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HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 19. Victims of the recent blizzard in the Western States number two hundred and sixty-seven. Many are still missing. Only one victim is reported from Manitoba. In Dakota a teacher with sixteen pupils perished.

Russia has renewed her anti-German measures in the Baltic provinces. Forty Lutheran clergymen have been ejected from their parishes for using the German language.

A violent snow-storm was experienced in the maritime provinces yesterday. Railways are blocked.

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

A fresh breeze from the southeast has been blowing all day, accompanied by thick snow. The sea continues smooth. Nothing has been sighted since last report.

THE COASTING NUISANCE

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR, -For the past day or two it has been perilous in the extreme for any pedestrian to be found within the precincts of Springdale Street. As soon as the afternoon approaches, a crowd of rough and rowdy-like juveniles, with their sleds, monopolizes the whole line from Gower Street to the top of Flower Hill. They get on their sleds on the top of Flower Hill and proceed towards Gower Street, with railway speed, thus running the risk of killing doing serious injury to others with whom they may come in contact. If a few unoffending girls were, perchance, discovered on the Salvation Barracks steps, waiting admission, you would soon find our local invincibles strutting around and going outside their line of duty. and becoming, themselves, sources of annoyance; but when they are wanted to perform a real duty-a real public duty-they are not to be found in the right place, or at the right time. Surely it is about time that we should have some police regulation upon which the public may depend for protection and safety. Such a thing as I complain of is very easy of correction; and here let me intimate that it is no possible use for the police officer to stand at Dooley's corner and gaze at the offending youngsters on the top of Flower Hill, as if his very appearance would scare them beyond the "bounds of time and space" forever. There are other methods of catching wild birds besides putting fresh salt on their tails, and surely some of our wise and well-trained invincibles ought to know this.

Yours truly, OBSERVER. St. John's, Jan. 18, 1888.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

An important meeting of the Agricultural Society will be held on Saturday next, when unfinished business will be disposed of and the few remaining hindrances to immediate active operations removed. His Excellency Governor Blake, who has kindly consented to become patron of the Society, will attend, as will also His Lordship Mr. Justice Pinsent, the Vice-President.

THE suddenness of to-day's snow storm-a southeasterly blizzard with a high windsprung a trap on people of the several adjacent villages, numbers of whom are in town, the clear aspect of the morning when they started giving promise of a fine day. The Broad Cove people are using the new line, the surface of which is beaten quite level. After a heavy snow fall like the present the difficulty of making way over it is considerable when Freshwater is passed, owing to the absence of settlers just yet along that portion of the road. Comparatively, travel over the Portugal Cove highway

THE mail-boat "Nova Scotian" arrived at seven o'clock last evening. Her freight both for and from this port is very heavy: the former consists of 3,000 bbls. flour, 106 hhds. tobacco and 50 pkgs. merchandise; the latter equals 400 tons, as follows: 800 bags guano, 180 casks fish, 170 tons smelted copper, and 300 casks oil. She brought no saloon passengers from Halifax but twelve came in steerage. The following is the list-

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PRINCE OF WALES AND THE PRIZE RING.

Official Denial From Sandringham.

London, Jan. 4 .- A telegram was this afternoon dispatched to Sandringham, where the Prince of Wales is at present staying, inquiring if there is any truth whatever in the statement recently published, that his Royal Highness was a member of the committee engaged in organizing a banquet to the pugilists Smith and Kilrain in recognition of the pluck exhibited by them in their recent encounter. In reply, the following telegram was received from Sir Francis Knollys, the Prince's Private Secre-

"SANDRINGHAM, JAN. 4.

