

THE NORTHWEST LAND.

SOME OF THE DUTIES PERFORMED BY THE MOUNTED POLICE.

The Experience of a New Brunswicker who was an Officer in the Force—How Louis Kiel Died—A Letter Written Beside his Coffin—A Rich Country.

The Northwest Mounted Police was organized for the protection of the settlers, to stop the importation and sale of intoxicating liquor, and for the prevention of crime generally in the Northwest Territories. A chain of outposts is posted along the international boundary line, from Manitoba to the Rocky Mountains, under command of officers of the force, who are held responsible that perfect communication is kept up between detachments, and the country in the vicinity of their commands is thoroughly protected. There are also detachments on the Indian reserves, and the slightest disturbance among the Indians is at once reported to headquarters. Members of the force are liable to be called out suddenly at any hour of the day or night, in summer or winter, in pursuit of horse thieves or whiskey smugglers. At most of the posts, on a certain bugle-call sounding, a party of men, previously detailed for this duty, at once fall in on the barrack square. If at night, the stable pickets saddle the horses which the men are dressing, thus saving time. Rations for this purpose are issued and kept ready in the quartermaster's store; consequently a party thoroughly equipped with arms, ammunition and rations for several days, can start out on any duty, at very short notice.

The barrack routine is about the same as that carried out in any English cavalry regiment. The drill is mounted infantry, and the commands are given almost entirely with the bugle. The force consists of ten divisions or troops, of 100 officers, non-commissioned officers and constables each, which is but a handful, when the extent of country that they have to keep in order is considered. The work is hard, and recruits require to be perfectly sound and robust to stand it. Games of all sorts are provided for the men when off duty, and the recreation rooms at the different posts are well stocked with books and periodicals. Instruction in rifle and revolver practice is particularly attended to, each non-com. officer and constable being required to fire 90 rounds annually, in addition to mounted carbine and mounted and dismounted revolver practice.

There is no military force in the world better clothed or rationed than the Northwest mounted police. Rapid promotion is given to capable and steady men, and when a vacancy occurs in the commissioned ranks the non-com. officers are very rarely overlooked. Some of the best officers in the force have been thus promoted from the ranks.

I reported for duty at Regina in the autumn of 1885, shortly before Louis Riel was executed. Having witnessed the hanging of Riel I can vouch for all that has been said respecting his calm behaviour on the scaffold. Shortly before the awful hour that was to end his career on earth, being asked by the sheriff if he had anything to say, he turned for advice to Father Andre, who was heard to exclaim, "No, pray! pray!" I think Riel intended to make a speech. At breakfast in the officers' mess Father Andre remarked that Riel dead was more dangerous than Riel alive. Nothing has happened since that eventful morning to justify this remark. My turn for guard—an officer's guard of 30 men furnishing ten sentries with the customary two hours on and four off—came at 2 o'clock on the day of the execution, and during the small hours of that night, in one of the corridors of the guard room, with the rude coffin containing the body of Riel before me, I wrote to my friends an account of the most important event in the history of that period.

I did not like Regina. There are no trees or rivers near it, and the weather is very hot or very cold, according to the season. The thermometers indicated 105° Fahrenheit in the shade in summer, and 62½° below in winter the year I was there. Regina, the capital of the North West Territories, is the headquarters of the Mounted Police. The Wascana—pile of bones—creek, a muddy stream that partially dries up in summer, runs through here. The only sport it affords is muskrat shooting in the spring of the year, and a few ducks during the season.

The climate of Regina is too cold for profitable stock raising. Cattle could not remain out all winter the same as at Lethbridge, Macleod and Calgary; but it is not a bad farming country, barring the gopher—a ground squirrel—which causes no little trouble owing to its rapacious appetite for growing crops. The police barracks are situated about 2½ miles west of the town.

I was ordered to Lethbridge in August, 1886. Lethbridge is the terminus of the North Western Coal and Navigation company's narrow gauge railway, and is 109 miles west of Dunmore, a station on the C. P. R. line. Coal mining is the principal industry. The Galt mines, as they are commonly called, mine an excellent quality of soft coal. About 400 tons daily is the output.

The supply of coal in this district seems inexhaustible and is easily mined, being entered on level ground in the river bottom 200 feet below the town level. The coal is

carried from the mine to the loading point up a steep incline by an endless chain. Five loaded and five empty cars pass each other half way. The main road to the Belly river at this place is down through a deep coulee or ravine, on the sides of which the trail of the buffalo, now unfortunately nearly extinct, is still visible. The population of Lethbridge is about 2000 and is rapidly increasing. During the year I was stationed there police barracks were erected on a knoll south east of the town, enclosing an area 600 by 800 feet. An Episcopal church and a Roman Catholic church, the former of brick and the latter of stone, and the Union Bank's fine stone building, and a number of substantial private residences, adding greatly to the appearance of the town, were erected during the year.

The bricks used in building are manufactured in the vicinity, and the stone which is a light colored free stone is quarried on the banks of the river, which runs close by. The climate of Lethbridge is favorable for ranching. Stock can remain out all winter and look remarkably well in the spring. Vegetables grow rapidly and to an immense size. Watermelons, citrons, tomatoes &c., are easily raised in this district. Gophers, which are a great annoyance to farmers in most parts of the country are, as regards Lethbridge, "strangers yet." The chinook wind does wonders for this part of the country. When the ground has been covered with snow, perhaps for weeks, a dry chinook wind comes rushing over the mountains, and in a few hours not a vestige of a foot deep of snow remains, and the ground is left quite dry. The first view of the Rockies—travelling westward—is obtained here. On a clear morning—although a hundred miles off—with the sun shining on their snow-clad peaks, they present a sublime appearance. The chief mountain called the Author of Peace from its position near the international boundary line, the Spanish Peak, the Castle and Turtle mountains with others of higher or lower altitude form an unbroken chain as far as the eye can reach from north to south.

At another time I shall have some more to tell about the Northwest.

A RETIRED OFFICER.

THE THYCKE FOGGE PAPERS.

The Senator is Politically Pessimistic After Visiting Fredericton.

NO. V.

"Boys, I am disgusted," was the Senator's greeting, as on our usual evening a Number of Us gathered round the noble hearth whose glow cheers and decorates the sanctum. "Disgusted with what?" came in chorus from several of us. "Disgusted with almost everything," answered he of the colossal brain, but more especially with local politics as exemplified by the representatives of the people at Fredericton.

"Last week business called me to the city where it is a heartbreaking job for a man to get a drink decently and respectably—and by the way I would thank my young friend on my left to put a little less lime juice in my next glass—and I must honestly confess that I was very properly disgusted with our system of government. There is no doubt that we are a long-suffering patient, and too much governed community. I had the pleasure of a seat on the floor of the house during a morning's visit to the Legislative Chin Chapel, and I came to the conclusion that there was an awful waste of both time and money going on. I cannot see, for the life of me, why the business of this province should require the presence of forty-one men in the Lower House, and Heaven knows how many fossils up stairs, in which Silurian strata I am sorry to see my friend, the late provincial secretary, imbedded, when everything that requires to be done could be done with half of the number meeting biennially. Now, look at it, this mob, some of them are plentifully garnished with hay seed, meets every winter, and jangles and wrangles away for weeks, over what? The Crown Land revenue, the Dominion subsidy and the privilege of making some little picayune legislation and passing a few private bills. Why, I would guarantee to find five men who would transact the business of the province in half the time and for one-quarter the money that this body of squabblers cost us; but then there would be a lot of important individuals who would not be able to write M. P. P. after their names, and Mr. Speaker would not be escorted to and from his chair by an imposing servitor, armed with a sword, and there would be no quiet little games, nor no little room down in the cellar. Oh, I plainly see that for many reasons we will have to put up with our (Heaven save the mark) legislators.

"Why, think of it, boys, we have not in the province the population of the city of Boston, and yet we are governed with all the pomp and circumstance of a nation, and stranger still to me, we put up with it. I was rather amused, too, during my brief stay in the Halls of superior intelligence at the constant flitting in and out, now in the House, now in the committee, again in the lobbies, of a figure that was strangely familiar to me, but whether it was Mrs. Murphy on her annual quest for her fortune or—"

Right here, the sage looked round and found that All of Us had fled with the exception of Second of Us, who, as usual, had devoted so much time and attention to the wine when it was red, that the disgusted expounder promptly put him into the glare of the Electric.

THEY FOUND MORE FISH.

WHAT BEFEL THREE YOUNG MEN FROM MUNC-TUN TOWN.

The Feast that was Kept in the Land, and from which they Fled in Haste—The Feast that they Journeyed so Far to Find, and How they Learned Wisdom.

Now it came to pass that there was strife in the land of Never-Go-Back, and the chief rulers strove together with exceeding fierceness.

And the tumult reached even to the city of Munc-tun, and the priests and the Levites did battle together, especially the priests.

And behold two men of the city, which were lawyers, rose up and contended against each other, and disputed in the chief courts of the city, even the court which is called that of the Stipendiary.

And the names of the lawyers were like unto the names of David and Jonathan, for they were called David and George; but yet they loved each other not, but rather thirsted each for the other's blood. And so they wrestled together to gain possession of a dead letter which was called the Scott act, and which had slept with its fathers and been dead even from its infancy.

And behold the kings and the high priests and councillors of the land coveted the dead letter and yearned for it, that it might be placed in a casket and carried before them into battle, for they wist that he who fought under the shelter of the dead letter, and bore on his shield the name Scott Act, and took it for a battle cry, should prevail largely against his enemies.

And it came to pass, that the lawyers raged furiously, the one against the other, and they taxed the people, and waxed fat, and their coffers swelled with shekels, and their barns with corn, while their cellars were filled with wine of the grape, and they ate fat calves and goats every day, and they slept on spring mattresses of finest wrought brass, gilded about with gold.

