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INTERESTING SKETCHES OF OLD TIMES IN CHARLOTTETOWN

The Legislative Library was recently presented by Colonel Ings with an almost complete set of volumes of the "Islander," which was published by his father, the late Mr. John Ings. The first number was issued on Friday, Dec. 2, 1842, the editor being Mr. R. B. Irving. Among the items in the number particularly interesting about this time, was the following report of the observance of St. Andrew's Day in Charlottetown:

The members of the Highland Society, like true sons of St. Andrew, celebrated the anniversary of their Patron Saint, by supping together on Wednesday evening last at the Prince Edward Hotel. The flowing cups added zest to the bon-mots, repartees and loyal and social toasts that pervaded the occupation of the meeting. Among the numerous toasts that were drunk, with that enthusiasm characteristic of the Sons of Old Scotia, were:—"The Day, and all who Honor It," "The Queen," "Her Royal Consort and Royal Offspring," His Excellency, Sir Henry Vere Huntley, the worthy and respected Chief of the Society," "Lady Huntley and the Fair Daughters of Prince Edward Island," "The Parent Society of London," "The Branch Societies O'er all the World," and many other loyal and patriotic toasts. Several of the toasts were responded to with becoming spirit by some of the gentlemen present. Nor was the song wanting to impart sociality to the festive scene. As the small hours began to draw nigh, "doch an' dorrach" was given and all departed to their respective homes well pleased with the reminiscences of the Land of their Fathers that had been vividly brought before them by meeting together on such an occasion.

Another interesting item in the same issue had to do with the weather, as follows:

"Since the evening of Tuesday, the 27th ult., up to the present moment, we have scarcely any other than one continued storm of snow; and as we now write we hear it without, raging with unabated or rather renewed fury. The roads in all directions we fear by this time are impassable, and if so Saturday the interior of our market house will present little else to the view besides, 'a beggarly account of empty stalls.' So much the better for the butchers of Charlottetown; but so much the worse for all besides."

Reference is made to the fact in another paragraph that the snow had put an end to all employment in the field a month earlier than the previous year including the operations of the Fox Hounds which the item says "are now consigned to the keeping of their kennels, after a most successful season having seldom returned home without some proof of their excellent successes." "We are informed," the item continues, "that in addition to others in the last twelve days of their hunting they pulled down fourteen foxes, and a number that must make some difference in the hopes of the feathered tribe, who may in many parts of the Royalty now cackle and crow in increased security. The most of these foxes were found in the neighborhood of Mr. Grubb's farm, between the Hon. Mr. Holl's house and the North River or between the Chief Justice's and Mr. Sherman's."

Minards Liniment Lumbermans Friend

THEY FEARED VENGEANCE.

German Conquerors Brutal and Cowardly.

An inspection of numerous German posters in Belgium discloses that wherever the death penalty for offenses by civilians was exacted no signature was attached. It is, therefore, believed that no German commander was willing to take individual responsibility for such orders, possibly fearing consequences in the future.

This was especially the case in Bruges. M. Echevin, one of the aldermen, said that food conditions during the German occupation were not bad because the district is an agricultural one. There was no looting in the city, before the Germans left. There was no use for any looting, for everything desired by the Germans previously had been requisitioned, even pianos, pictures and frying pans. The last company leaving the town destroyed everything the men could reach. They even went down the streets breaking windows with their rifle butts.

On Oct. 1, according to the aldermen, the Germans apparently feared outbreaks, for orders were posted all over the town inviting the people to remain quiet, adding that the smallest demonstration would be dealt with by artillery fire. An order issued about the same time provided the death penalty for the possession of a telephone instrument in homes. During the entire period of occupation no newspapers but German organs and the "Nieuwe Rotterdam Courant" were permitted to be sold.

The people of the city were required to remove all signs in the French language and to change the names of streets to German or Flemish. It is alleged that Admiral Schroeder whipped children whose dogs barked at him. Two girls were imprisoned for eight months and received only mildewed bread and coarse beans. They were accused of writing a letter to their brother.

The Germans removed all the brass from the city, even the hall-racks from the famous cafe "Le Colomes." Prince Adalbert, a son of Emperor William, frequently dined there. Adalbert, finding the place crowded with German officers at one time, is reported to have said to his companions in English: "Let's go to some other place; this is crowded with boches."

The German officers had gay parties in Bruges and at other places in Belgium, having as their guests hundreds of German girl typists and clerks who had come to Belgium to take the places of men combed out for the army.

The famous Zebrugge lighthouse had been completely demolished.

Curious Swiss Tree.

