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A SIMPLE REMEDY.

An old copy of a St. John newspaper has been handed to the Star. It says: "A medical man in California gives a curious prescription as a safeguard against smallpox when he says: 'Place one ounce of cream of tartar in 16 ounces of water and take a tablespoonful three times a day and you may sleep with a smallpox patient with perfect impunity. If every citizen would do this for fifteen days there would be an end of smallpox in any city.'"

The St. John paper adds: "The late Dr. Botford thirty-five years ago was very successful in his treatment of persons having smallpox, and he used cream of tartar freely."

Edward Hine, a correspondent of the Liverpool Mercury, in a communication to that paper, speaks as follows: "I am willing to risk my reputation as a public man if the worst case of smallpox cannot be cured in three days simply by cream of tartar. This is the sure and never failing remedy. One ounce of cream of tartar dissolved in 8 pint of water, to be drunk when cold at short intervals. It can be taken at any time, and is a preventative as well as a curative. I have restored hundreds by this means. It never leaves a mark, never causes blindness and always prevents tedious lingering. If the people would only try it and report all the cures to you, you would require to employ many columns if you gave them publication."

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LOCAL NEWS.

Preparations for supplying the city stables with feed, will close on November 15th.

The Y. M. C. A. of the Brunswick street church will hold two entertainments, November eighteen and nineteen.

Rev. W. Q. Raymond will lecture tomorrow evening on the French Phase of New Brunswick History in the school room of St. John's church.

The steamer City of Topoka has arrived from Skagway with \$100,000 in bullion from Treadwell, and \$100,000 in dust from the Klondike.

Friday and Saturday of this week will be observed as holy days in the Catholic churches of the city. Friday being "All Soul's Day," and Saturday the feast of All Saints.

A dog fight on Market Square attracted quite a large crowd this forenoon. One of the dogs, a collie, which had evidently come out second best, was assisted home in a coal cart.

A story was afloat today that on account of the smallpox Peter's tannery had closed down. The truth is that several of the employees had quit work and spread the rumor.

Rev. Alexander Patterson, of Chicago, expected here the last of the week and will deliver the first of a series of Bible lectures in the Opera house Sunday afternoon, on the subject: Does the Old Book Stand?

Rev. H. F. Adams, who has been supplying the Lennox Street Baptist church for the past few weeks, will leave today for Buffalo. A church meeting is called for Friday evening to discuss the question of a pastor.

Carmarthen street Methodist church will hold anniversary services on Sunday, November 10. Rev. G. M. Campbell will preside at the morning service, and Rev. J. J. Teasdale in the evening.

Several recruits have joined No. 4 Co., Royal Regiment at Fredericton, lately and the company is now up to its full strength of 80 men, the first time it has been full strength since one half of the company went to the Yukon three years ago.

At the meeting of the Baptist ministers this morning there were present Revs. J. D. Freeman, B. H. Noble, H. H. Roach, J. C. B. Appel, D. Long, H. F. Waring, Dr. Black, A. T. Dykeman and Alex. White. The usual reports were received and Rev. H. F. Waring read a paper on the Twentieth century.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Margaret Hayes took place this morning at a quarter past eight o'clock from her late residence, 278 Waterloo street. The body was taken to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, where requiem mass was conducted by the Rev. Fr. McMurray. Interment was made in the old Catholic burying ground. There were no pallbearers.

The cars of the C. P. R. royal train arrived at the Union depot yesterday morning and will be on exhibition today. An admission fee of twenty-five cents will be charged, the proceeds to be given to charitable institutions in the city. Yesterday a number of visitors were shown through the train. James McKenna, the travelling passenger agent of the C. P. R., is in charge of the cars, and is being assisted in showing visitors through them by Porters Brown, Frank Collins and Newman. E. J. Hood of Halifax is also here with the train.

EARLY MORNING WEDDING.

