

I offered Susan a dollar if she would deal out the story to me in such a way as would enable me to write it. My offer was accepted, and next day armed with writing materials, I repaired to the wigwam with fear and trembling, but I trust, lifting up my heart to God to aid me in the enterprise. He did help me, and I succeeded. The story can be read in an hour, but the difficulties of writing it in Micmac were at the time very great, and it took me two long summer days to write it, and hard days of toil they were—but I carried off the prize in triumph. From that moment I never doubted but that I should master the language.

There are but very few of the Indians who can correctly relate these legends and traditions. At that time I wrote down three or four more, and never got interested in the matter again until within the past two years. During that time I have collected about fifty of these old stories.

Some time ago I sent a specimen to Dr. Dawson, president of McGill College, Montreal, and consulted him respecting publishing some of them. He replied by forwarding a request from the publishing house of John McDougall and Son that I would send them some of those curiosities for the New Dominion Monthly, and offering to pay for them. I have accordingly sent them a few specimens and shall probably add from time to time to their number. In the October number is the Introduction to quite a long story respecting the Micmac "Hiawatha" called by the native Nova Scotians, *Glooscap*, and the story is "to be continued" in the next number, I suppose.

The interest of these legends lies not exactly in the story told—although on the stories children "large" and "little" will hang with breathless attention by the hour—but in the surroundings—the circumstances under which they have been composed and preserved, and the light which they throw on Indian history, Indian customs, and Indian character. Some of them would not be unsuitable for the pages of a Religious paper, especially one which professedly devotes a part of its space to literature and general intelligence. Still a work strictly literary would seem most proper for their insertion.

I have sent you with this an extract or two from the New Dominion Monthly which you may perhaps deem suitable for your pages, and will thank you to insert this notice. I have looked over several numbers of the Monthly—it costs one dollar and fifty cents per year—and so far as I am able to judge I should say it is a very good and instructive work of the kind. At all events I feel quite willing to contribute towards making it interesting and useful, if by that means—"laboring, working with my hands" I may obtain assistance towards defraying the expense of translating and publishing the New Testament in Micmac, an important object now in progress, and at the same time awaken a more widespread interest in those wonderful people. These are my motives in publishing some of those remarkable compositions. In gathering them up I am of course extending my knowledge of the language, as I must hear the story in Micmac, though I do not always write it down in that tongue. I generally write it out from memory in English, and then read this again to the one who has related it, in order to correct any mistake. This is doing them a service in teaching them English; and gives them useful employment, as I pay them for their work.

I may add that I am authorized to obtain subscribers to the Magazine in which these *Ahtookwukun* are published, and will see that it is forwarded for one year to any one who will send me one dollar and fifty cents.

S. T. RAND.

Dominion and Foreign News.

MONTREAL.—There was a smart shock of an earthquake here on Thursday last. The spires of churches and other high objects swayed for some time, and caused great consternation in the city.

MANITOBA AFFAIRS.—St. Pauls, Minn., Oct. 22.—O'Donohue, of Red River, is in St. Paul's and goes to Washington in the capacity of bearer of a memorial of the Red River people, to the President of the United States, protesting against the perfidy of the Canadian Government in violating its pledge to the Red River people. —*Chronicle*

NOVA SCOTIA COAL.—The *Quebec Gazette* says: It is gratifying to find that the imports of coal from Nova Scotia to Canada have increased more than one hundred per cent in the year ending the 30th of June, over the imports of the previous year.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

LATEST WAR NEWS.

There is but little change in the state of affairs in France. The French Foreign office has issued a cir-

lar to neutral powers, denying any responsibility for the present war. This will have but little influence in any quarter.

On Tuesday 18th, a division of the Crown Prince's army attacked the French at Chatteaudan, forty thousand strong. The French were defeated and driven back. The town was carried by storm and many prisoners taken. The German losses were small.

We have occasional rumors of peace but there is no peace.

It is rumored that a defensive alliance has been formed between Turkey and Greece, against the encroachments of the Western Powers.

A Tours despatch says there was heavy fighting on Sunday last between Verney and Cussy, which lasted from nine in the morning until night.

Sorties from Paris are frequent, keeping the Prussians on the alert day and night.

ENGLAND.—A mass meeting of republican sympathizers was held in London on Thursday last. It is said that there were twenty thousand persons gathered in Palace Yard and addresses were made violently denouncing King William, expressing sympathy for republican France, and demanding a defensive alliance. A resolution is said to have been adopted, calling on Parliament to abolish pensions to German Princes, including those to the Crown Prince of Prussia and Prince Louis of Hesse. It was declared that the sooner all Kings and Queens were dethroned the better.

SPAIN.—It is said a republic will soon be proclaimed. The Italian government having peremptorily declined to allow any of the Italian Princes to be compromised in Spanish affairs.