"There is not the slightest truth in the report, nor did the Prince ever know that such a proposal existed .- KNOLLYS." We may state, in confirmation of the denial that has been forthcoming from Sandringham, that the utmost indignation is expressed by the members not only of the Smith-Kilrain banquet committee, but also of the Pelican Club-a statement that has been published that his Royal Highness was acting on the committee. Those who are organizing the banquet have never even thought of approaching the Prince on the subject. The whole story is flatly contradicted as a pure fabrication, and surprise is expressed that it should have found credence in any quarter. With reference to the reports recently published in certain American journals, and partially reproduced in this country, as to what occurred at the London Fencing School in Cleveland Row, St. James's, on the 9th Dec., when the Prince of Wales met Sullivan, it is declared the conversation represented to have taken place between the Prince and the American pugilist to be, if not a tissue of falsehoods, at all events a gross exaggeration of what actually occurred. The committee denied that Sullivan indulged in a free and easy style of speech when addressing the Prince. It was a fact that his Royal Highness had a short chat not only with Sullivan but also with Smith, but it was untrue that Sullivan offered to show the Prince round Boston should he ever visit that city. That the Prince asked Sullivan to use Smith gently should they ever meet in the ring, and that the American replied that if Smith stood before him he would do his best to knock his head off, and a score or more of remarks of a similar nature. It was positively asserted that what did occur was this :-At the beginning of December the Prince of Wales expressed a desire to see some boxing, and Sir Wm. Gordon Cumming, Bart., and Capt. Drummond, of the Scots' Guards, accordingly proceeded to make arrangements for a private exhibition at the London Fencing School. They saw Mr. J. Fleming, who has control of the sparring shows which occasionally take place at the Pelican Club, and asked him to arrange the details and to secure the attendance of Sullivan. A few nights prior to the 9th December Mr. H. Phillips, Sullivan's manager, was introduced by Mr. Fleming to Sir William Gordon Cumming, at the Pelican Club, and the result of this meeting was that Sullivan was invited to breakfast with the officers of the Scot's Guards at their news-room and to afterwards meet the Prince. This invitation was accepted, and after breakfasting with the guardsmen, Sullivan proceeded to the Fencing

School, where Smith was likewise present.

Amongst the professionals who had been en-

gaged to take part in the performance before

his Royal Highness were Fred. Johnson, T.

Easton, C. Williams, "Nunc" Wallis, S.

Blacklock, Reuben Baxter, "Bat" Mullins,

W. J. King, middle weight amateur champion;

Alfred Greenfield, and J. Ashton, as well as

two wrestlers named Wannop and Brown. It

was understood, that the exhibition was to be a

strictly private one, and those who organised

the show all declare that had the Prince known

that the slightest publicity was to be given to

his visit he would never have entered the build-

ing. Amongst those to whom the courtesy of

an invitation had been extended to attend the

show was Mr. Phillips, who seems to have been accompanied by an uninvited guest in

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the person of a representative of one of the New York daily papers. Attention was drawn to his presence, but he was permitted to remain, it being assumed that he would not publish to the world what occurred at a private gathering. Sullivan and Smith were in turn introduced to the Prince of Wales, who chatted pleasantly with both. No conversation, however, such as that attributed to them took place, and it is stated that Sullivan was most respectful in his demeanour. His Royal Highness also shook hands on two occasions with the English champion and after the somewhat severe bout which the latter had with Greenfield, expressed to Smith his surprise that he was not more marked about the face. He, at the same time, com plimented him upon the excellent form he displayed. The programme concluded with an encounter between Sullivan and Ashton, during the progress of which the Prince commented on the American champions hitting power after this his Royal Highness accompanied by Sir Francis Knollys left the school and the company separated.

CAPTURE OF FRANK C. MCNEALLY

Our telegraphic news on Saturday conveyed the information that Frank C. McNeally, the Saco, Me., Savings Bank robber, had been captured in Halifax. Although it was announced that McNeally was expected to arrive on Saturday night last, he was not located until Friday night, and then the work was done by two newspaper men. McNeally arrived on the steamer Polynesian and under the name of 'W. E. Stuyvesant" went to the Halifax hotel, where arrangements had previously been made for his board by another young man who was then a guest and who told the proprietor that he was there to meet his cousin, who would be a passenger on the steamer and would likely remain some weeks. Mr. Stuyvesant registered as from Washington, D.C., and was located in room 67, on the same flat as Consul General Phelan and family. He was seldom seen around the hotel and very little was known of him. The party who arranged for his board was his brother, Harry McNeally, who is believed to come down in the interest of the Saco Bank to negotiate for the return of the \$275,000 worth of bonds and securities stolen. Harry undoubtedly obtained possession of these securities and left for home on Wednesday. For some days past Boston reporters have been endeavoring to trace Harry's movements and thus find Frank. On Thursday night D. J McGrath of the Globe arrived from Boston and consulted with Mr. Dennis, news editor of the Halifax Herald. At midnight Consul-General Phelan, who boards at the hotel, and proprietor Hesslein, were consulted and informed that McNeally was in the house under the alias of Stuvvesant. They both agreed that the de scription of NcNeally and the appearance of the youth registered as Stuyvesant were identical. Thereupon the reporters arranged to take immediate steps for his arrest in the morning. Meanwhile the police had been looking for him watching steamers, etc. On Friday morning they discovered that the journalistic detectives had located him at the Halifax hotel, and were making arrangements for his arrest. Detective Power saw a young man answering McNeally's description being shadowed by Consul-General Phelan, and reporters McGrath and Dennis, and promptly grabbed him. Both the police and the consul-general communicated with the bank authorities, and are now awaiting their instructions. McNeally was thoroughly sur prised. At first he denied he was the man wanted, but subsequently admitted it to Mr. Phelan, the tears streaming down his eyes while he did so. The prisoner carried a large calibre revolver. His effects were searched in the presence of the consul-general and two reporters. He has a magnificent outfit of clothes, which did not cost far from \$750, and a quantity of jewels. There was a very fine Winchester rifle in his bedroom, with a cartridge belt filled with heavy bullets. In his Gladstone portmanteau was a murderous-looking dagger, and among his papers was a cipher code, which he had used in communicating with his Saco friends; also a copy of a despatch which, deciphered, read as follows: "Danger. Some one has found out that I arrived on Polynesian. McNeally received a despatch from Maine on Thursday which he destroyed, and expected another on Friday. Consul-General Phelan is loud in his praise of the work effected by the reporters which led to his arrest, and insists that they shall get a portion of the \$2,500 reward offered for his capture. Among the reading matter in McNeally's room was a novel entitled, "Green Pleasure and Grey Grief."

