jail by Col. Marsh this afternoon.

The October sitting of the divorce court opens tomorrow before Judge Vanvorc. Two or three cases stand for hearing.

Active work is being done in aid of the Windsor sufferers, and it is expected a shipment of goods will go forward tomorrow afternoon.

The following appeared in the general orders posted in R. R. C. I. yesterday room this morning:

From the general officer commanding in Canada, to the major general commanding the militia, Dominion of Canada:

HALIFAX, 18th Oct. 1897. Sir—The company of the Royal Canadian regiment having now returned to Fredericton, I write to express my entire satisfaction with them while under my command. The bearing and tone of the officers and the behavior and soldier-like appearance of the men were all that could be desired, and I hope that the association of the colonial with the imperial troops will be continued, as it can not fail to be productive of good.

I have the honor, etc. A. MONTGOMERY MOORE, General Comptroller of the Dominion of Canada.

VETERINARY DEPARTMENT.

Conducted by J. W. Manchester, V. S., St. John, N. B.

THE WEEKLY SUN takes pleasure in notifying its readers that it has perfected arrangements with J. W. Manchester, V. S., whereby all questions with respect to diseases of the lower animals will be answered by him, and treatment prescribed in those cases where it is asked for through the columns of THE SUN.

All enquiries must be addressed: VETERINARY DEPARTMENT, Weekly Sun, St. John, N. B.

Subscriber—My colt has a scum over one eye and can see very little from it. It has been this way for several weeks. The eye ran water at first. I think it came from a blow. What would remove the scum? Please answer in Weekly Sun.

Ans.—Use Argemone Nitrate two grains and water one ounce, mix and apply a few drops to the eye once daily.

Farmer—I have a cow that has been lame for about three weeks. Was taken lame very suddenly. Her haunch seems to have fallen away. What do you think is the trouble? What shall I do for it?

Ans.—The trouble is probably in the hip joint, and if so very little can be done for it. Keep quiet in stall.

M. B.—A six year old mare was kicked on the stifle about four weeks ago and was not very lame at first, but has got worse every day. She is very low in flesh, eats very little and sweats a great deal. There is a yellow oily matter running from the wound. Please advise.

Ans.—There is a case of open joint, and as the horse needs very low you had better destroy her.

Farmer—My horse has a lump on his breast. It seems hard, hard and is attached to the breast bone. What had I better do for it? It has been this way for about six weeks and is getting worse. Please advise.

Ans.—I have carefully removed by a qualified veterinarian. You will find this the most satisfactory line of treatment.

J. E. MCK.—I have a young mare in good condition. She seems lame by spells in the hind hind leg. It seems like a sprain but I cannot see any enlargement. I think the trouble is in the fetlock joint. She has been this way for a year or so.

Ans.—It is very difficult to judge from the above description. Write again, letting me know the particulars as to lameness, how she stands when in the barn, the way the shoe is worn, and if the gait or fetlock joint of the lame leg is warmer than the well one.

M. W. T.—I have run a nail in her foot last spring. The nail entered about one inch from the point of the frog. She did not mind it very much at first, but some time about the middle of July she got very lame, gathered and discharged quite a lot of matter. The end of the frog decayed away and left quite a hole in the foot. This has almost grown up now and does not seem tender when pressed on, but the mare is very lame lately. When you find the diseased spot open up freely and keep open for a long time. Dress it with carbolic acid and water.

W. A. M.—A mare eight years old had a slight attack of farcy three years ago, and has been subject to boils ever since. Has a lump round and hard the size of a teacup on the shoulder, near the throat. It has been there four weeks.

Ans.—The lump on the shoulder is not due to farcy and the only cure is removal by means of the knife. Employ some veterinary surgeon at once and see that you get a properly qualified man. If not, have a carpenter cut into the jugular vein or carotid artery.

Kaiser Wilhelm's speeches during the last two years fill 223 closely printed pages in the cheap German edition in which they are printed.

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DOMINION W. C. T. U.

Tenth Annual National White Ribbon Convention.

Mrs. Trites of Sussex Submits a Report on Work Among Lumbermen.

Executive Report Presented—Scope, Plans and Officers.

