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A WORD WITH YOU, GENTLEMEN.

A word with you, Mayor CHESLEY, and

with you, Chief of Police RAWLINGS. You, Mayor CHESLEY, as chief magistrate of the city of Portland, are supposed to guard and elevate her name, watch her

interests and maintain her position among Canadian towns. You, Capt. RAWLINGS, as the chief of the lawful guardians of the peace, are required by your oath to see that all law is enforced.

These things premised, gentlemen, what have you to say to the charge that at least two score of rum shops are open in the city of Portland every Sunday? Do you deny the truth of the allegation, or do you hold that Portland is beyond the pale of the Sunday liquor law? If, as honest men, who walk the streets with your eyes open, you admit the charge, and if you concede that Portland is not beyond all law, what excuse have you for the existing state of affairs?

Can you, Capt. Rawlings, urge any defense of the fact that, last Sunday, on Bridge road, liquor was sold openly in thronged bar-rooms? Are you paid to keep your eyes shut or open, Capt. RAWL-INGS? Would you rather fawn upon and fearless execution of your duty?

Have you instructions not to report Sunday liquor sellers, Capt. RAWLINGS, or in cases in advance of, those of previous whose interests are the offenders not reported?

first assembly has been productive of great good. The power of any thoroughly united glad

body must be much greater than the aggregate force of the parts of which it is composed. The quaint old fable of the aged father calling upon his sons to try to break the bundle of sticks, and when they had all tried in vain, giving them the sticks singly | tees, are liable to go astray. -when they were broken with ease-has never lost its force or its significance. Nor, indeed, for that matter, has that other story, of the lion, who, afraid of the oxen so long as they remained together, whispered mistrust and jealousy into their ears till he had separated them, when he easily overpowered boiler, the roof or the superintendent of them singly. The unions which have recently taken place among the various branches of the church are a hopeful sign. It is of course well to contend for principle, where there is a principle to contend for, but it is not an edifying spectacle to see men standing apart and working to manifest disadvantage and loss when there is

neither principle nor contention between them. The assembly, therefore, as being in its very existence the seal and embodiment of such a union is an object of especial interest; and those who have watched the various meetings of this body during its history have noticed with much satisfaction how the bundle at first bound together in an organic union by legislation, has became one by the vigorous growth which is covering the old lines more and more deeply vear by year. A break along the line of the old cleavage would not be possible now. It is the same with regard to the union more recently consummated in the Methodist church ; and it is an evidence of the satisfaction with which

union has been received in each of these bodies that they are making overtures to one another, lookingto the possibility of a still grander movement in the same direction. Whether this question will come before the assembly it is not, of course, for us to say. We are assured, however, that the meeting cannot fail to be of deep interest, as the home and foreign missions, augmentation and college matters, as, indeed, the cringe to your superiors, Capt. RAWLINGS, whole range of church work and life, will or win the respect of honest citizens by the give material for earnest thought and discussion. We understand that the contributions are, in general, well up to, in most

thus far neglected to regulate the manner have the paper sent regularly to their adin which these gifts of Providence shall be dispensed : and rain and sun, lacking the guiding hand of the Board of School Trus-

The rain removes the chalk-marks from the blackboards-but it removes the black boards as well. The sun heats half the building-but it happens to be the half that is directly over the boiler.

This is not the fault of the building, the schools : Mr. MARCH says so himself : and, therefore, as the only way out of existing difficulties, we suggest that Mr. MARCH order the rain to fall less forcibly and the sun to shine on the other side of the house.

GET RID OF THE FOSSILS.

Is it not about time that the government filled that vacant chair in the New Brunswick university senate? When Dr. Mc-Farlane went to the United States he vacated it by his resignation. The plain duty of the executive is to fill the vacancy by the appointment of some energetic man who has manifested an interest in higher education. Begin to get rid of the fossils, gentlemen. The senate of our university needs some young men-men who are abreast of the age, who have executive wisdom and ability, and know how to use them.

The foremost applicant for the position may be a good superintendent of the institution over which he presides, he may represent an influential portion of an important denomination, but he is unfit to be one of a governing body of an educational institution. Why? Because the senate of this institution should be composed of talented, interested and vigorous graduates, of men who thought enough of their alma mater to take a second and third degree in her halls, who have watched her course anxiously, who see her faults and would be fearless enough to apply the remedy. The senate of the university can boast of a few good men, but, like the New Brunswick legislative council or the Canadian senate, has a majority of "old women."