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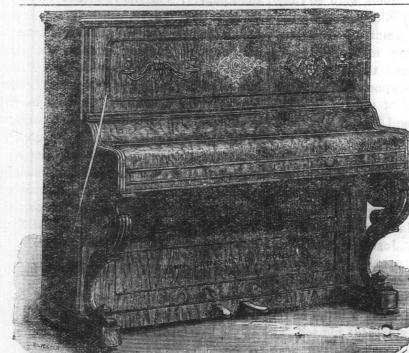
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By the Author of Dora Thorne.

CHAPTER XX.

(Continued.)

An idea, for which she had no foundation, came to her; it was that on his return she would not be there—on his return all would be altered between them. She tried to reason herself out of it. She closed the window, and she said to berself that the day was chilly, although the sun was shining so bright and warm. Anything so terrible as that foreboding evil she had never passed through before.

That day seemed to her ages long. The sunlight lingered on the flowers as though it would never go away; night seemed as though t would never fall from the skies; the hours seemed to have taken to themselves leaden

'What shall I do,' she thought, 'if every day proves as long as this?'

For some days she remained in her dressingroom; she could not bear to leave it. She could not just yet go into the rooms where she had been accustomed to see her husband; she waited until the keen edge of her sorrow had

One morning, after she had dreamed all night that he was home again, she woke up with the resolution that she would go downstairs and resume her every-day life—that she would take up her duties, bear her sorrows bravely, and do her best. She went first into the little room he had called his study—her mind was so full of him, her thoughts were so entirely with him, that she would not have been in the least surprised to see him in his favorite chair. But the chair was empty, the table was covered with a confused mass of letters and papers, the pens were rusty. She commenced at once to restore the room to order; she put each book in its place; pleased herself in making various novel ar-

'When he comes back it will be all ready for him,' she said; and the good ship in which he had sailed was not then very far from land

As she was arranging some papers, she found a set of verses written in her husband's hand, and apparently of his own composition. They were addressed to his home, 'Walton,' and, as she read them for the first time, she seemed to understand the passionate love and sorrow that he had felt for the place. She read words, the sweet pathos of which charmed her; she understood then how keen and bitter his disappointment had been. She sat down to think with the verses in her hand. They were not perhaps of any great poetical merit, but they proved to her how deeply he had grieved over Walton, and with what keenness he had felt the privation, the pain of not living

How trying it must have been for him brought up to enjoy a vast fortune, and train ed in the habits of luxury and expense, to be suddenly deprived of all! Either he ough never to have been allowed to think the money would be his, or he ought to have had it. And then she thought, with something like passionate hatred, of the beautiful golden-haired heiress who had come between her husband and his wealth, who had taken that which ought to

She hated her-this fair-faced girl who had deprived him of his fortune, through whom he had been driven into exile and compelled to

'If it were not for her, he would be here with me now,' she said to herself; and, when she remembered that, the expression of her face was not good to see. 'I spoke the truth, she went on, half bitterly, ' when I said that I was frightened at myself. I have greater capabilities for good-and for evil too-than I thought I had.'

Presently there came an idea to her, on which the remainder of her life turned. Her husband had loved Walton so dearly-she would like to love all that he had loved, to care for all that he had cared for. She would like to see Walton, the home where he ought even now to be staying.

