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The coal discovered near the Annagone Station (European and North American Railway), has been pronounced "a good house coal" by those who have examined it.

DEPLORABLE CONDITION OF THE NEGROES.—A letter from Cairo says:—At Island Number 7 there are about eight hundred contrabands who were sent there last Summer to be educated to the level of white people.

A Desperado.—At a small village of Laucha, in the Tyrol, a few days since, a man and his wife quarrelled and fought, and on a neighbour rushing to the assistance of the woman he was shot dead by the husband.

The London Review says that there is nothing in the "Arabian Nights" more surprising than the value of land in the great centres of commerce of England.

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AN ITEM WHICH EVERY MAN SHOULD READ.—We have, probably, all of us not without instances in which a word heedlessly spoken against the reputation of a female has been magnified by malicious minds until the cloud has been cast over the whole existence.

### REVIEW OF THE SITUATION IN THE SOUTHERN CONFEDERACY.

The proclamation of Jefferson Davis, the energetic measures of the Southern Congress, and the activity in all the Confederate armies, show that the Spring campaign will be the most important of the war. A sweeping conscription has already commenced in South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi, and will soon be enforced in North Carolina.

It is expected that very considerably over one hundred thousand new recruits will be added to the Southern armies, by the energetic measures of the War Department.

Two very important measures, just passed by Congress, afford evidence of the spirit that animates the Southern Government.

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### A TOUCHING LETTER.

We translate from L'Eco d'Italia the letter addressed by some Italian to the Emperor, written by his wife, immediately before his death, by Colonel Stanislao Bechi, a Florentine in the Polish National army.

"MY POOR CHILDREN!—When you receive this letter my unhappy lot will have ceased to live, for he will have been shot by the Russians. I bless you, together with my dear children. Death inspires me with no fear. I weep only that I die in a foreign land, far from those I love, and unable to embrace them for the last time.

PRIDE REBUKED.—Those very stiff-necked swells, the Austrian nobility, (says the Illustrated Times), have recently received a heavy rap upon their noble knuckles from no less a personage than the Emperor Francis Joseph.

A Paris correspondent of the Chicago Times says that there is in that city at this time a young girl, who is being married, who is destined by an extraordinary fate, to go through the world without being married.

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#### TO THE TENANTRY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

FELLOW COLONISTS.—The Government and the Delegates having completely failed in all their attempts at settling the Land Question, and seeing that the papers in their interest and under their control are employed in making excuses for them—I think we should enquire how far their proceedings have been characterised by earnestness and honest intentions.

To be very plain, I do not hesitate to say that the question appears to me to be further removed from settlement than it was five years ago, and that, in proportion to the influence which the proprietors have gained through the policy of the Government, the chances of abolishing the leasehold tenure have been lessened.

I observe, also, an insinuation in the *Islander*, evidently from the pen of the Colonial Secretary, that the Liberals are instigating the tenantry to form themselves into leagues for the purpose of resisting the payment of rents.

It was under these circumstances that I was induced to give up the mode of proceeding which I had adopted, and to adopt the policy then laid down by Mr. Coles, their leader, who, from that time, they recognised as such, and had adhered faithfully to his proposals.

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#### TO THE EDITOR OF THE EXAMINER.

SIR.—The thorough hollow-heartedness and harden'd deceptions of the Tory party to the interests of the tenantry and the Colony generally are now like the morning light on creation shedding its rays on the misty minds of their supporters.

The advantages of Responsible Government were won for the Colony by the sturdy leaders of the Liberal party. It placed in the hands of the people the power which would, before this time, have remained in the hands of the proprietors.

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The Proprietors were bitterly opposed to the confirmation of the Award, I presume now will now be confirmed, and in full operation before long.

That you, Sir, gave it your most determined opposition in the Legislature and out, and thereupon took sides with the Proprietors against the tenants, and against members of the House as well as the Conservative members of the Assembly, is now matter of history.

Should you, at the coming meeting of the Legislature, propose some feasible measure calculated to counteract the views of the Tenantry, than anything that shall be brought forward by the Government; and at the same time show good reasons for believing that if adopted by the Legislature it will receive the sanction of Her Majesty, I will be glad to support you.

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It is proper, then, that Prince Edward Island should, in some suitable way, do honor to the memory of Shakspeare. The only thing of which this Colony can boast is its high and noble efforts to promote education among its classes. These efforts, some day will make this Colony distinguished in the world. Let no one sneer at this: our District schools are sending out intelligent youths, and who will deny that they are not sending out a poet, a philosopher, an orator, a statesman, or a hero that will make the Island famous amongst the sons of men? We cannot celebrate the Tri-centenary of Shakspeare so grandly as would, while honoring the Bard of Avon, redound to our ourselves. It would make many enquire about the man, and induce them to peruse and study his writings, and it has been truly said that a knowledge of the works of Shakspeare comprises a fair education. The celebration of the event would give an impetus to the spread amongst us for the love of literature.

The above reasons and others which I might enumerate, I think the Government should take the management of the Shaksperian Celebration in this Colony, so that the affair may be as public as possible, and more especially as it is probable that there are not a sufficient number of Shakspearean admirers in this place to carry the thing properly if left to do so from their private means. If the Government take the subject up, we might celebrate the day by—

1. A Public Holiday.
2. A Public Breakfast or Dinner in the Colonial Building.
3. A Grand Concert of the Songs of Shakspeare.
4. A general illumination in the City.

Hoping that our Government will take this matter up, and that they will not allow the burden of celebrating the Shaksperian Tri-centenary to fall upon private individuals, I remain, with you, an admirer of the gentle Bard of Avon.

Ch. Town, Feb. 29th, 1864. ROMEO.

THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATION WAS INTENDED FOR insertion in last week's paper, but came too late for that No.:

DEAR MR. EXAMINER:—As I know the *Pope* reads your "Bell's" and I know that you only say "Bell's" like you to tell him that when old Charles crossed the ferry yesterday, he brought last week's number of the *Islander* newspaper from your *terra incognita* of an island; he meant it for ballast, but it was even heavier than he expected, and nearly swamped him in the Styx. For want of better employment at the moment, I read the ponderous editorial in the *Islander* of course, into Downy Street. I cannot think what the *Islander* means about that lady he speaks of as Mrs. Cumano; I never knew any one of that name, unless it be a very uncouth, red, Scotch goblin, wandering about here, called "Coomy." I have taken the trouble to ask my ancient friend *Mythra* if she thinks he could possibly have meant her; but she answers me that "no man would ever be such an ass as to attempt to write before he had first learned to spell."

Yours, &c.  
TARQUINIUS SUPERBIUS.

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