

**Nice Distinctions.**

An old Highlander, reproached by his Pastor for absenting himself from church on the Sabbath morning, denied the charge, repeating the denial so emphatically, that the puzzled minister asked him if he would offer his oath that he was there that morning. 'To be sure,' was the unabashed one's answer; and the minister said no more. A friend of the false-speaking Highlander told him it was awful to hear him offer his oath to such a lie. 'Hoot, toot, man,' quoth Donald. 'Isn't there a great difference between offering a thing and giving it?' \* \* \* When a party of Paisley weavers, anxious to cross the Clyde from Greenock to Dunoon one Sunday morning, desired the Captain of a Rothesay steamer to take their boat in tow, as they did not like to profane the day by using their oars, the Captain wanted to know where was the difference between employing their oars and employing the steamer's paddles. 'The difference!' exclaimed the spokesman of the conscientious crew. 'There's great difference between rowing by the power of man, who must answer for what he does, an' a wheel-turning engine; a steam engine is not a mortal being, an' is therefore not an accountable agent.' A specious argument certainly; but one much more easy to answer than that advanced by a farm-servant, willing enough to milk her master's cows on the Sabbath, but firm in refusing to feed them on that day. Drawing a nice metaphysical distinction between what are and are not works of necessity, the shrewd lass said: 'The cows canna milk themselves, so to milk them is a clear work of necessity; but let them out to the fields and the'll feed themselves.'

**Venice and its Pigeons.**

One of the oldest and most interesting features of Venice are its pigeons. On the Piazza hundreds are to be seen daily. They live in the nooks of the Cathedral and the surrounding colonnades, and owe their existence and plump contented appearance to a legend. The tradition is that nearly seven hundred years ago, when 'Blind Old Dandolo, the Octogenarian Chief,' as Byron calls him, was fighting in the Lavant to add Candia to the possessions of Venice, he was materially aided in his conquest of that island by information received through the means of carrier pigeons. The birds were then freighted with the news of victory and despatched to Venice. The people, delighted with the success of their leaders, vowed to respect and keep in luxury these messengers of good tidings and their descendants. This is a very nice legend, and whether it be true or not, the fact remains that the birds are there in hundreds now, and unmolested. Every day they afford great amusement, especially to strangers. At an adjacent shop an old man makes his living by selling small portions of corn which are purchased to feed the birds. When any person appears on the square with a paper of corn he is at once surrounded by an eager flock of pigeons. I bought some grain, and upon making my appearance in the square was quickly the centre of attraction for a lot of hungry ones. My friend put some corn on my hat; in a minute there were four pigeons fighting for it, and as many on my arms picking at the paper in my hand.

**What not to Kill.**

The French Minister to France has done a good deed in causing a placard to be posted which it would be wise for citizens of all countries to have before their eyes. It tells farmers, sportsmen, boys and others what creatures not to kill. Hedge-hog—Lives mostly on mice, small rodents, slugs and grubs—animals hurtful to agriculture. Don't kill the hedge-hog. Toad—Farm assistant; he destroys 20 to 30 insects per hour. Don't kill the toad. Mole—Is continually destroying grubs, larvae, palmer worms, and insects injurious to agriculture. No trace of vegetation is ever found in his stomach. Don't kill the mole. Birds—Each department loses annually several millions through insects. Birds are the only enemies able to contend against them vigorously. They are the great caterpillar killer and agricultural assistants. Children, don't disturb their nests. Lady-bird—Never destroy, for they are the best friends of farmers and horticulturists and their presence upon aphid-ridden plants is beneficial.

It is the duty of every person who has used Bosche's German Syrup to let its wonderful qualities be known to their friends in curing Consumption, severe Coughs, Croup, Asthma, Pneumonia, and in fact all throat and lung diseases. No person can use it without immediate relief. Three doses will relieve any case, and we consider it the duty of all Druggists to recommend it to the poor dying consumptive, at least to try one bottle, as 40,000 dozen bottles were sold last year, and no one case where it failed was reported. Such a medicine as the German Syrup cannot be too widely known. Ask your Druggist about it. Sample Bottles to try sold at 10 cents. Regular size 75 cents. For sale by all Druggists.