Her face suddenly flushed crimson red. Why should she not go to Walton-she who had so deep an interest in it? Why should she not go? Insurances effected upon almost every description of Property at the cur-

ever know; and if she saw it but once, she had never heard Allan allude to any.

could picture it afterward in her dreams. But perhaps she had better not even entertain such en idea-Lord Rylestone might not like it; so she busied herself in other matters. Still the idea was always there-if she could but see Walton-if she could but know what this home of his was like!

She had said once to herself that she had terrible tenacity of purpose, and it was true; from the first moment the idea of visiting Walton took possession of her until it had become a reality she had no respite from it. Why should she not see Walton? Her husband even need never know; she could go as a stranger, without raising the least suspicion as to her identity. There was no one to forbid it, to say her nay. For the first time she realized how perfectly independent marriage had made her. She had been accustomed to her mother's control, and ther to be under the surveillance of Lady Davenant. It came to her with all the charm of a novel surprise, that she could go where she liked, and do as she liked without the least interference from any one. It would be easy enough to go to Walton -she had but to take the train to the nearest station, and make her way across the grounds. If she could only see the exterior, she would be satisfied; she would know then what her husband had loved and what he had lost.

'I will go,' she said to herself at last. 'I will see for myself what Walton is like.'

If she had thought it probable that Lord Rylestone would be displeased, she would not, however great the temptation, have given way to it. But why should he be angry? She need not tell him that she had been foolish. enough to make a pilgrimage to his home. It was a shrine to her because he had lived there.

So she made her resolve, and on the fifteenth of July, a date that she never forgot, she set out for Walton. But, before going she remembered what her husband had saidif she wanted to know Walton, she should read Miss Cameron's letters. She went directly to the place where he had told her they were—the letter-file on his table; she collected all she found bearing Miss Cameron's name, and took them to her room to read. They were not very numerous, and it would give her a pleasant half hour's occupation.

CHAPTER XXI.

Miss Cameron's letters were just what her husband had described them-eloquent, elegant epistles, evidently the production of a gifted and noble mind. Margarita smiled sometimes as she read, and again the tears would fill her eyes. Evidently the writer loved Walton. She spoke of it with enthusiasm and affection. She seemed, as Allan had said, to know every flower, every tree, every running stream. She wrote of the servants, the horses in the stables, the dogs in the kennel, the deer in the park, the cattle browsing in the thymy fields and clover-meadows. Margarita's face grew crimson as she read.

'One would think Walton was her own!' she

There was seidom the name of another person-there was no gossip about mutual friends; and, although so much of Miss Cameron's character was revealed, there was little mention of herself. Once or twice the name of Mme. de Valmy occurred. But Margarita was quicker than Lord Rylestone. The subtle essense of those letters, which had escaped him, was perceptible to her. She did not recognize enough of it to call it love, but it was

The reading of those letters decided hershe would go. Presently she came across sentence which puzzled her.

'I cannot feel how thankful I am that no one knows the secret of the will.'

If Lord Rylestone had been wise he would have destroyed the letter that contained those words. The one thing above all others that he was anxious to keep from his wife was the knowledge of the conditions of the will. She was already so morbidly sensitive-fearing that she had been an obstacle in his path—that he dreaded lest she should ever know the truth. He knew perfectly well that, if ever time should reveal it, she would never be happy again. His keeping the letter with that one particular phrase in it was an oversight for which afterward he never pardoned himself.

'The secret of the will!' She repeated the words over and over again to herself. What secret could it be? Something evidently that associated the young heiress with her husband, something which they shared in common, and no one else knew. A flery dart of jealousy seemed to strike her. Why had Allan never told her this secret? Why had he never told her there was something extraordi-The idea was so novel and so bewildering to nary in the will? She did not doubt him-she her that she was at first almost unable to grasp | loved him too well for that—but she was soreit. Why should she not go? No one need ly puzzled. What secret could it be? She

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JOHN MAGOR.

OCT. WILLIAM ALBERT, MAGOR.

The Evening Telegram.

ST. JOHN'S, JANUARY 19, 1888

THAT STOLEN CARPET "A Sound Commercial Principle."

