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W. R. DICK, Secretary.

Notice to Contractors.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for New Parliament Buildings Works," will be received at this Department until twelve of the clock, noon, on TUESDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF AUGUST NEXT, for the "grand staircase and ornamental grille work" for the interior woodwork and hardware; and for the painting, hardwood finishing glazing, etc., required for new Parliament and Departmental buildings.
Printed forms of tender can be obtained at this Department, and persons tendering are specially notified that they will not be entitled to have their tenders considered unless the same are made on and in compliance with these printed forms, signed with the actual signature of every person tendering (including each member of the firm), followed by his post office address, and with all blanks in the forms properly filled up.
Each tender for "woodwork and hardware" must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque for four thousand dollars; a similar cheque for two thousand dollars must accompany each tender for "grand staircase and ornamental grille work," and a similar cheque for two thousand dollars must accompany each tender for "painting, hardwood finishing and glazing." Each cheque must be payable to the order of the Commissioner of Public Works for Ontario, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines or fails to enter into a contract when based upon his tender, when called upon to do so. Where the party's tender is not accepted, the cheque will be returned.
For the due fulfilment of the contract, satisfactory security will be required on real estate, or by the deposit of money, public or municipal securities (bank stocks to the amount of fifteen per cent. on the bulk sum, to become payable under the contract, of which fifteen per cent., the amount of the accepted cheque, accompanying the tender will be considered a part.
No each tender must be attached the actual signature of two responsible and solvent persons, residents of Ontario, willing to become sureties for the carrying out of these conditions, and the due fulfilment and performance of the contract in all particulars.
Plans can be seen in the Clerk of Works office at the new buildings; and printed copies of the specifications can be obtained there, on application at the Department.
The Department will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender.
C. F. FRASER,
Commissioner, etc.
Department of Public Works for Ontario.
Toronto, 10th July, 1891.

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At 12 o'clock Noon, on the premises. Terms made known at sale. For further particulars apply to Joseph W. Power, Thomas Mills, or
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ARTHUR FROST,
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Kingston, July 23rd, 1891.

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SECOND-HAND, $20, No. 1 Rudge, 52 in., splendid condition, worth $75. $35, British Challenge, 52 in., good condition, worth $85. $20, 52 in. Sanspareil, good condition, worth $65. $20, Rover Safety, Cushion Tire, good as new, worth $125. Referencing prices on new wheels. R. G. HILL, 115 Brock Street.

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SPECIAL MENTION.

WM. MOORE, REAL ESTATE AGENT, has REMOVED HIS OFFICE to Brock and Bagot Streets, next door to McMahon's Paint Shop.

FOR SALE OR TO LET.

LARGE DOUBLE FRAME HOUSE, Two Storeys, kitchens attached, situated on corner of Alfred and North Victoria Streets, 500, opposite east gate of palace. Double Frame Stables and room for three more houses and stables and other accommodations. Apply to FRANCIS BUSBEY, 487 Alfred Street, Kingston, Ont.

THE ASSAULT CASE.

The Magistrate Looked Into the Charge at The Court To-day.

At the police court this morning Henry Muckrin elected to be tried by a jury, on the charge of assaulting Thomas Dawson, of Wolfe Island, on Tuesday last, with intent to kill. He was defended by Donald McIntyre and B. M. Britton, Q.C., conducted the prosecution. Mr. Dawson, in evidence, detailed the assault by Ricks and Briggs, as reported before in the WHIG, and Mrs. Elizabeth Davis stated that she had seen Briggs and Muckrin drive up to Mr. Dawson's residence in one buggy and Ricks and T. Hatfield in another. Both buggies stopped near Dawson's residence and Ricks jumped out and approached Mr. Dawson, spoke to him and was then seen to pull him from the verandah and strike him several times on the head. Briggs put in an appearance soon afterwards and both men kicked Mr. Dawson on the head and upper part of the body until he was rescued by James and Thomas Crawford and Alex. Darragh. The two assailants then jumped into the buggy with Muckrin and drove off by the road leading towards Cape Vincent.