**Curliana.**

Some twa three carles wha hadna much tae dae, But joking or flyting wi' the auld wives at hame; Quo, lang-headed Davie, freens what dae ye say Tae a club and a haun at the roarin' game. Gies your haun on't, quo Will; noo Will is a brick At courtin' and fechtin', or birdin' the stanes; Auld Nature had endowed him wi' mony mauly gifts, But, certes, she got back little for her pains. The other curler bodies were like ither honest Scots, For Sandy abroad is like Sawney at hame; Just like our brither Pat, we love our native sod, 'Tis love for our auld mither gaes us lo'e for the roaring game. Ae cauld November day, when a' looked dull and grey, A procession of auld grey-beards emerged frae the gloom; To a pond at the West End they plodded their way, Wi' a chiel at their heels, wi' a shouter fou a brooms. They marchit on the pond, but no the common pond Whaur a' the rowdy laddies o' the city gang do slide; But just aboon the brig, to a queer romantic spot Where the Esdaile grottos o'erhangs the tide. Ae day the ice was treacherous, a curler poppit in, Got wet aboon his hurdies and soakit tae his banes; The ither curler bodies pou'd their dreepin' brither out, They saved a gallant Cornel, but lost a pair o' stanes. The auld wives kept frae ilka cottage door The banks aboot the curlers were lined wi' giggling weans; Wi' much pechin' and blawin' at length the game was o'er, And they aw' went hame to eat their beef and greens. Quo an ill-faured stranger chiel, Some Yankee or the deil, I guess I'd rather go for pork an' beans.

**The Dickens Separation.**

SOMETHING ABOUT THE WOMAN IN THE CASE. (Jennie June in Baltimore American.) The recent publication of the intimate correspondence of Mr. Charles Dickens, and the death of his wife, has revived the floating talk and gossip in regard to their unfortunate separation and its causes. Of course, the real truth is no secret among the personal friends of the great novelist and his family; but it has been kept from the public with remarkable loyalty to the reputation and memory of a popular author, and even at the expense of a suffering woman, who lived and endured, and made no sign. The nearest to a vindication of the wife of twenty-five years and the mother of ten children, which her sister and daughter have permitted themselves, is the publication of her husband's letters before any person had even come between them—before the shadow of his infatuation for the woman who had blasted her life had crossed her path. It is only fair to admit that the reticence was partly due to consideration for the partner in his wrong-doing, who was known to have struggled for a long time against a mutual sentiment, and had maintained, except in this one instance, an irrefragable character. The woman was young and a governess. She was well provided for by Mr. Dickens' will, and went abroad—to Rome—soon after his death, wearing deep mourning, and carrying letters to some of his American friends there, who were not informed until a considerable time afterward of her true relations to the author of "Pickwick" and "David Copperfield." It must have been pretty hard for the wife, in view of the facts, to submit to see it stated in the public prints that her "temper was the cause of the separation," when, in reality, if it was anything, it was too easy, too amiable, and made less capable of resistance by delicate health. Charles Dickens was spoiled by the adulation of friends and women, and grew to believe that genius such as his was omnipotent, and amenable to no law, divine or human. Much, of course, is forgiven to those who have done much for their kind; but how much higher and nobler his place would have been had he been a true and strong man right straight through, instead of a weak one, yielding like a boy to the sudden impulse of momentary passion, and leaving the cruel results to blight the lives dearest to him.

**Weather Bulletin.**

Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces.

Toronto, Dec. 29, 10 a. m. Easterly to southerly winds; cloudy weather, with rain areas or, in northern districts, snow.

**HOTEL ARRIVALS.**

ROCKLIN HOUSE. Dec 27—John A Marks, New London; Mary J Marks, do; David Eagan, Mount Stewart; James Ross, Mt. Stewart; Albert Gay, Pownal; Montague Linkletter, St. Eleanor's; Malcolm Matheson and wife, Bradalbane; Master A Matheson, Bradalbane; Robert Elliot and wife, Renfrew Mills; John McEachen, Lot 49; D. Hyde, do.

HANOVER HOUSE. Dec. 25.—James McLaughlan, Souris; J McNeill, St. Peter's; E J Crabbe, jr, Fredericton; E J Crabbe, sen, Clyde Station; B Bowness, Kensington; Col Duvar, Alberton; R McInnis, Port Hill; D Ramsay, do; H McGregor, Southport. Dec. 25.—Angus Gregor, New Glasgow; R McDonald, Bradalbane; Jas McDonald, St. Eleanor's; George Bollaun, Lot 6; John McCready, Sussex, N. E.

**PUBLIC NOTICE.**

PROVINCIAL TREASURER'S OFFICE, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, October 24th, 1879.

NOTICE is hereby given that copies of the Assessment Lists for the year 1879, have been furnished to the undermentioned Collectors, who are empowered to receive all Assessment or Taxes payable to them by the ratepayers of their several Districts, until the 30th day of November next, at the residences or the offices of the respective Collectors, in accordance with the provisions of the Assessment Act, 1877, and the Act in amendment thereto, after which time every Collector will proceed to demand and collect the rates and taxes from all those rate-payers who shall not have paid the same. Any person liable to the payment of Taxes, under the Assessment Acts above recited, may, if he so elect, at any time before the 30th day of November, but not afterwards, pay the same at the office of the Provincial Secretary and Treasurer in Charlottetown.