ITALY, Florence, Oct. 18.—The Italians complain that foreign governments are tardy in instructing their ambassadors to recognize the new order of things at Rome.

General Intelligence.

Province of Nova Scotia.

WILLIAM GARVIE, Esq., has been nominated for the vacancy in the representation of Halifax county in the Local Legislature.

SMUGGLING.—Mr. Kerr Customs officer seized about a ton of tobacco on Thursday last, at Richmond. It had been landed from a vessel in a Bay of Fundy port, packed in Cheese boxes, and sent to Halifax by railway.

WOLFVILLE.—The Exhibition of Fruit here last week was the finest ever seen in this province, and was visited by thousands of people from far and near. The Conversation on Wednesday was full of interest to fruit growers. The addresses were excellent. The list of prizes has been crowded out this week.

The Bazaar close by was highly successful yielding a net sum of about \$5,50.

HUBBARD'S COVE, MARGARET'S BAY.—Hubbard's Cove is the North West Arm of Margaret's Bay. The settlement is situated at the boundary line between the counties of Halifax and Lunenburg and is thirty-four miles west of Halifax city. It is a commodious and safe harbor, and until within a few years has been a flourishing fishing station. When herrings and mackerel would be scattering in other parts of the Bay there were often great quantities in Hubbard's Cove. In consequence of this a comparatively large population had settled there and cleared some land but manufactures were never thought of. Fishing was the principal employment.

About a year ago Messrs. Shankle and Freeman from Greenfield Queens County, visited the place and bought from Government a large tract of timber land a few miles back, and entered upon the work of erecting an extensive mill for sawing and manufacturing purposes. This mill situated near the mouth of the brook flowing into the cove and quite close to the Western Post road, is within a few rods of where large vessels may safely lie at the wharf and be loaded. The mill is large and most substantially built. The upper part has a "gang" of saws and also a single saw, besides two circulars and a trimmer for squaring the edges and ends of the lumber. A tramway to be erected will convey the lumber by a gentle descent from the mill to the loading pier. In the basement will be placed different machinery for making staves, laths, and shingles, and also for planing and jointing boards whereby all the material brought to the mill may be utilized, and employment furnished for the greatest possible number of people.

The benefit of this establishment to the locality are becoming apparent. The Episcopal Church is being enlarged and improved. Several handsome dwelling houses have been erected this summer and an air of stir and business is perceptible. The school is large and efficient though the school house and furniture are of the old style. The teacher Mr. John Gibbons takes great interest in the welfare of the young folks of the place. A Band of Hope under his charge is doing good work for Temperance and morality. A Division of the Sons of Temperance is now in successful operation, John E. Shatford, Esq., is Worthy Patriarch. The people are looking forward to a new school house and a public Hall. These are much needed and will be a very great advantage to the social and moral welfare of the community. If both can be placed beneath the same roof in a two story building it will be an ornament to the village.

It is very gratifying to know that our own people are taking advantage of the natural resources of the country by entering upon varied industries which have too frequently been left to the enterprise of foreigners.

INCENDIARISM AT ST. MARGARETS BAY.—On Wednesday night, the 19th inst., the barn of Mr. Nicholas C. Boutillier, with its contents was burned down, destroying almost everything he owned; viz:—about 12 tons of hay, all his grain, and cattle, three cows, a pair of oxen, and a steer, also his farming utensils, there was nothing saved. We sympathize, with Mr. Boutillier. No insurance. It was the work of an incendiary.

Oct. 20th, 1870.

G. B. H.

[The writer of the above was not aware that the incendiary Louis C. Boutillier had come on to the Halifax County Jail and there after confessing the crime to the jailor, gave himself up. The jailor, however, supposed the man to be crazy, and told him to go away. He however remained about the jail until two men arrived from Margaret's Bay, charging him with the crime. He gives as his reason for the act, that he was one of the heirs of the property and being dissatisfied with the division he took this mode by way of revenge.]

Marriages.

At the residence of the bride's father, on the 18th inst., by the Rev. D. W. Crandall, George Middleton, to Mary Stark, both of Broad Cove, Digby Co.

At Charlottown, Mass., Sept. 18th, by the Rev. Dr. Gardner, Hiram H. Burroughs, of Charlottown, to Lizzie M. Gates, of Malvern Square, Wilmet, N. S.

At Isaac's Harbor, by Rev. H. Eagles, Mr. Smith Giffen, to Miss Eunice Holley, both of Isaac's Harbor.

Also, by the same, Oct. 13th, Mr. Stephen McMillan, to Miss Jane Buckley, both of Isaac's Harbor.

At Newport, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. H. Sterns, Rector, Shuzai H. Cochran, to Cordella, youngest daughter of the late Howard Hooper, Esq., M. D.