As the cross-examination of the witness was begun by Mr. McIntyre, Chief Horsey confiscated a note written on a blank bank check, being handed from T. Hogan to the prisoner. This caused quite a sensation as such an action is considered a contempt of court.

W. Card, livery stable keeper on Wolfe Island, stated that Briggs had hired a horse and rig from him after four o'clock in the afternoon, and had afterwards exchanged the buggy which he got first for a low phaeton, probably used for the drive across the island. Witness asked Muckrin, after the change of rigs, to go with the party and take care of the phaeton as the occupants were under the influence of liquor.

James and Thomas Crawford and Alex. Darragh testified as to the rescue of Dawson from his assailants, and referred to threats made by the two men before and during the struggle that they would kill Dawson. The magistrate committed Muckrin for trial at the next assizes and allowed bail of $2,000, the prisoner in $1,000 and two sureties, B. W. Folger and John Lannon in $500 each.

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Discovered at last—a remedy that is sure, safe, and painless. Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor never fails, never causes pain, nor even the slightest discomfort. Buy Putnam's Corn Extractor, and beware of the many cheap, dangerous, and flesh eating substitutes in the market. See that it is made by Polson & Co., Kingston.

Gone Up For Overa Year.

Ann Nelson, Napanee, has fallen into evil way and proving incorrigible her father requested the police magistrate to send her to the Mercer in Toronto. She was given eighteen months.

Le Caron, the British spy, who testified against Parnell and other Irish patriots generally during the sittings of the Parnell-Times commission, is at the point of death from a tumor.

When coming out of St. Mary's cathedral, last evening, Mrs. Richard Tucker, of Raglan Road, fell on the steps and sustained severe injuries.

Mr. Flanagan, city clerk, is distributing voters' lists to the members of the city council and others entitled to them.

H. M. Stanley, while walking near Murren, slipped and broke his ankle.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Winds mostly westerly, fair, not much change in temperature.

The "Probs." are
MEATS, MEATS.
Sugar Cured Picnic Hams, 10c
ROLLS OR HALF ROLLS BACON, 10 cents.
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REMINDERS.
MONDAY.
Service of Praise at Sydenham-st. Church.

JAMES REID,
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DIED.

CRANSTON—At Kingston, July 26th, Catherine Ann McMillan, beloved wife of Walter S. Cranston, aged 34 years.

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Open day and night.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

Newsy Paragraphs Picked Up by Our Reporters in Their Rambles.

Picnic hams. Jas. Crawford.

A chapel is to be erected at Westminster park.

All summer goods sold at a sacrifice, at R. McFaul's.

Many young men visited Kingston Mills yesterday.

Two cans salmon 25c Jas. Crawford.

An elegant kid boot at Armstrong's for $1.25.

While cutting meat Thomas Graham cut his hand badly.

A few lace curtains left, will be sold at half price, at R. McFaul's.

A new set of flags are flying from the city buildings to-day.

Rolls or half rolls bacon 10c. Jas. Crawford.

Miss Mundell, of Sherbrooke, Que., is the guest of Dr. Mundell.

Police statistics show that 130,000 persons are dependent upon charity for subsistence in Naples.

Miss Anderson, of Napanee, is visiting Mrs. McKay, Young street.

Remember you can buy $1.25 worth of dry goods for $1, at R. McFaul's.

Early this morning white frost was seen on the grass at Cataraqui.

K.D.C. is guaranteed to cure any case of indigestion. Sold by E. C. Mitchell.

The steamer Swan carried seventy five passengers to Gananoque yesterday.

Brock Street Methodist church picnic, Channel Grove, to-morrow 1:45 p. m. Tickets 20 and 10.

Parasols selling fast; we have some very nice ones which we will stil further reduce; a $3 50 parasol for $2, at R. McFaul's.

Work was begun this morning on the rebuilding of Campbell's flour mill, injured recently by fire.

Preserving gem jars. Jas. Crawford.

Telephone No. 10, hacks hitched day or night; drivers in livery dress; moderate prices; J. A. Clapp & Son.

A fashionable wedding will occur in a few days. The groom will be a young man connected with an educational institution.

Fast black hosiery and gloves, at startlingly low prices, at R. McFaul's.

Best family flour, Jas. Crawford.