NUMEROUS OTHER ARTICLES MISSING

THE Colonist stated a few nights ago that "the carpet" stolen from the Assembly was about sixteen years old, and on Tuesday evening it announced that this same carpet had been found in one of the ante-rooms of the Assembly. The statements are both incorrect. The stolen carpet had only been in use for two sessions, and was a valuable one. The old carpet now on one of the ante-rooms had been covered by a new one, and was not found, for the excellent reason that it was never lost. It was the "Rupert of Debate" who originated as an excuse for the theft of the carpet, that it was "an old one," it being apparently "a sound commercial principle" that the guilt of stealing depends wholly upon the value of the thing stolen. Benjamin Franklin's saying that "it is a sin to steal a pin" seems to have made little impression upon "Rupert" and "the reverend Moses," who also condones the theft upon the ground that the carpet was not a new one. In the latter's "new theology" the commandment "Thou shalt not steal" will have a commercial qualification, and the guilt of breaking it will he graded by dollars and cents. But how about the other articles stolen? The hearth-rugs, the fire-irons, the scuttles, the water and whiskey glasses, and even the chairs from the ante-rooms were stolen at the "Jubilee Ball," and are still kept by the thieves in memory of the happy occasion; while about two hundred yards of red flannel, used to decorate the pillars and stair-cases on the auspicious occasion, also disappeared the morning after the ball, and are now used as "flannel underclothing for the heathen" who stole them. What excuse will be made for the theft of these articles? Were they useless? We think not. The scuttles, for instance, would be as welcome to the members of the Government party as life-boats to shipwrecked mariners.

THE ALLAN MONOPOLISTS.

Our Commercial Men Again Shabbily Treated.

It appears that negotiations with the Allans to induce them to send a larger steamer (than the one which sails hence to-day) to take the large number of commercial travellers belonging to our trade to Liverpool, have failed. The Allans have declined to give the necessary accommodation. They will take all the goods the said travellers may give to freight their steamers full in the Spring. They (the Allans) will strive their dead-best to establish a monopoly of the carrying trade of this colory as between it and the mother country. They will not hesitate to cut down rates to a minimum in order to break any competition with their ascendancy, and return to the old and high rates after the competition has been broken down. They will, in the face of the gigantic increase in their freight and passenger traffic, since commencing dealings with Newfoundland, eighteen years ago, screw out an additional one thousand five hundred pounds to the seventeen thousand five hundred pounds of the fishermen's money paid them annually as a subsidy; but, despite all these generous concessions to their vile rapacity, they coolly turn around to the people who ask them for a business convenience, and who are prepared to pay for it, with the reply: "We cannot go out of our way to take your passengers!" Woe betide the government and the politicians who stand between the colony and the abolition of this shameful monopoly!

OUR FRIENDS ABROAD.

An esteemed Boston correspondent, writing TELEGRAM comes regularly and is much prized by our folks. Sorry to hear that the Thorburn Government continues to wage 'a war of persecution' against you, but pleased to find you have so many sympathising friends, and amongst them many willing to contribute towards the fund you have started for the protection of the press, or, as I think you term it, the press defence fund. Put me down for five dollars. Sorry I cannot make it more. We are having the usual weather for the season. I see the steamer Plover has come to grief. Captain Manuel deserves much credit for the way in which he handled the boat after the accident. When you see him remember me very kindly to him and say that I hope country' at the next general election."

A SICK LION. AND WIND UP THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT.

"The public will give us credit when we say that nothing could be more distasteful to us (than) to take the course we have been driven to adopt, in this matter, and to write in a strain altogether foreign to our nature. But there was no alternative. The law gives us no redress or adequate protection in such cases, which was the consummation of a long series of such offences (against myself)."—Moses Harvey in yestenday's Mercury.

WITH the exception of the three words in brackets, the above extract from yesterday's Mercury shows that the "roaring lion" of Prescott Street at last begins to realise the fact that he has placed himself in a very ridieulous position; that, as a "lion," he is not the success he once fondly anticipated, and that he plays a much more graceful part in journalistic life when, as is usual to him, he gambols about in a jackass's hide, or glides stealthily along as a slimy serpent. "Yes, brethren," he seems to say, I cannot—no I cannot be a blackguard! Those two hardened characters over in Gregory's Lane are able to succeed and make money out of their part all the time, but as for "me and my house," it goes against our nature to be bad. I was born to be an angel, after all; and if the public could only lift up my gown they would see undeveloped wings growing out on each side of me. How can I be a "slogger" under these circumstances-how fill the part of a local Sullivan? Here, James, Frederic, Moses, take away these gloves and hand me back my sacred habiliments. I will assume the part of a " meek-eyed parson" once more! I prefer to he a quaker! Yea,

"I'd like to be an angel, and with the angels stand, A crown upon my forehead, a harp within my hand." Now, this is all very well for a sick lion when he finds he has overdone his part; but these mumbling protestations of penitence and remorse have been rather overdone in this community, too, and they come with very ill grace from a man who has completely exhausted the public patience and credulity with so many "personal statements" to the like effect. The old distich reminds us that

The devil was sick, the devil a saint would be:

The devil got well, the devil a saint was he. For our own part, we don't like to shut the door of repentance against any sinner, no matter how hoary and hardened he may be, or refuse to entertain hope (however "forlora" a hope) on behalf of the unregenerate. But there is a limit beyond which even christian credulity cannot go, and when we find a man breaking the most solemn vows and pledges over and over again and actually using his sacred-vestments for the purpose of screening himself during these breaches, it is almost impossible to go on taking that man's word for ever. The act of depreciation is his own. He cannot blame the public in the matter, any more than if he were detected repeatedly uttering forged coin and then flew into a rage and abused everybody all round because they refused to "take" it any longer.

