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Waterborough.

A sanguinary antagonist entered the house of Robert Jeffrey, jr., while his wife was alone and brutally beat her. Is there no law for such an act?

Word was sent to four of our mighty hunters that a bear was seen in its den near the Den farm, a distance of ten miles from their homes. So on the first day of April the mighty nimrods went in pursuit. They reached there in a short time with Rosy Bell—a goer. It proved to be a porcupine. A good April Fool was it not? Ha! ha! ha!

Mrs. C. H. Fanjoy is quite low with lung trouble.

Capt. John McCaw is to take charge of the Home Rule when navigation opens.

Charles Stilwell who was burned out a spell ago has all the lumber on the spot for his new house. He intends to build a large one.

James H. Ferris has the contract of repairing the roads for the cordwood men of this place—figures unknown.

Upper Queenstown.

April 17.—There has been no notes from this place for a long time and some of the people are beginning to think of coming to the funeral of your correspondent.

It begins to look spring-like here, the streams are open and Mr. Lipsett is hustling his drive toward the rafting ground, it is raining hard and prospects are good for lumber drivers.

Jas. H. Gallagher who has been visiting his brother Mr. John Gallagher of Summerneath Farm, intends visiting Petersville in a few days.

Any person wanting young pigs can be supplied at Mr. John Gallagher's.

Mr. C. E. Williams had a pleasant dance on Tuesday evening last. Mr. Williams says he never enjoyed himself more.

Spain's Greatest Need.

Mr. R. P. Olivia, of Barcelona, Spain, spends his winters at Aiken, S. C. Weak nerves had caused severe pains in the back of his head. On using Electric Bitters, America's greatest Blood and Nerve Remedy, all pain soon left him. He says this grand medicine is what his country needs. All America knows that it cures liver and kidney troubles, purifies the blood tones up the stomach, strengthens the nerves, puts vim, vigor and new life into every muscle, nerve and organ of the body. If weak, tired or ailing you need it. Every bottle guaranteed, only 50 cents. Sold by all Druggists.

Coal Creek.

April 17.—R. H. Harding of this place has gone to Gagetown to be engineer on board the tug "Martello."

Young men of this place are expecting to start for the stream in a few days. They are now patiently waiting for rain.

Mr. Medley T. Perry has started from here last week for Kootenay, B. C.

A doom was cast over the settlement by the death of John McAllister, youngest son of David McAllister. He was 17 years of age and was loved and respected by all who knew him, and much sympathy is felt for his relatives.

Mr. William Harding has made an addition to his house.

Wild geese have put in their appearance lately and the sportsmen are following in their wake but no captures have yet been made.

Miss Lunney of this place is just recovering from the effects of a cold.

Red Hot from the Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Stedman, of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's America Salve cured him. Cures Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Boils, Felons, Corns, Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. 25 cents a box. Sold by all Druggists.

Elkin Mines.

April 7.—Mr. Peter Spooner of this vicinity has recently left for the gold regions of Cross Creek. His fellow miners deeply regret his departure.

A very pleasant evening was spent by the young people of this place at the residence of Mr. Jacob Babineau. The principle amusement was dancing. Music was furnished by Mr. James Upton of Lakeville Corner.

Mr. Edward Kelly of Newcastle has got the contract of sinking the new shaft for the Coal Company. He expects to begin operations in a few days.

The sudden departure of George Stilwell has created a sensation among his friends at this place.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Grotton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God, I am saved and am now a well and healthy woman." Sold by all druggists. 50 cts. and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

Greenwich.

April 17.—There is yet about six miles of ice in the "Reach" and will probably be a week before there is any passage.

The Star, "Springfield" did not arrive at Public Landing, Westfield, on Saturday as was expected, which is perhaps owing to the fact that she has not yet undergone the necessary inspection.

Wild geese are quite plentiful and there is the usual excitement among local sportsmen, many of whom are armed with Snider-Enfields, and are prepared to shoot at any range. As may be expected the killed are few.

The illegal shooting of wild geese at night, by the use of lights, is being carried on by some unscrupulous parties, much to the annoyance of our more conscientious hunters, who would like to see it stopped.

A. M. Rowan and Brazil Vanwart, of St. John, arrived at their shooting lodge on the "Isle of Pines" on Saturday evening.

The many friends of Mrs. D. P. Belyea will be pleased to hear that she has recovered from her recent illness.