A citizen remarked this morning that there never was a finer lot of hacks and horses than were to be found on the cab stand.

Remember one dollar is worth $1.25 in its purchasing power at R. McFaul's.

Kid gloves made as good as new by using Mathers' glove cleaner. To be had only at Walsh & Storey's.

Take the Hero on her ramble amongst the Islands Tuesday (to-morrow). New channels explored. Band on board. Thirty tea tickets given away.

To-morrow thirty five officers will arrive here for the purpose of welcoming commissioner Rees, of the Salvation army, on his first visit.

Armstrong's kid boot, at $1.50, is an elegant fitter.

The Trotter Bros., of Brandon, N.W.T., formerly of Pittsburg, have imported eight car loads of horses into the territories this year.

Muslins, prints, challies, all reduced over 25 per cent., at R. McFaul's.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Kilmurray, yesterday, was well attended. Rev. Father Kelly conducted the services at the church and grave.

Photographs of residences, camps, yachts, open air groups, views of Kingston, etc. H. Henderson, 90 Princess St.

Great rivalry is now felt between the str. Island Wanderer and the St. Lawrence, both of which run nightly excursions among the islands from Alexandria Bay.

The str Hero will make a grand tour of the Islands on Tuesday next, leaving Gunn's wharf at 2 p. m. Thirty tea tickets given away to lucky drawers. Band on board. New channels explored. Fare 35c.

Great clearing sale of furnishings for three weeks at Rattenbury's—Go and get a bargain. Camping shirts, belts, underwear and ties at cost and under.

The Lotus club, Pittsburg, Pa., are at Little Rounday Island. The club is composed of one hundred and sixty prominent gentlemen, of Pittsburg. The club house occupied was built at a cost of $25,000.

Summer underwear reduced 25 per cent. at the Red Light, King street. Remember this only only lasts for one week.

In consequence of a defect in the boiler in Chown & Cunningham's stove foundry the men were given a holiday. It is not likely the boiler will be ready for service before Wednesday.

The str. Hero's Saturday excursion was postponed until to-morrow, Tuesday. Down by Fiddler's Elbow and through the Lost Channel. Band on board and thirty tea tickets given away to lucky drawers. Fare, 35c.

Geo. E. Moore, Front Road, Pittsburg, has wheat which will compare favorably with the same kind from the great wheat counties west. The heads are well filled with sound plump grains. Twenty heads weigh 2½ ounces.

The steamer Rideau Belle will leave Swift's wharf every Tuesday and Friday at 1 p.m. for Ottawa and intermediate ports.

"Can a man belong to a brass band and be a christian?" asks an exchange. We see no impediment in the way. But if he is a member of a brass band and is given to practicing on his horn at home, it is an utter impossibility for the man living next door to be a christian.

Steamer North King for Rochester every Sunday night, 7 o'clock, via Port Hope, daily, except Sunday. T. Hanley, agent.

The Prince of Naples, eldest son of the King of Italy, has been visiting Queen Victoria at Osborne. Most cordial meetings have taken place. The young prince who has been invited to revisit her majesty this week, when it is understood an important order will be conferred upon him.

Sir Adolphe Caron wants to pitch Quartermaster Sergt. Roberts out of "B" battery his term of service having expired; he has served twenty years. The papers cry out against the outrage as his discharge means poverty, as he has no pension.

The Bay of Quinte & Canada Pacific railways have arranged for three special excursions to Manitoba and North-West territory on Aug. 11th, 18th, and Sept. 1st, good for forty days. R. J. Wilson, agent, C.P.R. telegraph office.

A tourist registered at an Alexandria Bay hotel and said to the clerk: "I want a corner room up one flight on a shady side, a special call boy, meals in my room, a bath, a candle instead of gas; and"—"Hold on," said the clerk, "This is not heaven."

Surprise soap. Jas. Crawford.

A SCATHING REVIEW.

MEN IN PARLIAMENT WHO SHOULD BE IN PRISON.

Rev. Mr. McCormick Gives Attention to the Corruption Disclosed at Ottawa—Where the Clergy Should Stand at This Time—It Will Clear the Political Atmosphere.