And in the fullness of time the people murmured together, and groaned under the burden which was laid on the land, for behold the taxes levied were beyond their strength to bear, even fifty pieces of silver for the sale of one glass of gin to warm the heart of man, and give him a cheerful countenance.

And behold the people took counsel together, and gnashed their teeth, even the great ones of the land, whose teeth were filled with the gold of Ophir.

And they proclaimed a fast in which no man or woman should eat the flesh, neither of goats, or fowls, or swine, but only of fish, moreover of fish that had been salted to preserve his savor.

And the Scribes and Pharisees and elders forbade that men or women should eat of sweetmeats or of pies and they placed an embargo upon the succulent doughnut and the insidious sausage.

Now, it came to pass that in those days there dwelt in the land three young men, who were goodly to look upon, even as the young saplings in the forest whose heads are filled with sap, and the youths were tall, strong, and comely, like unto stately fir trees, and they were all young, so that on the lips of none of them was there more than a slight shadow of down.

And they belonged not to the tribe of the Episcopalians, but were of the congregation of the Presbites and Methodists, which kept not fasts, neither holy days. So they were exceeding wroth, and communed together and took counsel as to how they might escape the fast, which was as gall and wormwood in their mouths, for they loved the good things of the world, and were not spiritually-minded.

Now the names of these three young men were Seelae, Jac-co-Vert, and Robsimson, and they were strong in the defence of their rights. Now behold Seelae was a mighty man and tall above his fellows, and he rose up and discoursed to his comrades and said "Go to! we will find a way to thwart the plans of these tyrants who would compel us to eat fish and to abstain from flesh withal. We will even go three hours journey on the causeway which is built of wood and iron to the distant city of Sin-Jon and there where men know us not, will we go unto an inn and give weight of gold for savory meats and choice confections, and we will eat and drink right merrily."

Now it came to pass that when the day of the fast was come, the three youths met at a certain place known to them while the day was yet dawning, and they journeyed three hours on the causeway, and at high noon they reached the city of Sin Jon, and behold, the city was wrapped in fog as in a mantle, likewise were the streets ankle deep in mire.

And the young men, which were called Seelae, Robsimson and Jac-Co-Vert, were conscious of a great sensation of emptiness, and they hid them to an hostelry in all haste, for the paused not to ungird their sandals, nor to wash the dust of travel from their feet nor to anoint their heads, but seated themselves in the chief place at the table above the salt, and called to the serving men in gorgeous appeal, "Bring us that which is most choice, for we come from far, and are princes in our own land."

So the serving men bowed low when

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they heard that the young men were princes, and they gave them a royal salute, by placing their right fingers beside their noses and closing their right eyes when the royal youths were looking another way.

Now, the serving men in gorgeous apparel brought in the repast with great pomp, and they laid it before the youths, and bowed low and went out.

And behold the youths laughed and were merry and they removed the covers of massive silver beaten into divers shapes, and behold the dishes which did not contain fish were gnashing beneath the weight of a costly product of the earth called potatoes and the other dishes which were not filled with potatoes were heavy with the weight of fish! And the feast was spread!

Now the three young men rose up in great wrath to seek the chief serving man, and rend him in pieces. And they sought earnestly but found him not, for he had gone far out of reach.

Now behold their souls sickened at the fish and also at the potatoes, and their stomachs did also revolt from eating that which they had come many leagues to escape. So they said among themselves: "Peradventure if we seek another hostelry, which may be kept by our own people, the Methodists or Presbites. We shall find food that is to our liking. And they sought for a hostelry which served not up fish, neither potatoes till they were weary and footsore and they found none.

And behold their pride was brought low by reason of their meanness and their hunger, and they ate the fish and devoured the potatoes even to the skins, and were filled.

Now when they had eaten and drank, and their hunger was assuaged, they cast about in their minds how to answer their comrades in the city of Munc-tun, which knew of their making unto themselves a feast to escape the public fast when they questioned them.

And they said among themselves, "Tush! there shall no man know how we have fared lest peradventure they mock at us and jeer and ask us if we ever got left. So we will even say we feasted right merrily, and none will know different, for we are truthful men and of good report in the land."

And it came to pass that they talked eagerly of their banquet, and caused the souls of their fellows to rise up in envy.

But they wist not that there travelled with them on the causeway a Scribe who set down all their doings in mysterious characters on tablets of ivory, and who kept count of the fish bones which they ate, and this is his record which is true and worthy to be preserved in the chronicles of the city of Munc-tun, which are published from time to time.

Why Jews Live Long.

One of the Jewish pastors of Montreal, Rev. Mr. De Sola, has been lecturing upon a very interesting subject, that of the Jewish dietary laws which account in such great measure to the healthfulness for the race. The Mosaic law, he pointed out, permitted for use as food only the flesh of such animals as divide the hoof and chew the cud. In the killing of these animals the strictest examination had to be made to prevent the communication of the disease to man. Mr. De Sola said that as far as his congregation was concerned lambs and calves usually passed examination, but 50 per cent. of sheep and 20 per cent. of cows slaughtered in Montreal were rejected. Yet the rest of the population eats this contentedly enough. As to fish, the Jews only eat those with both fins and scales, and oysters, in Mr. De Sola's opinion, are simply "the scavengers of the sea." Lobsters, crab and other crustacea are likewise tabooed. The result of the great care taken by the Jews as to their diet is famous everywhere in the extraordinarily low death rate of this people and their immunity from epidemics which decimate other sections of the population.—Toronto Empire.

Heart Affections.

Nearly all dyspeptics are troubled with pain about the heart and naturally think it a disease of the heart; this is a mistake, the trouble coming from a gas, formed from undigested and fermenting food, which presses against the heart, causing much pain and great but needless apprehension.—Short's Pampheet on Dyspeptic.

Ubiquitous Woman.

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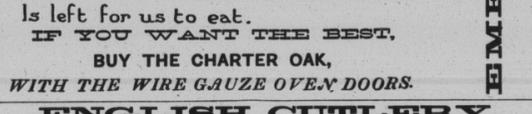
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I am the life that thrills In branch and bloom; I am the patience of abiding hills, The promise masked in doom.

When the sowers lands are wrung And storms are out, And giant woods give tongue, I am the shout;

And when the earth would sleep, Wrapt in her snows, I am the infinite gleam of eyes that The post of her repose.

I am the hush of calm, I am the speed, The flood-tide's triumphing psalm, The wash-pool's heed.

I work in the rocking roar Where cataracts fall; I flash in the primary fire that dances The dew's ephemeral ball.

I am the voice of wind And wave, and tree, Of stern desires and blind, Of strength to be; I am the cry by night, At point of dawn;

The summoning bugle from the urn In clouds and doubt withdrawn.

I am the strife that shapes The stature of man, The pang no hero escapes, The blessing, the ban;

I am the hammer that moulds The iron of our race; The omen of God in our blood that The foreknowledge veiled in our

—Charles G. D. Roberts, in Unit Review.

THE LUCKY-I

Robert Ellis walked slowly drooping orchard boughs, aching the heads of the tall field apparently paying small attention of his companion, Miss

ford, albeit she was the acknowledged Broad Oakes.

He knew that in the gossip-borough he and Harriet had been allotted to each other "match"; and it was only

past that he had come to see the situation, and tried hard himself into a warmer feeling

some, clever, confident girl for himself was sufficiently flattering to his vanity, possessed of any.

The attempt, however was short, by the discovery that out an effort and almost unself, fallen in love with Grasey, coquettish and altogether maiden who had come to spend her time with him, on joining his own.

Then Robert had felt the his fate was already fixed for that time had done his best himself in Gracie's favor.

But he was a quiet and rational man, with but little confidence of bearing off the w others besides himself were

And she was such a flirt he trust her when he saw her on" with Dick Lowrey, whom she did not like? or how

where rich Squire Willis' dashing son had met with sm

Still he was constantly in ty; and there were times in her look and tone, or in which she greeted him, would heart a wild hope and alms that she really cared for him

Of course she knew that for, though he had never had to tell her in so many words, it at times in a certain course he could not but recognize.

And yet she gave him no even was often capricious and even cold toward him; so that felt as though he could give estate to know whether she

for him.

It was to Gracie's gay laughter, and not to Harriet's now listening, as they came the garden hedges, and pres in sight of her, as, with up airy pose, and she strove geous butterfly, while Dick his straw hat, was making tempts to assist her.

In her transparent pink d ring ribbons, and with her curls waving beneath the br garden hat, she reminded R the little porcelain "Waters he had seen in the city st only that her face had in it of character and expression.

"Oh, don't hurt him!" Dick made a sudden swoop "I only want to look at him then let him go. There! last!"

Harriet King laughed, and which Robert did not quite

"How characteristic that To catch him and let him looks just like a butterfly he der if she really has a heart!"

Gracie's next words seemed to this question:

"Poor little thing! how h ble! Don't be afraid, my li would not hurt a hair of yo I mean a feather of your de the work! There, fly away little life while you may!"

And with a light, soft n hand, she watted the insect

"Do you treat men as flies?" inquired Robert, as h her.

"How?" with an expressi inquiry.

"Why, make captives of yourself with them, for a send them off as you did th

"This one came fluttering If men and butterflies li also, I don't trouble my them."

What did she mean? f flushed slightly, and she gav tons of her head.

Harriet glanced sharply flush arose to her cheek all

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that, for some reason, these two girls had no affection for each other. Dick led Harriet aside to look at Uncle Ambrose's beehive.

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THIS PAPER GOES TO PRESS EVERY FRIDAY AT TWELVE O'CLOCK.

RESTRICTING SALES OF POISONS.

Among the measures introduced into the legislature is one to restrict the sale of poisons. It will pass of course, though not in its original form, which would have unnecessarily interfered with the sale of some of the most common and necessary household remedies, such as paregoric, a preparation of opium, and many other things which have been and should be sold without restraint.

