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Last Quarter 7th day, 10h., 58.3m., p.m., N.

W. (below horizon.)

New Moon 14th day, 3h., 9.0m., p.m., West.

First Quarter 22nd day, 2h., 48.7m., a.m.,

N.W. (below horizon.)

Full Moon 30th day, 4h., 1.8m., a.m., S.W.

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Give us a call and see if we do not mean what we say.
Goods delivered to any part of the city.

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Dec. 2, 1887—tu th fri sat

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Parties anxious to inspect the Heating Process, as built by A. Hermans & Son, can do so by calling any day at the private residence of the firm, on Bayfield Street.

Boilers on hand. Coils, etc., manufactured on the premises as required.

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Charlottetown, November 30, 1887.—

THE PIRATE.

By Sir Walter Scott.

CHAPTER XXIII.

(Continued)

As Brenda lay bewildered among the sorrowful thoughts which supplied these tears, she was surprised to distinguish, beneath the window, the sounds of music. At first she supposed it was some freak of Claud Halcro, whose fantastic humor sometimes indulged itself in such serenades. But it was not the *que* of the old minstrel, but the guitar, that she heard; an instrument which none in the island knew how to touch except Cleveland, who had learned, in his intercourse with the South American Spaniards, to play on it with superior execution. Perhaps it was in these climates also that he had learned the song, which, though he now sang it under the window of a maiden of Thule, had certainly never been composed for the native of a climate so northerly and so severe, since it spoke of productions of the earth and skies which are there unknown.

"Love wakes and weeps.

While Beauty sleeps.

O for Music's sweetest numbers.

To prompt a theme.

For Beauty's dream.

Soft as the pillow of her slumbers!

II.

"Through groves of palm

Sighs of pain

Fire-flies on the air are wheeling;

While through the gloom

Comes sweet perfume,

The distant beds of flowers revealing.

III.

"O wake and live.

No dream can give

A shadow's bliss, the real exceeding;

No longer sleep,

From lullaby peep.

And list the tale that Love is telling!"

The voice of Cleveland was deep, rich and manly, and accorded well with the Spanish air, to which the words, probably a translation from the same language, had been adapted. His invocation would not probably have been fruitless, could Minna have arisen without awakening her sister. But that was impossible; for Brenda, who, as we have already mentioned, had wept bitterly before she had sunk into repose, now lay with her face on her sister's neck, and one arm stretched around her, in the attitude of a child which has cried itself asleep in the arms of its nurse. It was impossible for Minna to extricate herself from her grasp without awakening her; and she could not, therefore, execute her hasty purpose of opening her gown and approaching the window to speak with Cleveland, who, she had no doubt, had resorted to this contrivance to procure an interview. The restraint was sufficiently provoking, for it was more than probable that her lover came to take his last farewell; but that Brenda, inimical as she seemed to be of late towards Cleveland, should awake and witness it, was a thought not to be endured.

There was a short pause, in which Minna endeavored more than once, with as much gentleness as possible to unclasp Brenda's arm from her neck; but whenever she attempted it, the slumberer muttered some little pettish sound, like a child disturbed in its sleep, which sufficiently shewed that perseverance in the attempt would awaken her fully.

To her great vexation, therefore, Minna was compelled to remain still and silent; when her lover, as if determined upon gaining her ear by music of another strain, sung the following fragment of a sea-ditty:—

"Farwell! Farwell! the voice you hear.

Has left its last soft tone with you.—

Its note must join the seaward cheer.

And shout among the shouting crew.

"The accents which I scarce could form

Beneath your frown's controlling check.

Must give the word, above the storm,

To cut the mast, and clear the wreck.

"The timid eyes I dared not raise,—

The hand that shook when pressed to thine.

Must point the guns upon the chase.

Must bid the deadly cutlass shine.

"To all I love, or hope or fear,—

Honor, or own, a long adieu!

To all that life has soft and dear,

Farwell! save memory of you!"

