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## 134 YEARS OLD.

New York, August 5.—The Sun says that the British post office vouched for a measure for the 134 years claimed as the age of Robert Taylor, postmaster at Scarva, County Down, Ireland, whose death was recorded in the Sun last week. It instituted an inquiry last May on the subject of his age. He had been postmaster of the town for 76 years.

Taylor was born at Scarva five years before the advent of Napoleon into the world, he used to boast. Once he went to Paris to see him, and afterwards described him as a little fellow, such as he could get away with easily in a hand to hand encounter. Taylor had the reputation of being a fine wrestler, was small in stature, but wiry, and was in the habit of measuring other people by his own standard.

That the English postal authorities were proud of Taylor was shown in many ways. He died in harness. Scarva is not much of a place and does not send or receive many letters, but it was always mighty proud of its postmaster, who was always proud of his job. No one entered Scarva of late years without learning that Taylor was the postmaster and that he was the oldest man probably in the world. O'Donovan Rossa got to know Taylor, for he stopped at Scarva when he was lecturing in Ireland in 1892, though neither man got much beyond a nodding acquaintance. Taylor was a red hot sympathiser with the English government in all of its repressive measures. Holding such sentiments, the old postmaster did not go to listen to the talk of O'Donovan Rossa, but most of the operatives of the linen mills of the place went. Taylor gave them a piece of his mind for going, and undertook to argue with Rossa about his interference with the peace and well-being of law-abiding people. A part of the lecture of Rossa was upon the O'Reilly's, who were once the great people of Scarva. The old postmaster was thankful to have even Rossa say kind words of them.

Taylor did not marry until 108 years old. That was in 1872, when he married a woman who, it is said, he courted for fifty years.

## REPORT ON SEWERAGE

### Proposed to Do This Fall.

## THE FULL PARTICULARS

### Of the Proposed Construction-Streets on Which the Pipes Are to Be Laid This Year—The Council Voted For The Issue of \$50,000 Debentures.

The City Council met last night. After routine work Mr. Davison read the following report:—

Charlottetown, Aug. 5, 1898.

To His Worship the Mayor and Council of the City of Charlottetown:—

GENTLEMEN,—In reply to your resolution of the 3rd August, asking the Commissioners of Sewers and Water Supply for information regarding the construction of the sewerage works for this City, they beg to report as follows:

SYSTEM TO BE ADOPTED.

The system decided upon is the common separate water carriage system with intermittent discharge into the sea by means of a reservoir, cast iron pipe and the channel of the Hillsborough as designed by the Council's engineer, Mr. Freeman C. Coffin. There will be a pumping station at a low point both on the east and west sides of the central high gravity area which location of pumps will altogether obviate the use of siphons and at the same time effectually carry away the sewerage from the very lowest levels in the eastern and western portions of the city. There will be no steam pump, large well or wooden building near the reservoir at Pownal wharf. From each of the pumping stations already mentioned and the tank connected therewith the sewerage will be pumped through a cast iron pipe to an elevation of about 20 feet on the high gravity area, where it will enter an earthenware pipe of a large size to enable it to flow freely with the other sewerage passing at the same level into the outlet reservoir.

WORK TO BE DONE IN 1898.

The engineer's approximate estimates of the quantity of work to be done on sewer construction during the year 1898 is as follows. (See pages 2 and 3 of specifications.)

25,000 cub yds earth excavation	0 to 8
3,500 " " " "	8 " 14
100 " " " "	14 " 20
250 " " " "	0 " 8
500 " " " "	8 " 14
100 " " " "	14 " 20

3,500 feet 18 inch pipe laying	
2,500 " " " "	
1,100 " " " "	
1,600 " " " "	
9,200 " " " "	
9,000 " " " "	
100 " " " "	
500 " " " "	
2,000 " " " "	
1,500 " " " "	
500 " " " "	

100 cubic yds rubble masonry in cement.	
100 " " " " without "	
300 " " concrete masonry.	
275 " " brick	
200 " " screened or broken stone.	
200 lineal feet spruce piles.	
10,000 feet B. M. F. spruce lumber.	

It is also proposed to erect an outlet reservoir at or near the head of Pownal wharf, 40 feet by 96 feet inside measurement. This reservoir will be covered with an arched roof of concrete, to effectually guard against the escape of any foul odors.

From this reservoir, running between Pownal and Connelly's wharves there will be a 20 inch cast iron outlet pipe of the approximate length of 700 feet, or until it reaches will out into the channel of the Hillsboro.

