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There is really no other work which, for all its purposes, can be in this peculiar line of historical study compare with this of Rawlinson. It is the history, geography, and antiquities of Chaldaea, Assyria, Babylonia, Media, Persia, Parthia and the Sassanians, or New Persian Empire. Prof. Rawlinson, jointly with his brother, Sir Henry Rawlinson, has been a student in this archaeological field during many years. His duties as professor and clergyman have not allowed him to become, like his brother, personally an explorer and explorer of the old empires, yet he has thoroughly studied the results of such exploration, as also the wide range of ancient literature in various languages relating to the history and antiquities of the East, and the old world. These volumes are his most elaborate and complete presentation of those results, and are rich in information upon a great number of subjects which are of great interest to all among readers and scholars. We earnestly hope that a reproduction of his history in this eminently available form, will greatly increase its circulation, and that the publisher's enterprise will be abundantly rewarded.

The authorities of the town of Salem, Mass., have voted to prohibit the work of the "Salvation Army."

Competitors for the Gilebert Scholarship will be examined at Fredericton 16th June next.

A proposal to legalize emigration was defeated in the British Parliament, but it had a large minority in favor of it.

Counterfeit notes on the Commercial Bank of St. John's, Newfoundland, are still in Nova Scotia.

The International Steamship Company has been particularly unfortunate this season. The burning of the "Falmouth" and now the wreck of the "City of Portland" are serious losses. Fortunately no lives were lost by the wreck.

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., MAY 16, 1884.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

While passing by at Sheffield on Wednesday last, Newton Brooke met with a fall by which one of his legs was broken, the other sprained and other injuries, not of a dangerous nature.

Business is booming just now in the freight department. The unusually large number of seven hundred and sixty-two carloads of freight, inward and outward, were shipped from the West side of the Intercolonial Railway last week. —Sun.

On Wednesday afternoon last, says the Telegraph, a young man in Quaco picked the inside of a granite monument on the island. The thumb and forefinger of his left hand were blown off and his other fingers lacerated. Dr. Gilman dressed the wound.

Albert McKelvey of Harvey, Albert Co., lost his life by drowning, while at work clearing the flume of a mill at Beaver Brook, on Saturday last. The accident was occasioned by the giving away of a millchuck by which the water was turned from the flume. —McKelsy was 19 years of age.

Almost every boat and train arriving in St. John from the West brings back some returning Provincialist, disgusted with life in the States. Last week eleven former residents of the West side of the harbor returned home, to enter upon life anew, none the better financially for their sojourn under the stars and stripes. —Sun.

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Special money grants, \$6,438.75
Annuitants, 4,365.00
Groceries and coal, 235.95
Sewing machines, 35.00
Rent, expenses, etc., 861.61

Total, \$11,932.31

Balance on hand, \$78,168.82
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Together amounting to, \$72,328.76 in the Treasurer's hands at this date.

NOVA SCOTIA.
There are 22 cottages living in Pictou town. They average 821 years of age.

The Yarmouth, Shelburne, Queen's and Digby excise division is heretofore to be attached to Halifax division.

At Liverpool, N. S., last week, Mrs. Williams while out to work, left two colored children at home. One of the children got so badly burned that it died in a few hours.

Sedley Blanchard, A. C. Killam of Windsor, Graham of Yarmouth, Antigonish, and J. P. Guimond of Kentville, are granted Queen's Counsel.

Two boys named Gasson and Everett, while conveying the mail from St. Marys to Plympton, N. S., just off, on the 29th ult., rifled the bag and stole \$10 therefrom. They confessed to the crime and will be tried at next term of Supreme Court.

The Yarmouth Cotton Dock Factory was put in operation on the 17th of April, and is now working to the entire satisfaction of its manager and owners. The first cargo turned out is for W. D. Lewis's new ship that is to be launched the last of this month.

Joseph Smith, a native of Halifax, N. S., night clerk in General, Hargrave & Co.'s drug store, New York, was found dead Wednesday morning. It was thought possible he had poisoned himself. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict of death from apoplexy.

While several men were, on Wednesday afternoon, working in the Waverly Mines, N. S., an overhanging bank gave way and fell burying beneath it a man named Thomas. When the men went out he was unconscious, and he died at the Halifax Hospital from the result of his injuries.

James Davis, of Clifton, Colchester, N. S., died last Tuesday at South Mills, N. S., from injuries he received on the previous Saturday in falling down the hold of an unfinished bark in Adam McDonald's ship yard at South Maitland.

Tom James Fraser, M. L. C., who died at Glasgow on the 8th inst., was born at Rossie, Inverness Co., Scotland, in 1802, and two years later was brought to this country by his parents.

He was a member of the Nova Scotia Legislature, and attended the last session of the Legislature and took as much interest in the proceedings as any man of a man of strong convictions and upright character.

A correspondent writing from Falmouth, N. S., says that a man named Edward Weeks, whose age is about 60 years, and who is said to have been originally from Scotland, was killed by a horse in Falmouth on the 12th or 14th inst.

He was last seen about the 23rd inst. He was a member of the Falmouth and was a well known man in the community, but he thought that he has fallen through the railway bridge between Falmouth and Windsor and been drowned.

The Halifax Herald says that there are now 300 prisoners confined in the penitentiary at this place. This gives an average of 30 prisoners confined per month, or nearly one for every day in the week.

Of the persons confined, 30 were boys committed for various reasons to arrest, and about 13 years of age, has served fourteen terms or a total of three years and six months. At the present time there are 11 boys in the prison, and their presence is considered not only undesirable in view of their future welfare, but they are very imprudent.

During the thunder storm on Friday, a house at Beach Meadows, Queens County, N. S., was struck by lightning and Mrs. Wharton, 80 years of age, was paralyzed and is not expected to recover. A girl in the house had her foot, with part of the heel, torn off and one of her legs severely injured by the lightning, which also upset the stove and set fire to the bed; but the fire was immediately put out.

It was the first time that a house belonging to a Mr. Fomer was struck and a cradle and lounge in one of the rooms upset and one of the men knocked down.

Our young people this spring are returning from the United States. By correspondence from them and from private sources, we learn that to a greater extent than any previous year, young men come back to Nova Scotia who ought never to have left. It seems very strange to argue with such people the money they spend in going out and in would help them to begin a life of independence. How many of them are obliged to go away with a pocket full of money, and how many of them are obliged to come back with a pocket full of money.

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.
SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, will be received at the Public Works Office, at the Custom House, New Brunswick, N. B., on and after Thursday, the 15th May.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque, payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, for the sum of \$100.00, in full of the tender, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for. If the tender is not accepted the cheque will be returned. The Department will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender. By order, F. H. ENNIS, Secretary.

NOTICE.
To Whom it May Concern:—The undersigned will not be responsible for any loss or damage to goods or property of the firm unless said goods or property are delivered to the firm in the hands of the undersigned. The undersigned will not be responsible for any loss or damage to goods or property of the firm unless said goods or property are delivered to