**PRINCE COUNTY.**

ELECTORAL DISTRICT.	COLLECTOR'S NAME AND RESIDENCE.	FOR TOWNSHIPS NOS.
First do	Francis Hughes, Tignish	Lots 1, 2, 3.
do	John J. MacLellan, Alberton	4, 5, 6.
Second do	Joseph MacNeill, West Cape	7, 8, 9.
do	William R. Ellis, Port Hill	10, 11, 12, and 13.
Third do	Michael Macdonald, Trout River, Lot 14	14 and 16
do	Ulric C. Trudelle, Egmont Bay	15
Fourth do	Venantius S. Gillis, Indian River	18, & Islands in Rich-
do	John T. Mullin, Kensington	19, [mond Bay.
do	James D. Stewart, Centreville	25 and 26.
do	Nelson Clarke, Cape Traverse	27 and 28.
Fifth do	Robert H. Macdonald, St. Eleanor's	17.

**QUEEN'S COUNTY.**

First do	Richard Ready, Irishtown	Lots 20 and 21.
do	Murdoch Macdonald, Lot 67	22 and 67.
do	Alexander MacCaldar, Lot 29	29 and 30.
Second do	John M. Robertson, Cavendish Road	23 and 24.
do	Pierce Costello, Cornwall	31 and 32 and that part of Lot 65 north of Elliott River.
do	John McQuarrie, Nine Mile Creek	Lot 65 south of Elliott River.
Third do	Peter Stewart, S. Peters Road	Lots 33 and 34
do	Peter Campbell, Corran Ban Bridge	Lots 35 and 36 north of Hillsborough River and Lot 37
do	James E. Kelly, Fort Augustus	Lots 35 and 36 south of Hillsborough River and Lot 48
Fourth do	John Acorn, Pownal	49 and 50.
do	Donald Stewart, Murray Harbor Road	Lots 57 and 58.
do	William Ross, Flat River	60 and 62.

Charlottetown Common and Royalty—George Chas. Hooper.

**KING'S COUNTY.**

First do	Angus E. McIntyre, Fairfield, Lot 47	Lots 46 and 47.
do	Frederick Morrow, Souris	43, 44 and 45.
do	Lawrence Byrne, Head Hillsborough	33 and 39.
Second do	Francis H. Sanderson, St. Peter's Bay	40, 41 and 42.
do	James Macdonald, Little Pond, Lot 56	56
Third do	John Mulligan, Baldwin's Road	51 and 52.
do	George McKenzie, Dundas	53, 54 and 55.
Fourth do	Charles D. Poole, Montague Bridge	59 and 66.
do	John Jamieson, Sturgeon	61 and 63.
do	Charles T. Brehant, Murray Harbor South	64.

Georgetown, Common & Royalty—Angus McPhail, Georgetown

Georgetown, Common and Royalty and Reserved Lands.

**NEIL MACLEOD,** Provincial Treasurer. Nov. 12, 1879.—2aw arg pres n o sum pro adv pio 2mos

**J. R. FOSTER,** Moncton, N. B.

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Spavins, Splints and Ringbones cured without blemish. Send for pamphlet containing full information, to Dr. Wm. Giles, 120 West Broadway, N.Y. Use only for horses the liniment in yellow wrappers. Sold by all druggists, and in quarts at \$2.50 in which there is great saving. Trial bottles, 25 cts. Agent at Charlottetown: W. R. WATSON, Druggist. Nov. 23, 1879—eod wky 4m

**POLL TAX NOTICE.**

PERSONS liable to pay Poll Tax for Charlottetown and Common, and Assessment on Lands in Charlottetown Royalty, are hereby notified to make payment to the undersigned, at the store of D. R. M. Hooper, Euston Street. G. C. HOOPER. Ch'town, Nov. 22, '79.

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**LORNE HIGHLAND WHISKEY.** THE ANALYTICAL SANITARY INSTITUTION, 54, Holborn-viaduct, E. C., London, Aug. 18, 1879, report on the "Lorne Highland Whiskey" of Messrs. Greenless Brothers:—"We have visited the bottling stores of Messrs. Greenless Brothers, at Gresham-buildings, London, and have selected from the vats, samples of their Lorne Highland Whiskey, and have subjected them to careful examination and analysis. The samples were pale, showing their freedom from added coloring matter, very fragrant, mellow and of pleasant flavor; in fact, they possessed all the characteristics of pure and well-matured Scotch Whiskey of the first quality." ARTHUR HILL, HASSALL, M. D. OTTO HEINER, F. C. S., F. I. C. Sole Proprietors, GREENLESS BROTHERS, Gresham-buildings, London; Distilleries, Argyleshire. Agents:— MESSRS. OWEN CONNOLLY & CO., Charlottetown, P. E. I. Nov. 26, 1879.—6m

