

SUMMER JOTTINGS.

OLD ORCHARD BEACH, ME.

To the Editor of the Hamilton Times:

Sir,—In common with many of your readers, I have once again sought the refreshing sea breeze and delightful sea bathing to be found at this place.

THE THOUSAND ISLES. This part of the St. Lawrence has been so often described that I will not attempt to do so again, but suffice it to say that it seemed to grow more beautiful as we proceeded onward.

ST. LAWRENCE RAPIDS. Though I have traversed this part of the river several times I never enjoyed the running of the rapids more.

VICTORIA BRIDGE, under which we glide and are soon safe in one of the locks of the LaSalle Canal at the metropolitan City of Montreal.

WHITE MOUNTAINS. Some traveller has said the mountains are high, but the charges here are higher.

PRESIDENTIAL RANGE OF MOUNTAINS from the railway. It is so called from the highest peaks being named after different Presidents of the United States.

OLD ORCHARD BEACH. The hotel keepers here say they have never had their houses any fuller than they have been for the past ten days.

have previously engaged rooms. A great many Canadians come here, especially from Toronto, Montreal, Hamilton, Cobourg, etc., among the rest several County Court Judges and at least one member of the Ontario Government.

LORD MAYOR'S BANQUET.

LONDON, Eng.—At the Lord Mayor's banquet at the Mansion House to-night Lord Beaconsfield, replying to the toast of "Her Majesty's Ministers," said: "When I last addressed you, affairs appeared to have assumed a very critical aspect, and we were accused of negotiating an entirely impracticable treaty."

Late Business Changes.

ONTARIO.—G. J. & J. T. Beattie, Braebridge; Geo. A. Eastman & Co., Orangeville; S. Graham & Co., Owen Sound; C. W. Vanderburg, Port Carling.

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The wise man has his foibles as well as the fool. But the difference between them is that the foibles of the one are known to himself and concealed from the world, and the foibles of the other are known to the world and concealed from himself.

Condensed Telegraphic News

DUBLIN, Ireland.—The Home Rule League will, at a special meeting, discuss the proposal for converting the league into a regularly elected convention of the Irish nation.

MADRID, Spain.—It is stated that the Minister of Foreign Affairs has instructed the Spanish Minister at Tangier to report to him on grave events now passing in Morocco.

ROME, Italy.—Signor Gioza, engineer, has explained the Panama Canal scheme to His Holiness the Pope, who will bestow the pontifical blessing on the project.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—General Miles confirms the report of the visit of Major Walsh and Long Dog, and their report of the movements of Sitting Bull and his band.

ALBANY, New York.—This afternoon the boiler of the engine Sacramento, while having its safety-valve gauged in the Boston and Albany round-house at Greenbush, exploded.

Belle Howitt, a well-known "Black Crook" actress, caused the arrest of her husband, Ed. T. Williams, yesterday for severely beating her.

LONDON, Ontario.—Mr. Walter Lawrence, tax collector of Peteraville, has disappeared with the books. He is seventy-two years of age, and is supposed to have walked off in a fit of abstraction.

BRISTOL, Tennessee.—A long standing feud between George W. Ward, editor of the Abingdon Virginian, and Finlay Harris, editor of the Standard, culminated yesterday.

FOUR PRICK, Montana.—Alexander Work, a settler, was recently attacked by Indians, and after killing some of them was captured and burnt at the stake.

PATERSON, New Jersey.—There is considerable excitement here over the report that pleuro pneumonia has appeared among the cattle.

NEW YORK CITY.—Cool Burgess, who shot a man in Toronto on Tuesday, appeared on the stage of the Variety Theatre here last night, sang a song and gave a recitation for an encore.

GASTEN, Germany.—The Emperor of Austria arrived at Gasten, Germany, yesterday. There was great enthusiasm when the Emperor of Germany approached and the two sovereigns embraced each other cordially.

