

Maritime Farmer.

FREDERICTON, N. B., December 30, 1885.

The "Farmer" wishes all its readers A Happy New Year.

The University Difficulty.

Much has been written in the newspapers lately regarding the "rustication" of Mr. Smith from the University, and much unjust criticism of the President, the Faculty and the Senate has been indulged because of their action in the matter.

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Mr. Smith appealed from the sentence of the Board of Discipline to the Senate, and his case was heard before that body. He was permitted to call his fellow students to testify in his behalf, but he failed, to the mind of the Senate at least, to disprove or reverse the action of the Board, and the latter were upheld by the Senate.

Does anybody believe that Chief Justice Allen, or Hon. James Mitchell, or Dr. Coulthard, or Chief Supt. Crockett, or Hon. A. Harrison, or Mr. E. L. Wetmore, M. P., or Senator Wark, or the other members, who, as members of the Senate were called to sit upon Mr. Smith's case, had any other desire than to do simple justice? It is absurd to attempt to lead the public to believe that these gentlemen, or President Harrison or any other gentleman connected with the government of the University, have made war against Mr. Smith without cause or justification.

It is unfortunate that these University difficulties occur. It does harm to the Institution abroad, but we believe that if the authorities deal as vigorously and as firmly with all breaches of discipline, as they have with Mr. Smith's case, we shall soon see the end of disorder in the Institution.

Forepaugh's circus will visit New Brunswick next summer.

Amherst, N. S., is making a move to introduce a system of water works.

There are at the present time 14,000 British troops in Egypt, not including Indians and Egyptians.

Hon. Adam Crooks, ex-Minister of Education in Ontario, died on Monday in a private asylum at Hartford, Connecticut.

Sir Ambrose Shea, a well-known Roman Catholic politician of Newfoundland, has been appointed Governor of that colony.

Down in Georgia they call a temperance man who keeps a private jug a jug wamp. It is said there are no people of that kind in Fredericton.

William Hardman, editor of the London Morning Post, has been knighted by the Queen. Sir William is the first editor actually in service to receive the honor.

Col. Hewitt of the Royal Military College, Kingston, has accepted a colonelcy in the staff commanding the southern district of England, with headquarters at Portsmouth.

Bishop Fabre of Montreal, has issued a stringent circular letter to all the priests in his diocese, forbidding them under penalty of instant dismissal from their functions, to meddle with politics or anything approaching it.

THE NORTH-WEST COUNCIL.

Mr. W. Dell Perley's vigorous Speech on the Riel matter.

His opinion of Editor Davin. (From the Montserrat, Dec. 15th.) His Honor took the chair at the usual hour.

Mr. W. D. Perley (Walesley) moved: "That this council desires to place on record its endorsement of the action of the Dominion Government in allowing the sentences of the court on Louis Riel to be carried into effect."

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Mr. Perley resumed his address, said Riel was guilty of a crime as heinous as could be committed by any individual, and in being subjected to the death penalty he was treated as an outlaw.

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THE HIGH QUESTION.

Pres. Egan's views on the situation.

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LYNCHING IN TEXAS.

An entire community witness a Negro's execution.

At Montgomery, Texas, Andy Jackson, a brutal murderer, who committed a double murder, suffering the extreme penalty of the day, according to the old Mosaic law.

REWARDS FOR BRAVERY.

Volunteers entitled to Distinction for Services in the North-West.

It is stated that Lieutenant Freer of the Imperial army, now serving in the Company, Canadian Infantry, who, during the North-West campaign, was upon the staff of the Imperial Middle, is to be recommended for the Victoria Cross.

WALTER NEWBURY'S FUNERAL.

Conveyed to his final resting place in a Cask of Molasses.

Two weeks ago the widow of Walter L. Newbury died in Paris, leaving a large fortune of \$80,000, which by Mr. Newbury's will was to be placed in a cask of molasses.

Disposing of Old Horses.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY CUT UP EVERY YEAR AT THE TORONTO VETERINARY COLLEGE.

He was ancient, antiquated, and angular. His ribs looked like the hoops of a barrel; and he was so fat that he could not get on his feet.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

News Notes and Notions of Everything.

The sale of Bibles is forbidden in Rio Janeiro. It is a singular provision of the laws of that province are employed making accordeons.

A writer in the National Druggist says that he will lay profusely all winter if served with two warm meals a day.

A Kansas man rejoices in a wife who has worn the same bonnet for twenty-two years. She is blind and never leaves the house.

Mr. Vanderbilt was so rich that he could give every man, woman, and child in America a \$5 Christmas present and have had \$10,000,000 left.

This is a specimen of orthography in a letter received from an applicant for office in Boston. I hope that Lord will be kinder to those who make such mistakes.

The John Bull locomotive, the oldest locomotive now in use in America, has been placed on exhibition in Washington. It was built in England in 1825.

The late Marshal Serrano of Spain, during his political career saw eight-four rebellions of Ministry in that country, four rebellions, and twelve changes in the head of the State.

The Vanderbilts keep their bonds, stocks, diamonds, and gold silver plate in a steel box four feet long by eighteen inches high. That is set in the wall of the vault of a New York bank.