SEWER PIPE TO BE LAID IN 1898.

St. Peter's Road from Pleasant to Cumberland S s.	
Cumberland from St Peter's to Euston.	
Pleasant " " " " " "	
Euston " " " " " "	
Cumberland " " " " " "	
Fitzroy " " " " " "	
Weymouth " " " " " "	
Richmond " " " " " "	
Hillsboro " " " " " "	
Sidney " " " " " "	
Prince (west side) " " " " " "	
Prince " " " " " "	
Prince summit to Kent " " " " " "	
Prince (east side) " " " " " "	
Water from Prince " " " " " "	
Queen " " " " " "	
Queen " " " " " "	
King " " " " " "	
Pownal " " " " " "	
Kent (both sides) " " " " " "	
Gt George from Grafton " " " " " "	
Euston " " " " " "	
Gt George " " " " " "	
Richmond " " " " " "	
Grafton " " " " " "	
Haviland " " " " " "	
Fitzroy " " " " " "	
Weymouth " " " " " "	
Pownal " " " " " "	

The above distances will require about five and one half miles of pipe.

DEBENTURES.

The Councilors do not anticipate that they will require any more debentures for sewerage to be issued this year, than the \$50,000 asked for in their application of 29th ult.

SPECIFICATIONS AND PLANS.

The Councilors place herewith form of contract and specifications for the construction of section No 1 of the sewerage system. Also a plan of Pownal wharf showing the site of the proposed reservoir. This site will not interfere with the traffic up and down the wharf any more than the warehouse near by. The committee ask your Worship and the City Council to sanction the selection of the proposed site as shown on the plan. Should it ever be necessary to enlarge the reservoir space on City property to the west of the site remains to permit of doubling its size. The western wall of the structure will not be valueless in case of enlargement, because a central wall would be required were the outlet reservoir now made 80 feet wide.

## INDIA'S VICEROY.

### Hon George Curzon Has Accepted the Position.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—(Special)—The Daily News declares that Curzon has accepted the office of Viceroy of India.

## ONLY A RUMOR.

### No Confirmation of Steamer Wrecked by an Iceberg.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—(Special)—Lloyd's regards the reported wreck of a steamer in Belle Isle Straits as nothing more than a rumor.

## EMERY WHEEL BURSTS

### And Kills a Workman in Halifax.

HALIFAX, Aug. 8.—(Special)—Geo W Battomby, working in his father's mill, was killed to-day by the bursting of an emery wheel.

## GOING TO QUEBEC.

### Lord and Lady Aberdeen to Stay at the Citadel.

QUEBEC, Aug. 8.—(Special)—The Vice-regal party will come here about the middle of September and remain at the Citadel till their departure in November.

## LIPTON'S YACHT

### May Give American Competitors a Surprise.

LONDON, Aug. 8.—(Special)—Sir Thomas Lipton says his new yacht will be made in a style no yacht was made in before, and he does not intend to be beaten.

## GEORGE EBERS DEAD.

### Was a Noted Egyptian Scholar and Novelist.

MUNICH, August 8.—[Special]—George Ebers, novelist and Egyptologist, died here Sunday. He was the author of "Egypt and the Books of Moses," and many other works on eastern lands and history. He was born at Berlin in 1837.

## U S VETERANS.

### Parade With Canadian Veterans at Hamilton.

HAMILTON, Aug. 8.—(Special)—Chapin Post and other G A R Veterans from Buffalo came over today to participate in the unveiling of a monument to perpetuate the memory of Great Britain's army and navy veterans.

Many ladies accompanied the party. They with the Canadian veterans paraded the streets.

## DRIVER HEAVILY FINED.

POUGHKEEPSE, N. Y., Aug. 5.—At the opening of the thirteenth annual meet here, Tuesday, the New York State Trotting Horse Breeders' association redeemed its pledge to give its members and patrons honest races. The judges fined Driver T. H. Camp, of Norwich, Conn., \$200 for pulling the mare, Emma E., in the 2.19 race. Addie De was the favorite in this race, which required six heats to decide. The judges had their attention called to Emma E. by several betters, who were on her account buying the field heavily against the favorite, and after she had finished first in two heats the judges became satisfied that her owner and Driver Camp could win the race if they wanted to, and accordingly imposed the fine, suspending Camp until the fine is paid.

The petition to open Prince Street to the line of the city limits was referred to a committee consisting of Councilors Crabbe, Horne and Nicholson.

The communication with reference to lighting the City Building was referred to the Finance Committee.