The idea of the bill is well enough, as showing that the legislators want to do their duty in preventing murder and suicide, but like a good deal of other legislation, it is of little practical use. Most, if not all of the states have such a law, and while it is found to be a serious annoyance with people who have legitimate use for poisons, there is no claim that it has ever prevented suicide or murder. So long as "Rough on Rats" and other cheap but deadly preparations can be obtained freely, there is little use in requiring a physician's prescription for laudanum or chloroform.

In the city of New York there is a particularly stringent law regarding the sale of poisons, and respectable druggists are very strict in the observance of it. A few years ago a doctor in attendance upon a woman, late at night, found himself in want of chloroform when it was urgently required for a most important and immediate operation. The woman's husband was sent in haste to the nearest drug store, but despite his explanations could not obtain the drug without a prescription, which the doctor in his haste had omitted to furnish. The man returned to the house, got the prescription, and returned with the chloroform, but it was too late. His wife was dead. Had he been after arsenic, in the shape of rat poison, the expenditure of fifteen cents or so would have procured it without a prescription. This is how the law works sometimes.

However, the law may do no hurt in this province, whether it does any good or not. In case of the intelligent druggist it will be accepted for what it is worth, and while it need not inconvenience them, it may be found useful in doubtful and suspicious cases. The intelligent druggist generally has an unwritten law of his own in regard to poisons.

DIVIDING THE DISTRICT.

The proposition to divide the city of St. John into new electoral districts for local election purposes, has, it must be confessed, a suspicious flavor. The theory, as advanced by friends of the measure, is that the electoral district as now constituted is large and inconvenient, especially for the candidates who have to endure the trials of a campaign. A county member, for instance, has not only the eastern and western ends to look after, but the city of St. John as well, while the city members, though much less limited in their field of operations, have more than enough to do in looking after their interests from Bugtown to the Ballast wharf, and from the Lancaster line to the Marsh bridge.

There may be something in the contention, but to the unprejudiced mind certain questions naturally arise. The first is, "Who asks for the change?" the second, "Why do they want it?" and the third, "If any change is needed, is the one suggested the most desirable?" The request does not appear to come from the people of St. John, or from any considerable number of them, at least. There has been no agitation on the subject. Nobody appears to have heard anything about it, until it was introduced as a government measure, and if it has "come to fill a long felt want," nobody seems to have known that the want existed. As to why the change is proposed, the only answer can be conjecture, and on the part of the opposition press the word "gerrymander," has been revived from its recent obscurity to do duty in a protest against the legislation.

The objectionable feature of the matter appears to be that the proposed measure is in the nature of special legislation, and the public are quick to suspect a rat of some

kind in the meat tub. If there was a redistributing of the province or any other part of it, there would be less ground for suspicion, but that the city and county of St. John should be singled out at this particular time is a circumstance which can hardly fail to lead to a belief that something more than the real good of the people is intended.

The people of the city of St. John have been very well satisfied with things as they are, and any change which gives them less members than they now have is not likely to meet with favor. The contention is made that on the basis of population the city has no more than its due now, and that the new scheme practically diminishes its representation, reducing it below the level of the ordinary country constituencies. Its only possible effect will be to lessen the power of the city without giving any advantage to the county, or to anybody save the politicians.

If, as is claimed, St. John needs to be divided into three electoral districts, the ordinary non-political mind would suggest a method somewhat different from that proposed. Let the city have its members and the parishes their parishes. Give the city of St. John four, St. John county east one, and St. John county west one, making six in all. This would prevent the mixing up of parish politicians in city affairs, and would be a simple, easily workable division which ought to prove satisfactory to all.

But the question after all is, do we need any such special legislation at the present time, and will it be in our interests only or in the interests of those who seem to be at the bottom of the matter?

TOO MUCH MACHINERY.

MR. THYCKE FOGG has some pertinent reflections this week on the unnecessary amount of government inflicted on the people of this province. That a population less than that of Boston should require all the paraphernalia of a nation seems to him hardly in accordance with the fitness of things. It strikes others the same way. There is too much government all over Canada.

The house of commons is much bigger than it needs to be, and it costs the people of Canada an extravagant amount to have its business done. So it is in the province of New Brunswick, and so in the city of St. John. Numbers do not add strength to legislative bodies. In the instances named they are an element of weakness and a source of needless expense. But so long as men who ought to be at useful avocations are ambitious to live by their wits in politics, so long will parliaments increase and multiply, under the pretext that the people are being better represented. It is hard to convince the people that if one province has 100 members and another ten, that the latter is no better off than if it had five to the first one's 50.

There is too much machinery for the amount of work done, and the people pay too big a price for their whistle.

SUNDRY HITS AND HINTS.

In Mr. Blair's policy one that insures him against accidents. Who would be mayor, if there had been a law to make voting compulsory? Mr. Blair's days of courtship were over long ago. He doesn't even court inquiry now. "Prepare for the spring cleaning. Whitewashing done here—signed, A. G. Blair, Fredericton."

The letter "B" is an important one historically. It is the first in Blair, Bismarck, Butler, Bribery and Boule.

The Clatham Advocate is very good friends with the World now. It call it no worse name than "a local print."

One thing urgently needed in connection with the exhibition is the proper lighting of the grounds in the vicinity.

There will be a natural curiosity this spring in regard to the growth of the trees planted in the Old Burial Ground early last winter.

Now that C. N. Skinner, M. P., has framed a constitution for the nation under Imperial Federation, it looks as though the scheme would be a great success.

The principle of the whitewash bill is pretty much the same as if a man charged with stealing could be acquitted by proving that his neighbor was also a thief.

Parliament proposes a law for the analysis of agricultural fertilizers, but says nothing about the analysis of whiskey, which affects a good many more people.

Why would it not be an improvement on present methods for the citizens to choose some disinterested person to toss a copper for the choice of a mayor in future?

When Macaulay's New Zealand sits on the ruins of London bridge, he will read in his daily paper a proposition to abolish the Legislative council in New Brunswick.

The law prohibiting the sale of cigars to minors does not go far enough. It should forbid the sale of them to anybody, unless he gave bonds to smoke them outside of city limits.

It is a pretty good thing for Gen. Lauris to claim mileage from England to Ottawa. If a man doesn't think enough of Canada to live in it, he ought not to be in its parliament.

So oatmeal has advanced 20 cents a barrel. The philanthropists who think the workman should save money by living on this diet will have to advance some new scheme for his benefit.

It is understood that the assessors have their eyes on a local industry which appears to be growing to large proportions and has hitherto escaped taxation. Its name is the Canada School Supply company.

The presence of a prominent Orangeman at St. Peter's church, last Sunday, has given rise to some speculation as to whether he will find in affiliation with a leading Dufferin ward politician next year.

An operator in the telegraph office of the House of Commons at Ottawa became suddenly insane the other day, and wanted to kill some one. He had probably been sending the tariff changes and realized what they meant.

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GIVE THE BOYS A START.

How the Friends of Bright Boys Can get them Interested in Business. PROGRESS is the only maritime paper that has newsboys selling it on their own account outside of St. John. Every week a large number of papers are sent to out of the way places, where there are no regular news stores, to bright, active boys who have from ten to seventy-five customers.

In Moncton, Newcastle and Amherst there are bright lads always waiting for PROGRESS, Saturday, who do not depend entirely on regular customers, but are sure of selling from 50 to 100 papers to anyone and everyone on the street. They make all the way from 50 cents to \$2.00 in a few hours Saturday morning, and benefit themselves and please their friends by their industry. Here is a letter to the publisher of PROGRESS which shows how some boys get a start from kind hearted people, who want to see them get along.

MIDDLE SACKVILLE, N. B., March 26, 1890. MR. EDWARD S. CARTER, Publisher of PROGRESS: Dear Sir: Ever since you started PROGRESS, I have been a reader and an admirer of the paper, and as I saw some time ago that you wanted boys to sell for you, I thought I would get one started to see what could be done here. If you will send him 10 copies this week, he will try it, and may be, will want more next week. I will collect the pay and remit to you monthly. Address the papers to Jas. McQueen, Middle Sackville, and any communications or bills you can send to me.

The papers were forwarded promptly, and mark what followed! The following postal was received April 3rd:

MIDDLE SACKVILLE, N. B., April 2, 1890. MR. EDWARD S. CARTER, Publisher of PROGRESS: Dear Sir: Please increase James McQueen's order to 20 copies instead of ten, and oblige Yours etc.

What is to hinder bright boys in every village in the province from doing the same as young McQueen. He will work up a good sale—sufficiently at any rate to make Saturday morning valuable to him, and what is still better learn him habits of business. The conditions are such that he must be prompt, and consequently he will not allow his customers who "haven't the change"—they are to be found everywhere—to "block" him. Everyone must pay up promptly in order that he may meet his payments at the end of each month.

What better way is there to give a bright boy a start and at the same time to increase the circulation of PROGRESS?

Since the above was written another order has been received from C— as follows:

MIDDLE SACKVILLE, April 8, 1890. Dear Sir: Please add ten copies to Master McQueen's number, making 30 in all. The papers sell well.

Now is your chance boys. Do not interfere with regular, enterprising agents, for there is not sufficient profit in the business to divide it in small places, but where there are no news agents and no papers sold—in such places for example as Richibouctou, Kingston (Kent Co.), Hopewell, Salisbury, St. Mary's, Gibson, Upper Woodstock, Grand Falls, Edmundston, Anderson, St. George, Centreville, Norton Station, and Dalhousie, where neither daily or weekly papers are sold—you will have no difficulty in gaining a footing and in selling lots of PROGRESS.

PEN AND PRESS.

Fredericton's new paper, The Globe, makes a good start. A good make up and fine printing contribute to the excellent appearance of the first number, while the letter-press has a brightness and interest hitherto foreign to the newspapers of the capital.

The Sporting Life has been enlarged to sixteen pages and is brighter and bolder than ever. The base ball cranks regard it as one of the highest authorities, and dot on it for its fairness as well as its news.

