

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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Cross-Fertilization.

PROFESSOR SAUNDERS—while in this Province, a few months ago—took pains to explain, to the farmers who assembled to hear him, the methods pursued in the cross-fertilization of grain at the Central Experimental farm, near Ottawa. This topic is exceedingly interesting; and it is practically important. It has been proved by experiments that new varieties of wheat which are the result of cross-fertilization are excellent in quality, superior in point of productiveness, and are not so subject to "lodging" as wheat of the older kinds. A report published in the London Times sets forth that this is found to be the result of cross fertilization on the Kiver farm of which about two thousand acres are appropriated as trial grounds for the production of new and rare varieties of grain, roots, flowers and vegetables. Two methods of promoting the perfection of cereals are followed at Kiver (1) cross-fertilization and (2) careful selection of seeds. The result is to strengthen the belief that like produces like in plants as well as animals, and that, by selecting seeds solely from the largest heads, the crops grown will yield ears equal in size to the parent ones.

There is, the report says, unlimited scope in cross fertilization with leguminous crops, potatoes, vegetables and plants for the kitchen and flower garden. This is done on such an extensive scale at Kiver that the trials this year include over seven thousand different specimens. Of these there are three hundred and fifty varieties of potatoes alone, while peas have been largely crossed, no fewer than fifty-six new sorts having been created in 1887 and 1888.

A Foiled Diplomat.

MR. BLAINE has been foiled. His ingenious scheme for the annexation of the Sandwich Islands to the United States, under the form of Reciprocity Treaty, has miscarried. The King was willing and ready it is said, to sign the documents prepared for him by the wily emissaries of the Great Republic; but the people—ah, the People!—raised a vigorous protest and the draft "Treaty" was not executed.

The methods adopted by Mr. Blaine and his assistants, were somewhat similar to those which have been ineffectually tried in respect to Canada. A portion of the press strongly advocated Reciprocity of trade with the States. "The markets of the United States must, above all things, be secured." That was the cry. It was not worth while to scan too closely the terms which were demanded, and the "boom" had to be secured. "We shall all be rich if only we can enjoy freedom of trade with sixty millions; we shall all be ruined if we can't." Under the influence of feelings aroused by such representations as these, a treaty was prepared on the lines already described by THE EXAMINER. But the sober, thoughtful loyal people of the Islands had time to make their influence felt. A mass meeting was held, protests were sent to the king—and Mr. Blaine is a disappointed man.

A very curious fact is noticed in connection with the agricultural statistics in Denmark. A few years ago, large quantities of grain were shipped from that country, but grain is now imported to supply the demand for feeding stuffs for the dairies.

The suggestion of George F. Owen that means be adopted to collect and preserve, the historic data of Prince Edward Island, should engage attention.

Literary Notes.

"Ireland's Wrongs," and other poems, by Mr. J. B. Duckendorff, have just been published in pamphlet form. We have not yet had time to review the work. Mr. Duckendorff's poetical brochure is now for sale at the bookstores.

Personal.

F. St. Clair McDonald, dentist, is in Souris. Mr. Horace Hazard and Miss Hazard returned from their trip to London and Paris last evening, looking well.

It is reported that Hon. Mr. Turner has resigned his seat in the Government of New Brunswick.

Mr. L. L. Beer, returned from his trip to the Old Country last evening.

Mr. George Tweedy is expected home this evening. He will bring a valuable stallion with him.

Mr. Lea B. Read, of the Merchants Bank of Halifax, has been promoted and transferred to the Moncton Agency.

Very Complimentary.

"Are you the gentleman who delivered the lecture last night?" asked a young gentleman of Eli Perkins on the Boston and Maine train.

"I am," said Mr. Perkins, with some pride.

"Well, I want to thank you for it. I don't know when I ever enjoyed myself more than when you were talking."

"You are very complimentary," said Eli, blushing to his ears—"very complimentary I am glad my humble effort was worthy of your praise," and the complimented humorist took the young man warmly by the hand.