A letter was read from Mr Wood, manager of the Dominion Publishing Company with reference to the city providing for illustrations in a work being issued by that company entitled "Canada from to ocean." Mr. Wood addressed the Council pointing out the merits which the work undoubtedly possesses.

Councilors Crabbe, Horne and Nicholson were appointed a committee to meet the underwriters with reference to the appointment of an electrical engineer.

On motion of Councilor Hooper the sum of \$20 was voted to John McCourt, an old employe of the city now unable to work.

## CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, August 6.—[Special]—The following are the closing rates: Sept wheat, 69½; corn, 33½; oats, 21; pork, 8.82.

Dec. wheat, 66½; corn, 33½; oats, 21; pork 8.87.

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## THE REPLY OF SPAIN

### She Did Nothing to Provoke the war.

### IS YIELDING TO FORCE

### Garcia is Mad - Joins Gomez to Continue the War in Santa Clara - Blanco Changes His Methods.

WASHINGTON, August 8.—(Special)—Spain's reply, a long document, is on its way but as a long time will be taken to translate it, it will not reach the President till late tonight.

The note asks a suspension of hostilities.

MAORIG, August 8.—(Special)—It is understood Spain's peace commissioners will be the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mgr. Merry Del Val and Senor Y. Castello, Minister to Paris.

It is understood that while the letter of acceptance of peace terms agrees to the terms it carefully points out that Spain only gives way to force, not having sought or done anything to provoke war with America.

SANTIAGO, August 8.—(Special)—Garcia and his men have left Santiago in high dudgeon, because they were refused permission by the governor there to enter the city.

It is supposed he has joined Gomez and will unite in fighting the Spaniards in Santa Clara and Havana provinces, which they will continue regardless of any armistice.

It is also understood that Blanco, realizing that he must soon withdraw from Cuba, has changed his attitude and is now treating the Cubans with great leniency and is offering pardons and free transportation to Spain.

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, August 8.—(Special)—Thunder, storms and rain, then cooler, westerly winds.

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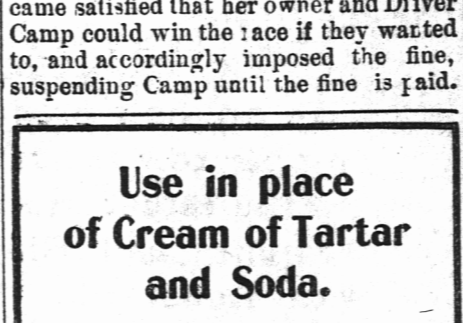
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## He Was Picked up by a Kite.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 6.—When Walter P. Skinner built a big kite in the basement of his residence Camden, N. J., he got it too big for comfort. It was such a giant, indeed, that he found it impossible to get it out of any of the windows or doors, no matter how he tried. That was discouraging, for Skinner had a lively anticipation of the amusement his kite would create when it went soaring into the sky. Undaunted by this setback, Skinner set to work and cut two feet off the width and as much off its length. Even then the monster was seven feet wide and ten feet high.

Skinner selected a night for a test of his high kite, and it came near taking him off on a voyage through space. With a half mile of good strong rope tied to it, the kite was carried to open lots between Penn and Pearl streets, opposite Skinner's residence. News of the anticipated exhibition spread through the vicinity, and a crowd of perhaps 400 persons gathered to see the kite go up. They saw a great deal more than they expected. Skinner got two young men to hold the kite while he and Walter Hoffman, a friend ran across the lot with the rope to give the mother a start. A good, fresh breeze was blowing, and soon the kite began to rise. It was as much as the two men could do to hold the rope. There came a lull in the wind, however, and it rose more slowly and gracefully. The crowd, applauded as the big object, took more and more of the rope and rose higher and higher in the atmosphere. At length all the rope was paid out, and the kite was riding, with scarcely a tremor, high in the heavens.

So well was it laboring at the Skinner took the rope alone. In a moment the wind brushed up again, and before the amazed Skinner realized what was happening he was off his feet and moving over the ground toward the east at a terrific gait. The excited crowd called to him to let go his hold and save himself, but Skinner held on like grim death, determined to save the giant which was making him the plaything. Hoffman ran to the rescue, and managed to get hold of the rope, letting Skinner's feet touch terra firma once more.

Even when both men tugged at the rope the kite threatened to get away, and they had all they could do to keep their feet by running and relieving the wind pressure. They then wrapped the rope about a telegraph pole and managed to hold the kite. It took a half dozen men to haul down the giant.

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