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TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 21, 1877.

Let Us Hope for the Best.

It is always pleasant to view things in as favorable a light as possible—to regard the aspect of affairs in their rosie colors. We thus feel better ourselves, and help to make others happy and contented. Pleasant anticipations of bright and prosperous future are so much better than gloomy forebodings that we like to indulge them to the fullest extent. While we have all been congratulating ourselves upon the fine prospect of an abundant harvest and a consequent brightening of business affairs generally, we really have done much towards dispelling the effects of the hard times, even in advance of the realized benefits. We don't like to bear croaking, and constant forebodings that our hopes are likely to be blasted. It is quite time enough to indulge in despondency when misfortune really befalls us. Until within the past few days, the prospects seemed good, and most people were smiling countenances; but now that there has been a few days' lack of rain, we already hear complaints and note a want of faith in the future prosperity of the growing crops. We are frequently reminded of the excellent prospect exhibited at this time last year, and of the probable repetition of the failure. Well, there is a possibility that such may be the case, but how much better it is to hope for the best! There is really very little cause yet to complain, and a few copious showers within the next few days would doubtless set all right. Crops are well advanced, and look much better than usual.

The past three or four years have certainly been trying ones, and many have been dispairing of the future of our country, some even indulging in foolish declamations against everything and everybody concerned in administering its domestic and political affairs. The effects of these "hard times" can not be expiated in a day. It may be years, even under the most favorable of circumstances before the country has fully recovered from the depression caused by the light crops, low prices, and consequent business stagnation. There is still no certainty that the stagnation has yet reached its climax. It is not difficult to remember how our best hopes have heretofore been dispelled, after indulging in the belief that the worst had been reached. We have all been witnesses of a good deal of misery, if we have not also felt the effects ourselves. The lesson that we ought to have learned by this time, and begun to practice, is charity and dependence one upon another. With the experiences of the past, we ought now to be ready to accept the situation, and endeavor to be happy. We cannot get bread and butter by sitting down and whining over our troubles, or by wishing that we were enjoying the good old days of fifteen or twenty years ago. Our duty is to live economically and stop off useless expenditures until the country has fully resumed its normal condition. If by the time the next five years expire, we are not a different and a better people, the experiences and teachings of the past years have been in vain. This matter of economy is a necessity and should be universally practiced. If we were all more ready to help each other, and cease to dictate the method and style in which our neighbors should live, we honestly believe the incessant cry of hard times would never more be heard. It seems a hard lesson for some of us to learn, this lesson of helping one another, and dropping our inherent selfishness, but it is after all the true philosophy of self-interest. We should all realize that we are dependent upon each other, and that our lives and interests are mutual. Let us therefore practice these good truths, be happy and hopeful, and the long-wished-for "better times" will soon dawn.

The Fishery Commission, which assembled a few days ago at Halifax, has adjourned for two weeks, having previously agreed upon a programme of procedure which will delay judgment until about the 15th of December, the extreme limit of time allowed by the Washington Treaty.

Halton County Council.

At the meeting of the County Council last week the principal business was the equalization of the assessment rolls. The members were all present. After the passing of the minutes of previous meeting, the clerk read a motion signed by G. H. Kennedy, President of the Halton Temperance Association, that at a subsequent meeting of the council petitions would be presented praying that the "Dunkin' Act" should be submitted to be voted on by the rate-payers of the county. He had received a letter from Mr. Thomas Chisholm, of Esquesing, preferring certain charges against Mr. R. Little, County School Inspector.

Mr. Walde moved, seconded by Mr. Clay, that this council having heard Thomas Chisholm, Esq., in reference to certain charges made by him against R. Little, Esq., School Inspector, and Mr. Little in reply thereto, find that the said charges are not proved, and in the opinion of the council said charges are incorrect, and should not be made public.

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