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The Scott Act.

The Scott Act campaign has been vigorously opened by the supporters of the law, both in organization and by platform efforts. On the other side, we hear of no public action; the advocates of repeal probably rely on an active canvas on polling day. Rev. Joseph McLeod, who is chief spokesman for the friends of the Act, recently preached a vigorous sermon in its behalf. Mr. McLeod, of course, puts the matter squarely on the ground of temperance or intemperance, which is not exactly a fair way of putting it. There are very many good temperance people who do not believe that the Scott Act suppresses or even restricts the liquor traffic, and they have better facilities for judging than Mr. McLeod. They believe moreover, that under the Scott Act a larger number of liquor saloons exist, and do business in Fredericton, than under the old license system, and they have the facts to substantiate this. The friends of the Scott Act say, however, that the law has not had a chance; it has been so hampered by the Courts. Well, this to a certain extent may be true, but when will this hampering be removed. Are they persuaded that the law is workable? The experience of Fredericton is that it is not, and the Act has been in force here longer than in any other constituency in Canada. On its first adoption here, it was sustained by an overwhelming vote—two to one, but its warmest friends will not deny that it has largely lost ground. If the law has become useless, and we assert it has, what is the sense in continuing it. Better to have a dozen licensed liquor saloons, than four dozen unlicensed rum shops, such as are known to be in existence in this city at the present moment. The FARMER is not a supporter of, or a sympathizer with the rum traffic. It believes there is no greater curse to the human race than intoxicating liquor, and if it was convinced that the traffic was lessened, or its evils minimized by the operation of the Scott Act, whatever influence it could exert would be directed to the support of the law. But we cannot shut our eyes to what is transpiring around us, and we believe that the repeal of the Act would go further towards assisting the temperance cause, than its continuation.

The Scott Act supporters are unwise in some of their remarks both from the platform and in their press. The men who signed the petition for the repeal of the law had a right to do so if they desired. Many of them are respectable business and professional men who are possessed of as good judgment and common sense as those who are so strong in criticism. This is a free country in which every citizen has the right to form his own opinion, and the intemperate course of some Scott Act supporters in assailing those who differ from them as to the best means of restricting the liquor traffic, is not calculated to assist the promoters of the present law.

Death of Hon. Robert Robinson.

The death of Hon. Robert Robinson, which occurred at his home at St. Andrews, at an early hour Saturday morning, will be sincerely mourned by the people of this City and County, and indeed in every part of the Province where the deceased gentleman was known. Mr. Robinson had long been identified with the interests of York County. He served several terms in the Municipal Council and occupied the position of Warden. In 1870 he was chosen with George L. Hatheway, John A. Beckwith and Charles Macpherson to represent York in the House of Assembly, and in the election of 1874 he was re-elected with Messrs. Fraser, Dow and Barker. In 1878 he was elevated to the Legislative Council, having previously removed his residence from Canterbury to St. Andrews. He held his seat in the Upper House up to the time of his death. During his fifteen years service in the Legislature, York had no truer friend than Mr. Robinson. Personally he was a man much respected by a very large circle of acquaintances. Cheerful, enthusiastic and extremely genial in his disposition, he was a good friend and a pleasant companion.

Mr. Robinson was of Irish birth, but came to New Brunswick when quite a young man. He has for many years engaged in mercantile pursuits at Canterbury and interested himself in various railway enterprises, amassing a competence by his industry and thrift. His familiar form and pleasant speech will be very greatly missed by his fellow legislators, who regardless of political differences, held him in great esteem. The deceased was fiffy-six years of age. His remains, which were interred yesterday, with Masonic honors, at St. Andrews, were followed to their last resting place by a large concourse of people.

The Brantford *Expositor* says that Conservatives "are tenderly oblivious of the fact that every gain made in either Dominion or Provincial contests since the general elections has been in favor of the Liberals," which leads the Toronto *Mail* to invite the *Expositor* to state the net gain of the Liberals in the Dominion bye elections, and at the same time, give its opinion of the result of the Lunenburg and York, N. B., contests

The frost Monday night, did much injury to the crops in the interior of the Province.

The Electric Light.

Among the more recent of notable inventions none have been more beneficial than the electric light, which is now in use in all the leading cities of the world. When the use of gas was first introduced people wondered how they got along with only candle and lamp lights, and now that the electric light is so rapidly succeeding gas, the wonder grows.