The marriage took place at 9 o'clock this morning of William J. Crowe to Miss Nellie Donovan, both of this city. The Rev. F. J. McMurray tied the nuptial knot at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. A large number of the friends of the contracting parties were on hand to witness the ceremony. John McGowan acted as groomsmen and Miss Donovan of Coldbrook was bridesmaid.

The happy young couple left on the outgoing C. P. R. train for Boston and adjacent points to spend their honeymoon. The bride was becomingly attired in a travelling dress of navy and blue broadcloth, with hat to match; the bridesmaid wore a gray cloth costume.

Mr. Crowe is one of St. John's most popular young citizens. As a resident of the north end and foreman and traveler for Lawton's saw works, he is well and favorably known.

The many wedding presents received were splendid and of a costly nature, testifying to the esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Crowe are held by all who have the pleasure of their acquaintance.

ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

The annual meeting of the Associated Charities will be held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. It is the desire of the executive committee that the public generally, and especially all those interested in charitable organizations, churches or otherwise, should be present and discuss the operations of the society in order that it may be made as effective as possible in promoting the purposes for which it was established. Short addresses will be made by gentlemen competent to speak from experience on the subject.

IT SNOWED WHEN THE DUKE WAS THERE.

(Acadian Recorder.) Charles Pickford, 177 Lockman street, brought to the Recorder office this morning some of the finest raspberries we have ever seen grown at this season of the year. They are perfectly formed, and give a good idea of the climate of Halifax. Remember this is the 28th of October!—St. John papers please copy.

PROVINCIAL VISITORS.

Miss Marion and Miss Edith Locke of Nova Scotia, and Mrs. and Miss Twining of Fredericton registered at the Canadian government office in London during the week of October 27.

SMALLPOX.

Three New Cases Developed Yesterday—The Board of Health Meets Every Day Now.

Yesterday three new cases of smallpox were reported. They were Isaac Hamilton, a seven-year-old boy living with his mother at 88 Marsh road; a young daughter of George W. Ketchum, 11 Garden street, and Mrs. D. McCarthy, Wall street. The last was a suspected case, but later on it was found to be a typical one. The houses were put in quarantine, and young Hamilton was taken to the epidemic hospital.

At a conference of the hospital commissioners held yesterday Dr. W. L. Ellis was placed in sole charge of the cases in the epidemic hospital, and entrusted upon his duties last night. Duplicates of the usual plan of the hospital, the inmates, will be cut off from all communication with the outside world, even the resident physicians of the general hospital, also under quarantine, being forbidden admittance. The commissioners have made every arrangement, including the service of a cook and other help, for the accommodation of about 30 patients in the epidemic hospital, should such a demand upon itself be made. At the same time the general hospital is under strict quarantine and no visitors will be allowed to pass the gates under any conditions. Last night everything was progressing favorably there, and no symptoms of the disease had been detected.

All day yesterday and this morning reports were current of other cases in the city from Pokok to Blood alley. So far they have been without foundation.

The report that Taylor and Diamond, the negroes who entered the body of the sailor Barton, had been allowed to go around without proper precautions being taken is denied emphatically by the board of health officers, who say that disinfecting measures have been taken in every instance. It was probably this report that led to the story that there was a case of smallpox in Blood alley.

Under order of Chief Clark the cells and guard rooms of the police station were fumigated and the officers were recommended to be vaccinated. Although there has been no public vaccination so far, every doctor in the city has been busy during the past week. Yesterday the supply of vaccine in the city was almost exhausted. The board of school trustees will meet this evening to discuss the situation as it affects the school children.

The scare has already had its effect upon several branches of trade in the city. The street car conductors say that there has been a considerable falling off in the number of those who take transfers around the Paradise row route. People going to the Opera house from the north end prefer to walk up Union. Close quarantine is kept on the houses in which there have been cases of the disease and pedestrians are ordered to hurry past.