The last number of the University Monthly of the academic year will be enlarged to 32 pages. The editors propose to print portraits of the faculty and good engravings of the old and present college. The edition will be much larger than usual and will be distributed with a view of benefiting the institution.

The Easter number of Youth's Companion was something that every boy and girl in the country would enjoy. It is seldom that one finds so much in a newspaper that is thoroughly interesting and instructive. It is the one high class weekly that above all others, will interest the entire family, from the grandpapa to the grandchild. Perry, Mason & Co. will send it gladly for \$1.75 a year.

The New York Voice is carrying on a greater enterprise campaign than ever. Always on the alert, the Voice's latest enterprise is the exposure of the combination of the politicians and whiskey men to defeat prohibition.

The Verdict of the People. Many complimentary letters come to PROGRESS from all quarters, and all of these are welcome. There is often a "bushel of encouragement in a pleasant line or two from a subscriber. Three of a number that came in one day's mail last week are selected for publication with apologies to the writers for using their names.

Enclosed you will please find P. O. order for 1 year's subscription to PROGRESS. I am much pleased with the paper.

Windsor, N. S. F. W. RYAN.

Enclosed please find one dollar, my subscription for PROGRESS. A neighbor handed me a copy today and I think it the best weekly published in Canada. You don't appear to be afraid to speak your mind on any matter that may concern the public. More power to you.

Summerside, P. E. I. R. S. BOWNNESS.

I have been much pleased with PROGRESS this winter, and as I leave for the North shortly, you will oblige me by sending the paper to me at Calais, Me.

Jacksonville, Fla. GEORGE A. BOARDMAN.

DINSMORE, CHATHAM.—Your notes are too personal altogether.

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IN MUSICAL CIRCLES.

It is rather late, I suppose, to notice any of the music that was sung in Holy week, but really some of it was very good. I was at one of the services at St. Paul's, and was delighted with the way the choir sang "The Story of the Cross," the "Question" being sung by Master Charles Shaw, the "Answer" by Master Philip Robinson, the chorus parts by the full choir, and the "Appel from the Cross" by Rev. A. J. Reid. The effect was really beautiful. A very good service was held in St. John's church on the evening of Good Friday, when the rector read the "Story of the Crucifixion," the choir singing appropriate hymns. Mrs. Carter sang Gounod's setting of the hymn, "There is a green hill far away," very finely and with a great deal of expression. Miss Hea gave the alto air from the Messiah, "He was despised and rejected," and quartets from Gounod's Redemption were rendered by Mrs. W. S. Carter, Miss Hea, Mr. F. H. J. Ruel and Mr. T. Daniel. Trinity and the Mission had very little music at their Good Friday services, although I have been told that Mr. Morley's interpretation of the "Dead March in Saul" was really superb.

Of course the much talked of choristers were the great attraction on Easter Sunday, and Trinity was crowded at both the eleven o'clock and the evening services. It would not be at all fair to pass any opinion on the choir at this early date, for naturally the boys were nervous, singing for the first time. The professional looked very imposing, and one immediately thought (at least I did) that that was what Trinity had always needed to make the service complete, the handsome church, beautiful decorations, and the choir as I think fresh white surplices making a most effective group. It was not quite so satisfactory when they began to sing, and the alto and tenors seemed conspicuous by their absence. But one cannot have everything, and if some people missed the good music that they were accustomed to hear at the festival services in Trinity—well, they did not say very much about it. They were merely waiting until the choristers are able to sing in the choir.

The music in the other churches went well. I hear that of the Mission, St. John's and the Centenary very highly spoken of, and no doubt the other churches in the city had equally good musical services; and here I must thank the different organists who so kindly supplied me with lists of their Easter music.

There was no Oratorio practice last Monday evening, but the Dorothy company rehearsed that night and also on Friday evening when, I think, the Philharmonic club played with them. I hear of quite a number of concerts which are to take place in the near future. The Neptune Howling club is giving one on the 24th, which I believe is to be something quite above the ordinary run of this kind of thing. A party is going to the Lunatic asylum to give an entertainment for the inmates, which no doubt will be enjoyable.

The Choral club met last Tuesday evening, at Mrs. W. A. Ewing's, Princess street. I give the programme as nearly as I could get it. The first half of the evening, as usual, was devoted to rehearsing "Christ and His Soldiers." The club then sang the "Kyrie" from Haydn's first Mass. Mr. Porter sang "Ruddier, than a cherry." The Philharmonic club, which was present, played the "Sinfonia" by Mr. White gave a violin solo, and Mr. Robert Crook sang the "Aria," but I did not hear the name of either. Miss Hea gave the aria, "O Thou that tellest," from the Messiah, with orchestral accompaniment. Mrs. Ewing and Miss Eastman (of Boston) gave a piano duet, and the evening was concluded with the "Hallelujah Chorus" by the club. Some of the numbers were omitted on account of the absence of several members of the club. It is not quite done yet, but a meeting will be held, but it will be devoted to glee and ballads. Mrs. Thomas Patton is chairman, and Mrs. Jardine, Miss Henderson and Miss Turner, Messrs. T. Daniel, A. H. Lindsay and Turner are the committee. A very well written essay on Handel's Hallelujah Chorus, by Miss Minnie Hea, was read during the evening.

The musical programme which was carried out in connection with the Easter sale at the Church of England Institute was thoroughly enjoyed by those present.

TRURO AND ITS MUSIC.

TRURO, April 9.—Truro is not behind the day in musical matters, having eighteen teachers of music, one finely equipped music store, with one of the most pleasant lady attendants one would wish to see, a good band and fine orchestra. I shall continue by giving you the music of the St. John's (Episcopal) church.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

To THE EDITOR OF PROGRESS: Will you kindly publish this statement in correction of some comments in your last issue regarding the role voted between Messrs. Allen and Jack, and a refutation of some false reports circulating with regard thereto.

Upon adding the tally and finding a tie between Messrs. Jack and Allen, because of the strangeness of the occurrence, I re-counted twice and then announced a tie, but did not state that Mr. Allen was 9 ahead. I am aware that one gentleman gave Mr. Allen a majority of 10 but do not know that six did so. One scarcely cares to lead over remarks reflecting upon one's honesty, but when false and returned upon every possible occasion, they can hardly be passed by in silence. Mr. W. W. Allen did not receive a majority of 10 votes, but one can readily see why, under the circumstances, he should thus seek to justify his position.

The following tallying for the three candidates, made by the specified gentlemen, is proof of my assertion:

Robertson. Jack. Allen. Poll Clerk..... 333 292 292 Mr. T. N. Robertson..... 333 292 292 Mr. G. M. Robertson..... 332 292 292 Mr. D. R. Jack..... 333 294 292 Mr. J. S. Turner..... 333 297 292 Mr. W. W. Allen..... 333 292 302

As seen by this table (in Mr. Allen's case) all the above gentlemen agreed with my tallying, with the exception of Mr. Allen, he giving himself a majority of 10; and in the instance of Mr. Jack all but two agreed with my count, the correctness of which Mr. Allen has freely admitted. The fact alone that Mr. D. R. Robertson, one of the best accountants in the city, corroborated my tallying is of itself a guarantee of my correctness. I might say that Mr. G. M. Robertson tallied by a self-proving method of his own invention.

S. B. BOSTON.

A Bang-up Paper. To THE EDITOR OF PROGRESS: I just want to say to you that you turn out a bang-up good paper. I don't know you, and you don't know me; but some business friend sends me a copy of Progress every now and then.

I'm an old Bluenose myself (St. Stephen), and am delighted to know that "away down home" where brights are supposed to be rather slow, we have a bright, broad and progressive as any to be found in this bustling Yankee metropolis.

Now will you do good to know what I think of you. Very sincerely yours, JOHN ELLIS.

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Rare but Not Rare. Buggings—Mrs. Skinner, this steak is quite rare. Landlady—Well, I don't understand how it could be so, Mr. Buggings, it was a sufficient time on the fire.

Buggings—That may be, Mrs. Skinner, but, strange to say, it is rather tender, and tender steaks you know, are very rare in this house.—Ez.

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PERTINENT PERSONALS.

The late Judge Elias Botsford took an active interest in capitol masonry, and it was in his honor that Botsford Royal Arch chapter was named. The suggestion as to the name was made by Mr. John Marshall, at that time, 1870, Grand Superintendent under the Canadian registry. Judge Botsford, with eight others from Moncton, was created in New Brunswick Chapter on Feb. 7, 1870, he being at that time speaker of the House of Assembly. At the close of the work a banquet was given at the Rothesay House, at which were present, among others still living and well known, Messrs. Robert Marshall, D. R. Munro, John Mullin, James McNicol, Jr., Dr. J. C. Hatheway, Henry Duffell, T. A. Peters, D. S. Stewart, H. G. Hunt, R. M. Stevens, C. A. Robertson, John Sweet and W. R. Russell. Dr. A. H. Chandler and Messrs. J. L. Harris, C. P. Harris, W. S. Torrie, D. C. Harper, D. C. King, H. T. Stevens and W. C. Harley were the others who received their degrees that night.

The late Mr. John G. Moriarty, who was buried last Monday, was the second oldest member on the roll of Albion Lodge, F. and A. M.

Royal Musicians. There are surprisingly many expert musicians in the royal houses of Europe. Queen Victoria and her daughter Louise play the piano and organ with great skill. The Prince of Wales knows all about playing the banjo, and his wife is an excellent pianist. The Duke of Connaught can do wonders with the flute, and the Duke of Edinburgh is hardly less accomplished in handling the violin. The Czar performs famously with a silver trumpet. The Empress of Austria is one of the finest zither players on the Continent. The Queen of Italy does the most difficult pieces of Italian and German composers on the piano. The Empress of Japan excels in playing the "koto," a Japanese instrument not unlike an overgrown zither.