The warm weather has considerably improved the harvest prospects. French producers are frightened at the decline in the price of French wheat caused by heavy imports from America.

CALCUTTA, India.—The cholera is still raging among the troops and natives in Candahar, and is spreading towards Herat. Disaffection is spreading. The insurgents are badly armed, but conduct guerilla warfare.

Edward Jenkins, a robust roofer in Cincinnati, was drunken and brutal. His common diversion when intoxicated was to maltreat his mistress.

A report has been received that Lord Dufferin, British Ambassador at St. Petersburg, will shortly be transferred to Constantinople, with instructions to insist upon the speedy execution of the required administrative reforms in Turkey.

The Newman Hall Divorce Case.

Impassioned Appeal of Counsel for Mrs. Hall—Terrible Charges Against Her Husband.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—The evidence in the Newman Hall divorce suit was concluded last night, and this morning arguments in the case began. Mr. Willis, barrister, who has conducted the case in behalf of Mrs. Hall, addressed the jury in her interest, and made a powerful and somewhat impassioned argument.

In the Newman Hall divorce case this morning, Mr. Willis concluded his address to the jury. Having reviewed the whole testimony and dwelt upon the cruelty, hypocrisy and falseness of Rev. Dr. Newman Hall toward his wife, he implored the jury to save Dr. Hall from success which would be fatal to what little remains of his character.

ABYSSINIA.

Abolition of the Slave Trade.

LONDON, Eng.—King Menelik, who rules over the southern portion of Abyssinia, has sent a letter to the Anti-Slavery Society announcing that he has abolished the slave trade throughout his dominion.

The Formation of Coal.

M. Fremy has recently tried to elucidate this subject. In a series of careful researches he has sought to know exactly the elements which form the tissues of plants, then the chemical characters by which wood, peat, lignite, coal and anthracite can be distinguished from each other.

DEATH IN THE POTATO BUG.

The following about potato bugs should be widely known. These insects are very nice; but they are very naughty. "One day last week a farmer named Stone living in Keswick, parish of Douglas, York County, New Brunswick, sent two or three of his children to pick the bugs from the potato plants, in the course of which his little son about eight years old squeezed one of the insects in his hand and, perhaps, having some small sore on his fingers, his hand began to swell, the swelling continued up his arm and across his body.

At the Church Door. The bell now rings for evensong. Full toned and sweet; And seems with angel voices to say, "Come, come, ye sons of men, and pay Your worship meek."

Here let me leave the world behind With all its care; Lay down a while my weary load, Even at the gate of this abode Of peace and prayer.

Here let me keep my foot aright, And pure my heart; Put on Humility for near Is One who reads my soul most clear In every part.

Here let me ask of Him who said: "I am the Door." That I through Him may entrance find, And o'er dispose my heart and mind To love Him more.

—Austin Griffin.

The Too Short Eye.

Besides the condition of near-sightedness, which consists in too great a length of the eye, there is another where the eyeball is too short, or the hypermetropic eye, and which, though less dangerous to the organ, is even more distressing to the subject, because less apparent.

Toward adult life—that is, from eighteen to twenty-two—however, a new symptom begins to appear. Vision which up to this time had been perfectly clear, notwithstanding the strain with which it had been performed, now begins to fail, and the page to be blurred at one moment, to become perfectly clear in the next.

A boy with this deficiency of optical power sits down to study, apparently fresh and with determination to perform his task. After a little while a vague feeling of uneasiness creeps over him and he becomes restless. He is craving for more light.

SHOOTING AFFAIR BY A G. W. R. BRAKEMAN. Shortly after five o'clock yesterday afternoon a Great Western Railway brakeman, named Thomas Stanley, entered the hotel of M. O'Flaherty, on the corner of Bathurst and Wellington streets, Toronto. The proprietor was just in the act of sitting down as Stanley entered, when the latter drew a revolver and fired, exclaiming, "O'Flaherty, I'll kill you."