Last evening Rev. D. McCormick, of Bethel Congregational church, spoke about the corruption at Ottawa. His remarks were based on this quotation from the WHIG, and which in quoting he said: "I thank God for a free, fearless, outspoken and impartial press!"

Ministers of the gospel, says the *Globe*, are quick to jump into the political arena when the dry bones of dogmatic or sectarian issues are at stake. But if they would do the country a real good let them take off their coats and help Mr. Laurier to exercise the unclean spirit which has taken possession of the federal legislature and which threatens to stifle the very life of the dominion. Sackcloth and ashes, humiliation and prayer are not competent of themselves to effect our deliverance; the people must act and act vigorously and decisively, or our experiment in nation building will soon come to a shameful end.

Mr. McCormick said: "This evening I am going to call your attention to those abominable revelations that are coming to light day by day in our capital. I offer no apology for dealing with this subject before the investigations are completed. I sit in judgment on no man. 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, saith the Lord.' We may rest satisfied the Lord will look after the evil doers, and 'though hand should join hand the wicked shall not go unpunished.' There are, however, lessons lying on the very surface at which it is well to look before they become too stale for discussion.

"To day Canada occupies a humiliating position among the nations of the globe. As a people we have good reason to be both ashamed and indignant. The eyes of the civilized world are upon us. The tongues of the civilized world are speaking about us, and the press of the civilized world is publishing abroad our infamy and making capital out of our shame. To-day Canada is a bye word in the earth. The word is a synonym for corruption, bribery and trickery, for whatever is low, and, mean, and dirty, and disgusting in politics and business. If all is true that we read there are men in our parliament who ought to be in the penitentiary, men in prominent places who are no better than common thieves, men in responsible offices who are fit only to associate with footpads. If all is true we have paid officials who buy votes and sell them, who take bribes and give them, who devour the widow and rob the fatherless for party ends and political purposes. These men live in an atmosphere of moral contamination. Is it any wonder they should have their weak moments and that in these moments they fall.

"The evil has become so galling as to be intolerable. Is it not iniquitous that poor, honest, hardworking people who are at their wits' end how to live honestly, should be heavily taxed that pompous rascality may fare delicately and gilded villainy live sumptuously every day. If the money so rigourously extorted were righteously applied it might be silently borne, but when it goes to feed pride and pamper vice, can we, ought we to be still. If our pockets are not touched the fair fame of our country is tarnished, and our national banner is dragged in the mire by men paid for holding it aloft and pledged to stand between it and dishonor, with their lives. As a people we are deceived, betrayed, disgraced and for the moment we are helpless.

"This corrupt and corrupting influence is not a thing of this year or last. It has been growing and spreading like leprosy in the body politic for years. All this time the country has been calling itself christian, politics have been silent, ministers have been dumb, and all, forsooth, because ministers have nothing to do with politics. 'Away with such canting hypocrisy! What do pulpits exist for but to denounce evil? What are ministers paid for but to expose the wrong? Is it our mission to be everlastingly scourging the poor, but to say nothing about the rich? Are we sent to mete out damnation to the miserable sinner who steals a loaf to appease the cravings of hunger, but say nothing about the honorable and right honorable sinner who pilfers his thousands that he may spend them on his lusts? Listen! I would rather earn a living in a Chinese laundry than fill a pulpit on such terms, or be a minister on such conditions! Every true minister lives

'For the cause that needs assistance,
For the wrongs that need resistance,
For the future in the distance,
For the good that he may do.'

"Of this one thing make yourselves quite certain: Till the ministers of Canada take their proper stand the devil will rule the roost, his children will dance, and you and your children will pay the piper.

"Among so many faithless we rejoice to know that on both sides of the house are those who hearts are pure and whose hands are clean, who have no share nor lot in this matter, who strive diligently to redeem their pledges, and labor continuously to build up the country on a foundation alike permanent and safe. As the thunder storm clears the atmosphere so these disclosures will purify the political life of the nation, so that in the future such infamies must be impossible. As the moon always shines clearer after a temporary eclipse, so the fair name of our country will seem fairer after these calamities are over past. As long as God lives and holds the helm we may be sure that the vessel of state will outride this storm and outlive this tempest and proceed on her voyage gathering the spoils of coming ages and bringing manifold blessings to generations yet unborn."