PLANT NEW FORESTS.

that the pious heart of deacon MARCH is from the fact that the information contained in them has never been given to the public, Unfortunately, however, Mr. MARCH has should subscribe for PROGRESS at once and

dress. We would also direct attention to the value of the series of portraits and biographical sketches which we begin this morning.

If the bill presented in the militia report for drugs bought and used by the Fredericton Infantry school is a true indicator of the health of the men, there must be a smal army hospital in the Celestial city. We are inclined to the belief that the amount of this bill, \$772.60, includes a little unadulterated medicine. The commissioned and non-commissioned officers must keep up their spirits. The bill last year was \$789.40. It would appear that the I.S. C. division, S. of T., has been worth \$17.20 to Canada.

The aggregate wealth of the provincialists who have engaged in the Gloucester fisheries and become citizens of the United States is estimated by a Boston Globe correspondent at \$500,000. The richest man is stated to be worth between \$40,000 and \$50,000. These figures are not overwhelming. In the despised and forsaken Maritime provinces we have citizens whose bank accounts are quite as substantial-and, to make the parallel complete, not a few of them came here from the United States.

We congratulate the Telegraph upon the altered and cheerful tone of its editorial column this week. It would not be modest in us to attribute the change to our advice of last week, but whatever the cause there is nothing wrong with the effect. There is lots of healthy inspiration in PROGRESS. We are not sick of Confederation, or broken down by the National Policy; in fact there is nothing unhealthy about us.

Representative HOPKINS of Illinois is urging upon congress a bill providing that no convict serving a sentence for violation of federal statutes shall be required to work more than eight hours daily and that he shall be paid, semi-monthly, wages equal to those paid to the same class of free labor in the immediate locality. This is all that was needed to make the prison a popular

NORTHERN LIGHTS.

Why is it that there are merchants in this WHAT city who will saddle their brains and go galloping all over the United States and South America in search of reciprocity, when they can find undiscovered lots of it right here in St. John! It is indeed painful to note the opportunities for legitimate reciprocity that are passed over on every street and on every day in the week. What is needed in this direction, and what every man who is true to himself and true to his best friends should aim at, is reciprocal relations of a local character. Let us be so loyal to reciprocity that when we want an article of furniture or of wearing apparel or anything else, we may think of buying it from some one who is in the habit of purchasing of us. In other words, let the question be asked, "Whom can I help to live that is helping me?" Observations enable me to say this much, that there are several shopkeepers in this city who do practise this kind of reciprocity once in a while-when they happen to see a chance to eat up a bad

debt.

I wonder if the lumber kings in Gloucester county imagine that Longfellow addressed the last line of his Psalm of Life to the poor woodsman. Men who go into the woods upon the understanding that they are to be paid half in goods and half in cash, and who, when they emerge from the forest in the spring, receive, instead of cash, notes payable the last of July, must "learn to labor and to wait." Unfortunately, however, very few if any of these hardworking men can afford to wait and their promissory notes are sacrified at a loss sometimes of 50 percent. The truck system is a species of slavery, and so long as it is tolerated-so long as it is carried on by members of parliament-we must not boast of living in a free country.

P. S .- The Labor commission was evidently travelling on tickets that were not good to "stop over" at Bathurst.

Very few house owners know when to paint their houses and fewer still know how to do it, but the lady who attained my ideal of a housewife in this respect was she who a few days ago invited in her neighbors to decide upon the color of a spring coat for her house, stating as her reason for consulting their tastes in the matter that they saw more of the exterior than she. It might be imagined that in order to please all parties the coat would have to be like Joseph's -one of many colors ; but this was not the case, for all were unanimous in the selection a very pretty shade of green.

PROGRESS, a paper published in the present, for living men and women, is an eight-page, forty-eight column Saturday weekly, printed from new type, on an extra quality of paper, contains no plate matter. and, in brief, is as handsome as skilled printers are able to make it.

"PROGRESS" WILL BE.

The field which PROGRESS will occupy is intended to cover society, art, literature, sport and news.

In every department of thought and life, PROGRESS will stand for that which its name indicates. It will " Look forward, and not back.

And lend a hand "

to any movement that promises to make people wiser, happier, more courageous, more hopeful, better fitted to grapple with the problems of to-day. It will be clean. original, honest, impartial and fearless, and it will try to be entertaining. First, last and always, it will address itself to people who have brains and who dare to look a fact in the face.