The quarantine at the hospital also affects the nurses of the Victoria station, who are inmates of the nurses' home. Notwithstanding this, the fourteen patients depending on their ministrations have had uninterrupted attention, the order here with commendable promptness having at once secured the services of Miss Sillip and Miss Fenwick. Physicians requiring their services can during the next fourteen days, or while the quarantine at the hospital continues, obtain their services by telegraphing to the Victoria station. Daughters' rooms between the hours of twelve and half-past one p. m.

Dr. W. F. Roberts and Dr. T. D. Walker are vaccinating the street car employes today and will finish the work tomorrow. A further precaution the cars were today given an extra dose of carbolic acid. They are also fumigated every night.

It is stated that William Brennan, one of the cooks employed at the hospital, was about town on Saturday night. A number of persons who claim to know him well say they met him on Union street. The hospital authorities know nothing of the matter, and state that if Brennan was out he went without their knowledge or consent, and against their orders.

Mrs. D. McCarthy, of Wall street, was today removed to the epidemic hospital. Her husband, who is employed by Barnes & Co., Prince William street, was at work on Saturday both during the day and evening.

At a meeting of the Board of Health held today a number of bills in connection with the quarantine were presented and passed, and the subject of dealing with the threatened epidemic was further discussed.

CARRIAGES AND SLEIGHS.

Attention is directed to the advertisement of James A. Kelly, carriage builder of 644 Main street. Mr. Kelly has recently renovated his establishment and is now in a better position than ever to supply carriages and sleighs of all descriptions. His builds buggies, both top and phaeton, concords, bangor, wagonettes, road wagons, delivery expresses and sleighs of all kinds, the whole work being done by his men. The different wagons turned out have taken quite a number of prizes at provincial exhibitions. The stock now on hand will be cleared out at especially low prices in order to make room for the winter's goods.

AT YORK THEATRE.

The York Theatre is thoroughly up with the times, having recently undergone a complete renovating and cleansing from front to rear. The management has spared no pains to make this popular house one of the best and most comfortable places of amusement in the city. Those who attend the first performance by the Robinson Opera Company this evening will enjoy a magnificent production as well as spending two and a half hours in comfort.

PERSONAL.

Miss Lettie Steel will leave today for Lynn.

Gerald Furlong arrived home on the C. P. R. today.

POLICE COURT.

"Can't a man drop his glass in your shop but you must raise a row?" It wouldn't take a—much to break you as your bar?"

Michael Barry amused himself in Edward Burke's saloon on Dock street on Saturday afternoon by throwing a glass pitcher at Frederick McGillivray, who is employed there. With a drunken man's usual aim the pitcher flew wide and spilled seventy-five cents' worth of liquor—a waste which caused a feeling of regret among those present. Barry also violently resisted the police which being escorted to the central and charged with assault and two months for assault and sixteen or two months for resisting.

Thomas O'Brien, for being drunk on Water street, was fined eight dollars or two months, and the same penalty was imposed on Frank McGuire, who was picked up on Dock street Sunday morning. McGuire stated that he had bought a square face of gin on Saturday and kept it close to him all night. The magistrate remarked that there was no law to compel the belief of this story, but as it was the only one offered it would have to go.

John Legal, the Austrian who was arrested a few days ago, supposed to be insane, and who after examination was discharged from custody, not being considered dangerous, visited the Germain Street Baptist church yesterday morning and made himself so noticeable that he was again given in charge of the branch of the British Bertram and sent to the Asylum for the Insane.

A SMALL-POX SCARE.

How a Tobacco Placard Created a Panic.

Yesterday afternoon while one of the good clergymen of Broad street was instructing the parish children at their Sunday-school exercises, he was much perturbed by some of the children rushing in excitedly and claiming that one of the houses in the near vicinity was quarantined and that some of its inmates had smallpox.

Naturally the rev. gentleman instituted inquiries right on the spot. He sent one of the men of the congregation to the house in question, but the layman could not discover anything wrong.