Mr. W. A. Patrick who represents the Brush-Swan system, which is quite universally used in other cities, and Mr. A. B. Sheraton, of St. John, are here endeavoring to introduce the electric light into Fredericton, and are meeting with much encouragement. Since Saturday evening, an exhibition of the light has been given each evening at the Barker House, inside and out, from a dynamo driven at the N. B. Foundry, and it has been eminently successful. The promoters claim that the whole city can be lighted by two towers of four lights each, in convenient localities, at a height of one hundred and fifty feet, and at a lower figure than is now paid for gas. They propose the formation of a company with a capital of $25,000, and claim that the enterprise will prove a profitable one. Only a few days have yet been spent in canvassing the city for subscribers, but already more than twenty-five lights have been subscribed for. The prospect of an early general introduction of the light into Fredericton already appears probable. There ought to be no difficulty in organizing the company, with the backing already received, and a little perseverance on the part of Messrs. Patrick and Sheraton, will doubtless establish their enterprise here.

With its fine public buildings, its excellent side walks, with the prospect of increased railway facilities, with a telephone system now being generally introduced, and the establishment of a system of electric lighting, Fredericton, will soon lack very few of the advantages of much larger and more pretentious cities.

Hon. Alex. McKenzie has returned his extra sessional indemnity to the House of Commons, but Mr. Blake has given his to the agricultural societies in his constituency, where he hopes it will do the most good for Mr. Blake.

Shooting Affray at the North.

A Woman the Victim.

Conflicting Accounts of the Affair.

NEWCASTLE, Sep. 3.—A lamentable case of shooting occurred late Wednesday night at Indiantown, mouth of Renous river, Northumberland Co., about eighteen miles above Newcastle, at a tavern and boarding house, kept by one Connors. It appears that between eleven and twelve o'clock a man named Cunningham, who had been drinking was lying on a lounge in this tavern, when another man came in and pulled him from the lounge to the floor which so exasperated him that he sprang up and drew a pistol intending doubtless to fire on his opponent. The man was hurried out of the house and parties endeavored to restrain Cunningham from following him. The latter broke away and found his way into the dining room where Mrs. Conners, wife of the tavern keeper and another woman were standing. The shooting took place there. The accounts are conflicting. One account is that one of the men who followed him attempted to take the pistol from him, and that in the attempt the pistol went off, the ball entering the breast of Mrs. Connors and passing very close to the heart. Another account says that the land-lady ordered Cunningham out, and that he raised the pistol and fired. Cunningham was arrested and taken to Newcastle jail.

The preliminary examination of Cunningham cammenced at Newcastle on Saturday before Justice Niden; Samuel Thomson for the prosecution, W. A. Park for the prisoner. The facts elicited differ somewhat from the information first received here. As shown by the evidence given by Michael Sullivan, he was at Conners' tavern soon after dark, and when the trouble commenced he saw Cunningham standing in the dining room with a pistol in his hand and heard him say that it was cocked. He (Sullivan) called to Mrs. Connors to leave the room, but before she could do so the shot was fired, no one being close to the prisoner at the time. Mrs. Connors in a second or two exclaimed "Oh I'm shot." The prisoner did not seem to know that he had shot anyone, or that he had fired off a chamber, and made no resistance when Sullivan took the pistol from him. Witness said he did not hear any threats between the prisoner and Mrs. Connors. The examination is adjourned till Monday next. Mrs. Connors is still alive.

The Mounted Police.

FOUR HUNDRED MEN AWAITING ORDERS AT REGINA.

Inspector Howe, of the North West Mounted Police, has been in Toronto during the past few days. The Inspector, after seven years' duty in the North West, is now enjoying a six months leave of absence. He was met at the Queen's Hotel by a reporter, but, although somewhat reticent in speaking about affairs in the North West, he explained that the crops in that part of Canada, more especially in the vicinity of Prince Albert and Batoche, would not amount to much this year, owing to the farmers not having been able to do their seeding on account of the rebellion. The people in the surrounding country will, Inspector Howe thought, make a fairly good living this winter by freighting. The Inspector was second in command to Major Crozier at the Duck Lake fight. He carries the mark of a bulletwound, which he received at that fight. Inspector Howe thought the Mounted Police had not received proper treatment at the hands of the public, with reference to the Duck Lake affair. He says there is plenty of evidence to prove that there were fully three hundred Halfbreeds at this fight, and the thirty police had no chance to do anything. The Mounted Police, as everyone knows, has been increased to 1,000 men. Since the rebellion had been suppressed the Indians and Halfbreeds gave the Mounted Police a wide berth. The increased force will require enlarged accomodation at the different posts in the Northwest. The Inspector says he believes the fight at Cut Knife, in which the Queen's Own took part, was one of the hardest fights, while it lasted, during the campaign.

The Street Flirt.