PROGRESS believes that practical politics, as the term is generally understood, is but one-and not the most important one-of the many interests that go to make up modern life, and that too much attention is paid to it by most newspapers. This paper will be never neutral but always independent. No government, party or politician owns a cent's worth of Progress, and while the present management holds none ever will.

PROGRESS has learned that because a

These are pertinent questions, Capt. RAWLINGS, to which PROGRESS and lawabiding citizens demand an answer.

For the reputation of Portland, Mayor CHESLEY, for the credit of your native city, for the sake of the men and women you represent, for the name of the community, exercise your authority and stamp out this disgrace. As for you, Capt. RAWLINGS, act the man : scorn toadyism ; exercise your authority, and win the respect of honest men.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

On the 13th of June next the 14th General Assembly of the Presbyterian church in Canada will be opened in Halifax. It is an illustration of the magnitude of this dominion and therefore of all organizations last year was at a distance from Halifax of happy. What more could anyone ask? 2500 miles; and although to those who about a thousand miles to meet them.

the religious bodies of the dominion to hold a meeting of her supreme court in the West; and in this she is consistent with so, Halifax? her relations to that part of the country for the past 20 years, during which she has with tongue, pen and purse, and then we been foremost in her efforts to supply the shall have the right to exult over their gospel to her people, and lay the founda- victories. Hurrah for the 24th of May ! tions of church organizations and extension in the prairie land.

The general assembly is the supreme court in the Presbyterian church, the source of legislation on doctrinal or constitutional questions, and, therefore, the ultimate court of appeal in the church. It is composed of one-fourth of the ministers and an held have called for spirituality and zeal, equal number of elders. The commissioners and for somewhat more : executive ability, are appointed by the presbyteries by election or rotation, or partly by both methods. Forty-one presbyteries are represented. In these there are about 800 pastoral charges, and between 800 and 900 minis- held by the Salvation army, and objections ters. Leaving a margin for retired ministers and those in other ways ineligible, the assembly would consist of about 200 ministers and an equal number of elders, or 400 in all. As a matter of fact, however, only that we had a thousand like her! a small proportion of the elders attend. This, it seems to us, is to be regretted, as the presence of practical business men in a church court must surely be of very great advantage to the church. They would be able to give the benefit of their experience and knowledge, as men of affairs, in the dis- nial school building has been blessed by cussion and management of the business; nature and the contractor with a number of and, on the other hand, they would carry advantages which are usually denied to the inspiration which must be kindled by such a gathering, in their own way back to their respective communities. In this way, it appears to us, a twofold benefit would be derived from their presence in chalk-marks from the blackboards. The the assembly, while, as a matter of course, a double loss is sustained by their absence. We venture to commend this thought to winter days, very little steam from the boiler the consideration of the eldership. The assembly of the Presbyterian church The sun does that. in Canada dates from the union of the various Presbyterian churches in 1877, when Providence rests upon at least half the buildthe first assembly was held in Montreal. ing, and His rain falls upon the whole of it, preserve these articles, which will undoubt-The union which was consummated in that whenever it falls anywhere. Who wonders edly be of great value in the coming years | easy.

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years, and that a tone of hopefulness prevails. At the same time it is felt that the field is opening before the church so rapidly in every direction that nothing but untiring diligence can enable her to meet her responsibilities.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH OF MAY.

We have the advantage of New Englanders in respect of out-door sports. Our season opens May 24: theirs, on Fast day, which may mean the first of April or the last. We are reasonably sure of pleasant weather: they are as likely as not to need the protection of overcoats. Thus, though they lead us in time, we take the more comfort: and it is for enjoyment that we pay our money.

This season, we shall have it in full measure. Our excellent "institution," the Cricket and Athletic club, has enlarged in their sphere co-extensive with the Domin- its membership, improved its grounds and ion that the assembly held in Winnipeg taken a contract with Fortune to make us When our ball players, our cricketers, our travelled that distance it must have seemed bicyclers, all our athletes, tell us, as they long enough, they met others who had come do now, that they are prepared to sustain their reputation, we may well be satisfied The Presbyterian church was the first of with the outlook. To sustain the reputation of St. John, means to vanquish everything within reaching distance. Is it not

Let us all encourage our champions

GOOD-BYE, CAPTAIN BANKS! That was a well-earned tribute which the Salvation army paid to Staff-Captain NELLIE BANKS, Wednesday night.

Capt. BANKS has been with us for a long time, now. The positions which she has discretion, tact, in a word, half the virtues in the calendar; and she has shown us that she was possessed of all.