He was again silent; and again she, to whom the serenade was addressed, strove in vain to arise without rousing her sister. It was impossible; and she had nothing before her but the unhappy thought that Cleveland was taking leave in his desolation, without a single glance, or a single word. He, too, whose temper was so fiery, yet who subjected his violent mood with such sedulous attention to her will,—could she but have stolen a moment to say adieu—to caution him against new quarrels with Mertoun—to implore him to detach himself from such comrades as he had described—could she but have done this, who could say what effect such parting admonitions might have had upon his character,—nay upon the future events of his life?

(To be continued.)

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THE OLD BOOT & SHOE FACTORY is now opened as a Hardware Store by Norton & Fennell, with a stock of goods suitable for the holiday season. dec 21 31

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The Potato Argument.

DISCUSSED BY A FARMER—WHO PAYS THE DUTY?

The discussion at the Charlottetown Board of Trade of the question of Commercial Union has drawn attention to the subject, and many conflicting opinions have been formed with respect to the advisability of such a movement. The arguments submitted in favor of the abolition of all custom duties between the United States and Canada, on their face appear to be well founded, but those who oppose the project have put forward equally strong reasons why Commercial Union would have a prejudicial effect on the future of the Dominion.

The fact that the advocates of Commercial Union have confined their argument to a provincial standpoint does not look well. Even if Commercial Union would be so beneficial to this Island, as some gentlemen contend, if it would not also be beneficial to the whole of Canada, what chance would there be of its being adopted? One of the principal reasons advanced in favor of Commercial Union, is the increased price farmers would obtain for their potatoes, if the duty were taken off. This view is most frequently advanced as a reason why we should be willing to accept any movement, even although our very existence as an independent country should be sacrificed in order to obtain it. Let us see if the duty on potatoes is paid by the farmers of this Island every year. Last year the price of potatoes at the principal shipping places on the Island was 17 cents. The price obtained in Boston was about 40 cents.

Now, the freight paid last year was about 14 cents per bushel, for insurance and commission say 5 cents, which with freight and first cost will amount to 36 cents. So that the farmers of this Island only lost four cents per bushel on account of the duty. It may be said that the shippers lost the difference. That is true, but the farmers did not have to pay it. This year the shippers have the advantage, while farmers only receive about 22 cents per bushel, the shippers are getting from 65 to 70 cents for them in Boston. If we add up the cost freight and insurance on potatoes this year we will find it to be as follows: Price paid farmers 22 cents, freight 15 cents, insurance and commission 5 cents, making 42 cents. If the duty was the only reason why potatoes are sold here at low prices, why is it that farmers got 11 cents a bushel too much last fall and 8 to 10 cents too little this year? The fact is that the duty does not always affect the price paid the farmers by its amount.

There are a great many other things that affect the prices. Even if the duty had been taken off and other things were the same, it is very doubtful if potatoes would have realized any more for the farmers this fall. Scarcity of vessels is the reason given for the low price paid farmers, and even if no duty had to be paid it is doubtful if any more vessels would be obtainable. There is another reason why the abolition of the duty on potatoes would not mean 13 cents (as Mr. George McLeod says) increased price for the farmers of this Island. If you take the prices of potatoes in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, at the railroad stations, you will find, in many years, they are only from 20 to 25 cents per bushel in the fall of the year. Now, if it is the duty of 15 cents per bushel that causes our farmers to receive low prices, why is it that the farmers of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont do not receive from 35 to 40 cents per bushel every year? If you look in the reports of the *New England Homestead*, a newspaper published at Springfield, Mass., from the different townships of these States, you will be surprised to learn that the price American farmers receive in ordinary fair crop years is very little better than paid on this Island. For this reason I hold that in about 3 out of 5 years the abolition of the duty on potatoes would not increase the price obtained by our farmers over 4 or 5 cents per bushel, and in some of those years not even that. I do not advance these views because I would not like to see the duty taken off potatoes, but simply to show that it would be very foolish for us to sacrifice any important principles or give up any material advantages in order to obtain the remission of the duty on potatoes. When potatoes in the States are only a medium crop, the duty is then paid by shippers who send to that market; but when they are scarce, like this year, the American consumer pays the duty in the increased price.

FARMER.

Local Notices.

PERFUMES for the million—all the favorite makers.—Reddin's Drug Store.

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