

# Carleton Sentinel Supplement, August 28, 1897.

## ST. JOHN LETTER.

Whose money is this?—The news of the week—The markets, etc.

There is now lying in the Bank of British North America, the sum of \$190,92, deposited some 35 years ago to the credit of William Thompson, treasurer of the Lancashire Operatives Relief Fund. Twenty-five years ago many of the Lancashire cotton mills operatives were out of work because of the blockade of the Southern cotton ports and were in dire straits. Some of them it is said died of starvation and some of them who are living and their descendants are inmates of charitable institutions. It is probable that much of this \$190 92 was contributed by men and women who from experience knew something of the trials of the Lancashire workers, and who could ill spare the money. No one will attribute to the late Mr Thomson any blame for the misappropriation of their charity for the sufferings which this money might have helped to mitigate. It is no wonder that such a matter should have been overlooked by a man so deeply engrossed in his own business affairs as was the late Mr Thomson. There is but one answer to the question, what shall be done with this money? which is, pay it over to the people to whom it belongs and from whom it has been withheld for thirty-five years. It is theirs as much as if it had been paid to them direct or had been left to them by will. Yet an evening paper suggests that "it be paid into the city treasury for the park or the library," (in other words, that it be stolen) "or if the operatives of Lancashire have any need of it, the amount could be sent to them." "Need" has nothing to do with the matter whatever. The money belongs to the Lancashire sufferers and their heirs; it should have been paid thirty-five years ago; it should be paid at once, and in justice it should be paid with thirty-five years interest. To withhold this money one day from its owners now that attention has been called to its existence, or any other money contributed for a similar purpose, is no less dishonorable than to rob an almshouse or "steal the coppers from a dead man's eyes".

Andree's balloon or the Flying Dutchman, was recently seen simultaneously at Campobello and Miramichi. The Tourist Association and the Sea Serpent are no longer in it.

The Quoddy Fish Co., who have a large refrigerating apparatus at White Head, Grand Manan, and are extensive dealers in frozen fish, propose to freeze from 1,000,000 to 1,500,000 herring which will be sold to fishermen for bait as required.

By the use of anaesthetics a comparatively recent discovery, the surgeon is enabled to amputate a limb or perform almost any other of his professional duties without pain to the patient, and, in most instances, without jeopardizing his life. The discovery is one of the most important of the century, the good results of which are experienced every year by hundreds of thousands of men and women in every civilized country of the world. No less important than is the anaesthetic to the surgeon's patient is the fertilizer that strengthens and restores the equilibrium of the soil. The phosphoric acid and much of the potash and lime which the soil contains are taken up by the vegetation and retained in the bones, blood and strength of the animals by which it is consumed. Hence no matter how abundant the farmer's supply of barnyard manure these essentials to the best results of cultivation are lacking. Likewise he is unable to grow good crops of clover, peas, beans, etc., because of the absence of nitrogen which they are unable to elaborate from the air without phosphoric acid, potash and lime in due proportions in the soil where they are grown. These are supplied in Alberts' Thomas Phosphate which can be used almost as profitably on land highly fertilized with barnyard manure as elsewhere. It is only by its use that a maximum crop of grain, grass, roots or fruit can be produced.

The name of St Stephen Collins, an escapee from the Lunatic Asylum, is connected with a supposed drowning accident or suicide near Hampstead.

H M S Crescent arrived in port last Tuesday and was visited by many citizens during her stay here.

A good many members of the Eastern Townships Press Association were in the city yesterday.

The Flower Show of the Horticultural Association opens September 1st.

Robert J Gilbert, a native of Shediac and at one time publisher of the Maritime Agriculturist in this city, was killed by the accidental discharge of a pistol in his own hands at Lac Seal, Ontario, a few days since.

There are now in port five steamers, three ships, three barques and 53 schooners.

Many of the officers and crew of the flag ship Crescent participated in a picnic of the Sons of England at Kennebecasis Island on Friday.

A Spanish silver coin dated 1773 was dug up in the County Jail yard last Wednesday.

On Thursday last the Knights of Pythias of the city, headed by the City Cornet band and two baronches heaped with beautiful flowers, proceeded to the Rural Cemetery to decorate the graves of their departed brethren. About two thousand citizens, chiefly ladies, were present, who had spent an hour or two previous to their arrival in decorating the graves of their friends, and Superintendent Clayton had done everything in his power to promote the harmony and impressiveness of the ceremony. The Knights gathered at the Assembly grounds where, after the decorations had been distributed—

O God, our help in ages past, was sung, followed by scripture reading by Sir Knight J L Thorne. Then came an address by James Moulton, P G followed by the hymn,

Blest be the tie that binds, prayer, the benediction and the doxology.

