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down at the other end of the room. It was Kate who had to go to him to stop her hand which he held in his, as she turned back to the usual occupation of the morning, but which she could not do quickly enough to render impossible the remark which indeed she had intended to be, but which, as she felt and felt down to the very depths of

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A GOVERNMENT COLONIZATION ROAD.

(From the Whitby Chronicle, Nov. 16.)

In their speeches at the Lindsay [illegible] Messrs. Cockburn and Bethune, Minister of Crown Lands, hinted very strongly that the Government, as far as ministers could do so upon such an occasion, in the policy of making the Victoria Railway a great Government colonization road. The Provincial Secretary, especially, said that the municipalities and the English land company having now contributed every dollar they ought to be asked for, the responsibility of the completion of the road to the Ottawa River rested with the Government and the Legislature. The ground hitherto taken was, until the road reached Kinmount, it could not be considered a colonization road. That difficulty has been got over by the consolidation of the road to that point, so that the stumbling block been removed of the English land Company, who came down with a liberal offer of $8,000 per mile, for the length of the road running through their lands. It now only remains for the Government to do their duty and we are glad to have the assurance of Hon. Mr. Bethune that in this they will have the assistance of the Opposition. The Government in fact appear desirous to back to the policy of the lamented Sandfield Macdonald in this, as they have for much other good measures with which Mr. Mowat's Administration has been identified.

LITERARY NOTES.

Harper's Magazine for December, beginning the fifty-fourth volume, is not only an attractive number from the beauty of its numerous illustrations but is also distinguished by the variety and interest of its contents. The number is embellished with more than eighty engravings, and contains nearly the first instalment of Trollope's new serial, four contributions, covering every variety in the field of magazine literature, five beautifully illustrated papers treat of Japan and its civilization, living and dead; the Philippine Islands, recent uncorked Rhinological literature, the Economics, and the social life of the Knickerbockers of New York two hundred years ago. Public Opinion's illustrated paper on "Boys and Girls" is in his characteristic style. There are also illustrated papers by Mr. Frothingham and Mr. Aldrich. The most important feature of the number is Mr. Dickinson's supply letter, explaining the attitude toward the United States during the late war. There is a very large audience in America that will regard with the greatest interest this communication from England's greatest statesman. Mr. Dickinson's letter is very happily followed by a stately poem from Bishop Coxe on England and America. In fiction the number is very strong, and the editorial departments are up to the usual standard.

Scribner for December is full to the brim of interesting matter and choice illustrations. By shooting the second of the series of papers on Wonder Sports, it is a somewhat lighter number than Mr. Wilkinson's "Salmon Fishing." Other humorous papers are Mr. Quad's "Duck Shooting" and Joe Kirk's "Sheep Shearing." Mr. Stedman's article upon Bayard Taylor, Prof. Charles Eliot Norton's tribute of Prof. Lane, Rich and Poor in Japan, a sensible article about Mrs. Hoffman's popular cookery papers about Single Women, Dancing for age and ends in the Ballet, Dancing for age and ends in the Ballet, "Ten American Epitaphs" is the title of an article from Eugene Schuyler's new book, portraying a Russian and Turkish Pasha, and the life of the Indian Pasha, Wahabi Ali. The Prince of Wales, following up his recent interest in this paper, and in the Prince Bismarck, Prof. Boehmer's Sermon, Prof. Gaspard Gustavus Mann's "Poor Poets," Mr. Hale's article, Philip Nolan's Friends," completed and Prof. Lane's "Lowrie" is concluded. Prof. Sumner's "Sidback" ending with a proposition for Universal Suffrage, contains the first instalment of Mr. Hopkins' new story "Richard Malcom." In which Nicholas is introduced to the readers and charms Miss Larkin. There are signs of more and longer about The poetry of the number is very good, and the editorial department, are notable and clever as usual.

DOMINION NOTES.

Clinton bakers charge seven cents for good pounds.

Fort Dunlop Hill has been defeated in Richmond by 16 majority.

The last ocean steamship of the season left the port of Montreal on Tuesday.

Mr. N. F. Davin is to lecture in Quebec this winter on the Centennial.

The Dunkin Act was defeated in Kingston Wednesday, 22nd inst., by a majority of 112.

The four men concerned in the Stanbridge lake homicide have been committed for trial.

Governor Macdonald gave a grand ball at Fredericton on Wednesday evening of last week.

A boy in Toronto, County of Simcoe, had an arm and a leg broken by a threshing machine last week.

Delphey, the Colchester murderer, has been sentenced at the Essex assizes, to be hanged on the 21st prox.

Under that the Dunkin Act cannot be enforced in Stratford, car cannot be unloaded.

Watson, the dead beat tramper, [illegible] has been found by at Ottawa, where he has been lately holding forth.

A crown is being fitted up in the Parliament Buildings for the reception of Lord Dufferin, exhibited at Philadelphia.

Mr. Stephen Richards, Q. C., has been appointed one of the Law Society, in room and stead of the late Hon. J. H. Cameron.

At the Kingston assizes a Miss Jane Adams Hoare, sue Murphy, damages, in the sum of $500 for breach of promise of marriage.

Five New York detectives have recovered $1,000 worth of diamonds from the robbers of Mr. Hall, the Montreal diamond robbery.

Allen, the murderer of Jefferson, the Hamilton night watchman, has been found guilty and sentenced to be hanged on the 12th of January.