TORONTO, Oct. 20.—The tenth annual convention of the Dominion Woman's Christian Temperance Union opened here with the meeting of the general executive at the headquarters yesterday afternoon. The Dominion president, Mrs. Ruthford, presided. The executive report was placed before the convention was finally dealt with. The officers of the Dominion Union are: Mrs. A. O. Ruthford, Toronto, president; Mrs. Dr. Amelia Youmans, Winnipeg, vice-president-at-large; Mrs. Sanderson, Quebec; Mrs. Thornley, Ontario; Mrs. Alex. Lamb, British Columbia; Mrs. McHugh, Manitoba; Mrs. Chesley, Nova Scotia; Mrs. D. McLeod, New Brunswick; and Mrs. C. W. Strong, Prince Edward Island, vice-presidents; Mrs. Emma Atkinson, Montreal, N. B., corresponding secretary; Mrs. E. W. McLachlan, Montreal, recording secretary; Mrs. Tilton, Ottawa, treasurer; the departmental superintendents are: North-west Territories, Mrs. C. A. R. McDonald; peace and arbitration, Mrs. G. Cleveland; scientific temperance instruction, Mrs. Bigelow; heredity and health, Mrs. S. J. Craig; purity, Mrs. Cunningham; evangelistic, Mrs. A. Gordon; foreign work, Mrs. Parker; falls, Mrs. Dr. Rugg; infirmities, Mrs. E. C. Hind; lumbermen, Mrs. Trites; legislation, Mrs. Atkinson; equal franchise, Mrs. Dr. Edwards; parlor meetings, Mrs. E. A. Wheeler; flower mission, Mrs. Fotheringham; Y work, Mrs. Scott; kitchen garden, Miss E. S. Faircloth; Woman's Journal, Miss Scott; juvenile, Miss Tilley; sailors, Mrs. Whitman; soldiers, Mrs. Tilton; narcotics, Mrs. (Dr.) Metcalfe; press, Mrs. Dr. Youmans; police, Mrs. Morrison; police and prisons, Mrs. Dr. Youmans; Lord's Day observance, Mrs. Reede; coffee houses, Mrs. T. Moodie; world's missionary work, Miss Bowes; schools of methods, Mrs. Ruthford; temperance groceries, Miss Dougal; systematic giving and school savings banks, Mrs. Cole; literature, Mrs. Dr. Youmans; young people's societies, Miss Wiggin.

The presidents of the Dominion Union have been Mrs. Letitia Youmans, Mrs. (Judge) Foster, Mrs. Fawcett, Mrs. Steadman, Mrs. Ellis F. Williams and the present president, Mrs. Ruthford, who had been recording secretary from 1885. The preceding conventions were held at Ottawa, 1885; Toronto, 1886; the Department of the Interior, 1887; the epidemic in Montreal, and later by St. Youmans's illness; Montreal, 1890; St. John, 1891; Ottawa, 1892; Winnipeg, 1893; London, 1894; Quebec, 1895; Toronto, 1896; and this year on account of the World's W. C. T. U. Dominion Union was inaugurated in 1894. The reports presented at the executive meeting showed that the membership is about nine thousand. The work of the Dominion Union is supported by a per capita assessment of five cents a member, one cent of which goes to the World's W. C. T. U. as an affiliation fee. TORONTO, Oct. 20.—While the Dominion Christian Temperance Union has been in existence fourteen years, the convention now in progress here is but the tenth, owing to no Dominion convention being held for three years in succession. The convention opened in Horticultural Pavilion this morning at nine o'clock, with evangelistic service, conducted by Mrs. Asa Gordon, superintendent of the evangelistic department, Ottawa. After the service the convention was called to order for business by Mrs. A. O. Ruthford, Toronto, Dominion president. The balance of this morning's session was devoted to the reception of the departmental reports; on scientific temperance instruction, by Mrs. Bigelow, Cornwall; peace and arbitration, by Mrs. George Cleveland, Johnville, Que.; heredity and health, Mrs. S. J. Craig, Compton, Que.; world's missionary work, Miss Bowes, Victoria, B. C.; exhibitions and fairs, Mrs. Rugg, Stanstead, and work among lumbermen, Mrs. Trites, Sussex, N. B.