We have a kind of amused pity for the ' sick lion" in this predicament—a pity mingled with contempt; and as we have a little more "gruel" to administer to him before we can admit his convalescence and permit him to re-assume the donkey's hide, which fits him best, we shall take the opportunity of reading a few practical lessons over his soon-to-be-

ensepulchred " remains.' He went into his late venomous outburst as a hireling and a tool for others, his own remuneration in the case being, as he informs us, a long-cherished feeling of cold spite against this paper and all with whom he thought it was identified. In other worlds, he "thirsted for revenge;" and the law, as he admits, being insufficient or unwilling to give him as ample means for slaking his "venom" as that article required, he resolved to take the law into his own hands and be a law unto himself. As usual, when he does that, he made an ass of himself, or rather, being only an ass by nature, he failed to succeed in persuading people that he was "a lion." All the same, he waded into sin, on the chance, and steeped himself to the lips in slander, malice, personal abuse and evilspeaking of every possible description. He under date of the 6th instant, says :- "The even provoked the envy of the Philistines and shocked the sensibilities of the most profligate by his adeptness in iniquity, proving the old adage that there is no devil equal to him that was once an angel of light.

Now, what has he got for it? Standing before the public with the mask in his hand, what is his reward? Let him put everybody else out of the question for the moment and ask himself: "What have I gained by kicking up my heels and trying to show that I am a

lion and not a donkey?" The "words of our text" sufficiently indicate the sick lion's answer to this question. and show that he dimly recognizes the fact that he has already entered upon the slow retribution which overtakes all men. The mills soon to hear of his appointment to one of the of the gods grind slowly, but they grind all. new boats now building. Sir William White- Time has leaden feet, but he gets there at way appears to be very popular all over the last. The way of the transgressor is hard, as Island, and will, I have no doubt, 'carry the the common good of mankind requires it to be. Every trick has its sequence, and every route to-morrow morning.

He Wants to Change Back Again into the Donkey every day is a sworn foe to him who masquerades in an impostor's costume. These are GRAND PROCESSION WITH MUSIC. aphorisms not from Lord Bacon but from ourselves, and they are of universal application. We shall take care to "rub them in" from time to time into the crevices of our reverend friend's cast-off "lion's skin," by way of reminder, and to warn him from putting it on

Meanwhile one last word for to-day: Try and maintain some consistency, even in evil. If everybody " plays his own tune," the audience may realize the Highlander's ideal of heaven; but they will be apt also to note the deviations and discords of the performers. Then we shall have a scene something like the

"Dugald Macpherson and me gaed down to Luckie McNab's in the Canongate to meet some of our auld freen's there. When we gaed in there was anither ten or a dizzen Heelenmen there, and they a' had their pipes wi' them. After we had been a crack for awhile, we had a tune thegither, and, man, it was fine! We a' shouthered our pipes and begun to play different tunes. Man, it was bonnie! I just thoct I was in heaven!"

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPOR' Of Directors of the St. John's Masonic Mutual Insurance Association.

THE Directors of the St. John's Masonic Mutual Insurance Association beg to present their statement of affairs for the year 1887.

The Directors have to report four members added to the death roll the past year. Four calls have therefore been made, namely :- For Bros. Jno. Graham, Robt. Brown, W. S. Hughes and Samuel Colton.

The association has added to its roll during the past year nine members, and feel glad to state that none have forfeited claim on association through default in payment of assessments, and the Directors have pleasure in stating this fact, as the association affords the cheapest and most convenient mode of Life

The Directors also wish to impress on members the necessity of being prompt in their payments of assessments to the association on e death of a member, on the dates and place named in the notice, as it is not incumbent on the secretary to receive payments at any other time or place, and by so doing a considerable amount of unnecessary trouble will be saved.

The Treasurer's account has been audited by Bros. Lash and Cowan, and is now presented. It shows a balance to credit of reserve fund of £161 10s. and to credit of general account £182 8s. 8d., after paying all expenses for the year. This statement shows the past year to be the most successful since the formation of

The Directors urge on their brethren the advisability of giving this mode of insurance their earnest consideration, as they have no hesitation in recommending this association to all eligible members of the fraternity.