Whatever idea the young girl who practise street flirting may entertain to their seemingly innocent pastime, it may be set down as a certainty that when a respectable young man desires the acquaintance of one who may some day become his wife, he does not go out on the street and seek her acquaintance through a flirtat on. But, on the other hand, the flirt of the street, no matter how innocent and fair her intentions may be, is the last person he would select as his life's companion. He desires purity, without and above suspicion. The young girl who engages in this kind of a pastime should bear in mind that she not only endangers her reputation and leaves a stain on her good name, but that her name is a byeword among those with whom she flirts, to be bandied about in the saloons, on the street corners, and in low down unholy places in the city, fastening on her otherwise fair name a stigma or stain that will follow her years after she sees her folly and attempts to mend her ways.—*Newark American.*

A Dangerous Condition.

One of the most dangerous conditions is a neglected Kidney complaint. When you suffer from weary aching back, weakness and other urinary troubles, apply to the back a Burdock Porous Plaster, and take Burdock Blood Bitters, the best system regulator known for the Liver, Kidneys, Stomach and Bowels.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

A Digest of the Week's Doings from all parts of the Province.

The Kent Circuit Court, Judge Tuck presiding, opens on the 22nd inst.

The Moncton cricketers were defeated by the St. John club Saturday, by 103 runs.

Phullip Kelly died the other day at Derby, Northumberland County, aged 99 years.

The buoys at Oromocto shoals have been carried off by rafts, but will soon be replaced.

Daniel McDonald, formerly an engineer of the N. B. Railway, died recently at Winnipeg.

Dr. Pedolin has been appointed Surgeon of the Newcastle Field Battery, vice Dr. Freeman resigned.

Dr. Edmund W. Stevens has been gazetted Assistant Surgeon of the 67th Batt. vice Dr. Nevers resigned.

The goods of the tenant of the Grand Falls hotel were sold by public auction on the 1st inst., and realized $500.

The Woodstock Field Battery have been supplied with four new nine pounder guns by the Department of Militia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Whipple of Carleton, St. John, last Thursday celebrated the 65th anniversity of their wedding.

The St. John County Jail is almost completely filled at present, there being fifty-five prisoners, twenty of whom are women.

Patrick Devine, court stenographer, has been assigned the circuits of Victoria, Madawaska, Sunbury and Charlotte counties.

Judge Fraser is to preside in the Madawaska and Victoria Circuit Courts, which open respectively on the 23rd and 29th insts.

In the Gloucester Circuit Court last week, the Chief Justice sentenced Jack Barber to three years in Dorchester Penitentiary for burglary.

The Western Union Telegraph Co., intend shortly to establish telegraphic communication along the line of the Miramichi Valley Railway.

Mr. George L. Holyoke, a well known and highly respectable citizen of Woodstock, has become editor and proprietor of the *Press* of that town.

The Annual Exhibition of The People's Union Agricultural Society will be held at Hartland, Carleton County, Wednesday the 7th October.

The Synod of the Presbyterian churches of the Maritime provinces will be held in St. John this year, and will open its session on October 6th.

The Truro *Sun* advocates the formation of a Maritime Cricket Association. During the visit of the Halifax Wanderers would be a good time to discuss the matter.

Thomas McLaughlin was thrown from his carriage near Blissville, Sunbury county, last Thursday, and sustained such serious injuries that his life is despaired of.

M. J. Hogan, who has the contract for ballasting the New Brunswick Railroad between Fairville and McAdam Junction, expects to commence the work in a few days.

Charles Hayes, a St. John negro, murdered a colored woman named Robinson, with whom he was living at Cambridgeport, Mass., last Thursday night. The murderer escaped.

At the annual meeting of the Moncton Sugar Refining Company held the other day, the director's report showed a loss of $85,000 for the past two years owing to depreciation of stock.

One of the three engines ordered by the N. B. Railway, from the Manchester Works, N. H., has arrived. It is a fine piece of mechanism, and is the heaviest engine on the road.

Dr. E. Stone Wiggins of the Finance Department, Ottawa, and Mrs. Wiggins are visiting their friends in Queens County. E. Stone is the only weather prophet of the Maritime Provinces.

Charles Bullock of St. George Parish Charlotte County aged 71 years, wrs found hanging by the neck to a tree at the rear of his farm on the 29th ult. Temporary insanity cause the rash act.

Dr. Elder Wood, a native of Bay Verte, Westmorland county, died recently of slow fever at Bridgeport, Texas. He had just received his medical degree, and was a young man of great promise.

Mr. John Brait, a prominent merchant at Kingston, Kent County, was found dead in his bed Saturday morning. The deceased gentleman was widely known and generally respected throughout Kent County.

Rev. C. T. Phillips has withdrawn his resignation of the pastoral charge of the Woodstock Free Baptist Church, being urged to that course by his people, at a meeting of the congregation called for the purpose.

Four hundred people attended the Woodstock Odd Fellows' picnic, held two miles above that town, last Thursday. The Cornet Band was in attendance and a programme of sports and dancing was successfully carried out.