PROGRESS has doubts as to certain beliefs to some of its methods: but we have no doubt of the enduring nature of the good work wrought by an earnest Christian woman, such as this woman is. Would

Health and happiness to you. Capt BANKS! and may Toronto be as kind to you as you deserve !

INCONSIDERATE NATURE!

If we are correctly informed, the Centenedifices of this sort. society has voted to leave its affairs in the For example, we understand that it has hands of trustees. Liquidators might have been found unnecessary to spend the taxbeen employed, had not some shareholders payers' money for erasers to remove the desired to get back part of the money they rain answers every purpose. We are told, further, that, in the coldest is required to heat one side of the building. At all seasons, therefore, the smile of

In the current number of the New York Lumber Trade Journal, Mr. EDWARD JACK writes entertainingly of Scottish forests, drawing special attention to the subject of forest preservation and planting.

Mr. Jack was at the Edinburgh exhibition of 1884, a guest of the Scottish Arboricultural society, and visited, with that body, those forests which are watered by the Tay or its branches. At Loch Ordie, in the neighborhood of the forests planted by the Dukes of Athole, he learned a fact which lends force to his article :

I asked the foresters who had been connected with the estate and who formed a portion of our party, what was the value of his land around the lake at the time that it was planted in 1812 or 1813; the reply was 8s. 9d. per acre. Now it is worth £40 stg. per acre, they informed me, for the wood alone which was growing upon it.

We commend this statement to those who own land for which they have no pressing use. Trees will grow in New Brunswick, also-and grow in value as well as age.

PROGRESS was the first St. John paper to call attention to the fact that it was illegal for Mr. JOHN A. CHESLEY, of Portland, to be chief magistrate of that city and a union commissioner. Since our last issue an injunction of the supreme court, issued at the instance of Portland citizens, restrains Mr. CHESLEY from carrying on the city's business, on the ground that, having accepted the commissionership, he is no longer mayor. It is in order for PROGRESS to repeat the query : Which will you have, Mr. CHESLEY, the mayoralty or the commissionership?

If the liquor sellers who have figured in court this week will take our advice they will cease butting their heads against the wall: It is made of hard brick, and will hurt soon. In other words, that new liquor law was made to stand, and you had better put your money and your time to some better use than attempting to knock it over. Lawyers are cheerful creatures, so long as the defence fund has a bottom ; but let that fall out, and you will get their honest opinion of the law for nothing. And, by the way, you haven't Magistrate TAPLEY to deal with in our city police court.

Another week has passed, and SAMUEL BONNELL's disappearance still remains a mystery. It will be a disgrace to the cities of St. John and Portland if the wife of the missing man has to seek outside aid to solve the mystery. Have our authorities "a clew," or is their time occupied guarding "kegs of ale and scrub women" and walking about town?

institution We print elsowhere a handsome portrait and biography of Rev. GEORGE BRUCE,

B. A., pastor of St. David's church. This is the first of a series which will appear in PROGRESS and include the prominent elergymen of our city and province. The portrait and biography of Rev. Canon BRIGSTOCKE, rector of Trinity church, will appear next Saturday.

It is stated that the salaries of the liquidators of the Central bank, of Ontario, have been fixed at \$300 a month each! If our chief justice acts upon this liberal precedent we congratulate you, liquidators McLELLAN, McLEOD and TAYLOR, and we sympathize be on the depositors list.

Where is ex-president MACLELLAN?

The customs officers in Montreal wake up every three months and seize some hundreds of thousands worth of goods, which have been undervalued or introduced contrary to the revenue laws. It is not much wonder that Montreal can frequently outbid maritime wholesalers for lower goods in this way.

The verdict of the coroner's jury in the case of PATRICK MCKEOUN, found dead on Union street early Sunday morning, was, "death from exposure and the visitation of Gop." Since neither "exposure" nor "the visitation of GOD" was able to dispose of him unaided, it is to be presumed that the late Mr McKEOUN was pretty tough.

It was always very easy to laugh down Mrs. PENGILLY's statements, but people who are officially interested in the Provincial Lunatic asylum will note that that is no PENGILLY story which is printed on our first page today. Consider it carefully, gentlemen!

It is announced that President CLEVE-LAND does not expect to take his vacation until September. Then he will go to the Adirondacks for a few weeks hunting, In the meantime, the office-seekers will hunt him. Turn about is fair play.