On the 18th inst. by the Rev. P. G. McGregor, Mr. Sydney Smith, of Sheet Harbor, to Miss Jane Towns, daughter of Capt. A. Fraser, Sheet Harbor.

At the North West Arm, on the 8th inst., by the Rev. J. Breeding, John Grono, to Elizabeth Hashman.

On the 19th inst., by the Rev. George W. Hill Rector of St. Paul's, Miss Mary Thompson, eldest daughter of Capt. Sinclair, late of Norfolk, Virginia, to Mr. Frederick T. Tremain, Barrister-at-Law, Halifax.

At Canning, June 22, 1870, by Rev. D. Freeman, Mr. Lucius Cook, to Miss Nancy Z. Wood, eldest daughter of Mr. Patton Wood.

At Canning, July 21, by the same, Mr. John F. Kinaman, of Centreville, to Miss Christina Bower, of Halifax.

At Canning, Oct. 16, by the same, Mr. James Lightfoot, to Miss Sarah Amanda Frail.

At Walton, by Rev. J. Bancroft, May 21st, 1870, Charles Woolaver, to Rebecca Ellen O'Brien.

At New Port, by the same, May 26th, Ross Sanford, to Maria Lake.

At Walton, by the same, Aug. 13th, Levi Harding Stilman, to Annie Parker.

By the same, Aug. 27th, Oliver Bigney, to Susan Marshall.

By the same, Sept. 30th, Morton Crowell, to Emma Reynolds.

Deaths.

On the 17th inst., in the 33rd year of her age, Mary Ann, daughter of William and Bridget Tierney.

At Preston, on the 18th inst., Victoria Bliss, aged 10 years and 6 months, daughter of John and Mary McDonald.

On the 18th inst., James Hayden, aged 37 years.

On the 18th inst., Mr. Wm. Meagher, in the 56th year of his age.

On the 19th inst., Elizabeth W., relict of the late Edward K. Allan, in the 75th year of her age.

At the Asylum for the Poor, on the 17th inst., Bridget MacNamara, aged 69 years.

On the 19th inst., Michael Morrissey, aged 84 years.

At Richmond, on the 20th inst., John Grayden, aged 51 years.

At Scott's Bay, Sept. 17, 1870, Mr. Thomas Daken. His end was peace.

At Winchester, Mass., Oct. 5, Sarah M., wife of Mr. Joseph A., and daughter of Mr. William Huntley, of Medford, Cornwallis. Her end was peace.

Drowned, on the 4th of Sep., while on the passage from Glace Bay to Halifax, Maurice Ryan, youngest son of John and Sophia Ryan, of Dartmouth, aged 26 years.

At the Provincial and City Hospital, Oct. 23rd, George Anderson, aged 32 years.

At Dartmouth, on the 23rd inst., in the 69th year of her age, Frances, relict of the Captain Laurence Leadley.

On 23rd inst., Michael McGrath, aged 68 years.

Shipping List.

PORT OF HALIFAX.

Arrived.

Tuesday, Oct. 17.—SS Carlotta, Colby, Portland; brig's Chieftain, Roach, Boston; Guysborough, Fetter, Port Caledonia; schrs Elizabeth Ann, Decosta, Canso; Clear, Hatt, Mahone Bay; Onward, Sweet, Isaac's Harbor; Emblem, Joseph, Chester; Amanda, Ritchey, LaHave; Trial, Bond, Chester.

Wednesday, 19.—Schrs Abeon, Forrest, Cow Bay; Debel, Westhaver, Mahone Bay; Elizabeth Ann, Cape Breton; Amanda, LaHave.

Thursday, 20.—SS City of Antwerp, Leitch, New York; brig Constance, McFarlane, Demerara; schrs Nancy, McOrmsky, Boston; Freedom, Elare, New York; Lily of the Valley, Grant, Turk's Island; Bessie, Strum, Ponce, PR; Quick

Step, Ernst, Georgetown, PEI; Nellie Gray, Fraser, Labrador; Galaxy, Gardner, Liverpool, NS; Willie Endix, (Am) Whelan, Bay Chaleur; Rodrick Rose, Dexter, Pictou; Messenger, Young, Lunenburg; Mary McKenzie, McKenzie, Cape Negro; Pandora, from Pubnico.

Friday, 21.—Brig Delta, Rouse, Pictou; brig's Queen of the West, Fraser, bd to St John, NB, put back on account of weather, and in coming up the harbor came in contact with the schr Freedom from New York yesterday, in which the Q of the W hadfall her headgear carried away. The Freedom sustained no damage; Maud, Brown, Glace Bay, CB, bd to New York; Thomas Albert, Johnston, Havana, 15 days; schrs Lily of the Valley, Grant, Turk's Island, 17 days; Bessie, Strum, Ponce, PR. 19 days; Quango, Proctor, Boston; William, Ferguson, Tangier; James McGuire, N Sydney; Alex Fraser, Hortle, Lunenburg.