James Murchie & Sons of St. Stephen are erecting extensive mills at Edmundston, on the Madawaska river, near its confluence with the St. John. They intend putting in a rotary, a clapboard machine and several shingle machines.

The estate of Walter Graham, of Grand Falls, comprising his residence, store, and a lot of land was sold at public auction the other day. The town property was bid in by Alexandra Straton, and the other land was purchased by A. F. Randolph of Fredericton.

At the Dominion Rifle matches at Ottawa last week, Sergt. Loggie of Chatham, won the Governor Generals prize, $250, and the following New Brunswickers secured places on next years' Wimbledon team:—Sergt. Loggie, 73rd, Pte. Lordly 62nd and Trooper Beatty, 8th Cavalry.

Mrs. Cecelia Baizley died at Westcock, Westmorland county, on the 25th ult., at the remarkable age of 104 years. The life of this women takes us right back to the English conquest of this country. She was a daughter of a soldier in the 102nd regiment, stationed at Fort Cumberland.

The annual sale of Stock on the Government Stock Farm will take place on Wednesday October 8th, at 11 A. M. Among the animals to be sold are Shorthorn, Ayrshire, Polled Angus and Red Polled Norfolk Bulls and Heifers, Leicester, Cotswold and Shropshire Lamps, and Yorkshire Pigs.

Maggie Edmunds, daughter of William Edmunds, a well-known commercial traveller, and her nurse, Amy McKinnon of P. E. Island, were drowned at Shediac on the 1st inst., by the upsetting of a boat in which they ware paddling. Mr. Edmunds has many friends in Fredericton who sympathize with him in his loss.

St. Joseph's College, Memramcook, has entered upon its new academical year with bright prospects. Thirty-four freshmen have entered the college this year from Madawaska and fifteen others from River du Loup. It is expected that the college will be full of students, and an additional wing will be built as soon as possible.

Gilmor Brown, C. E., assisted by Messrs. Mackenzie and Rainsford Wetmore, commenced on the 1st inst. the survey of the Short Line at Salisbury. Mr. Bright, C. E., has commenced the survey at the other end, at Harvey, and the two parties will work towards each other. Bruce Winslow, son of Mr. T. B. Winslow of this city, is on Mr. Bright's staff.

At an adjourned annual meeting of the Fredericton Railway Company held at the secretary's office Friday, the following gentlemen were elected directors for the ensuing year: Samuel Thorne, Thos. Temple, M. P., C. W. Weldon, M. P., E. R. Burpee and F. B. Edgecombe, and at a subsequent meeting of the directors the following officers were appointed: Thos. Temple, M. P., President; John Richards, Secretary; Alfred Seeley, Treasurer; Wetmore and Winslow, solicitors; A. Seeley and F. B. Edgecombe, auditors.

At the annual Convention of the W. C. T. Union at Sackville last week, the following ladies were elected officers for the current year:—

President—Mrs. Todd, St. Stephen.
Secretary—Mrs. Steadman, Fredericton.
Treasurer—Miss Lockhart, St. John.
Auditor—Miss Palmer, St. John.
Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Forbes, Moncton; Mrs. Randolph, Fredericton; Mrs. Vroom, St. Stephen; Mrs. Hobart, Windsor; Miss Hills, Halifax; Mrs. Black, Amherst; Mrs. Mersereau, Portland; Miss McGowan, St. George; Miss Mitchell, Newcastle; Mrs. Campbell, St. Andrews; Mrs. Colwell, Carleton; Mrs. Baker, Fairville; Mrs. Crandall, Annapolis; Miss Ackerman, Summerside; Mrs. Atkinson, Baie Verte.

A BUDGET OF NEWS.

Culled, Clipped and Collected from Everywhere.

The Germans will arm their military stations in Zanzibar with Krupp guns.

Nine hundred and seventy-seven immigrants arrived in Toronto last month.

Hon. Thomas White's majority in Cardwell was 672. It was only 341 in 1882.

The Governor General formally opened the Dominion Exhibition at London, Ontario, to-day.

The total amount of inland revenue collected in Canada for the year ending June 30th was $6,917,635.01.

There is a proposal in England to use an oil waste from chemical works, instead of coal as fuel for steamers.

Prince Henry of Battenburg, husband of the Princess Beatrice, has been appointed a commander in the British navy.

It is said that John W. Mackey is negotiating with James Gordon Bennett for the purchase of the New York *Herald*.

The sale of tickets in Quebec for Barnum circus during its two days' stay there amounted to between $30,000 and $35,000.

The vote of thanks pasfed by the Imperial Parliament to the Canadian voyageurs was published in Saturday *Canada Gazette*.