The ventilator, the latest addition to the Portland police building, is a desirable improvement, but it is in the wrong place. Instead of being attached to the ceiling of the council chamber, it should have been fastened to the council.

PROGRESS is glad to learn that Mr. BLISS CARMAN is preparing for the press a volume of poems. Mr. CARMAN's work

I clip the following from an American paper :

An Iroquois Indian boy was lately committed to a New York asylum for boys because he spent all his time in the streets hunting cats and dogs, and his mother wanted him civilized.

The New York authorities could'nt have made a bigger mistake. That little injun should not have been sent to an asylum ; he with you who were unfortunate enough to should have been apprenticed to a sausage factory : and he would have been a valuable adjunct. What an excellent outside man he would make! But it is just possible that the New York asylum makes its own sausages.

I offered a cigar to a gentleman a few days ago who declined it with the remark, "I don't smoke." It occurred to me that had he been more careful in the use of his Engprovinces trade when they obtain their lish he would have said "I can't smoke." There are members of the human family so constituted physically that they could not take three puffs at even a mild cigar without yielding to mal de tabac. Yet these same individuals will pose as anti-tobacco reformers, and impress the world as well as they can as to the great amount of selfdenial that they undergo for the sake of their fellow beings. If the same money, time and energy that is thrown away in connection with the anti-tobacco movement were devoted to the removal of some evil of a less imaginary character than the limited use of the fragrant weed happens to be, I'think that our moral standard would be somewhat higher than it is. RORY BORY.

MARY WAS NO FOOL.

Mary had a little lamb, Its fleece was white as snow, And every year she seld the wool, For ready cash, you know. Then she would count the dollars o'er,

As children often do, And put them in the savings bank Where interest would accrue.

Then Mary raised up other lambs, But not to send to school, For do not get it in your head That Mary was a fool.

She'd heard the politicians talk Of syndicate and pool, Till avarice seized her very soul And changed it into wool.

Then Mary thought the matter o'er, And formed a plan so nice, If others had no lambs to shear She'd get a better price.

Her uncle had a blooded dog,

man can report a boat race, it does not necessarily follow that he can deal capably with a concert by Theodore Thomas' orchestra. A feature of the paper will therefore be, Criticism by the Competent, and it will be the constant endeavor of the editors to procure the assistance of ladies and gentlemen who are qualified to speak with authority upon the subjects which they will treat. As evidence of this intention, it may here be stated that the literary department of PROGRESS will be under the general oversight of PROF. CHARLES G. D. ROBERTS, who will be a frequent contributor of signed reviews and other important articles. Features of PROGRESS will be :--Special Local Articles, Illustrated. The Best Society. Editorials and articles by eminent authors and men of affairs. News of the Churches. Theatrical and Musical Facts and Opinions. Literary reviews and notes of new books. Lodge-room Echoes. Art and Artists. Provincial Chat. The Latest Sporting Intelligence. Happy Hits. Original and selected stories, sketches, poems, etc., by the best authors. The World of Trade, including review of the week, insurance, etc. And many other original and interesting specialties. PROGRESS expects to succeed by deserving success. For sale every Saturday, by newsboys and newsdealers. Price, three cents. SUBSCRIPTIONS .- \$1.00 a year, in advance; 50 cents for six months; 25 cents for three months; 10 cents a month, free by carrier or mail.

put into the concern-which was natural, but very selfish of them, to be sure ! A few copies of No. 1 of PROGRESS, containing Mr. FENETY's first article on "Our Political History," can be had at this office. We would suggest that those who wish to

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possesses a beauty and originality which have won high admiration in Boston literary As we anticipated, the St. John Building

circles.

The Cincinnati Enquirer is now being edited from jail, Mr. ALLAN O. MYERS having been incarcerated for contempt of court. You are in very good company, brother HAWKE.

The time has arrived when the citizens of Fredericton think they want a Board of Trade. How much will you give, citizens? We will sell ours. Lowest bidder-terms

Protection was his name, And he would rather worry lambs Than any other game.

So Mary teased her Uncle Sam To give the dog to her, Till finally he did consent To let her have the cur.

And then o'er all the neighboring hills They scouted many a day, Till all the lambs, except her own, Were driven far away.

And now the children of the poor, Attend no Sunday school, Because they can't afford the clothes Made up of Mary's wool.

But Mary rides in a barouche, With diamonds in her hair, And rumor says she soon will we l A city millionaire. -Lewiston Labor Journel.

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