Saturday, 25.—HMS Royalist, Jones; SS M A Starr, Doane, Yarmouth, etc; schr Maria, Blagdon, Ponce, PR.

Sunday, 23.—SS Commerce, Doane, Charlottetown, PEI; brig Ottawa, Reed, New Bandon, N B, bd to New Haven; schrs Golden West, Richards, Boston; Sentinel, Doane, Antigua; James McKean, Ritchey, LaHave; Garnet, Carrigan, Canso; May Lily, Spindeler, Lunenburg.

Monday, 24.—Steamers Carlotta, Colby, Portland; Alhambra, Wright, Boston; Barque Minnie Cameron, Graham, London, 60 days; Brig China, Romkey, LaHave; schrs John Norris, McConnell Boston; A C Major, Perry, Labrador; John A. Lewis (Am), Gordon, Provincetown, Mass; Energy (Am), Walsh, Bay Chaleur, Carrie Fraser, Meservey, Newfoundland; Mystery, Rindness, P E Island via Isaac's Harbor; Morning Light, Maskell, Summerside, P E I, via Jeddore; J J Marshall, Decosta, P E Island; William Kandick, Mattheson, Forchou; Gladiator, Westhaver, North Sydney; Wave Evans, North Sydney; J D Lohnes, Zinc, Lunenburg; Velocipede, Westhaver, Lunenburg.

Cleared.

Tuesday, Oct. 18.—SS Chase, Mulligan, Portland; brig's Guysborough, Potter, (fm Port Caledonia) Boston; Maggie, Vigus, Cow Bay; schrs Emma, Barnes, Big Glace Bay; Clear, Hatt, Chester; Emblem, Eisner, Pictou; Sunflower, Boudrot, do; Agility, Pye, Baltimore; Rival, Smith, Liverpool, NS; Durham, McKenna, Charlottetown, PE I; Ajax, Sampson, L'Ardoise, CB; Sea Slipper, Hebb, Mahone Bay; Rocket, Giffin, Isaac's Harbor and Charlottetown.

Wednesday, 19.—SS Carlotta, Colby, Portland; barque Eliza Barss, Vesey, Hamilton, Bermuda; Queen of the West, Fraser, St John, NB; schrs J G Smith, Buchanan, Georgetown, PEI, via Canso; Express, McDonald, PEI; Mary Ann, Cann, Louisburg; Elizabeth, LeVash, Little Glace Bay; Mary Lucy, Wolf, St Peter's; J S Ritchey, Ritchey, Port Hawkesbury; Barbrick, Hurst, Isaac's Harbor; Victory, Veneau, Pictou; British Lady, Baker, Chester; Trial, Bond, do.

Thursday, 20.—Steamers City of Antwerp, Leitch, Liverpool, GB; City of Halifax, Jamieson, St John's NB; barque Saaby, (Rus) Klitguard, Liverpool, GB; brig Mayflower, Naufts, Boston; schr Galaxy, Gardner, PEI; Alice Hooper, Stewart, Fourche; Anna Maria, Landry, Arichat; Clipper, Forrest, Charlottetown, PEI; Mary Hart, Townsend, Eoisburg.

Friday, 21.—SS City of Antwerp, Leitch, Liverpool, GB; brig Athol, Parker, PEI; schrs D Cronan, Marquand, Labrador; Vigilant, Crowell, Boston; Sarah Elizabeth, Boudrot, Sydney; Sarah, Murray, PEI; M E Purney, Martin, Campbelltown

Saturday, 22.—SS Etna, Lockhead, Boston; schrs Bertha, Crowell, BW Indies; Gazelle, Swaine, Boston; Juliet, Simpson, St John, NB; Golden Eagle, Smeltzer, PEI; Emeline, Clay, do; Emily, Flick, do; William, Ferguson, do; M E Purney, Martin, Dalhousie, NB; Atlanta, Pickles, Port Medway; St Hubert, Fougeron, Sydney; Consort, Boudrot, Arichat; Achangel, Lamphy, Magdalen Islands; Annie, Thievree, do.

Monday, 24.—Steamer Commerce, Doane, Boston; Alhambra, Wright, Charlottetown, PEI, via Port Hawkesbury; M A Starr, Doane Yarmouth; brig General Canrobert, Fouger, Cape Breton; schrs Guiding Starr, Higgins, P E Island; Laura Ann, Connolly, do; Gazelle, Mullins, Antigonish and Port Hawkesbury; Jenny Lind, Turby, Magdalen Islands.

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Dec. 15.