**Bones. Bones.**

THE undersigned will pay fifty cents Cash per cwt. for all bones delivered at the Bone Mill, in the Royalty. No quantity less than one cwt. (112 lbs) taken. FRED. W. HYNDMAN, Agent. Ch'town, Dec. 1, 1879—pat 2w

**BRICKS. BRICKS.**

BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS take notice that the Charlottetown Brick Company will be prepared to deliver in JUNE and JULY next at their yard in the Royalty, and in Charlottetown, any number of Bricks up to ONE MILLION, at prices lower than ever before placed in this market. Reserve your orders. FRED. W. HYNDMAN, Agent. Ch'town, Dec. 1, 1879—pat 2w

**Fat Labrador Herring.**

100 bbls still on hand but going fast. Apply to H. COOMBS. Dec. 17, '79—3i pat

**Prince Edward Island RAILWAY.**

TIME TABLE NO. 13. Winter Arrangement.

TO COME INTO FORCE] TUESDAY, December 2nd, 1879.

**TRAINS GOING WEST.**

STATIONS.	Nos. 1 & 3, Mixed.	No. 5, Mixed.
Georgetown	Dp 8.20 a. m.	
Cardigan	" 8.46 "	
Mt. Stew't Junc.	Ar 10.10 "	
Royalty Junction	Dp 10.15 "	
	" 11.27 "	
Charlottetown	Ar 11.50 a. m.	
Royalty Junction	Dp 8.00 a. m.	Dp 3.00 p. m.
North Wiltshire	" 8.22 "	" 3.23 "
Hunter River	" 9.14 "	" 4.15 "
Breadalbane	" 9.30 "	" 4.30 "
County Line	" 10.07 "	" 5.08 "
Kensington	" 10.17 "	" 5.18 "
Summerside	" 10.55 "	" 5.55 "
Wellington	Ar 11.30 a. m.	Ar 6.30 p. m.
Port Hill	Dp 1.30 p. m.	
O'Leary	" 2.19 "	
Alberton	" 3.00 "	
Tignish	" 4.17 "	
	" 5.17 "	
	" 6.10 "	

**TRAINS GOING EAST.**

STATIONS.	Nos. 2 and 4, Mixed.	No. 6, Mixed.
Tignish	Dp 6.30 a. m.	
Alberton	" 7.25 "	" 3.23 "
O'Leary	" 8.25 "	" 4.15 "
Port Hill	" 9.40 "	" 4.30 "
Wellington	" 10.22 "	" 5.08 "
S'mmerside	Ar 11.10 a. m.	
Kensington	Dp 2.30 p. m.	Dp 7.30 a. m.
County Line	" 3.05 "	" 8.05 "
Breadalbane	" 3.43 "	" 8.44 "
Hunter River	" 3.53 "	" 8.54 "
North Wiltshire	" 4.30 "	" 9.30 "
Royalty Junction	" 4.46 "	" 9.43 "
Charlottetown	" 5.37 "	" 10.38 "
Royalty Junction	Ar 6.00 p. m.	Ar 11.00 a. m.
Mt. Stew't Junc	Dp 2.30 p. m.	
Cardigan	Ar 4.10 "	
Georgetown	Dp 4.15 "	
	" 5.35 "	
	Ar 6.00 p. m.	

**SOURIS BRANCH.**

**Trains Going West.**

STATIONS.	No. 7, Mixed.
Souris	Depart 7.15 a. m.
Harmony	" 7.37 "
St. Peter's	" 8.55 "
Morell	" 9.28 "
Mt. Stewart Junction	Arrive 10.10 a. m.

**Trains Going East.**

STATIONS.	No. 8, Mixed.
Mt. Stewart Junction	Depart 4.15 p. m.
Morell	" 4.58 "
St. Peter's	" 5.30 "
Harmony	" 6.48 "
Souris	Arrive 7.10 "

**ALEX. MACNAB,** Sup't and Engineer. Railway Office, Ch'town, Nov. 28, 1879. —pat pres h a ne sp j kea pio 6i

**MAIL NOTICE.**

MAILS for Great Britain will close every WEDNESDAY afternoon at 4.30 o'clock; also, fortnightly, on SATURDAY afternoon at same hour, on and after the 20th instant. Mails for the other Provinces, and for the United States of America will close daily at 4.30 p. m., and be forwarded to Georgetown by special train, leaving every evening to connect with the steamer Northern Light. This train will also take a mail to Georgetown. Mails for the regular train going east, will close daily at 2 o'clock p. m. Mails for Postal Car going west, will close daily at 7.30 a. m. Post Office will now close at 8 o'clock, p. m., and will only open after that hour when a foreign mail is received in time for delivery same night. A. A. MACDONALD, Postmaster. Post Office Charlottetown, } Dec. 19th, 1879.

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