Church Paragraphs.

T. J. Thompson preached in St. John's church, Brockville, yesterday.

J. A. Reddon filled the pulpit of the First Congregational church yesterday.

Prof. Nicholson preached in Chalmers' church yesterday to large audiences.

Rev. C. J. Cameron's call to Brockville has been sustained and forwarded to Lindsay presbytery. It will be considered on Thursday.

Rev. John Moore, M.A., Allenford, has accepted a call to Seymour, in the presbytery of Kingston.

Rev. C. E. Thomson, a native of Kingston, is now rector of St. Mark's church, Toronto Junction. His father was member for Frontenac between fifty and sixty years ago.

St. Mary's cathedral was beautifully decorated yesterday on the occasion of the anniversary of the feast of St. Anne. A special benediction was given at four o'clock and special vespers were sung in the evening.

H. Spencer Crumley, of the Brick church choir, Rochester, N.Y., sang a solo, "Why is Thy Countenance Sad," from the sacred cantata "Eve" by Calloott, last night, in Chalmers' church, and pleased every body with his rich full human voice.

The singing in Brock street Methodist church last night was very fine. The choir rendered the anthem, "Blessed is He That Cometh in the Name of the Lord." Mrs. Allen took the obligato solo in good voice. The attendance was very large. Rev. D. C. Sanderson preached on the atmosphere of God.

Rev. W. J. Muckleston, of Christ church, Ottawa, preached at St. George's in the morning, taking for his text the second and third verses of I. John, iii, and forcibly urged the necessity of personal holiness to enable man to see God; to see Him with the eye of faith now, and to see him "as He is," revealed in the person of Jesus Christ hereafter.

Sale Continued.
Summer sale continued all through August, parasols, embroideries, summer dress goods, prints, sateens, summer underwear, hosiery, and silk gloves must go. Clearing out, prices on all.

Light Summer Coats and Vests.
Provost is selling a nice summer coat for 75c, and a splendid coat and vest for $2 50. Those in need of them during the warm weather will do well to call on him.

CITY AND VICINITY.

A House Burned Down.

A house on Barriefield, owned by Mr. Monk, caught fire this morning and was destroyed. The furniture was saved.

The Effects of Court Attendance.

W. McRonie and S. Kilpatrick attended the division court last week and lost their hats. They received in exchange greasy, shabby old hats.

Retired for Three Months.

Henry McDermott, a well known police court character, was arrested Saturday night for drunkenness, and was sent up for three months on a suspended conviction.

Election Petition Withdrawn.

In the South Leeds dominion election case, Nathan Kelly vs. George Taylor, Justice Maclennan has made an order allowing the petitioner to withdraw the petition.

He Has Consented to Act.

In a letter to Hon. J. LaCoste, speaker of the senate, Governor Angers, of Quebec, consented to act as one of the vice-presidents of the Macdonald memorial committee organized here.

Quite a Collection.

On a lot in the city, with a frontage of sixty-six feet, there are three houses. The occupants of one house number nine, and they keep two horses, a cow, five cats and two dogs on the premises. One of the occupants has typhoid fever.

Raspberries Were Cheap.

On Saturday the dealers in berries "bit off more than they could chew" and had to sell their stocks at a sacrifice. The best raspberries were retailed at 4c per box. A merchant bought some from another at this rate and sold them at 5c per box.

Swam Across the Bay.

Last evening a horse owned by Daniel Staley, of the Queen's hotel, got out of the yard. Search for the animal was in vain till word came to-day that it had swam across the lake and landed safely on Wolfe Island. It was brought back to-day.

The Documents Not Ready.

Three letters have been received from persons desirous of tendering for the lighting of the city. They ask for specifications but they are not ready. The city engineer has had so much to do of late that he has been unable to get the documents ready on time.

It Will be Mined.

Mr. O'Grady returned on Saturday from the Port Arthur district, where he has been exploring for iron ore in property owned by the Folger Bros. He says the veins are large and there is plenty of first class ore, which will be mined immediately for shipment.

Tried to Beat a Train.