What is claimed to be one of the most curious trees in the world was found in Switzerland by M. Louis Pire, president of the Royal Botanical Society of Belgium. It is a fir tree, still standing, at last account, in the forests of Allaz, canton of Vaud.

"This particular tree," reports Prof. Pire, "stands 4,500 feet above the sea and is surrounded by a forest of firs, which it exceeds in height by 30 or 40 feet.

"The trunk of this tree is 10 meters, or a little more than 30 feet, in circumference at the base. At about a yard from the ground it puts out, on the south side, seven offshoots, which have grown into trunks as strong and vigorous as those of the other trees in the forest. Bent and gnarled at the bottom, these side-trunks soon straighten themselves up and rise perpendicularly and parallel to the main stem.

"Another most curious fact is that the two largest side-trunks are connected with the principal stem by sub-quadrangular braces resembling girders. These beams have probably been formed by an anatomizing of branches, which, common enough among the anglo-sperms, is extremely rare among conifers."

The Dunmow Fitch.

Among the little humors of the dictionaries this from the Century Dictionary of Names perhaps deserves a place: Dunmow Fitch. The—A fitch of bacon awarded to any married pair who could take oath at the end of the first year of their married life that there had not only been no jar or quarrel, but that neither had ever wished the knot untied. The custom was originated in Great Dunmow, England, by Robert Fitzwater, in 1244. The fitch of bacon has been claimed as late as 1876.

The Toad.

The toad is useful because of its diet. No less than 83 specimens of insects, mostly injurious, have been proved to enter into its dietary. George W. Hunter says: A toad has been observed to snap up 128 flies in half an hour, thus at a low estimate it could easily destroy 1,000 insects during the summer, and do an immense service to the garden during the summer. It has been estimated that a single toad may, on account of the outworn worms it kills, be worth \$19.88 each season that it lives.

A Floating Church.

The most interesting floating church in the United Kingdom is the church on the fens at Holme, near Peterboro, England. The interior of this church boat is fifty feet long, nine wide and seven high. It was impossible to build it higher on account of the bridges that cross the canal. The boat is fitted exactly like a church, with miniature font, prayer desks and the tiniest of American organs.

Russian Bells.

In the manufacture of great bells Russia has always taken the lead. A bell cast at Moscow in the sixteenth century weighed nearly 300,000 pounds, and it required twenty-four men to ring it. Larger still was the "great bell" of Moscow, which, however, was cracked and broken before its completion.

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IN MEMORIAM

MISS MARY J. NICHOLSON

The following notice from the Hanna, Alb. Herald refers to the death of Miss Nicholson, teacher, youngest daughter of the late John Nicholson, Montague Bridge. She leaves a brother at Kilmuir and one sister Mrs. John MacKinnon, Strathcona to mourn.

The district was shocked this morning to learn of the death, at midnight last night, of Miss Mary J. Nicholson, teacher of the primary classes in the Hanna Public school.

Miss Nicholson was engaged by the school board to teach the primary room this term, and came here from Charlottetown, P.E.I. When the epidemic of influenza broke out here recently, the schools were closed, and Miss Nicholson volunteered as a nurse to relieve the sufferings of those afflicted. She did noble work in this capacity for some time, but was stricken down herself and was removed to a ward in the emergency hospital about a week ago. In spite of every care, the disease developed

into pneumonia with death resulting last midnight.

The deceased young lady earned a place in the hearts of all her pupils, as well as a very large number of friends among the citizens of the town. That she would expose herself for the sake of humanity was but an example of her splendid character and her death has cast a cloud of sorrow over this town.

The remains have been removed to Fisher's undertaking establishment, pending the receipt of word from a brother who resides in the East.

THE LATE JOHN MCLEAN

There lately passed away in Montague, Mr. John McLean, a resident of that village for nearly 60 years.

During all that time he carried on carriage building in all its parts. Of late years he had associated with him in the work two of his sons, J. H. and William. Mr. McLean was a first class workman, industrious, skillful and honest so that those who bought his carriages or wagons knew that they had a first class article.

Mr. McLean was a regular attend-

ant and supporter of the Presbyterian church and his christian character was above reproach. The funeral services were on Wednesday the 27th and were conducted at the house and in the church by Rev. R. G. Snelair, a former pastor who spoke briefly, for the words "A workman who needeth not to be ashamed." He was buried "The Masons" in Lower Montague.

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If in addition to the disheartening nature of her ailment she finds her friends and relatives out of sympathy with her you can scarcely wonder at the development of a chronic state of gloom and despondency.

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