The clergyman, not satisfied with the report, proceeded to investigate the matter himself. He called forth and reached the domicile in question. There he found a crowd of children gathered while the good woman of the house protested that she was a decent woman and there was nothing the matter with her house.

After sifting the matter, the clergyman found that the cause of all the trouble was an innocent placard with a yellow inscription attached to the door of the house, which read, "Chew Tobacco." The children, who were not old enough to read words of more than a few syllables had mistaken it for a sign denoting the presence of small-pox.

PROBATE COURT.

In the Probate Court today the last will of Matilda McLean was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Henry E. Dalton, the executor. The estate is valued at \$100 personal and \$800 real property, and is divided among the relatives of the deceased. Justin and Porter, proctors.

A petition to pass the accounts in the estate of the late James Woodrow was presented, and a citation returned Dec. 16th, was issued. C. N. Skinner, K. C., proctor.

Letters of administration of the estate of the late William Barnhill were granted to William F. Barnhill. The estate is valued at \$1,000 realty and \$45,425 personal property. Barnhill and Sanford, proctors.

In the estate of the late Geo. A. Hamilton the accounts are being passed today. Thos. Millidge, acting trustee, and G. C. Coster for Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton and other heirs.

METHODIST MINISTERS' MEETING.

The Methodist preachers' meeting was held this morning at Censery church. Rev. R. W. Weddall, in the chair. Others present were Revs. Shenton, Dr. Wilson, Steel, Campbell, Deinstadt, Penna, Sellar, Clarke, Marr and Gardner.

Reports of churches were received, and Mr. Campbell presented the latter part of his review of Dr. Adams Smith's recent work on Modern Criticism and the Preaching of the Old Testament. A brief discussion followed, after which Rev. Dr. Peck of Mt. Vernon, New York, was called upon and responded with a pleasing and helpful address.

WHERE ALL ARE BORN FREE AND EQUAL.

(Hamilton Herald.) Within the last few days scores of reputable American journals in one section of the states have been revisiting President Roosevelt because he invited Booker T. Washington, a distinguished colored man, to dinner, while hundreds of journals in another section have been extravagantly praising him for the "noble" address which he has displayed in doing this thing. As if it were something that called for either blame or praise! The remarkable thing about it is that the action

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CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.

BROCKVILLE, Ont., Oct. 23.—William, the eight year old son of Michael Sutton, fell from a coal cart and was run over and killed.

WELLSFORD, Ont., Oct. 23.—Michael Hagarty, a young farmer of Ellice Township, was found dead on the road beside his wagon, near Brunner station. He had evidently been killed by falling from the wagon, as his neck was broken.

WON'T LET THEM IN.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—A despatch from Constantinople to the London Times and the New York Times, says a large number of the branch of the British settlement in Turkey of which the religious congregations expelled from France is prohibited.

USED FOR SPECULATION.

FREDERICTON, Oct. 23.—As far as can be learned here, A. Harley, former manager of the branch of the British North America bank, who was arrested in Halifax on a charge of embezzling funds, used the money for speculation. The embezzlement was largely done here, but it is stated that part of the \$5,000 was taken before he came here.

STRENGTH OF U. S. ARMY.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Lieut. General Miles in his annual report gives the total strength of the United States army at the present time as \$4,513; 33,874 in the United States, 43,339 in the Philippines; 4,914 in Cuba and remainder in Porto Rico, Hawaii, China and Alaska. He says it is expected the force in Cuba will be very much reduced and hopes that the force in the Philippines can be reduced.

IT'S EASY TO RUN INTO DEBT, BUT IT'S HARD TO CRAWL OUT.

Blaine Correspondent Doubts a Potato Story.

The one that tells the first big potato story has reason to regret it, says the Blaine correspondent of the Houlton paper. We have tried it for the past two years and have given it up. A year ago we started one; it was reasonable and within the bounds of possibility, but a Sprague's Mills man came out in the Star-Herald with a statement that sent our own so far in the background that it was never mentioned again.