W. T. Norris, of Watertown, known here as a pedestrian, tried to beat a train in that city—but the train caught him behind the stomach and landed him in a coal bin five or ten feet away. His left arm and left hip were severely bruised. Of course he will sue for damages.

A Conviction Secured.

The canteen men of the Queen's Own Rifles, were fined $50 and costs by the Niagara police magistrate for selling liquor during an excursion to the Falls on May 24th. Some years ago the Kingston inspector tried to secure a conviction against the canteen men of the G.G.F. guards but failed.

Arm Amputated.

Samuel Welbanks, brother of Mrs. F. H. Case, Picton, had his left arm amputated below the elbow at the Kingston hospital on Friday last. Some four or five years ago he injured the arm in carrying rails, and all efforts to cure the injury were fruitless, hence the above result.

The Work Going Ahead.

The improvements to the city buildings are being pushed along at great speed. The cells, six in number, are nearly built. A special department is being prepared for tramps. Over the tops of the cells are iron gratings built into the walls. Large rooms are being fitted up for the police officers, chief of police and magistrate.

He Took a Nap.

It was a little fair-haired boy of eight years, with golden hair, blue eyes, and only lacking wings to be an angel, who, as he lay down in the cushioned pew of a big church, during last evening's sermon, loudly said to his mother, "Ma, I want to be wakened when that feller stops talkin'." And before the smiles of those in neighboring pews had died away the little cherub was asleep.

Police Court—Monday.

"Aren't you ashamed to be brought in here for being drunk," said the colonel addressing a tall, overgrown young fellow of seventeen. "Yes, your honor, I am," said the prisoner hanging his head and looking very sheepish. "Well, I'll let you go with a dollar and costs this time, but if you come back again you'll catch it." He lost no time in getting outside and will not likely be seen there again very soon.

He Wasn't Holding Horses.

In doing a kind act on Saturday evening Rev. Mr. Johnson got into a very peculiar situation. A team of horses belonging to a young farmer, intoxicated, started to run away on Princess street; the reverend gentlemen ran into the muddy street and seized the reins. He looked about to see if the owner was coming; when he was greeted with: "Hold on to them a minute boss." The horses kept moving, and when Mr. Johnson discovered that the owner was going to leave him in charge of the horses he dropped the reins. The farmer ran after the waggon and caught the horses before they got away again.

Quite a Smash Up.

This morning Abrams' milk waggon was wrecked. The horse drawing it started up Brock street, ran into Dr. Phelan's phaeton at Deek's shop and later on collided with a tree in front of J. McLaughlin's, knocking off a wheel, tearing away the whiffletrees, and flooding the sidewalk with special dairy milk. The horse ran to the corner of Brock and Montreal streets, sized up the damage he had done and then trotted off for the Fraser farm. Dr. Phelan's buggy had a wheel turned, the axle damaged and one of the guards knocked off. Mr. Deeks will have a good job now rather than the small repairs which the arrival of the carriage, a moment before, promised.

The Hotel Arrivals.

Arrivals at the British American Hotel—P. B. Wallace, Mrs. Geo. Gallinger, L. A Henry, A. E. Breckels, A. C. J. Matthews, G. Bell, Toronto; J. L. Fattett and wife, F. F. Hofnour, O. C. Terry, Miss E. M. Moore, Miss Tichurst, Master L. Grant Benedict, New York; G. H. Feltus, Canton, Ohio; R Wallace and wife, B. S. Abrams, Rochester; T. J. Anderson, John Ferron and wife, E. E. Dentre, J. Rutherford, Bill McCoy, Dan Thomas, J. H. Hodges, E. Martin, Miss W. Martin, Montreal; H. A. LeMay, Watertown; C. Laney, Middleport; Geo. Leigh, J. L. Miller, E. M. Copeland and wife, London; S. Malvey, Winnipeg, Man.; Jas. Quinn, jr., Brandon, Man.; E. J. Lawrence and wife, Watertown; E. Goff, Hamilton; Wm. Bunker, Oswego, N.Y.; Pearce Thompson, Louisville, Ky.

A Lively Experience.