Mr Moulton's address was most appropriate to the occasion and closed with the reading of Mr Spencer's poem, "The City of Sleep." The graves of the Knights in other cemeteries, about the city was also decorated.

The wheat market is still in a very unsettled condition. The export demand for flour and wheat is the heaviest ever known and as reports on the condition of the foreign crop come forward prices on both flour and wheat in Canada and the United States continue to advance. A still further advance took place last week. Ogilby's Manitoba went up to \$5.75, making a total advance of \$1 35 and the miller's prices for Globe and other high grade Ontario flours are from \$5 to \$5.10, making the total advance on Ontario patents \$1 20, and even at these advances millers are not anxious for orders, most of them expressing the opinion that flour will advance considerably yet. Oats advanced 2 cents per bushel in Ontario last week and it is generally supposed there will be quite an advance in oatmeal soon. Cornmeal is in limited supply and it is difficult to get enough to fill orders at \$3.10. There is a further advance in beans; prunes are quoted at \$1.10 and hand picked at \$1.20 per bushel. Stocks of molasses this year are one third lighter than last year at this season and reports from Porto Rico claim that the crop is all shipped. Prices have advanced 2 cents per gallon and a further advance seems unavoidable. George S De Forest & Sons expect to receive this week a shipment of new crop Valencia raisins; this will probably be the first new fruit in the market. They are now landing two cargoes of codfish and quote shore caught medium \$3.15, banks \$3 and pollock \$1 25 per 100 pounds. Medium smoked herring sell at 6½ cents and lengthwise 6 cents per box. Business on the wharves is unusually active for this season of the year.

Labor Day will not be observed in this city. Col Dymville has floated a company in London with a capital of \$10,000,000 to operate in the Klondyke gold fields.

Fourteen marriages, thirty-five births and thirty-six deaths were reported in the city last week. EDWARD EDWARDS

St John, Aug 23

## Lorne (Victoria Co.) Items.

Aug. 20, 1897

The month of August so far has been wet, raining every day more or less; haying is impossible; hay that was cut two weeks ago is still out.

A very heavy storm passed over the lower end of the parish Sunday night; the thunder and lightning was terrible, the windows rattled with the jar and the rain came down in torrents.

Mrs Baker of Boston, is visiting her mother-in-law, Mrs Wm Everitt.

Miss Tilly Watson of Woodstock, is at home; she is accompanied by her sister from Andover.

Blueberry parties are coming, but the berries are not as plentiful as last year.

A pie social was held at Wm Johnson's, for Parson Hopkins and was a success; Wm Johnson, sen., sold the pies.

Miss Ella Everitt of Dow Flat drew the autograph quilt, at the social for the Presbyterians church. TOBIQUE.

## Muniac Items.

The organ grinder struck this town last week, and discoursed sweet music to the juvenile crowd on the square, in front of the Miles House.

W H Miller at Hartland, Tuesday, on business.

James Smith and Birdie Miller, drove to Fort Fairfield this week; go it, Jim.

Major A D Hartley stopped at the Miles House on his way to Tobique.

Mr Oampbell, Hartland, and Miss Pass, school teacher for Kincairdine, were storm stayed at the Miles House, Sunday eve.

We had registered at the Miles House—Burpee Cox, Simonds; Anthony Wright, John Paul, Muniac; James Smith, Upper Kent; Merrill Taylor, Mr Oampbell, Miss Pass, Hartland; John Giberson and wife, Will Green and daughter, Bath; Asa Bell, Wm Bell, Bristol; David Tompkins, Perth; James McLagan, Centreville; Mr and Mrs Kinney, Fort Fairfield.

J W Miller and Maggie Miller were at Upper Kent, visiting their parents, Sunday.

Miss Jessie Beveridge, who is stopping at Alex Adams', went to the mill pond for water, fell in, and had a narrow escape from drowning, her cries for help bringing assistance none too soon.

James McLagan and Mrs W H Miles drove to Four Falls, Thursday, on a pleasure trip.

Sunday School picnic at Kilburn, Saturday, was well attended; pleasant time.

Mr Thomas Stuart and Miss Clara McDougald passed through the village on their way down river. Get up, Dexter.

Anthony Wright, John Squiers and Wm Squiers, who have been at the Lampedo Lake fishing, report a pleasant time and plenty of fish.

One of our young men looked rather sad Saturday night, but never mind, Otis, every cat has its day.

McCollum and three lumber teams stopped at the Miles House, Saturday, on their way to Hartland; have been hauling lumber to the O P R from the Salmon River Mills.

Mr Alex Adams' millers have started up again and we hear the merry hum of the planer.

J W Miller has a carload of birch on the siding from Pike's yard, Grafton.