The gifted Queen of Roumania is celebrated among her subjects for her extraordinary performances on the harp and piano. King George of Greece extracts melody from castanets and wine glasses with all the skill of a variety show artist. He plays almost equally well on the Hungarian "scymbalum," concerning which his daughter, the Crown Princess Sophie, is also learning as much as two Hungarian professors of music can teach her. Prince Henry of Prussia is one of the best amateur musicians on the Continent. He plays the piano and violin, and is a composer of considerable reputation.—Ez.

Death Before Resignation. He had been in the Legislative council for most of his life and the end was at hand. "Are you resigned?" kindly inquired the minister.

"Never," cried the old man fiercely. "I may die, but I will never resign." And he passed away as he had lived.—Ez.

Well Paper, from Five cents a Roll upwards, at McArthur's, 80 King street, opp. Bell Tower.

SOCIAL AND PERSONALS.

And the Happenings in Sea-Front, Fredericton, Moncton, Woodville, St. Stephen, Dalhousie, Calais, Etc.

Easter Sunday was a very bright day, and all were crowded as much for the floral decorations as for the flowers having a very dead appearance. I do not think I will be interested if I congratulate the new choir of St. John's, as well as that of many other parts admirably. The report was, "that the ladies of the choir were parting gift from the rector and vestry, and it certainly was a most kind part."

The names of the new choir of Trinity are as follows: Masters Perry Robinson, land, McArthur, Simson, Charley B. and George Matthew, F. and H. and Harry Clarke, F. Holden, Ball Smith, M. and H. Manks, Ewing, Kirkwood, W. Clarke, and one or two names I do not know.

A very pleasant but small dance was given by Mrs. Chipman Drury, Coburg Drury, who left by the steamer for England, where she will spend a few days in the absence of her husband. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. have been there for some weeks. S. sent only a short time.

One of the chief events this week was a high tea in connection with the England Institute. An usual, these visitors in the afternoon, through the tea was well patronized, and all admired the delicacies provided by ladies art of cookery from all the different parts. He had not heard what was realized, but I mentioned last week a place in connection with this sale is to be a scheme to be given under the name of Mrs. J. C. Allison, to raise funds for a floral fund, an object which itself to the public of our city. It next Thursday. Those taking part following well known ladies and gents.

Mrs. J. C. Allison, Misses G. and Mrs. Smith, Miss Teuber, Mrs. A. F. Schofield, Master F. Sturdee, Mr. Peters and Messrs. T. and H. Hart. The play they are going to undertake.

A very pleasant At Home was given by Mrs. Gardiner Taylor at their residence, yesterday afternoon. The dinner was issued from 4 until 5 o'clock, when the room was crowded during the whole time. I noticed were not in such haste to return home these gatherings, as the handsome refreshments quite compensated for dinner.

Judge Palmer has returned home from his tour. Mrs. Harriett Gardner, Mr. J. L. Dunn has been seriously deformed, Crouchville, for some days, and to leave his room.

Mr. Fred Howard was so far recovered that he was able to get out of his room, but he is suffering from the painful disease.

Miss Maggie McLaren is quite recovered her severe attack of a gripple. Miss Ada Macdonald is visiting in Barker.

Mr. Albert Gregory, of Fredericton, has come to St. John for the benefit of having been laid up for some months. Mr. Samuel Berton, formerly of now of Boston, is in the city.

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Mrs. Dibbles had a small card party in her rooms at the Barker on evening last week. She also had a small party on Sunday evening. Mrs. Dibbles is at present at Springhill, visiting Mrs. Charles Murray.

A number of young ladies met at Government House Saturday morning and organized an hospital aid committee, for the purpose of raising funds to endow a box at Victoria hospital. The following were elected officers for the year: Lady Lyle, president; Miss M. T. Doreen, secretary-treasurer; Miss Harrison, secretary-treasurer. The concert in the City Hall tomorrow evening will be the first entertainment in aid of this worthy object.

A sad affair happened this afternoon by which Mr. and Mrs. Harry Whitte were badly burned at their home on George street. They were engaged between 2 and 3 o'clock putting blankets on the parlor furniture to destroy moths. Mrs. White holding their young baby in her arms. Mr. White thoughtlessly lit a candle and the fire was kindled. The room and its inmates in a moment were in a blaze. The fire was subdued and the carpet and furniture in the room were pretty thoroughly destroyed, but this was nothing compared with the sufferings of Mr. and Mrs. Whitte. Mrs. White's face and hands were severely scorched, and the injuries to both were found to be very painful, but not necessarily dangerous. Mrs. White was taken to the hospital and her husband to the Barker. Both Mr. and Mrs. White are much prostrated by the shock and their injuries, but under the good care of the doctors and their friends they will, it is hoped, soon be around again.

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Frederic Fred Blair, of Chatham, who is the efficient organist at St. George's church, has elicited much admiration by his wonderful playing. He is a usually bright looking little fellow, and is much liked by the St. George's congregation.

Another engagement has reached my ears lately, that of a bright young widow and a custom house officer. Senator and Mrs. Richard Lewin left on Tuesday afternoon for Ottawa.

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Mrs. Foster who came last autumn to reside at the West End, is thinking of moving to the East End. I can only regret that she, with many other residents, will leave us next month.

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The widow of Mr. Hardness Clark, at West End, will be pleased to hear that he has recovered from his late illness, and is able to attend to his business.

Mr. James Reed is again able to perform his duties at the post office. Mr. John King has been acting for him for the past three months.

Mrs. George N. Clark, of La Trobe Place, is out again after an illness of three months.

Mr. W. H. Harding has returned to the West End after wintering at the East side.

Mrs. LeBaron Thompson spent Thursday with her mother, Mrs. G. F. Harding.

Mrs. Callahan is expected in June to spend the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John V. Ellis, St. James street.

Miss Jennie Clark still lingers in St. George. Captain Saunders, formerly of the West End, has left the city, and taken up his residence at Tacoma. He will be in the city on his return.

The following ladies have fixed an afternoon of each week in which to receive their friends. It is an excellent idea. Mrs. W. C. E. Allan and Mrs. I. C. Olive, Tuesday; Mrs. H. J. Olive, Wednesday; Mrs. E. J. Scammon and Mrs. C. L. Nelson, Thursday; Mrs. Robt. Allan, the Misses Stewarts, and Mrs. V. Y. Ellis, Friday.

I hear that some of the society ladies are talking very seriously of organizing a sort of a club to be held fortnightly, in order to entertain a number of guests that are expected here the coming season. They have not yet decided whether to trip the light fantastic, or to have a drive whilst club. 'Y' would suggest having both.

Mr. Parsons, of Thos. Hunter & Co., has built for himself a residence on Duke street. He expects to occupy it next month.

Mrs. Geo. Clark, of whom I spoke last week, is a little better, and was able to be to her home in Portland, Me., on Wednesday.

Mrs. J. Olive, sr., and Miss Lee have been ill all winter, but are getting better now.

Miss Helen Morrison, who has been ill for the past three years, is still confined to the house.

Mrs. P. J. Rogers, of Moncton, left for her home on Tuesday.

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Rev. Thos. Marshall, of the Methodist church, will only be with us two months longer. The residents of the West End will be sorry to part with him. His successor will be the Rev. Mr. Crisp, formerly of Portland.

Miss Coy, who has been ill, is again able to attend to her duty as organist of St. Jude's church.

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Wm. L. Lucas, Dempsey Corners, N. S., writing for a second supply of Nasal Balm says: On Sept. 21 I got two bottles from you, and it has done me more good for Catarrh than all the other numerous and costly remedies and treatments I had tried. I feel better now than I have for years, and have every reason to believe the two bottles I am now sending for will completely cure me. I consider Nasal Balm worth its weight in gold to any person suffering from Catarrh.

Wm. Chas. Hanley, postmaster, Spry Bay, N. S., says:—I submit the following to the public that any one who may be afflicted may be benefited by the same remedy. Two bottles of your Nasal Balm has restored to perfect health a four year old child of ours suffering from Catarrh.

Robert C. Woodman, Digby, N. S., writes as follows: Enclosed find \$1 for another large bottle of Nasal Balm which you will please send me by first mail. The bottle I sent for some time ago benefited me very much more than any other preparation I ever tried.

Mrs. M. Ray, Canso, N. S., writes: I have used Nasal Balm on several occasions with the children for cold in the head, and always find it effects a rapid cure.

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Mr. J. Anderson, M. P. P., accompanied by his daughter, Miss Lizzie, spent Sunday in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Robinson.

Rev. Dr. Sprague has tendered his resignation to the Methodist church here.

Rev. Dr. DeBiel, of the Baptist, administered the rite of baptism to seven young ladies on Sabbath last evening.

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102d Year. Collegiate School, Windsor, N. S. TRINITY TERM BEGINS APRIL 5. Circulars on application. REV. ARNOLDUS MILLER, M. A., Head Master.

ASSESSORS' NOTICE. THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS OF TAXES for the City of Saint John, in the present year, hereby require all persons liable to be rated, forthwith to furnish to the Assessors, True Statements of all their Real Estate, Personal Estate and Income, and hereby give notice that Blank Forms, on which statements may be furnished under the City Assessment Law, can be obtained at the office of the Assessors, and that such statements must be perfected under oath, and filed in the office of the Assessors within THIRTY DAYS from the date of this notice.

Dated this first day of April, A. D. 1890. W. M. BUNTING, Chairman. JOHN WILSON, Assessor. URAH DRAKE, Assessor. RICHARD FARMER, Assessor.

Extracts from "The St. John City Assessment Act of 1889." § 118.—"The Assessors shall ascertain, as nearly as possible, the particulars of the real estate, the personal estate and the income of any person who has not brought in a statement in accordance with their notice and as required by this law, and shall make an estimate thereof, at the true value and amount to the best of their information and belief; and such estimate shall be conclusive upon all persons who have not filed their statements in due time; and they may, on show a reasonable cause for the omission."