Robert Miller was caught in a trap yesterday while at Gunn's dock, at the time the sailing yacht Gracie was preparing to leave port. Before clearing the master called upon Mr. Miller to lift the mooring line off a spile. He did so and the yacht darted swiftly towards the channel. Mr. Miller got his foot in the noose in the line and had to go with it. The yacht was travelling at the rate of fifteen or twenty miles an hour, and dragged Miller feet first after her. He could not get away because the rope tightened about his leg. There was no use in trying to swim. He was pulled along like a log. Sometimes he was under water and sometimes on top. Such an experience he never had before, and don't want it repeated. After being lugged through the water for 105 feet the master of the yacht noticed him and let the line go. Miller swam to the dock with the rope.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A SECTION OF COUNTRY WHERE THE WEEDS DO ABOUND.

Further Comparison of American and Canadian Agriculture — Suggestions For Improving Pasture, And Political Reflections on Popular Crimes.

KINGSTON, July 24.—(To the Editor): The foulest meadow land in the world is what one sees between New York and Washington from the car window. I challenge contradiction of the statement that one-third of the ground is occupied by weeds. The impression is irresistible that a vast area of the United States is understocked. Mile after mile of farm lands and farm steadings flit past the eye, and flocks of sheep are few and far between. Mutton and lamb, best of all meat in the world, is displaced from the national table by "the national hog." In New York state that grass-bred in Vermont forty years ago, the merino sheep, may be seen occasionally, but the small flock of good mutton sheep, which every well-bred farmer should take pride in, is conspicuously absent. The large cities make large demands for forage, and the farmer meets it by reducing his stock, and to enrich his hungry acres buys fertilizers. The city folk in northern climes cannot live on truck and sass, at least, in winter. There is nothing surer than that in spite of McKinley good sheep and lambs will bring high prices in New York ere long; in fact you can get proof of the value of a good mutton chop at any decent chophouse by finding it at the top of the price list, above chicken, hog or beef. Americans are with their vast increase of wealth and population learning to feed better, and as a consequence mutton must advance in price. The reflection is rather unpleasant that Ontario and Quebec have been exporting too many sheep. The most useful combine I know of would be one for preventing the exportation of sheep and lambs from this country for two years. Prof. Shaw, of the agricultural college, has done well to educate the farmers' institute on the subject of growing rape for fattening lambs, and in these days of universal grumbling over the prospects of the farmer it is refreshing to know that it has been proved that there is here a means of restoring fertility to the soil and at the same time of putting money in the farmer's pocket. See the last report of central farmers' institute.