The Union Bank of Halifax give notice of intention to apply to Parliament for authority to reduce the capital stock to $500,000.

During last week 146 failures in the United States and 19 in Canada were reported, a decrease of 24 from the total of the previous week.

Lord Johh Manners, Postmaster-General, has warned the English post-office employes to abstain from participation in the electoral campaign.

Owing to the plethora of money, the leading banks in Montreal have reduced the rate of interest allowed on deposits from four to three per cent.

Lumber to the value $2,100,520 was exported to the United States from Ottawa during the past fiscal year. Of the total amount, sawn lumber represented $1,957,730.

W. S. McKee of Charlottetown, is owner of a Percheron horse that stands seventeen hands high, and weighs 1,925 lbs. He took first prize in his class at the Bangor Fair.

At the annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association, the rule prohibiting marksmen from going on the Wimbledon team more than twice in five years was repealed.

It is rumoured in London that the Princess of Wales and the Empress of Russia are anxious to make a match between Princess Louise of Wales and the Czarewitch Nicholas.

In reply to Spain's application for English support, Lord Salisbury replied that the Government adhered to its previous refusal to recognize Spanish sovereignity over the Caroline islands.

Lady Coleridge's family have authorized a denial of the report that Lord Coleridge has been threatened wihh an action for breach of promise of marriage by the present Lady Coleridge or her relations.

An admirer of Prince Bismarck has presented him with the chair in which the Emperor Napoleon sat while conversing with the Chancellor in a weaver's cottage at Donchery on the day following the battle of Sedan.

The Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition will be held at Kentville, Kings County, this year, opening on Tuesday, September 29th, and closing on Friday, October 2nd. Cash prizes to the amount of $6,200 are offered.

A waggon-load of dynamite being conveyed to the Trent valley canal works at Burleigh, Ontario, Friday, suddenly exploded near the the village of Wakefield, the two men in charge and the team being blown to atoms.

The plain speaking of Mr. Parnell, in declaring for repeal of the union is producing much irritation in England, and Tories and Liberals are both busy in protesting that they have made no alliance with their Irish firebrand.

The Steamship "Hanoverian" of the Allan Line went ashore in a dense fog at Portugal Cove, on the Newfoundland coast, on the morning of the 2nd inst., and became almost a total wreck. All the passengers and crew were saved.

They have been trying biennial sessions of the Legislature in New Hampshire, and the result is described thus by one of the journals there:—"Biennial sessions have not brought the millennium in this State, but they have saved the State $75,000.

The dullness in manufacturing circles in Montreal has given way to a marked increase of business, especially in the cigar factories and cotton mills, and confidence is felt by commercial men of a good fall trade being done before the closing of navigation.

Earl Dudley, who is only eighteen years of age, is at present in Brazil, a guest of Dom Pedro. He intends proceeding to Canada, and having taken a trip over the Canadian Pacific railway, he will spend six weeks in the Rockies, buffalo hunting.

Hog cholera is spreading rapidly in South Essex, at least one thousand animals having already died from the disease. Professor Grensides, of the Ontario Agricultural College, who has been investigating in the infected locality, pronounces the disease to be true hog cholera.

Dr. Allison, who ran in Cardwell against Hon. Mr. White, failed to secure half as many votes as were polled against his opponent. He therefore forfeits the deposit of $200, which under the law every candidate is obliged to put up as a guarantee against vexatious opposition.

Dr. A. C. R. Selwyn, Director of the Canadian Geological Survey, met with an accident near Port Arthur a few days ago from which serious results are feared. He was making a trip over a portion of the Pacific Railway track on a hand car when the latter upset injuring him seriously.

Thirty soldiers belonging to a Highland regiment, made an assault upon a dozen artillerymen at a villiage near Plymouth, Saturday. The Scotchmen were routed. The artillery then carried the village by storm, when the people fled to the fields. An armed picket guard subsequehtly captured 15 of the rioters.

It is understood that Gen. Middleton's recommendation that a medal be issued to all Volunteers engaged in the North West, a special clasp to those who aided in the capture of Batoche, has been approved by Gen. Wolseley and the Duke of Cambridge, and that the Canadian Militia authorities have undertaken to prepare designs for the proposed medal and clasp.

The managers of the Canadian Pacific railway have completed the naming of the stations on the section of the road between Biscotasing and Port Arthur. Among the complete list of stations are found the following:—Duchesnay, Turnbull, Otter, Williams, Grassett, Girdwood, Amyot, O'Brien, Ridout, Pardee, Dalton, Denison, Bremner, Ouimet, Tradeau, Montizambert, Melgund, Stewart, Middleton, McKenzie, and McLean.