"Yes," continued the young man, "it gave me immense pleasure. You see I am engaged to a Portsmouth girl, and her three sisters all went, and I had my girl in the parlor all to myself. O, it was a happy night!—the night you lectured in Portsmouth! When are you going to lecture there again?"

City Council.

THE regular monthly meeting of the City Council was held last evening. Councilor Davison was the only absentee.

Mayor Haviland said that he had invited the Health Officer to be present at this meeting in order that the Board might be informed as to the sanitary condition of the city.

SANITARY CONDITION OF THE CITY.

Dr. Johnson then submitted the following report:—

Since my last Report, dated Sept. 7, last, I have received physicians' notices of infectious diseases up to the date of Oct. 12 (last Saturday), notifying me of (5) cases of scarlet fever, and fifty-two (52) cases of typhoid fever—making in all between the dates of Aug. 9 and Oct. 12, thirty cases (30) of scarlet fever, and sixty-three (63) of typhoid fever. I have also received thirty-two (32) notices of the terminations of these cases which show, as to scarlet fever twenty-five (25) recoveries and two (2) deaths, and as to the typhoid cases, sixteen (16) recoveries and (3) deaths. I do not think that notices have been sent in of all the cases of typhoid fever which have existed, inasmuch as some physicians in active practice have as yet sent no returns. Judging, however, from the number of deaths which have occurred, and estimating the mortality from this disease to be ordinarily about 3 or 4 per cent., the three deaths reported would represent from 75 to 100 cases of the disease as having occurred in the city. At any rate the epidemic has hitherto proven itself to be of a mild type, and I am not sure that a considerable percentage of the cases reported as typhoid, should not be rather viewed as cases of miasmatic or malarial remittent fever. These autumnal remittents, which occur here as elsewhere in these latitudes, present many of the symptoms of typhoid, but usually run a milder and shorter course and are endemic and non-infectious. Comparing this with former years, I do not think that the number of deaths thus far points to any wider prevalence of the disease this autumn than has been experienced before. By referring to the mortality records of the four years immediately preceding this, I find the number of deaths from typhoid to be for 1885, 3; for 1886, 7; for 1887, 3; for 1888, 6; these deaths representing (according to the rule laid down for this year) for 1885, from 75 to 100 cases; for 1886, from 150 to 200 cases; for 1887, from 150 to 200 cases; and for 1888, from 150 to 200 cases. If the same system of notification were in operation then as now, probably it would be found that this calculation approaches correctness. Much benefit will, I hope, result from the present system of notification by awakening proper attention to the subject of infectious diseases as they prevail among us, and arousing the citizens to demand due investigation as to the causes of them, and the adoption of the best-known means of prevention.

As to the cause or causes of the present epidemic I think it is not easy, under existing circumstances, to arrive at any sufficiently clear and positive conclusion. The system of notification was not in operation early enough to indicate its starting place, and it is now so widespread throughout the city as to baffle any attempt to trace the disease to its starting point. In this connection it is worthy of note that the earliest and most numerous cases reported have occurred in a limited portion of that district of the city which lies north of Kingston and west of Great George streets. The table which I have prepared and now present, showing as it does the localities of streets and the number of cases in the several households in these streets, exhibits the fact, that of the 63 cases reported, 29, or nearly one-half have occurred in the district named. This fact at least seems to show that this low lying and ill-drained district affords conditions specially favorable to the spread of disease, and points very significantly to the general want of draining throughout the city, as exposing it to the invasion and havoc of those forms of Zymotic diseases such as the malarial and typhoid fevers, which now prevail, and which revel in wet and filthy places.

The report was ordered to lie on the table.

WATER COMMISSIONERS SALARIES.