The fertile brain of one of our would be prominent political men has so far "expanded" that many fear that it is materially "softened."

W. J. Cameron is negotiating with St. John parties for the sale of his steam launch "Crescent". This speedy little vessel was built entirely by Mr. Cameron our enterprising machinist.

Springfield, Mass.

April 10.—This is a very fine day and the young men are out on their bicycles today enjoying themselves.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lowery and daughter arrived here on Tuesday from Gagetown and are well pleased with their new home.

J. W. Reece, of Jemseg, arrived here on Wednesday and met with good success. He intends to stay out here this summer.

Miss Alice Dougan of this place spent Wednesday 5th inst., with Mrs. Charles Pevil of Rivendale.

Miss Katie Connors of this place spent Wednesday, 6th inst., with friends in Springfield.

Miss Alice Dougan, Miss Katie Connors, Mr. James Dougan and Mr. Richard Brown made a quick trip to Springfield on Saturday night and returned.

Otis Spaulding of this place intends putting an addition to his barn this spring.

We hope to hear from the Hibernia correspondent through the columns of your paper, in the near future.

Cody's.

April 17.—The ice in the Washademoak at this place has commenced to run out.

Mr. E. L. Perry has been quite sick for the past few days. He is able to be about his work again.

Last week Miss Maggie Cody gave a party to her personal friends.

Richard Hetherington, who bought the estate of the late Hazen Starkey, has moved on the property.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Perry have moved into the handsome tenement house of Mrs. E. M. Armstrong.

The many friends of the Rev. L. J. King will be pleased to learn that the clerk of the Baptist Church, to which Mr. King belonged has notified him that he is still a member in good standing in the church and that his license to preach is renewed. The clerk regrets that the information furnished him was illegal and has offered to publish the exact state of affairs if Mr. King is willing.

Miss Maggie Armstrong and Mrs. Walker Perry were the guests of Mrs. Fred Leonard on Sunday.

Miss Jennie Perry was the guest of Mrs. Samuel Moore on Sunday.

Miss Bertie Perry who has been spending the past week with friends at Salmon Creek arrived home on Saturday.

Your correspondent is informed that in a few weeks one of Cody's fairest "classics" will be united in matrimony to a young gentleman of an adjoining locality.

Mr. B. Dunham, our popular blacksmith, has been greatly rushed during the past week. He had his brother assisting him.

John Armstrong, who is noted for having an excellent stock of horses, has a handsome colt. Your correspondent has heard several well informed men say that there is not another colt in the parish like it.

Mr. S. K. Foster of St. John is visiting relatives here.

Working Night and Day.

The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Every pill is a sugar-coated globule of health, that changes weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, brain-fog into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the health. Only 25 cents per box. Sold by all Druggists.

Mouth of Jemseg.

Mat hooking and splitting wood frolics seem to be the order of the day. There has been several around here lately.

Harvey Chase and Whitfield Nevers were guests of Mr. George B. Nevers on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Mason spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clark.

Messrs. Lockett and Gale passed through here on Saturday on their way to the shiretown—registered at Elm Grove Hotel.

Mr. George F. Nevers is painting and white-washing his buildings which improves their looks very much.

April 24.—Up to date there has been no note of the burning of Mr. Charles McAlpine's house which was consumed two weeks ago Saturday last. A spark from the chimney caught under the clapboards, the whole end of the building was in flames when discovered. Everything was lost upstairs including thirty dollars worth of nets. Great sympathy is expressed for Mr. McAlpine over the loss, there being no insurance.

The water is rising very fast to-day; the low-water wharves are completely covered. The ice which has been running since Friday is about done, there being a few floating cakes in the river yet. We are anxiously looking for the noble steamers "Victoria," "David Weston" and "May Queen," some of which may be here to-day.

Some of the farmers have started the plough, others are making preparations to start work this week. Only the very dry ridges are in a fit state to plough.

On Thursday last a number of the young people, thirty in number, gathered at the residence of the Misses Mary and Margaret Heustis, also in behalf of Mrs. Robert Jones, for the purpose of cutting wood. The ladies prepared everything that was necessary to make the table look nice, and I can assure you it was a satisfactory moment for those who looked upon it. Those who visited the busy scene of action during the afternoon were cordially invited to stop and partake of the luxuriance there provided. During the evening candy was made by Miss Emma White whom we have a right to thank for the efforts put forth in making it a success. A very pleasant evening was spent in playing games, singing and music.