A terrible accident occurred at Oakwood in a shaft operated by the Lehigh Valley Coal Co. The cage, in which there were miners, was being lowered in the shaft, and when nearly at the bottom a mass of loose rock and coal fell from the sides of the shaft down the pit, striking the men upon the cage and instantly killing four. Two others were fatally injured and three seriously. The cage, which was made of heavy timber and iron work, was completely demolished.

The family of Charles Wright, a carpenter living at Windsor, N. S., had a narrow escape from poisoning this morning by eating mushrooms among which some toadstools were mixed. Wright and four small children ate only a few spoonfuls, but Mrs. Wright partook freely, and was soon attacked with violent pains. A physician was called in, who administered powerful emetics, and after three hours' incessant work Mrs. Wright was out of danger.

At Providence, R. I., on Thursday, Maud S. made an unsuccessful attempt to lower her record owing to the weather conditions being somewhat unfavorable, as a brisk wind blew up the home stretch and the air was crisp and chilly. The first quarter was made in 33 seconds, while the half was completed in 1:08¼, the fastest half mile on record, the Trotting Queen fairly flying over the course She left her feet, however, after passing the pole, but was quickly steadied, passing the three-quarter pole in 1:40, but finished the circuit in 2:13. It was generally admitted that the break might have contributed three seconds to the time, but that under the conditions the mare could not have beaten 2:10.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Newsy Notes and Notions of Everything.

There are between 80,000 and 90,000 Jews in New York.

In polite society we have no longer old maids. They are ladies in waiting.

A person struck by lightning has no knowledge of the fact and feels no pain.

Nearly a million copies of the penny edition of the revised New Testament have been sold in England.

A Connecticut bridegroom burst into tears in the midst of the wedding ceremony, but made no attempt to escape.

A roofing material intended to supersede slate is now made from paper pulp. It is lighter and has other advantages.

The newspapers of the world have just been reckoned up at about 35,000, thus giving one to every 28,000 inhabitants.

During 40 years $200,000,000 has been expended by members of the Church of England in building and restoring churches.

France spent millions of dollars in celebrating itself at the funeral of Victor Hugo, but has only contributed $12,000 for a monument.

Last year there were 26,000 letters posted in England without any address on them. In 1,600 of these, coins and money were enclosed.

Under Hellgate, New York, there are twenty-two miles of dynamite cartridges with which it is proposed to soon remove rocks that cover nine acres of river bottom.

A man went into Knows Lake, near Middletown, Ohio, after laying a wager that he could remain under water two minutes. He won the bet, but he'll never get the money.

Ayer's Ague Cure acts directly on the liver and bilitary apparatus, and drives out the malarial poison which induces liver complaints and bilious disorders. Warranted to cure, or money refunded.

An Iowa judge has decided that a man is in duty bound to tell his wife where he spends the evenings when he is away from home. This decision is all right to a certain extent, but suppose the man doesn't know?

"Can I see the mayor?" inquired a member of the city council to the former's servant. "Not at present; he's at dinner." "But my business is very important." "I cannot help it, sir; his honor is at steak."

In Siam the cats have their tails banged and are dyed bright yellow; the forests abound with pink and white albino monkeys; the python and boa attain to gigantic proportions, and the people are singularly temperate.

There is nothing you could present to an invalid or care worn friend, that would be more appreciated than a bottle of *Baird's Beef Iron & Wine*, it enriches the blood, gives strength and comfort and does permanent good.

"I was never exactly buried alive," said an old clerk, recounting his experiences, "but I once worked a week in a store that did not advertise. When I came out my head was almost as white as you now see it. Solitary confinement did it."

One of the worst things for the eyesight is a shade tree in front of a room used for writing or reading. Not only does it darken the room, but the swaying of the branches by the wind causes a shifting light which is very hard on the eyes.

An accident in a foundry at Melbourne, Australia, has led to the discovery that the plunging of hot iron castings into a mixture of molasses and water softens the metal to such a degree that it can be punched, bored, or tapped as easily as wrought iron.

At Greenwich, England, for cruelly killing a kitten a ruffian was sentenced to three months at hard labor. At York, on the same day, another man was sent up for three months for manslaughter who had previously served a seven years' term for stealing a shirt.

A church at Shorncliffe, Eng., was recently so besieged by various kinds of birds, chiefly swallows, that service could not be held. Every effort was made to dislodge them, but without avail, until some soldiers fired a volley of blank cartridges, when they disappeared.

Doctors sometimes use ambiguous language otherwise than in their prescriptions, as, for example, in the case of one who writes to a friend in Rome from a summer resort: "I am terribly busy, but I hope to finish off all my patients in about a fortnight, and I shall then take a good holiday."