§ 128.—"No person shall have a statement taken in his name, or in the name of any other person, under oath, within the time hereinbefore required; nor shall the Common Council in any such case sustain an appeal from the judgment of the Assessors unless they shall be satisfied that there was good cause why the statement was not filed in due time, as herein provided." 4—1m.

St. Mary's Steam Furniture Factory THE PROPRIETOR OF THIS FACTORY, finding it beyond his power to attend to all the branches of the business alone, wishes to dispose of one-half interest therein, or, if this cannot be done, he is willing to sell the whole establishment. Terms liberal. Apply to the proprietor, J. J. FREY, JUNR., 4-12 41 Saint Mary's, York County, N. B.

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THE WORLD OF BOOKS.

Can Canada Produce a Literature?

Can she? Alas! she cannot. We hesitate pityingly over so austere a sentence, but we have pronounced it, and it is irreversible; positively, she cannot! It is impracticable, nay, impossible, that she should. We are bound to find a few reasons why she should not, and we stamp them as sufficient. First, her star of destiny was dim when it rose, and came too late; and, as for stars, have we not had both the morning and the evening stars of song? There is Shakespeare, and there are Spenser and Milton, and a long beard-roll not sufficiently attended to, while everybody pretends to poetry. Canada has enough to do to possess and admire, to gloat over her treasures with "miser care." Has not England provided a literature, as well as a government, for Canada; with dons, as well as lords, to administer? What do children so rich, having nothing but to lay back and take life easy, expect to achieve, save a tramp on snowshoes, or perhaps a canoe-excursion? If any one shows a disposition to do other than batten, as a spendthrift, or stiffen, as a fossil, reward his lunar audacity with a periodical blow from an ice-bludgeon, or smother him into civility by a weekly wet blanket. These degenerate sons, my dear Simon, will never produce a literature: least of all, will they ever do themselves or their forbears any credit. The rabbis were so numerous, and so bent upon their glosses and the mystic significance of every sacred letter, they had no eyes for the Christ; but we shall certainly know the poet and penman when we see him—yes, when we see him!

Canada has no chance for a literature; and certain estimable gentlemen whom we forbear to name, should spend their efforts in a more rational pursuit. See! we have no mythology, and believe in none; while, conspicuously, the Greek mythology does not obtain amongst us. We are a solid, realistic, scientific, clear-sighted people, who will have enough to do in hewing timber and building towns and railways for years to come. When it thunders we do not say that the gods on Olympus moan and grumble;—we do the moaning and grumbling ourselves now-a-days—if any one says "witch," or professes to have seen a ghost, we quietly strangle him, as we deem it our judicial duty to strangle all nascent poets we can catch, save a few in our favor, on whom we will have mercy, and a few others who are hardly enough to keep on in spite of us. When the wind blows now it is the wind; we smile at Eolus. Daphne vanished long ago, and the Dryades have disappeared root and branch. Now would not he be a brave man who should presume today to trade in these things? Men must piously believe in mysteries of such a character, who would presume to write epics or even lyrics; and did not Macaulay admit that it is in the simplicity of his mind, and at the dimmest dawn of his nation's history, that a man most effectively assumes the character of a bard,—Milton, and several others, to the contrary, notwithstanding. Of course, Virgil was an unquestionable pagan, with the most religious faith in the mythology in which he wrought, and hence we are able to exult poetically in the gigantic powers he seems to liberate, to

"Plant their footsteps on the sea, And ride upon the storm."

The poet must never be above the superstitious terrors of his age, and must never suspect a bronchic or a loup-garou, if he would sing sincerely and effectively; for Burns (who after all, was not much of a poet,) never questioned the reality of a single warlock of them all; he really saw cloots, and was really check-by-jowl with death on the question of Dr. Hornbook.

"Nature has no mysteries for us" (ehu! poor J—S) We are like the travelled ninnyhammer of the fabulist, who saw one color of the chameleon; or like the school-miss, who hid her home with her education completed, the circle of necessary knowledge circumscribed, and her head as light as a feather. We are the wise of the earth, before whom no poet can stand; and the only thing that irks us is that other generations will be wiser than we. And this condition of dry omniscience is to go helplessly on, waxing worse and worse, until if perchance "the throes of nature," (since there are to be no throes in the human heart, any more,) should "kindle poetic fire in some minds," and a successor to Browning should try to emerge from this dusty shell of earth, "the march of events would soon trample" him down, and their clouded shroud (excuse the anachronism) extinguish his sacred flame.

Why should we not produce a literature? Because of our age. Has not Taine conclusively demonstrated that great men are expressions of great times, and noble writings the voices out of strenuous, mighty agonizing spirits, who travelled "in the greatness of their strength!" Are we such? So it is not altogether "in ourselves," but something "in our stars," that we are to be forever "underlings." We are petty men, it is true; but these are puerile times. There could have been no Ezekiel, unless Jerusalem were in ruins, and captives afar watering Cebah with

* With special compliments to any one who may have written an article with a similar title.

† "But, by your leaves, my learned foes, 'Tis maybe wrong."

MATTHEW RICHIEY KNIGHT, Boston, New Brunswick.

their tears, (we borrow interesting sentiments, with variations) to lead successive generations along the "labyrinth of the mysteries of God." Spenser, by Mulla's shore, could never have been the dreamer he was, if his had not been a very stirring age; and Shakespeare, the mirror of all ages, was very dependent on the Puritan confab and the Discovery of America, for his genius, and the course it took. "Men were ready to pluck out the right eye, etc., for conscience sake," when Milton was living his magnificent life, it is true; but surely it was not when he was writing his epic that the brutish route of Comus danced round him, and he was—

Fall'n on evil days, * * * and evil tongues,

forced to deprecate

"The barbarous dissonance Of Bacchus and his revelers."

It was not the record of his grand soul he gave us, we must be led to believe, but a history of his then time. Besides, we must not be content to enjoy the poetic illusion of "the veil that shut out the world from him" and its connection with his marvellous work; but we must be more exact, and say that he obtained a mysterious accession of genius by the failure of his eyes, and that he could not have written the Paradise Lost until—he had time (there! why will one slip so?)—till he had been blind for so many months, hours and minutes by the clock. Well, there's Dante, Turgenieff, and all our other stock in hand. Virgil lived in Rome's most golden and heroic age, (?) and he wrote heroically; but what of Horace? Wordsworth had some complaints of his age, and sighed for the time of Milton; and poor Tennyson has had a serious time, for the age is mean and the spiritual air is thin. The race of poets must die with him. American literature? Pshaw! There is n— please let attempt a triole. We enjoy making one ourselves; and if there were not so many fellows at it, we might stand a chance of being heard and seen. Finally, F. W. Robertson was surely a mischievous pratter when he said of some things sniffed at,— "because these are not yet grades accredited as heroic in song, worth is not worth, and honor is not honor, and nobility is not nobility. Oh, if we wanted poets for nothing else, it would be for this, that they are grand levellers, vindicating the sacredness of our common humanity, and in protest against such downright vulgarity of heart as this, reminding us that—

"For a' that, and a' that, A man's a man for a' that."

O, my Canada! they say you must be strong and great, before you can produce a worthy thing. Obey thy detractors, and "be born again." Then will they recognize your apotheosis, or be content to—

L. [LET YOU] O' LOANE.

Magazines.

An article on this "French Livingstone," by Henry Fouquier, has the post of honor in *The Transatlantic* of last week. The peaceful method employed by Trivier in his recent two years' journey across Africa is contrasted by the writer with the warlike and bloody methods of Baker, Emin Pasha and Stanley. Emile Bergerat mercilessly ridicules the anti-Jewish crusade, Enrico Panzachi critically sketches the Decadent school of writers, and there are extracts from the new volume of Edmond de Goncourt's Memoirs, accounts of new novels by Zola and Tolstoi, and an interview with Louise Michel regarding her operetta, *In the Moon*. The novelette, "Totot's Drum," is by Jean Richepin, known in France as the modern Rabelais, and the portrait of this author on the cover is perhaps the most striking of the series of admirable pictures which *The Transatlantic* is giving its readers. The music of the number fits the season, and so does the poetry, the former being an Easter mass, "O Salutaris," written by Samuel Rousseau, and the latter a delightful translation of Arno Holz's "The Heart of the Spring."

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A SONG OF THE TEA.

(Imitated from an old Drinking Song.)

I do not ask the toper's flask, His bowl of steaming punch;

A pint of ale, or dark or pale, For dinner or for lunch.

Let those who will such poison swill, Like slaves be led in thrall;

But as for me, a cup of tea Is far above them all.

Chorus—Friends may come and go; Storms may rise and fall,

A cup of tea contenteth me And sets me free from all.

A little meat is all I ask, And I shall not complain

If ham, or shoulder, hot or cold, My food should ne'er contain.

For me the goose should never lose Her head, the calf his skin;

Enough for me a pinch of tea Out of my canikin.

The choicest fish is not a dish That tempts my palate so,

That I would wait with fly or bait To make a lucky throw.

The fish may swim, the lakes may brim With bony wealth for me;

I covet not salmon or trout; Give me my cup of tea.

I am well fed with common bread; No French device I crave,

An epicure can have no more, If all I want I have,

Sickness and death off lurk beneath The rich man's meat and drink;

My cup of tea will bring to me New power to act and think.

MATTHEW RICHIEY KNIGHT, Boston, New Brunswick.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

[FOR ADDITIONAL SOCIETY NEWS SEE FIFTH AND EIGHTH PAGES.]

SUSSEX.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Sussex by R. D. Boal and S. H. White & Co.]

APRIL 9.—Dr. McCully, of Moncton, spent Sunday in Sussex.

Mrs. J. S. Triles and Miss Bessie, of this village, spent a few days last week with Mrs. Triles' father, Mr. Oliver Jones, at Moncton.