The Directors regret that a larger number of members do not attend the general meeting and show that interest in the working of the association which it is so deservedly entitled to.

According to Bye-Laws, four Directors retire, viz. :- Bros. Pye, Jno. Martin, M. Monroe and Jno. Hughes, but they are eligible for re-Respectfully submitted,

J. L. DUCHEMIN, President JOSEPH WILSON,

St. John's, Jan. 17, 1888. Assessment Fund in account with Treasurer.

1887.—To paid assessments on account of death £376 9

Reserve Fund in account with Treasurer. 887.—Balance in Savings' Bank.....£ 31 10 Accumulated Funds. Assessment Fund.....£182 8

CR. 1887.—By balance£ 73 7 By assessment on 9 new members..... By assessment on account of death of four members..... 288 16 887.—By entrance fees.....£ 7 0

> £ 31 10 F. C. CORNICK, Treasurer.

THE steamer "Curlew" proceeds Westward to-morrow, her terminus being Channel Should navigation be clear of ice to such an extent as to permit of an open passage around Cape Ray, it is probable that the people of the West Coast will receive a call from the boat next month. The demands of trade in that growing and enterprising section make this more or less imperative, as well as a source of profit to the boat itself. She will start on the

coup d'etat its St. Helena. The lapse of time Holiday Festivities at Bonavista. Big Time in the School Room. CHARMING ENTERTAINMENT AND TEA-FIGHT

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,-Christmas with us has passed moderately well, and on the whole very enjoyably, although there is prevalent among us an inexpressible something which has a tendency to depress, dispirit and discourage. Doubtless that something is the outcome of the poverty that prevails, and inevitably operates against social happiness and convivial enjoyment. At this season of the year we reasonably yield to the impulse of our nobler nature, which points us to the world's Redeemer, whose advent we have just now been commemorating; and our minds revert to scenes and circumstances of unmerited favor which instigate within our breasts feelings of gladness and sorrow. Nevertheless, in spite of the many embarrassments, joy seems to have predominated, inasmuch as the young men and maidens desist not from indulging in the 'mumming" habit; the good friends discontinue not to entertain and interest the lovers of "Santa Claus"-the juvenileswith their Xmas trees and parties; and the grown-up folks also evince their joy by giving entertainments and soirces, the last of which came off on the 5th inst., under the patronage of the Loyal Confraternity.

By arrangement the day was chosen for their annual march, and consequently they assembled at the Central School Room at 2 o'clock—the hall being occupied by the ladies -started at 3, and as usual walked in procession through the town, clad in apposite attire, while the B.B.B. intermittently pealed forth ts strains on the evening air, the sound reverberating from hill and dale, and filling the hearts of the processionists and others with feelings ineffably delightful. Perchance, even the most fastidious and hypercritical ear might have listened to it with a measure of compla-

The march being terminated, the Brotherhood repaired to their lodge-room, where preparations were being made by the "good of this place who were asked by the Magisadies" to accommodate them with a sumptuous repast, to which ample justice was soon done when once the masticative machinery was put in operation, especially as the evening's parade conduced to sharpen the appetite and adjust the palate. After the preliminaries had been gone through, both members and visitors sat down together, and partook freely of the esculents with which the tables were so fully equipped. Ah, yes, they did eat and were satisfied, and many most assuredly congratulated themselves on having made a "good tea!" Let it be understood that this "tea" was provided by the Association, who solicited the indispensable services of the "fair sex" in its accomplishment, and accordingly paid them the price agreed.

But the zenith of the day's festivity was not vet reached. An entertainment followed, consisting of music, addresses, recitations and dialogues, which were all excellent and compatible with the object in view-conviviality. The president was Mr. Joseph Powell-exmaster,-who based his opening remarks on the word "tea"; and, after pointing out a few of the bad and good qualities of that beverage. and eulogizing the lady friends a little, he resumed his seat and expressed himself as "highly pleased" in calling on the next performer.

It was with a measure of reluctance that Mr. Thomas House obeyed the mandate of the chairman, as he informed his auditors that he received no intimation of the matter until he heard his name pronounced as the "next speaker." However, he very astutely spun off a speech, and withdrew from the platform by concluding with, "I shall leave the nonsense for the other gentlemen." He was followed by our well-known pedagogue-Mr. Vincentwhose remarks were terse, pithy and seasonable. The last sentence of his peroration was a citation from the late John B. Gough Young man, keep your record clean!"