The two great quicksilver mines of the world are said to be controlled by the Rothschilds, who restrict the annual output of the California mine to about 85,000 bottles, the mine in Spain contributing about 15,000. The discovery of a new mine in Servia is likely to break up this monopoly.

We recently saw an account of the different devices used by actors to keep from smiling on the stage, writes an editor. One never-failing device is for the actor to catch sight of the manager stepping out the back way with all the box-office receipts. That is what they call an heroic remedy.

Should the Duke of Abercorn live four years longer there will only have been two holders of his peerage in 100 years. A still more remarkable instance occurs in the Fitzroy family. The second Duke of Grafton enjoyed the dukedom from 1690 to 1757, and his successor till 1811—only two in 120 years!

French engineers have succeeded in finding water in the desert country of Southern Tunis. At a depth of 91 metres they reached water which rushed from the ground with such velocity that it carried along stones weighing 12 kilogrammes and threw them high into the air. The well yields 8000 cubic metres of water a minute.

The Etruria is now Queen of the sea. Her last trip from Liverpool to New York was accomplished in the hitherto unequalled time of 6 days and five hours. The daily runs were:—Aug. 17th, 424 miles; 18th, 464 miles; 19th, 450 miles; 20th, 465 miles; 21st, 464 miles; 22nd, 464 miles; to Sandy Hook 70 miles, making a total run of 2,801 miles.

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The train which conveyed the Czar to Kremsier was a most magnificent affair. It contained bedrooms, bathrooms, and dining rooms, besides saloons and boudoirs and all these were furnished with wonderful luxury. The room of the two young Princess—for it was a regular room—was upholstered in violet leather of a new and lovely shade. Everywhere were easy chairs and the softest of sofas. In the Emperor's private saloon was an ikon with a lamp burning before it.

The two sons of the Russian Czar are slight, gentle looking boys, who take after their mother rather than after their gigantic father. The Czarina has a sweet face, with beautiful soft eyes and a very winning affable manner. She is less imperial altogether in carriage and manner than the Empress of Austria, but charms everybody by her quiet, womanlike graciousness. The Czar has grown very much stouter than he was at Skiernwice, and has outgrown all the Austrian uniforms that he wore last year.

In a Burmingham wineroom is placed a very sensible notice, which sets forth that gentlemen who wish to indulge in bad language, to the annoyance of respectable customers, are requested to ask to be shown to an apartment especially provided for the use of blasphemously disposed individuals. Should any offender be bold enough to enquire his way to this sanctum, he is politely conducted by a boy in buttons to the front door, the "apartment especially devoted" being in fact the open street. In this way the unruly snob receives a rebuke which he is not likely to forget,

English magistrates are not alone in rendering cruel and foolish judgments. For picking some flowers from a grave in the village cemetery at Riverhead, Long Island, a few days ago, a respectable young girl was arrested and taken before Justice Stackpole, who let her go on her own recognizance until the following day, when she was to appear for examination. The girl did not appear when the Justice called the case, so he swore all the witnesses present, and upon their testimony found her guilty and imposed a fine of $30 and imprisonment for 30 days in the County Gaol. The girl has not since been heard of, and some fears are entertained that the disgrace of her arrest has caused her to leave her home.

FUN FACT AND FANCY.

Five Minutes Light Reading for Everybody.

Trapper's motto—Bear and fur-bear.

A pair of s(c)issors—Two pots boiling.

Life insurance policy—Never bring spring poems to us in person.

No, Maud, it doesn't follow that army officers always smoke "rank" cigars.

A Pittsburg man has been fined $50 for keeping a cow. The cow belonged to a neighbor.

Yes, Henry, horseshoes are generally made out of wrought iron, but they are sometimes cast for all that.

An Englishman of our acquaintance says he was never shaved by a barber in life; he has always howned a razor of his own.

Out of 3,877 murderers last years only 103 were convicted and hanged, and not one of them was a regularly licensed physician.

It is not surprising that printers are so morose as a general thing, when it is considered that they are so often "out of sorts."

"Pa, what do they always have a handkerchief over Justice's eyes for?" "Because, my, son, the lawyers have talked her blind."

It takes nine tailors to make a man; but one dressmaker can make a woman, provided she has any kind of a nucleus to start on.

"Tramps are becoming very troublesome in the interior," says an exchange. The interior is also very troublesome in a good many tramps.

The Marchionness De B——, while dressing for a ball, called her maid, saying, Clara have you brought me the flowers I wish to stick in my hair? Yes, Senora; but I can't remember where I put the hair in which you are goin to stick them.

Ethel used to play a good deal in the Sabbath-school class. One day she had been very quiet. She sat up prim, and behaved herself so nicely that after the recitation was over the teacher remarked, Ethel, my dear, you were a very good little girl to-day. Yes'm. I couldn't help being good. I dot a tif neck.