How wonderfully has the All wise Creator varied the soil and climate of the surface of this North American continent, as if to promote an interchange of its productions. What hideous fools politicians are to set up rags and say to the equally foolish communities you shall not trade with each other outside of the shadows of these rags without paying fines to the governments which make these rags the blazons and symbols of their civilization. Along 2,000 miles of railway I did not see a field of peas, and there are thousands of square miles in the United States where they are too uncertain a crop for profitable field culture. They are a magnificent crop on the white limestone lands in the north of Frontenac. The country whence the eastern markets are supplied with early potatoes cannot possibly grow the winter-keeping sorts, and in the fall the steamers going south along the coast are carrying the winter supply of potatoes to ports from which, in June and July, they had brought large cargoes of the early sorts to northern markets. A vast area in the western States, like our own North West, can grow only spring wheat, barley, oats, vegetables and small fruits. This area cannot grow fall grains, peas, beans, corn, apples, pears, melons, productions which can be found in every city south of a line from Owen Sound to Renfrew and thence to Sherbrooke. The cotton region of the United States grows a small part of its food supply. The corn planter flourishes on hog and hominy, but cannot grow wheat; over a large area he had, last year, to buy his potatoes, and is very often at a loss for other vegetable food. Red River cauliflowers and celery were shipped, last fall, from Winnipeg to Kansas City. Just as Winnipeg is the best market on the Canadian continent for the Ontario fruit grower, so the towns of Dakota draw their supplies of apples and pears from Michigan. The prime factors in American inter-state exchanges are petroleum, coal, cotton, lumber and iron. These rather than gold and silver are the circulating medium. For coal and cotton we are as much dependent upon the United States as any one of her own communities. On the other hand the Americans are pushing their numerical advantage in population in spite of all that has been written about small American families and the infertility of American mothers, and the conclusion grows on one that their population will soon require large meat supplies from this country. The natural pastures of Manitoba excel perhaps anything the United States has to offer. A cooler climate, north of the lakes, is more favorable than any region to the south for the growth of fine pasture, but in Ontario, unfortunately, our advantage is "all in the air." The soil is stronger than any similar area in New York and the New England states, but neither the soil nor cooler air will make pasture without the grasses. These are indigenous in Manitoba, and when once ploughed under that is the last of them. All that our experimental farms and colleges have done; all that has been done at American colleges for the improvement of permanent pasture, as yet amounts practically to nothing. Whether an English pasture is unattainable or not—and I do not believe it is unattainable—the fact cannot be disputed that there is not in this province anything comparable with the English permanent pasture. Perhaps nothing would better repay the labors of the agricultural department than a big push on this subject. Chevalier barley and the fat of the milk are subjects of great importance, but they are insignificant in comparison with the importance to the country of obtaining seeds for pasture suited to the conditions of the different soils and the local climates of Ontario. There is reason for speaking respectfully of June grass for it is all that natural pastures here give to cud with white clover, but in dry seasons the country loses thousands of tons of butter and cheese for the lack of dry soil fescues and other grasses which give green herbage, when June grass is out of season. The Central institute came out strong for more experimental stations. A plot in every township for educating farmers on the subjects of pasturage and ensilage would add yearly millions to the wealth of the country. Consider an enterprise like this which would benefit every man, woman and child in the country and "much cattle." I like those last three words of the book of the prophet Jonah, and refer to them as a beautiful answer to the question, "doth God take care for oxen?" How much better this than caring for Murphy, McGreevy and Langevins or sweating the tax payer to build a railway from Winnipeg to Hudson Bay through hundreds of miles of morasses, haunts of wild duck and swampy Cree Indians, to the shore of a sea so shallow that no ship can come within three miles of land. The Americans who are not always wise or honest in their public enterprises and quite ready to cheat themselves and their neighbors by coining seventy nine cents worth of silver into a dollar, have nevertheless printed and circulated valuable information on the grasses which will be of value to the laborers in their experimental stations. Our provincial government should not be behind hand in this matter. It is not enough to point to one experimental station and compare ourselves with one state in the union. Ontario has an area ten times as large as some of the smaller and thrice that of many of the larger states. Prosperity will never come to bless this country as it has many parts of the United States until we make agriculture the head and dock building and Hudson Bay railways the tail—an appendage to be judiciously cut off like a lamb's when it interferes with the nourishment of the carcass.—TRAVELLER.

The Bathing Nuisance.

KINGSTON, June 30.—(To the Editor): What has become of the police? Every day there are a dozen boys and men who go in swimming off the Grand Trunk wharf, leaving themselves exposed to ladies coming down to either Swift's or Gunn's wharves. The other day two young ladies, who had tied their boat to Gunn's wharf for a few minutes, when they came back had to untie their boat and row out of the slip, while not ten yards from them were six or seven men, perfectly nude, going in swimming. I think it is about time that some means be taken to put a stop to such disgraceful conduct.—A CITIZEN.

*** Above has lain in Kingston post office some time because people will persist in affixing a one cent stamp to local letters when two cents has been the rate for over a year. Unpaid letters are not delivered.

Refusal of a Public School House.

MARLBORO, July 24.—(To the Editor): The trustees of a public school section have decided to refuse the use of the school house for holding divine service by the Church of England clergyman on the Lord's day. Will you kindly inform me what power the trustees possess in the above matter.—Your truly, AN ENQUIRER.

*** Trustees are not granted power to let or use a public school for any purpose, other than actual teaching work by the appointed teacher. Country school houses are loaned habitually for meetings, services and entertainment, but any ratepayer can object to such lease or loan and the trustees would be liable to complaint if they disregarded the objection. Trustees cannot be compelled to rent a school house to others even if every ratepayer in the section, save themselves, gave consent. It is an illegal act in itself and cannot be carried against