A burglar, who gave his name as Robinson Williams, was caught on Monday night in the act of forcing his way into Anderson's bank of Montreal.

There are at present thirty prisoners confined in the Brantford jail, the largest number ever in that city, and the jail has been uncovered for upward of two years.

At Guelph a man named George Wilson from Eden, was on Tuesday thrown down by two men, severely beaten, and robbed of a valise containing tools.

Mr. Alex Brown, living in Milton, fell from a ladder on Monday of last week, by falling from the top of a fence he was climbing over, receiving concussion of the brain.

Mrs. Alexander Murray, wife of the Postmaster of the Dominion Type Foundry, by mistake took a dose of morphia in Montreal on the 12th, and died in five hours.

On Thursday last, 12th inst., the body of an infant was found in a pond of Kemp creek, Dundas, by a gentleman who was out on a shooting excursion.

De Moore, a recent arrival at Stratford, was on Tuesday morning found dead in his bed at the Albion Hotel. A conflict of death from excessive drinking" was returned.

In Toronto, on Monday week, a child eight years old, named Mary Kelly, was burned to death by the ignition of her clothing from the blaze of some coal oil she had put in the lamp.

Two thousand six hundred cattle belonging to three different parties, are being fed on the 6th and 7th of the Don Toronto, for the Pickle market. The shipment will take place in the spring.

The lumber trade is beginning to feel the effects of the prospects of war in the east, the market steadily being dulled, and the Ottawa lumbermen are refusing to accept some advances on lots orders for spring shipments, as they believe the rates will be higher at that time.

Another good delivery is reported from Sandwich. The bank robber Switzer, shortly after being sentenced to thirteen years in the Penitentiary, effected his escape by jobbing the lock, knocking out the sheriff, and knocking down the turnkey. He is said to have gone to Detroit.

Tuesday, 21st inst., about eleven o'clock, while a man named Webb was dumping with a machine on the farm of John Copeland, about two miles from Stayner, the king bolt of the machine fell on his head, crushing his skull in, and killing him instantly.

Last Saturday night four navvies on the Kingston & Pembroke Railway were taking up in the boarding house of one Darrell, and having offered insulting language to the women therein remonstrated, when they kicked him and drank him on the head with a club, causing fatal injuries. The men have been arrested.

The following post-offices were opened in the province of Ontario on the 1st inst: Eldon Station in Victoria county, Fenwick in Lincoln county, Petersburg in Waterloo county, Ashton in Carleton county, and Lethbridge and Parry Harbor on Muskoka. The office at Cumberland Mills, county of Russell has been closed.

A leading Fenian, who has been interviewed across the border, magnanimously remarks: We do not wish to disturb the Canadians, we only wish to borrow their country for a few years, our war is on the British flag, wherever found, but should the Canadians ally with England or aid that country, we should be under the painful necessity of fighting them in return.

One night last week while No. 1 officer on the Grand Trunk was passing through Bath, a small village above Napanee, a drunken man got on the engine, and passed under the cab between the engineer, Mr. Rollinstone, and the fireman. Whether it was intended for one or the other of the workmen they are unable to state. Some time since a man was killed by a passing locomotive near Bath, but this was no fault of the engine driver, and whether it is that the friends of the man who lost his life are seeking revenge on some one for his unfortunate accompanying remains to be seen. Detective Heenan is working up the case.

On Tuesday, 21st inst., Acting Collector McLean and officer Nichols of Uxbridge, and officers Bruce and Adams, and constable Kippen of Bolton proceeded to the first concession of Block B township of Albion, and there found on the premises of William Shorey all the necessary plant for manufacturing whiskey, and some 70 gallons of distillation. As it was late at night officers Bruce and Adams were left in charge till morning, when, after midnight a gunpowder attempt was made to blow up the premises, but the officers, and removed all the plant of the illicit distillery, and then made off. Active exertions are being made to secure the arrest of the men.

Here is a new style of victimizing. Strangers, several strange men drive through all sections of the district, stop at all the farm houses and make a contract to take all the butter the farmer can furnish at fifty cents per pound. Further it will be gathered by but special teams and the cash paid for it at the door. The reference is that during the fall and winter the large cities will be overcrowded and that the butter will be scarce. In the way all the farmers in a district are contracted, and arrangements are made to come for the butter on certain days and at certain points, the contract to go into effect in two weeks. A few days after the departure of the men, a drove of cows comes along. They are fine milch cows. The farmers having a good thing in view think they might use a few more cows. They try to buy them and the drover doesn't seem anxious to sell. Finally, however, he is influenced to sell two or three to each farmer at prices considerably higher than the real market value. He then departs, meets his partner who puts up the butter job, and they divide the profits. That is the last the farmers hear of it.

What almost amounted to a mutiny of 46 out of 50 convicts occurred in the Central Prison on Monday week. The trouble commenced at dinner with a great deal of turbulence and loud talking, and afterwards the whole [illegible] refused to work. Deputy Langmuir was called and [illegible] drawn up in front of the prisoners, and [illegible] remonstrated with them, when they [illegible] and informed that they considered their diet insufficient, he informed them that it was of the most liberal nature, more, in fact, than that of a [illegible] man, as were unanimously agreed upon, [illegible] Four had been placed in the dark cells, and the leaders of the mutiny [illegible] to the number of 46 were locked up in their cells, [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] Mr. Langmuir [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] Mr. Langmuir [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] Mr. Langmuir