His Honor the Recorder presented the following report, which was received and read:—

I am asked for an opinion under Section 43 of the Water Works Act, fixing the remuneration of the Water Commissioners. This section empowers the City Council to fix the salary of the Commissioners after the works "are finished," previous to which time the Statute specifies the amount of such salary. When the works are finished is a question of fact, not of law. Speaking generally, I should say that these works would be said to be completed or finished, under the section, when the various contracts entered into by the Commissioners were completed to the satisfaction of the engineer, and the work contracted for taken over by them. They, by the Statute, are not required to have any particular work finished by any given time; and I take it that their duties as constructing Commissioners—as compared with their duties as a controlling board, managing the running of these works—would end, after the completion, to their satisfaction, of all construction contracts, and their acceptance of the work done under such contracts. The reasonableness of the length of time taken to have such contracts finished is a question which must be left to the Commissioners themselves; and to their executors alone are they responsible for their conduct in this particular and, indeed, for the due and proper exercise of all or any of their duties. As the date for the completion of the water-works is important in another matter, viz: the settling of the proper time for raising a sinking fund to pay off the principal and interest of the debentures issued, I would advise that the exact position of affairs of the water-works be ascertained from the Commissioners before any action of the Council is taken fixing the date of such completion.

R. R. FITZGERALD, Acting Recorder.

THEY WANT A STOREROOM.

A letter was read from the Water Commissioners requesting that a storeroom for piping and other material used by them, be provided. Referred to Finance Committee.

ACCOMMODATION WANTED.

A letter was also read from Rollo Hoss Co., asking the Board to fit up a room on the lower flat of the city building for their accommodation. Referred to Finance Committee.

ANOTHER NUISANCE.

The letter of Mr. M. P. Hogan directing attention to a drain nuisance near his premises on Prince Street, was referred to the Street Committee.

POLICEMAN'S OVERCOATS.

The petition of the policeman asked that they be provided with overcoats, three of which having been supplied by the Board for

FALL AND WINTER GOODS.

PERKINS & STERNS.

WE have to announce a complete stock of New Goods for the Fall and Winter Trade.

The varied requirements of our numerous patrons from Town and Country are fully met in the splendid assortment of Woolen Dress Fabrics, Jackets, Mantles, Ulsters, Millinery, Knitted Wool Goods, Staple Dry Goods, Carpets, Oil Cloths, Gents' Furnishings, &c., &c. The whole now offered at prices calculated to maintain our reputation for supplying the best goods at moderate figures. We would remind those seeking a comparison in charges that the lowest-priced article is not always the cheapest, as heretofore our aim will be to have the article good and the price moderate.

In a few days we will open a big lot of Fancy Goods, which we will dispose of at exceptionally low prices.

You will save many a dollar by trading with

PERKINS & STERNS.

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nished them with the last. The overcoats were ordered to be provided.

MORE LIGHT WANTED.

The petition of certain residents of Ordebar Street asked that a light be placed at or near the hydrant on that street. Ordered to lie on the table.

THE COLORED BAND AGAIN.

A petition from the West End Colored Band asked that they be donated a small sum from the civic exchequer in order that they might be the better able to engage the services of an instructor. \$20 was voted.

TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION.

The building on King Street, formerly used as an engine room, was, on motion, ordered to be sold at auction.

After the transaction of some other business of minor importance the meeting adjourned.

MILLINERY.

MISS ANNIE SAUNDERS

Is now working at her Residence on

KENT STREET,

Nearly opposite Dr. Johnson's,

Where she is prepared to do MILLINERY WORK of all kinds.

Grape Work a Specialty.

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A LECTURE,

—ON—

"Missionary Work in Newfoundland and Labrador,"

WILL BE DELIVERED ON

THURSDAY EVENING, 17th INST.,

—IN—

St. Peter's Schoolroom,

—BY THE—

REV. FRED E. J. LLOYD,

Who labored in these Countries for some years.

Admission, 10 cents.