Mrs. and Mr. R. A. Triles, of Peticodiac, spent a few days in Sussex last week, the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Ryan.

Miss Gray spent her Easter holidays, at her home in Albert county.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCully, of Moncton, spent Sunday here, the guests of Mr. McCully's parents, Mrs. M. B. Keith, of Peticodiac, in Sussex to-day.

The Misses Parlee, of Moncton, and Mr. Frank Parlee, of St. John, spent Sunday in this village.

Messrs. A. M. Horden and Herbert Arnold, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Moncton, spent Easter Sunday in Sussex.

Mr. William Stockton, father of Mr. A. A. Stockton, M. P., lies dangerously ill at his residence in St. John.

Miss Annie Morrison has returned from her visit to St. John.

Miss Ella Ross is making an extended visit in St. John.

Miss Alice and Master George White, from Sackville academy, have been spending their Easter holidays at their respective homes here.

Mrs. J. S. Triles and Miss Bessie, of this village, spent a few days last week with Mrs. Triles' father, Mr. Oliver Jones, at Moncton.

Mrs. George Vaughan, of Point Wolf, has been sojourning at the Depot House.

Mrs. Peter Snider, of Moncton, has been spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Brannan.

Mr. O. Hayes has bought the beautiful farm of Mr. George H. Barnes, and will soon move on it.

Rev. Mr. Lowe and Mr. William King have left for San Diego, Cal., on the 15th of this month. They will be very much missed by their many friends here.

RICHIBUCTO.

APRIL 9.—Messrs. Frank Parlee, of St. John, and J. R. Waddell, of Halifax, were in town on Thursday last.

Messrs. Frank Phinny and Morley Sells, of Mt. Allison, spent Sunday at their respective homes.

Mr. William Kinsell, of Moncton, was in town last week.

Mr. Cliff and Mrs. Atkinson, of Kouchibouguac, were in town last Friday.

Dr. J. W. Begg left last week for Dalhousie, to visit friends.

Warden Foster, of Dorchester, was in town last week, attending the funeral of his sister, Miss Mary Foster.

Miss Emily Frecker, who has charge of a school at Red Bank, spent Easter at home.

Rev. Mr. Conover, who has been ill for the past three weeks, occupied the pulpit of St. Mary's church last Sunday.

Miss Minnie Morrison, of Chatham, spent Sunday in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Loggie.

Messrs. Herbert Irving, of Buctouche, and Frank Curran, of Moncton, were in town last Friday.

Mr. John D. McMillin, left for Halifax last week.

Mr. James Ferguson, of Bathurst, spent Sunday in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry O'Leary left on Monday for St. John.

Mr. Robert Hutchison, O. C., left on Monday for Moncton, to attend the funeral of the late Judge Bostand.

Dr. Thomas J. Bourque spent last week in St. John.

Miss Bessie Polley left for her home in St. John on Tuesday.

Mrs. Peter Loggie left on Monday for Chatham, via Riverview.

AMHERST, N. S.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Amherst on the streets, by George Douglas.]

APRIL 9.—Mr. A. R. Dickey, M. P., arrived from Ottawa on Good Friday to spend Easter, returning on Monday.

Rev. H. H. Pitman assisted Rev. V. E. Harris in the services on Monday, Thursday, and Good Friday.

Senator Dickey left on Thursday morning to spend a day or two in New York with some friends, expecting to leave for Ottawa on Monday.

The moral display in Christ church on Easter Day was not as profuse as in the past, but the exquisite sweetness of what there was made up for the greater quantity of the Easter lilies on the altar were the gifts of Mr. and Mrs. Keith.

Mr. Gesner Kerr, of Dorchester, was in town on Good Friday.

Miss Stickland left for St. John on Saturday last, to spend a week with Rev. J. B. and Mrs. Sauer.

Mr. John Hickman, of St. John, spent Easter in town, with Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Douglas.

Prof. C. D. G. Roberts, of King's College, Windsor, spent Easter in town.

Mrs. Barry Barker is receiving this week, assisted by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Hodgson. Her reception is to be held on Monday.

Mrs. Edward Ratchford went to Halifax this week to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. McNutt.

The elite of the town assembled in the hall of the Y. M. C. A. on the evening of Easter Tuesday to hear Prof. Roberts deliver his lecture "Notes on the Threshold of the Political and Literary Outlook of our New Country."

Mr. and Mrs. Keble expect to leave this week for a trip to Boston and New York.

DORCHESTER.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Dorchester at George M. Fairweather's store.]

APRIL 9.—A number of our young men are thinking of going up a ball sometime in the near future. Wouldn't it be a grand stroke of business to give one or two of them a ball? We should like to see you follow Sackville, if only in the way of a ball.

Miss Lottie Peters, who has been spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Douglas, returned home last night.

Mr. R. W. Hamilton went to Fredericton Monday, to spend his Easter vacation with friends.

Mr. J. Roy Campbell, who has been with his Easter with his parents, returned to St. John Monday.

Miss L. Robinson, of St. John, is in town, visiting Lady Smith.

Mr. J. Y. Smith is spending his Easter vacation at home, and will return to Lennoxville in about ten days.

Mr. J. C. Hickman, who has been spending Easter in Amherst, with his sister, Mrs. Douglas, returned home last night.

A number of our sportsmen, including Messrs. G. Wallace, W. D. Wilbur and Willard Lawrence, went to Grand Digby yesterday, to try their luck on the wild birds, which are reported in goodly number.

The Misses Backhouse and Miss Chandler spent Tuesday in Moncton.

SACKVILLE.

[PROGRESS is for sale in Sackville at C. H. Moore's bookstore.]

APRIL 9.—Mr. Wood, M. P., who spent Easter in Sackville, returned to St. John Monday accompanied by his daughter, Miss Daisy.

Miss Nellie Robinson, of St. John, spent Monday in town with her sister, Mrs. J. F. Allison.

Messrs. R. S. Currie, of the Merchants Bank, Turro, and W. H. Styles, were in town on Good Friday.

Mrs. Chas. Fawcett, who has been in St. John for a few days returned on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Treman entertained a few friends at a high tea on Wednesday.

Mr. F. B. Black has returned from the West Indies.

Mr. H. McDougall, of Maitland, N. S., spent Good Friday in town with his brother.

Miss Myra Black is spending a few days with her cousin, Miss Jennie Black.

KINGSTON, KENT CO.

APRIL 9.—Miss Lizzie Jardine, of Jardineville, has returned from visiting friends in St. John.

Miss Kate Johnstone, of Buctouche, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Abbott, at the Royal.

Miss Maggie Conter has gone to the convent at St. Louis, to continue her studies in music and French.

Miss Gusta D'Oiloqui has also gone to the same institution.

Mr. Horace Coates has been spending his Easter vacation at home.

Mrs. Kirkland has returned from Chatham, where she has been visiting her brother, Hon. L. J. Treadwell.

ST. GEORGE.

APRIL 9.—The concert given here on Monday evening was a great success, there was a bumper house. Mr. McCully, of St. John, and Miss McArde, of Calais, kindly assisted in a pleasing manner. Our home talent took part, viz: Mr. R. T. Wetmore, Mr. Joseph assisted in a pleasing manner, Mrs. Sulton Clark, The Misses Dyckman, Brown, and Wetmore.

The matrimonial whisperings have become an open secret. Mr. Charles A. Eppe, of the firm of Eppe & Dods, was married last evening to Miss Minnie Southey.

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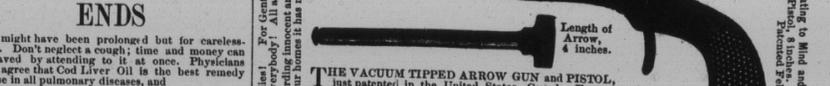
OFTEN ENDS

you hear the patient say, "Oh, it's only a cough, I'll soon be over it," and so he lets it run until he can't be cured, and thus he brings his career to an early close,—all caused by simple neglect or refusal to take the proper remedies, and thus many a life that might have been prolonged but for carelessness. Don't neglect a cough; time and money can be saved by attending to it at once. Physicians now agree that God Liver Oil is the best remedy to use in all pulmonary diseases, and

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The tendency of all the most dresses now is decidedly toward Voluminous drapery and but have had their day, and to be dressed, the woman of fashion her gowns made with Puritan however elegant the material is.

The directoire and empire certainly disappeared, leaving behind and the dressmakers to hear that everything indicative to the old princess cut. While bustle began to recede modest growing smaller by degrees, fully less, my prophetic soul return of the princess, and I taken. It is already worn and will ere long hold sway. For thin women the style is trying, but the stout ones of rejoice greatly.

In the very foremost ranks the long and deservedly popular collar seems to be losing grace place is taken by the newer Va which is certainly not an improvement very high at the back and and squarely at the ears. just as well that it does; they know how its wearer would to hear what was going on around the neck is the attitude of newest collar.

Once more heliotrope seen color of the day, and a love for, although it is undeniable some complexities, its meaning and there are so many tones of heliotrope that all degrees of the lack of it—can be easily seen.

For example, here is a lovely I have seen lately. The ut heliotrope velvet in so dark a just escape being violet, while is of pale mauve cashmere, perfectly plain except for a but two inches wide of gold embroidery; the overskirt is in the English style with three small hips to give a slight fullness, to the waist at the left side darker skirt beneath, and breadths are pleated closely to fall in full folds to the ground.

The bodice and high puff of the cashmere with a figaro skirt, and a high military collar broderie—by the way—a fig a delightful little creation evidently borrowed from the and consists of a little sleeve always of velvet, which comes waist line, where it is cut of does not meet in the front but inches and is bordered with braid, usually in either gold is becoming to any figure, a even more popular than it is.