According to the new Congressional Directory, out of the 401 members composing the present United States Congress, 286 are lawyers. In the Senate alone 57 out of 76 are lawyers.

The combined capital of the great firm of the Rothschilds is estimated by persons pretending to know at not less a sum than \$1,000,000,000, fully one-half of which has been gained within twenty-five years.

The new British man of war Camperdown, built of steel at a cost of \$2,375,000, is the heaviest ship ever launched from a royal dockyard in England. It will be three years before the Camperdown is ready for sea.

There appears to be an agreement among recent medical writers that water is fattening, or, at least favors a fullness and roundness of the body. It should be drunk at its natural temperature and in considerable quantity.

The largest dog in the United States is said to be Monarch, a St. Bernard. He stands 35 inches high and measures just 7 feet 11 inches from the tip of his nose to the end of his tail. He weighs 192 pounds and is four years old.

"What do those letters stand for?" asked a curious wife of her husband as he looked at his Masonic seal. "Well, really, my love," he replied encouragingly, "I presume it is because they can't sit down." She postponed further questioning.

Electricity is now utilized in Russia for bleaching cloth. Manufacturers near St. Petersburg stop their material in water, which is then decomposed by electric currents. The oxygen set free in this way, at once acts on the fibres.

An Irishman called at a drug store to get a bottle of Johnson's Anodyne Linctus for his cough. The druggist asked him what was in what part of the body it troubled him most. "Be me soul said I have it in every hole and corner of me."

The Tichborne "claimant's" sons, according to the London World, are going in for the military life. One has joined the 1st of the Hampshire regiment at Winchester, and a brother is in the cavalry regiment. Both were recruited under the name of Tichborne.

A brute who will steal the clothes-wringer from the wash-tub at which his unfortunate wife earns money for her family, and pawn it for drink, is about as low as human creature can fall. Such a fellow was let off with a fine of \$10 by a Chicago justice.

The other day a fish peddler's horse balked and refused to budge an inch. The vendor began to belabor the beast with a stick, when an old lady thrust her head out of a window and exclaimed:—"Have you no mercy?" "No m'am," replied the peddler, "nothing but mackerel."

The New York tobacco growers have followed the lead of the New England and Pennsylvania growers of the wool, and in a meeting last week, adopted resolutions asking Congress to increase the duty on Samatra tobacco to a point virtually prohibitory of its importation.

A Georgia sheriff last week attached the animals in a circus for a debt of \$10,000. An elephant, monkeys, a sea-lion, &c., were singly turned over to him, and he has since been in a quadracy. He cannot handle or get anything with the animals, and the man simply stand off and enjoy his discomfiture.

Railway bridges and viaducts will have to be strengthened to bear the weight of the four huge cannon which the Krupp are now making for the Italian government. Each will weigh 120 tons, and a charge of 600 pounds of powder will be required to hurl the tremendous projectiles along its five miles track.

An eccentric person who died at Pittsburgh, Pa., a few days ago, directed in his will as follows: "No flowers at the funeral, no flowers at the door, no monument nor stone to mark the grave. The first is cheap respect, the second is ostentation, and the last I can not afford. What money there is must be devoted to useful purposes."

An old Highlander was recently ordered by his physician not to take more than two ounces of spirits daily. He asked his son what he should do with the "Sixteen drams," was the reply. "What a good doctor," said the Highlander. "Run and tell Donald McTavish and Big John tea cam down the night."

Fifteen years ago a little company of 50 Swedish colonists sailed up the St. John River and made a home in the Aroostook wilderness. There are now 1100 souls in the colony at New Sweden, with two churches, six schools, and many well cultivated farms. They are hard workers, the women with their wooden shoes toiling in the fields with the men.

A malady resembling hydrophobia is afflicting cattle in Nebraska. The affected animals run about frothing at the mouth and snapping viciously at each other or persons who come in their way. As yet no person has been bitten, but every animal bitten by the mad beasts within a few hours becomes as rabid as the others and goes through the same antics.

AN IMMENSE STOCK OF BOOTS AND SHOES AT LOTTIMER'S Shoe Store. Winter Stock about Complete. The Subscriber begs leave to inform his friends and the public generally, that he is now showing the largest stock of Boots, Shoes, Overboots, Moccasins, Larigans, etc., to be found in the City of Fredericton.

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GRAND SALE! Staple and Fancy DRY GOODS! Holiday Season! EDGECOMBE'S SPECIAL BARGAINS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT. A Large Assortment of Useful and Fancy Articles, suitable for Christmas Presents. OPENED TO-DAY, AT CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. A Beautiful Display of Novelties & Nic-Nacks. In our Show Rooms—UP STAIRS, something for everybody, young and old, Ladies, Gentlemen, and Children. Merry Christmas and Hamburgs. F. B. EDGECOMBE, CARPETS! Queen St., Fredericton, - - St. Mary's.

Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil, with Hypophosphites. Dr. HIRSH CARMICHAEL, of Jacksonville, Fla., says: "I have for the last ten months prescribed your Emulsion, to patients suffering from lung troubles, and they seem to be greatly benefited by its use."