Oakham.

April 20.—Spring has come, bringing with it renewed life and activity, and the long silent echoes, which have slumbered in the embrace of a dreary winter, are now once more awakened by the merry voice and tuneful song of the hardy farmer.

Miss Dora Thorne who has been spending the past fortnight with her mother, returned by Monday's train to St. John.

Mr. Bliss Thorne will be employed during the summer by Mr. Thos. Hetherington, Cody's Sta.

It is understood that in the near future Oakham will lose two of its most prominent citizens.

Mr. Robert Hinson after paying a fine...

ing visit to his home, returned to the Millstream.

R. B. Thorne has lately returned from Canaan, where he has been spending the winter. His many friends are pleased to see him looking so well. He leaves today for Apohaqui.

Mrs. Fred Perry who has been confined to her room, by a severe attack of rheumatism, is now rapidly recovering under the skillful nursing of her daughter Miss Arthuretta Branscombe, of St. John.

Temperance Workers and the Plebiscite.

Mr. George A. Wilson seems greatly exercised over some of the plebiscite talk lately published in your paper. He deserves the undying gratitude of Mr. Pearce for coming up to his help "against the mighty." But he seems to have lost sight of the cause of all the trouble.

The people of Queens County have, during the last ten years, become quite accustomed to hearing political speeches from active temperance workers, denouncing the late Conservative Government and its attitude toward prohibition.

If I mistake not, one of the foremost of these orators was Mr. Pearce. When the late Government appointed the Royal Commission to investigate the Prohibition question, he and others took the high moral ground that temperance was on the same plane as any other crime.

We wanted no commissioners to decide whether or not murder or theft should be legislated against; we needed none to inquire into the advisability of enacting laws against the importation and sale of alcohol. Many will remember the fine scorn to which these gentlemen held up the party who would waste twenty-six thousand dollars, (I think that was the sum), collecting evidence on a question that any child, who knew the difference between right and wrong, was competent to pronounce upon. In those "tripping times," we heard nothing of inability to enforce prohibitory legislation.

We have had a change of Government, we were volunteered a plebiscite. We were allowed to enter the campaign in the belief that, in this, as in other cases, where there has been an appeal to the popular vote, the will of the majority would rule. If not this, what was the Plebiscite for? In the Province of Quebec we had three members of the government and one imitation member working against us. One of these was J. Israel Tarte—the man who not long since caused the discharge of a teacher in an Industrial School out west, because he would not allow Mr. Tarte and his friends to bring liquor into the institution, when they were out there on a janketing tour.

In this same province there were shameful irregularities allowed in the voting in order to roll up a majority against prohibition. Despite all this, the temperance people beat the run party by a majority large enough to constitute a good sized army. Then we were told that we had been expected to beat the run party—dead men, stay-at-homes, residents, repeaters and what not—by getting a majority of all the recorded votes in the Dominion. No party ever did that since North America was settled. The Premier deliberately admits he steered us into what any child knows is an impossibility.

But in this Plebiscite campaign the Government distributed a quarter of a million dollars amongst its devoted followers. In the parish of Cambridge two polling stations were opened in the same house and two sets of officers employed that a larger number of the faithful might participate in plebiscite dividends. Now where are those gentlemen who were so fiercely denunciatory when the Royal Commission was appointed? They are either silent, or making excuses for the Government. Their reference to 23 per cent of the electorate as "a small percentage" is not very consistent when we remember that the great Government they support holds power by virtue of the votes of twenty nine per cent of the same. The moral aspect of the question has changed since '91. It is little wonder then that they dislike the mention of the word "Plebiscite"; and still less that those who now know for a certainty what the major part of their fiery oratory really meant, hesitate not to stir them up a little, by reminding them of their change of base.