White House Pleasantries.

When President Cleveland was asked to appoint Judge Tree to a foreign mission he replied:—

"I'd just as leaf as not."

This gracious answer to the application was received with a profound bough.

"In making this appointment, however," continued the Chief Magistrate, "it is not to be considered by any branches of the judge's family that they have only to apply for a position to be appointed."

"Certainly knot," was the response.

"Then I guess you can tell Judge Tree to pack his trunk," said the President. "You expected me, of course, to appoint him," he added.

"We knew you wood," was the reply.

"Well," said the President, "I was aware that Judge Tree did not pine for the office. Nevertheless, in such a position I am anxious to see, as our English friends would say, a good man at the 'elm, and while I'm maple—"

"Chestnuts!" exclaimed the delegation in a breath.

Then the President retired to his desk with a pleasant smile on his face, and the delegation departed, well pleased with the success of their mission.—*Boston Courier.*

The Trials of a Schoolmistress.

Teacher (in mental arithmetic)—If there were three peaches on the table, Johnny, and your little sister should eat one of them, how many would be left?

Johnny—How many little sisters would be left?

Teacher—Now listen, Johnny. If there were three peaches on the table, and your little sister should eat one, how many would be left?

Johnny—We ain't had a peach in the house this year, let alone three.

Teacher—We are only supposing the peaches to be on the table, Johnny.

Johnny—Then they wouldn't be real peaches?

Teacher—No

Johnny—Would they be preserved peaches?

Teacher—Certainly not.

Johnny—Pickled peaches?

Teacher—No, no. There wouldn't be any peaches at all, as I told you Johnny; we only suppose the three peaches to be there.

Johnny—Then there wouldn't be any peaches, of course.

Teacher—Now, Johnny, put that knife in your pocket or I will take it away, and pay attention to what I am saying. We imagine three peaches to be on the table.

Johnny—Yes.

Teacher—And your little sister eats one of them and then goes away.

Johnny—Yes, but she wouldn't go away until she had finished the three. You don't know my little sister.

Teacher—But suppose your mother was there, and wouldn't let her eat but one?

Johnny—Mother's out of town, and won't be back till next week.

Teacher (sternly)—Now Johnny, I will put the question once more, and if you do not answer it correctly I shall keep you after school. If three peaches were on the table and your little sister were to eat three of them how many would be left?

Johnny (straightening up)—There wouldn't be any peaches left. I'd grab the other two.

Teacher (touching the bell)—The scholars are now dismissed. Johnny White will remain where he is.

What Discouraged Him.

He had a wearied, sad-eyed expression, as if booked for a funeral and was awaiting the hearse and mourners. A sympathetic friend sought to sound the secrets of his woe. The wearied man responded:—

"I feel discouraged!"

"Tut! You mustn't give way to grief in that despairing way. You know what the poet sang:

'Hope springs eternal in the human breast.'"

"Ah, yes! But it ain't for me. When a man's seen what I've have seen hope ain't for him.

"Bless my soul, what can have happened?"

"I tell you. Mayhap it will give relief. You know how steady I've been sitting up to Miss Hopsnood?"

"Everybody knows you set up to her like a sick kitten to a warm stove."

"She encouraged me, and I felt I was solid till first one and then another got to whispering that she was sitting Gus Tomurill out 'n out. I wouldn't believe a word of it. Didn't she go with me to the ice cream parlours two or three times a week, and picnics, and didn't that show I was solid? So I believed she was all right, and wouldn't hear a word contrary."

"That's right. Don't never listen to busybody talk."

"That's what I was determined till to-day A person told me a little while ago that he saw Tom Mill escorting Kate home from the matinee. That didn't worry me. I knew he was all right and thought everything of me. So I started up to call on her. It wasn't my night to pay my regular visits, but I wanted to go, just to show them that I knew it was all right. I met her ma at the gate. She said I'd better not go in. That sounded queer, but I did not let that bother me at all. Then the old man—he was smoking his pipe under a tree—he chipped in; said he guessed Kate wasn't expecting me to-night. That was queer, too. Still, I wouldn't allow myself to be discouraged. I was sure Kate could explain everything, no matter how it looked. On the stoop I met Kate's little sister. She kind of snickered, and had a curious, cute look in her eyes as she said:—'Kate won't best like to see you to-night.' This was the queerest of all. But still I wouldn't give way. Something told me to keep a stiff upper lip and not be discouraged, and I determined I wouldn't; so I walked right into the parlor, and then——"

"What?"

"I saw Kate sitting on the lounge with that Tom Mill—he with his arm around her waist and she with her head flopped down onto his breast."

"Then you gave way?"

"Then I felt discouraged and came away."

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