The "pale man" and the sorrel horse still make their weekly calls at Muniac.

Miss Jean and Robena Paul, and Miss Smalley, who have been home on vacations, have returned to take charge of their respective schools, looking much better after their rest.

R B Welsh, O P R, and Merrill Taylor, Esq, Hartland, at the Miles House, Sunday.

## Middle Southampton Items.

Aug 23, 1897.

Although the weather for hay-making has not been as favorable as might be, the crop is housed in very good condition, and exceeds that of last year.

The Agricultural Society is making due preparation for a grand exhibition and gala day, the 29th Sept; a long list of liberal prizes is published and circulated.

A number of the Grant family, together with a number of invited guests, to the total of about 40, enjoyed their annual picnic on Grant's Island, Saturday afternoon. The day was all that could be desired for the occasion.

Miss Sanbourn, sister of Mrs J N Grant, has been visiting her sister and other friends in this place for some weeks past.

Mr Lenantine's Mercantile establishment, is closed at the instance of some creditors. The first failure of the kind in this place, and we hope it may be the last.

The grain crop is abundant and promises a rich return. The present weather is very favorable for filling and ripening; already some grain cut and threshed. Noticeable the County over, is the appearance of a large quantity of wheat, which is looking fine and promising.

Mrs Gravinor has a house rose with 200 buds upon it in the different stages of development.

## South Knowlesville Items.

Aug. 16, '97.

The weather for the past week has been quite fine for haying, and nearly all the farmers are through.

Miss Flora Britton of Windsor, has taken charge of our school, which opens to-day.

For all the weather looked so threatening Sunday, there was a large gathering at the dedication of the Free Baptist church at Windsor.

Mr Lawson has just erected a fine residence, which, when finished, will greatly improve the looks of our settlement.

We are sorry to see that Mr Harvey Whitehouse, who has been ill for the past six months, is no better.

We were all glad to see our friend Mr R G Fisher, around again, after his recent illness.

Mrs F W Simms, who has been sick for some time, is slowly recovering.

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## Riley Brook (Tobique) Items.

August 14—A gentleman from Fort Fairfield, with three gents from Boston, reached the Harmony last night at 12 o'clock. Their intention was to fish for trout on the Sabbath day and they were somewhat disappointed when the young folks of the place told them such proceedings were not allowed if it was in the wilderness, and gave them to understand that God's laws, as well as man's, were remembered here as well as elsewhere.

A very heavy thunder storm passed over here last night; no damage done only lots of hay wet.

The weather has been very discouraging for hay making the past eight days.

Mrs Richardson of Hartland, who has been visiting her grand children here, Mr and Mrs Heyden, for the past few weeks, returned to her home to-day. She is quite an old lady to stand the fatigue of a journey up Tobique. ONE INTERESTED.

## Kincairdine Items.

Aug 20, 1897.

We regret very much to have to record the death of Mr Thomas Watt an old and much respected resident of this colony. He died on Tuesday, 17th inst., at his residence Lower Kintore. His last illness was short, but for years past his health has not been very good. He was 81 years old, was a native of Kintore, Scotland, and came here with the first settlers. He always took a great interest in the advancement of the place. He was a postmaster, kept a drug store, and was an Elder in the church. It was always the aim and ambition of his life to help humanity and relieve suffering. He was a Justice of the Peace and when differences arose, by his good and timely advice was often a great peace maker. It may surely be said of him that he was a witness for charity, kindness and truth; and wherever duty or danger called he was never wanting. His funeral was very largely attended on the 19th. Rev G C Pringle made a few very appropriate remarks on the good qualities of the deceased, ending with the words of our Saviour, go ye and do likewise. The sorrowing widow and family have the sympathy of the whole community.

## Biggest Farm On Earth.

The largest farm in this country and probably in the world is situated in the south western part of Louisiana. It extends 100 miles east and west. It was purchased in 1883 by a syndicate of northern capitalists, by whom it is still operated. At the time of its purchase its 1,500,000 acres was a vast pasture for cattle belonging to a few dealers in that county. Now it is divided into pasture stations or ranches, existing every six miles. The fencing is said to have cost about \$50,000. The land is best adapted for rice, sugar, corn and cotton. A tract, say half a mile wide, is taken, and an engine is placed on each side. The engines are portable and operate a cable attached to four plows. By this arrangement thirty acres are gone over in a day with the labor of only three men. There is not a single draught horse on the entire place, if we except those used by the herders of cattle, of which there are 16,000 head on the place. The Southern Pacific Railway runs for thirty-six miles through the farm. The company has three steamboats operating on the waters of the estate, of which 300 miles are navigable. It has also an ice-house, bank, shipyard and rice mills. —From the Knoxville Tribune.