Of religious and temperance workers tampering with rum, in the recent Provincial election, I know nothing save by report. But I do know that on the day Mr. Blair was elected to the Dominion Parliament, two cases of liquor stood for some time on the piazza of a Queens county religious and temperance worker; that later they were transferred to his barn, from which, during the day, their contents were distributed to "Good Liberals," as well as thirsty and, presumably purchaseable Conservatives. The writer also knows that a member of the church and Chief Templar of an I. O. G. T. Lodge, well known to Mr. Wilson, as well as several other "temperance workers" of the same stripe violated their pledge that day. He believes, with good reason, Mr. Wilson is cognizant of these facts. Therefore, the less he says about "religious and temperance workers," and the elections, the better—unless he is trying for a record in the chief characteristic of his wing of the temperance party— inconsistency.

Neither can he, with a very good face, denounce the man who does not write over his own name. For, if the truth

were known, few men have had published more unsigned correspondence in the GAZETTE than he. It makes all the difference imaginable whose ox is gored.

He will not answer us if we don't publish our names? That's a terrible threat. Surely he'll think better of it. But, if he shouldn't we'll try to bear up with becoming fortitude. And, if he should, he cannot by reams and reams of letters, rub out one of the hard, ugly facts connecting the plebiscite and his beloved and immaculate party.

As the writer is dealing in facts that are well known to a large number of the GAZETTE's readers, with thanks in advance for space, he craves the Editor's permission to call himself—

AN ONLOOKER.
Cambridge, Queens Co., April 17, 1899.

DISEASED KIDNEYS

Are Rebuilt and Restored by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

No Kidney Diseases are Found Where Dodd's Kidney Pills are Used—New Brunswick Testimony—Cure of a Prominent Public Man.

OTNBAG, N. B., April 24.—Some little time ago, a report appeared in an Ontario newspaper, stating that Kidney Diseases, (including Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Dropsy, Rheumatism, Gout, Lumbago, Urinary and Bladder Troubles, Diseases of Women, and all Blood Impurities) were decreasing rapidly, in all sections in which Dodd's Kidney Pills were used.

This statement was read by thousands of our people, and by some (who did not know the magical virtue of Dodd's Kidney Pills) it was doubted. The discussion grew warm, and it was decided to investigate, in some locality here, where the pills are in general use, to ascertain whether or not, similar results attended their use in this part of Canada.

A committee appointed to hear evidence concerning the point in dispute, got together a list of names of persons who had been afflicted with Bright's Disease, Diabetes, Dropsy, or other forms of Kidney Disease. These people were questioned and they all testified that they had been cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills. One gentleman answering a question as to whether or not he knew anyone who had had Kidney Disease, and had not used Dodd's Kidney Pills, said, "I do not. They are all dead."

The evidence of Commissioner G. J. Worden, of Wickham, who was cured of Kidney Disease by Dodd's Kidney Pills after twenty-five years' suffering, carries conviction with it. It cannot be doubted. It is the solemn declaration of one of our most popular public men.

Dodd's Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists at 50 cents a box, six boxes \$2.50, or they will be sent on receipt of price, by The Dodd's Medicine Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

Cole's Island.

April 21.—The fine warm days of spring have come at last and the travelling on the roads is good.

The ice has run and the river is clear. We expect to see the Stmr. Star soon.

Alfred West has sent his crew of 35 men for steam driving on the middle North Branch.

Forman Daniel Parks and C. B. Parker have started their crew of 20 men for steam driving.

Joseph Wood had the misfortune to lose a valuable cow, also E. Northup lost a cow.

Mrs. Charlotte Phillips, Mr. John Phillips and Miss Carey Vincent, have gone to Providence, R. I., to visit friends.

Misses Martha Elliott and Jean Keith were the guests of Miss May Perry on Thursday evening.

W. H. Green has gone to Fredericton for the summer.

Miss Ina Cole who has been sick is improving.

The school at this place is flourishing under the skillful management of Miss Jean Keith.

Mrs. Elias Cole was the guest of Mrs. John A. Perry, on Wednesday last.

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I have much pleasure in announcing to my customers and the general public that I will make them my annual call with a full line of goods from the above mills which will consist of

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These goods need no introduction to you as for the past ten years I have called upon you. You have seen that great improvements have been made each year in the style, coloring and finish and this year is no exception. I am confident that I can offer you goods not excelled by any mills in the maritime provinces, and as this will be the last season I will call on you in this century. I trust you will continue to give me the patronage you have so generously bestowed in the past and assist me to make my sales the largest of any year I have had the pleasure of dealing with you. I am,

Yours very truly,
A. D. McLEAN.
CAMBRIDGE, APRIL 24, 1899.