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SHE

(The Sensible Housewife)

Sent the Largest Number of Wrappers

—OF—

WOODILL'S

German Baking Powder,

AND WRITES:

WESTVILLE, Pictou Co., Sept. 5, 1889.

I have received through Mr. Balfour, Postmaster, the prize (\$5) offered for the largest number of Wrappers of Woodill's German Baking Powder, and thank you. I was not influenced by offer to use any extra quantity. Have used it for years, and can recommend it as a first-class Baking Powder.

(Signed) E. HALE.

\$10, \$5, \$3, offered until Dec. 31 to the three families in P. E. Island sending Wrappers representing the most value. Address,

W. M. D. PEARMAN, Halifax, N. S.

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ONIONS.

100 BARRELS RED ONIONS, in excellent order. CARVELL BROS. oct15-2w

Sydney Round Coal.

BY AUCTION, To-morrow, Wednesday, October 16th, at 11.30 a. m., at McMillan's Wharf:—

112 Tons Reserve Mines Round Coal, direct from Sydney, ex schr. "Cora Morrison," in lots to suit purchasers.

Terms as sale.

E. H. NORTON & CO., Auctioneers.

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Young Pigs For Sale.

THE subscriber has for sale Twenty Pigs about two months old, and Eighteen about five weeks old, Yorkshire and Berkshire breeds. A few of these Pigs will be offered for sale on Market Square on FRIDAY NEXT, 18th inst., and on subsequent market days.

BENJ. E. WRIGHT, East Royalty.

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AUCTION SALE

—OF—

Farm Stock and Implements.

I AM instructed by George J. Wright, Esq., to sell by Auction, on the premises, Norwood Farm, St. Peter's Road,

On Wednesday, 16th Inst.,

AT 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.,

All his FARM STOCK and IMPLEMENTS, consisting of

STOCK.—3 Working Horses, 1 Carriage Mare, in foal to All Right; 1 Filly, 24 years, by Hernando; 1 Gelding, 14 years, by Hernando; 10 Milch Cows, 5 Steers, 2 and 3 years old; 2 yearling Steers, 3 yearling Heifers, 5 Calves, 1 pure-bred Shropshire Ram, got first prize at Exhibition, 1889; 16 Shropshire Ewes, 10 Lambs, some prize winners, large lot Turkeys, Geese and Hens.

IMPLEMENTS.—2 Carts, 2 Wood Sleighs, 1 Driving Sleigh, 1 Double Wagon (overshield seat), 1 Express Wagon, 1 Mowing Machine (Pattersen), 1 Reaper (Cossitt), 1 Horse Rake, Turnip Drill, Plough, Iron Harrows, Scuffer, 2 Horse Hoes, 1 Hay Carrier, Fork and Rope, Cart and Driving Harness.

CROP.—About 50 tons Hay, 3 stacks Oats, lot Straw, 5 acres Turnips, lot Potatoes in cellar, and a lot of other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS.—All amounts over \$10, six months on approved joint note; under that amount, cash.

This sale is positive, as Mr. Wright has sold part of his property, and the remainder is about being disposed of.

GEO. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer.

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HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

BY AUCTION.

I AM instructed by W. H. Findley, Esq., to sell by Auction, at his residence, Sydney Street, on WEDNESDAY, 23rd inst., at 11 o'clock, a. m., all his Household Furniture, consisting of:—

PARLOR—1 Suite in plush and walnut (8 pieces), 1 Centre Table, marble top; 1 Card Table, mahogany; 1 walnut Music Stand, 1 Wharfedale Organ, 1 mahogany Table, 1 New Brussels Carpet, Rugs, Window Cornices, Lace Curtains, Pictures, Mantel Ornaments, 1 good Violin, etc.

DINING ROOM—1 Suite, walnut and hair cloth, 9 pieces; 1 walnut Extension Table, 1 walnut Sideboard, 1 Book Case, 1 very fine Organ, Brussels Carpet, Rugs, Window Cornices and Curtains, Pictures, Fire Irons, Crockery, Glassware, etc.