The observations of Dr. Forbes were of such a character as to insure the most rapt attention of his hearers, while, in his accustomed racy and live ly manner, he propounced and supported a theory to the effect that it was quite feasible to establish a which would be of an incalculable benefit to them selves and others. His remarks were received with approbation. We are disposed to believe that directly and indirectly it would be pro bono publico of Bonavista, and unquestionably and unmistakably it would obviate much of the ignorance preponder-

An invitation to attend the soiree was extended to the four clergymen, but only two-Revs. Messrs. Freeman and Frazer-were present. We are altheir presence portends and generally secures success. Rev. Geo. C. Frazer's harrangue was indeed nighly appreciable, his sprightliness rarely consummate, and his humor simply charming. He greatly praised the females, substantiated the Doctor's

suggestion anent Reading-room, pleased all hearers and modestly took his seat amidst great applause. Mr. John Swyers, one of our old sages, likewise entertained us with an address quite palatable, and was succeeded by the Rev. R. W. Freeman, who congratulated us on the great success attending the evening's proceedings; also corroborated and amplified the inuendoes of the previous speakers concerning R.R, and volunteered to do what he could to assist in the movement. In fact, he was pleasantly sentimental," so much so, that when he retired to his chair, the people were in a commotion with laughter and intense merriment.

Besides recitations, dialogues and addresses, a reading was given by Mr. Gideon Powell, and a solo by Miss Whitten. Ali the performances were very appropriate and befitting, and were immensely relished. The B.B.B. rendered excellent service; and received three good cheers at the close of the

A vote of thanks, proposed by Rev. Mr. Frazer and supported by Mr. Gideon Powell, was tendered the ladies who had evidenced such a spirit of cordiality and interest in the affair, after which the band led in singing, "God save the Queen," and thus ended a most pleasant and happy gathering. Yours, thankfully,

Bonavista, Jan. 6th, 1888.

FROM ROSE BLANCHE The Poor Relief Frauds.

INVESTIGATION BY MAGISTRATE Weeks' Charges Fully Sustained

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—About three weeks ago we had the pleasure of a visit from R. T. Squarey, Esq., Stipendiary Magistrate of Channel. He was sent here by the Government to investigate the charges made by C. J. Weeks, Esq., M.D., against the Relieving Officer of this place for the misappropriation of the poor relief. It will, no doubt, surprise many, Mr. Editor, to know that the result of this investigation proves that the charges made were perfectly true and correct: that the poor's money has been squandered, and that the unfortunate paupers have been actually robbed.

I deem it unnecessary to say more in regard to this matter, as the Colonial Secretary has received by this mail a true account of the investigation, from the Stipendiary Magistrate himself; also a letter signed by seven persons trate to assist him in the said investigation,

RICHARD FURNEAUX, P. A. GARCIN, JOB RIDEOUT, JAMES RIDEOUT, JOHN A. ROBERTS. GEORGE LEMOINE,

asking that the evidences taken at the investigation, with the Magistrate's report upon the same, appear in the columns of the Government paper. The above named feel assured, sir, that their request will be granted; and by such means the general public will have an opportunity of judging whether the charges made by "Veritas" are (to use "Facts" own words) "a pack of falsehoods" or not.

I may here mention that the Magistrate conducted the investigation in a straightforward and honorable manner, and gave entire satisfaction to all concerned. Hoping that the matter will have the attention which its importance demands, and thanking you for your valuable space, I remain, Mr. Editor,

Yours truly, W. J. RENDELL Rose Blanche, Jan. 14, 1888.

LOCAL VARIETIES.

WE are requested to state that St. Andrew's Juvenile Singing Class will not meet this week, as the basement will be used for other pur-

THE Parade Rink was closed to skaters last evening and crowds of people turned away disappointed; the skating area had been flood ed. The frosty temperature has hardened it by this time to a floor of crystal.

THE Nova Scotian is set down to sail at six o'clock this evening, but as all her freight for this port had not been landed at three o'clock this afternoon, and she has to take four hundred tons aboard for Liverpool, it is not probable that she will start much before noon to-

THE half-cent postage stamps are intended for use chiefly in forwarding single copies of local newspapers, though they may, of course, be used also on letters. Their issue is an unlooked for innovation in a country which, under the old system of currency, knew nothing

THE coastal steamer "Curlew's" news is rather meagre this trip. She reports the loss of a schooner herring-laden in Bay St. George, belonging to Forsyth & Co. of Halifax. The crew managed to keep her afloat and get her into port, near the wharf, where she sunk. A sale was subsequently called and the cargo sold for a dollar and a half a barrel. *

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