Another, and a very novel either house or evening zouave, an ornamental j over the ordinary dress made as plainly as the sires, or it can rival Solomon for gorgeousness, with the a Vandyke collar and embroidery and with fine gold finger fronts it makes a very elegant evening dress, and also has of changing an ordinary hood reception costume in half differs from the figaro in having rounded, and stopping above the waist line.

In spite of the long time it gathering skirt, which touches at all points, has held its girls who are fond of pretty wa and, above all, who like fresh-looking gowns, are thoughts towards skirts that ground by at least two in model of a walking dress for muddy spring days, was a gown of light quality tweed, skirt was perfectly plain in box-pleats on each side and it was made just long er the top of an Oxford tie shoe was buttoned at the left side jacket was finished on the e rows of stitching. As it is felt late, and is still early fo the hat to be worn with this turban shape, smoothly cov same cloth, and decorated of loops of seal brown ribb buckle.

I told you how to be beau girls! and if you have paid to my directions you must charming by this time, a weary of well doing; go untiring energy, and mean you a little about Miss L method of exercises in ph the object of which is to figures, also your manner alures! how few people in the world, know how to walk they have not got enough ro Physical culture is the fashion hour amongst our cousins and a very good thing it is

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MONCTON.

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APRIL 9.—Easter Sunday will long be remembered in Moncton as one of the saddest days in the history of the town. Every resident was shocked to hear on Saturday evening that Judge Botsford had met with a terrible accident, and received injuries which might result fatally.

Those in attendance represented all points on the globe in making as gay a company as ever assembled in our town. The following is a description of some of the costumes: Mrs. Allan Dibble, black silk, V neck, elbow sleeves, yellow feathers, diamond ornaments.

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saying or amusing story, and so I fancy he must have been equally popular with older people. All day long on Monday telegrams and messages of condolence poured in upon the bereaved family, who were almost stunned by the awful suddenness of their loss. Their grief seemed to be a common one, and shared by all, for there were few smiling faces to be met with on the streets on Monday.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, with the high esteem in which the dead Judge was held, the coffin was so covered with flowers that it was impossible to see anything but a great bank of blossoms. Weaths were laid even against the sides when there was no more room on the top. The funeral Chapter of which was the offering of the Botsford trophy, Royal Arch Masons, occupied the centre of the coffin, and was in the form of a triangle of white and tea roses and white carnations, mounted on ivy leaves with ferns and amaranth.

The members of the City club, of which the Judge was president, sent a beautiful tribute of crosses and wreaths, in roses and white carnations; and the congregation of St. George's church and the very beautiful wreath of tea roses and carnations.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, with full Masonic honors, the coffin being borne from the Judge's late residence to St. George's church by the pall-bearers, who were six masons of St. George's Chapter, Messrs. T. V. Cooke, J. L. Harris, J. W. Binney, E. L. Cowling, S. McKean and Rev. John Prince. The Barriesters society and the Masons attended in gowns and regalia, but the church was unfortunately too small to admit both societies, the hymns sung were, "Just as I am" and the Judge's favorite hymn, "Lead kindly light."

After the service, the procession moved down to Main street, preceded by the Moncton cornet band playing the "Dead March," the barriesters and the Masons.

Directly following the hearse came the carriage containing the venerable Seneca brothers of the deceased; his son, Dr. R. L. Botsford; his son-in-law, Mr. George L. Peters, and his grand-son, Mr. B. B. Peters. The sobbing and weeping of the blinds drawn down almost the entire route; bells were tolled, and no token of deepest respect was lacking. The entire funeral was the most imposing, as well as the largest, ever seen in Moncton. And if anything could have comforted the stricken family, it would have been the deep grief and profound sympathy shown on all sides for their sorrow.

The services at the grave concluded with the Masonic burial service and grand honors by the brethren.

A large number of visitors were in town yesterday attending the funeral of the late Judge Botsford. Amongst others were Judge Wedderburn, Judge Wilson, of Chatham; Judge Morse, of Amherst; Mr. Edward Cogwell, of Sackville; Mr. S. Edgar Wilson, Mr. R. J. Gilbert and Mr. W. B. Chandler, and Mr. and Mrs. George W. Chandler, of Dorchester, and many others.

Mr. F. McDougall, manager of the Sackville branch of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, spent Easter Monday in town.

Mr. James Mowatt, manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia in Moncton and Mrs. Mowatt, spent the Easter holidays in St. John, where I believe Mrs. Mowatt intends remaining for two or three weeks. A great many Moncton people spent their Easter out of town.

Mr. E. W. Jarvis, of the Bank of Montreal, spent Sunday and Monday at his home in St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hewson spent the holidays in Dorchester.

But in return for the exodus of Monctonians, a number of folk from other places selected our town as the spot in which to spend their Easter holidays. Mrs. Thomson, of Newcastle, accompanied by Miss Jean Thomson, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. J. Butcher.

Miss McLeary, who is attending Sackville Ladies' Academy, is spending Easter week with her sister, Mrs. George McSweeney, at Hotel Brunswick.

Mrs. O. S. Weeks of Digby, is in town spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hocher.

Mrs. George McSweeney, who has just returned from her long visit to Boston. Her many friends are delighted to welcome her back, and to see her looking so much better for her sojourn in the East.

Mr. H. T. Stevens returned last week from Fredericton.

The many friends that Mr. R. G. Wallace, of the Bank of Montreal, has made during his stay in Moncton will be glad to hear that his wife has transferred to Halifax. But I fancy Mr. Wallace will scarcely share their sorrow, as Halifax is his home. He will be missed in Moncton, but where he was a great favorite not only in society, but also in business circles.

Several entertainments which were to have taken place this week have been postponed indefinitely on account of Judge Botsford's death. Amongst others, the St. George's Sunday school exercises and several parties.

Cecil Wynne.

WOODSTOCK, N. B.

[Pronounced is for sale in Woodstock at Everett's Bookstore.]

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APRIL 9.—A more delightful day for the close of the Lenten season could not be desired than Easter Sunday. It was so bright and sunny that the streets were filled with people enjoying the spring weather. Yet the mild savored rather too strongly of winter to admit of many spring costumes. I observed several spring bonnets, each of which was a "thing of beauty" if not a joy forever.

The services at the church that especially make a festival of the day were interesting and hearty. At Christ church the floral decorations were in keeping with the day. Easter and calla lilies were used in profusion and were arranged most tastefully by Miss Beatrice Vroom. The church was presented with several Easter gifts. Among them were a set of white silk bookmarkers and a pulpit cloth to match.

The singing was excellent and at both services the church was filled with worshippers.

The Methodist church was exquisitely decorated with flowers and potted plants. Mrs. Deinstadt and Mrs. Teed assisted by Mrs. W. H. Todd, superintended the arrangement of the flowers. The singing, as usual, was extremely good and appropriate to the day.

The Baptist church was also trimmed, cut flowers were used, and the work done by the young ladies of the congregation. The singing and the sermon delivered by Rev. Mr. Todd, were of a high order. The singing here was exceptionally good, and the church was thronged all day with an attentive and earnest congregation. The Rev. Father Dollard officiated.

The other churches in town were not decorated. To the regret of her many friends, Mrs. Maria Porter, one of our oldest and most respected ladies, died at her residence on Monday morning, and was buried yesterday.

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The ladies' club meets this evening at the residence of Mrs. F. E. Rose.

The musical given in the parlors of Mrs. W. H. Clark was a very pleasant affair. The singing read a difficult piece in a most charming manner. After the concert, Mrs. W. C. H. Grimmer invited all those who took part to remain and partake of refreshments. These parlor entertainments are very fashionable, and pleasant to our mutual loving people far more than a concert given in a hall.

Mr. W. F. McCormick is visiting friends in town. Mr. C. C. Whitlock has been seriously ill, and is still confined to his residence in Calais.

The Calais Drive-Club, enjoyed a delightful evening at Miss Nellie Smith's, on Thursday. Mrs. Carrie Washburn, and Mr. W. F. Todd secured the first prize, while the booby prize fell to Miss Myra Trivet and Mr. John Stevens.

Miss Margaret Todd gave a progressive angling party to a number of her young friends on Monday evening.

Mrs. A. E. Niell entertains a party of lady friends this afternoon with a drink, in aid of the soldier's monument fund.

Mr. Henry Todd is visiting Boston this week.

Rev. Mr. Rose, of Woodstock, is the guest of her cousin, Dr. S. Whitney.

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APRIL 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Fairweather, of Rousesau, who have been visiting Mrs. Caldwell, returned home on Friday last, accompanied by their daughter, Miss Oty, of St. John, who has been spending a few days with Mrs. William Oty, returned home the last of the week, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Waterbury and children.

Mrs. Earl and Miss Marie, of St. John, are spending a few days with Mrs. W. Oty.

Miss Minnie Hammond is visiting friends in the village.

Mr. T. H. Carvell, of St. John, spent Tuesday in the village.

The Miss Caldwell spent Wednesday in the city, spending a few days with her mother at the village, returned home on Friday.

Mr. Mel Scott, of Penobscot, spent Tuesday at the village.

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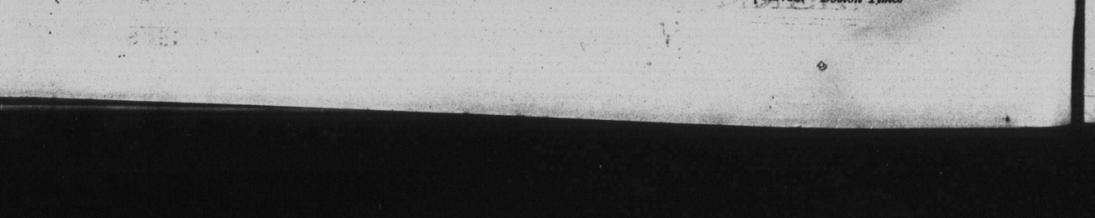
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Guest.—Charge them the same price for a night's lodging as you have me.—Ez.

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