After a reading by Mrs. Asa Gordon followed the business session. The address of the president, Mrs. Ruthford, was given this afternoon. It dealt with the work of the year, a not unimportant portion of which had been the preparation for the World's W. C. T. U. convention, which opens here on Saturday morning. Mrs. Ruthford spoke earnestly of the importance of the Dominion prohibition plebiscite, which must, she stated, be won by the temperance forces, no matter what personal sacrifices which it may entail upon the temperance men and women of Canada, as without the Dominion plebiscite victory the Dominion prohibition law would be an impossibility for many years to come. She rejoiced that the membership had steadily increased during the past year, so that the Canadian white ribbon army is now an enrolled efficient force of one thousand strong. The welcome address to the visiting delegates was given by Miss Virginia (of Toronto), and responded to by Mrs. Dr. Youmans of Winnipeg. Several other interesting reports brought the session to a close. This evening a series of addresses were delivered by Miss Willard, Mrs. Dr. Mary Wood-Allen, Mrs. Ada Marsden Hughes, Dr. Amelia Youmans, Mrs. L. I. Harvie, Mrs. Rev. C. A. Bolton and Mrs. Oberlin Evans. TORONTO, Oct. 21.—The liquor-trocer was the chief topic discussed by the Dominion W. C. T. U. convention this morning. The general opinion expressed was that a woman could

SPORTING MATTERS

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The horses were sent away all together in the second heat. At the first turn Katrina left her feet and dropped far behind. Archlight and Minota went down the back stretch towards the quarter pole neck and neck. It was a pretty contest. Speculation was a couple of lengths behind and Katrina away in the rear of him. Just as the quarter pole was met up with the grey stallion and Minota began to pull away from the black gelding. Katrina, who had settled down to work, passed Speculation and started in to overhaul the others. At the half Minota was a little in advance of Archlight and Katrina was right up on his wheel. Minota then increased her lead over Archlight, and the third quarter pole Katrina passed the black horse. On the way down to the wire Katrina seemed to be gaining rapidly on Minota, but she broke and was out of it. Minota was an easy winner in 2:21.3-4, with Katrina second and Archlight only a neck behind her. Speculation was well up. The quarters were timed as follows: 36.1-2, 1.11 1-4, 1.46 1-2, 2:21.3-4. Katrina was set back to third place for running, which gave Archlight second. In the third heat Archlight was a little behind at the start, and ran some at the first turn. Minota assumed the lead right off and was never headed.

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The British suffered a temporary check when they reached the open space and were exposed to an accurate fire. After a prolonged artillery fire the Gurkhas were reinforced by the Gordon Highlanders. Then followed a magnificent rush across the open space in the teeth of a murderous fusillade. The enemy stood their ground until the British reached the rocks below, when the tribesmen were obliged to fall back, and they fled pell-mell. The losses of the Gurkhas and the Gordon Highlanders were severe. According to later advices General Bagg's division advanced to daylight by way of Chagra-Cotal, with Brigadier General Kempster's brigade leading. It was nearly 10 o'clock when the enemy began a long range fire. The three mountain batteries massed on Chagra-Notal replied with shrapnel and the Gordon Highlanders pushed through to support the first line firing volleys at long range. The tribesmen reserved their fire till the Gurkhas reached the zig-zag path under the perpendicular cliff where Major Jeunissen's company was killed on Monday in the fighting between the Biggs brigade and the insurgent tribesmen on Chagra on the 18th inst. The British companies crossed the zone of fire at a rush, sustaining sustaining heavy losses, while the remainder deployed to the left to intercept a flank attack threatened by some thousand of the enemy from that direction. The Dorsetshire regiment attempted to support three companies of Gurkhas, but was kept back by the enemy, who remained cool and reserved their fire until the British were well exposed. At 12.30 p. m. matters looked serious, as the British gun fire, though aided by a mountain battery from Fort Gullistan, had failed to dislodge the enemy. General Kempster thereupon went forward in person, moving up the Gordon Highlanders and the Third Sikh regiment on to the fighting line. A systematic assault was then organized, and two thousand men with fixed bayonets stood waiting for the order to advance. Three minutes before the word of command was given General Kempster telegraphed back instructions to the batteries to concentrate their fire. The eighteen pieces of artillery responded, and under cover of this fire, the leading company of the Highlanders, amid perfect silence, rushed into the fire zone. Half of the men dropped, but the remainder pushed gallantly on till they reached the cover where the Gurkhas lay. The rest of the force streamed after them, and the tribesmen, seeing that most of the troops had passed the fire zone, fled up the hill and collected under cover of the cliffs. The Highlanders and mixed regiments, after pausing a moment to take breath, again advanced to the assault, and twenty minutes later the position was won.

General Sir Youmans-Biggs will continue the advance so as to hold the frontal hills and then push on to Kharappa, where he will be joined by Sir Wm. Lockhart. The men gave a ringing cheer and when the advance sounded they bounded after their leader, the officers at the head. The total casualties of the day were 24, and the Gordon Highlanders lost 28. General Westmacott's brigade is now encamped in the Khan-Ki valley. He has cleared the enemy from the heights commanding the valley and destroyed their towers.

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