This year we had another so large that we supposed it would stand the test, but that same Annapolis, or another equally as great, comes up again with a potato story of such magnitude that we lost all power of speech when we read it.

Now we would like to meet that man and learn something about his pedigree and family history. In our boyhood days we knew a man in Littleton, residing on the Madigan Ridge, who was noted for his marvellous strength, and we have a strong suspicion that this is the same fellow or a connection of his.

When a man claims to have raised nine potatoes that would fill a sugar barrel, we cannot refrain from entertaining a strong suspicion that there is something wrong, perhaps in the way of inability to count correctly or through defective eyesight in mistaking a nail keg for a sugar barrel, or he has wandered into the pumpkin patch instead of the potato field.

DIGBY CHICKENS.

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OTTAWA SERVANTS AFTER MR. BLAIR.

Issue a Manifesto on Chinese Labor Question.

The Ottawa Household Workers' Association will issue a manifesto on the Chinese servant question, says the Mail and Empire, because two Chinese domestics have been engaged in the household of Hon. A. G. Blair, minister of railways and canals. The following resolution was passed at the last meeting:—

"Whereas, the introduction of Chinese labor into any calling in competition with white labor is contrary to the best interests of the working people of this country, and calculated to detrimentally affect the well-being of the whole country, and such action on the part of a man acting in the capacity of a minister of the crown is particularly condemnable; therefore, resolved, that the committee be instructed to draw up a circular for distribution among the working people of Canada, and particularly the maritime provinces, asking them to show their disapproval of the action of the Hon. Mr. Blair by opposition at the polls at election time; and, further, that an effort be made to make the Chinese question an issue at the next election."

The association is arranging to print and distribute 5,000 circulars each month dealing with the Chinese and condition of employment of household workers.

Apocryphos of this matter a good story is going the rounds. It seems that the Chinese boy who attends to Mr. Blair's door has been greatly annoyed by small boys ringing the bell in order to bring "Digital" to the front, and then the lady ran away. The other afternoon when the bell was rung by a prominent society lady who was calling to enquire about Mrs. Blair's health, the Chinese boy, thinking his tormentors were again trying to fool him, opened the door a few inches, stuck his head through the aperture, and remarked, "You fool me, I fool you," and slammed the door in the lady's face."

H. M. S. IMPLACABLE.

Magnificent Battleship of the Latest and Swiftest Type. (London Leader.)

The newest addition to the list of commissioned battleships was inspected at Devonport on Friday by Admiral Lord Charles Scott, and on Saturday sailed for Malta, but had to return owing to the heating of a bearing. While she lay for a few days off the north point of the great and growing dockyard she was but a pistol shot from another Implacable, whose age and utility render her worthy of respect, though she never distinguished herself except in one small and now forgotten engagement ninety-one years ago.

The new Implacable has only one rival in commission—her sister, the Ocean, which went to China recently. She is altogether a magnificent specimen of the latest type in battleships, having a rare spacious platform, and very massive she looks with her black hull and black funnels and her grey upper works. But it must be confessed she presents in her morning colors a very tangible target. Her dimensions are: Length between perpendiculars, 400 feet; extreme breadth, 75 feet; draught, forward and aft, 28 feet, nine inches. Her displacement is 15,000 tons, and, with an indicated horse power of 15,000, she can accomplish a speed of 13 knots. After considerable delays over her four-fifths power trial, caused through a heated crank pin, she underwent a splendid full-power trial, and worked up to a gross total of 15,244, and during eight hours she kept up a continuous speed of 15.23 knots over the Race Head to Dodman Point course, exceeding her designed speed by 23 knots. Messrs Laird & Sons were her engine contractors. The gun trials, which were of a most important character, as they included the testing of the new 12 inch gun-mounting, were also successful. The four 12 inch guns are provided with the new Vickers-Maxim mounting, with which the guns can be loaded at any position of elevation or depression, either at rest or in motion.