HALL—1 walnut Hat Stand, Hall Table, Chairs, Base Burner, Oil Cloth, Rugs, Star Carpet, etc.

BREAKFAST ROOM—1 oak Sideboard, 1 Extension Table and Chairs, Oil Cloth, Clock, Pictures, Galvanic Battery, Carpet sweeper, Anemoid Baromet r, etc.

KITCHEN—1 good Stove and Kitchen and Pantry Utensils, etc. Also, 1 good double-barrel Gun, Washing Machine, Wringer, Bath and Wash-Tubs, Scales, etc.

BEDROOMS—1 very fine walnut suite, marble tops, ash and painted Sets and Bedding, walnut Wardrobes, Tapestry and Wool Carpets, Window Cornices and Curtains, Mantle Ornaments, etc.

GEO. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer.

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Prime Labrador Herring.

A CONSIGNMENT of 50 Barrels of the above, expected by the "Princess Beatrice" from Halifax on Thursday next, will be sold low ex steamer in lots to suit purchasers. HORACE HAZARD, oct15-2w

E. W. TAYLOR STILL TO THE FRONT.

OUR SALES LAST WEEK were much larger than we anticipated, and we have got run out of some grades of Watch movements, but expect a large supply daily. Our customers are satisfied, and have not got to run around bothering other jewelers, to see if they paid too much for their goods, as our past business transactions have established confidence, for we do and have done just what we say.

GOLD WATCHES and DIAMOND RINGS, best value for your money: GOLD CHAINS, both Ladies' and Gents'; Gold Bracelets, Brooches, Sets, Earrings, Lockets, Charms, Stads, Scarf and Tie Pins (newest and most beautiful designs), Tea Sets (full size), Tete-a-tete Water Pitchers, Cruets, Butter Coolers, Cake Baskets, Waiters and Trays in round, square and oval shapes, Dessert Sets, Bisquit Jars, Pickles, and a host of other goods too numerous to mention.

If any of our customers require a FLY-BACK STOP WATCH, we have them in stock at from \$6 to \$20.

The better class of CHRONOGRAPHS made by the Waltham Watch Co., of which there are none better in the world, we can supply cheaper by not keeping them on hand, as we can sell on a small commission and there is no interest to pay. oct15

Winter Curtains.

Chenille Curtains, Tapestry Curtains, Alhambra Curtains.

100 Pairs New Winter Curtains—Special Value—now showing at Beer Bros.



MANTLE DEPARTMENT.

Our Stock of New Jackets, Ulsters, Jerseys, Redingotes, Dolmans and Wraps is the largest and most complete ever shown by us, comprising all the Novelties of the Season. Call early for first choice.

BEER BROS. Charlottetown, Oct. 14, 1889—4w

THE LYCEUM.

Second and Last Week

THE ALLEN GREAT AUCTION SALE.

WHILST thanking the Citizens of Charlottetown for the very liberal manner in which they have patronized our sales during the past week, we regret to say that we will be obliged to bring our Sale to a close this week. It is imperative, on account of engagements in other cities. We therefore suggest that those requiring our goods do not delay their purchases.

Sales will be held every day this week at 3 and 8 p. m.

Last week's sales speak for themselves, and the public cannot but be convinced that we represent goods just as they are, that we are selling them honestly for what they will bring, and that the stock is the largest, best assorted, and of the finest class ever brought to the Island.

Attend the Sales this week and profit by the opportunity now offered.

Respectfully,

C. & J. ALLEN.

Charlottetown, Oct. 14, 1889.

LONDON HOUSE.

EXHIBITION WEEK!

FALL STOCK NOW OPENING.

15 Cases London Goods

JUST RECEIVED—BALANCE EXPECTED DAILY.

Largest and Best Stock of Ready-made

Clothing Ever Shown.

HARRIS & STEWART.

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