

WHAT THE THUMB DOES.—A writer suggests in the following paragraphs a convincing argument for the existence of a wise and skillful, a far-seeing and all-powerful Designer:

Have you noticed that when you want to take hold of anything, a bit of bread, we will say, that it is always the thumb who puts himself forward, that he is always on one side by himself, while the rest of the fingers are on the other?

If the thumb is not helping, nothing stops in your hand, and you don't know what to do with it. Try, by way of experiment, to carry your spoon to your mouth without putting your thumb to it, and you will see what a long time it will take you to get through a poor little plateful of broth.

The thumb is placed in such a manner on your hand that it can face each of the other fingers, one after the other, or altogether, as you please; and by this he is enabled to grasp, as if with a pair of pincers, all objects, whether large or small.

Our hands owe their perfection, of usefulness in this happy arrangement, which has been bestowed upon no other animal except the monkey, our nearest neighbor.

A horrible and mysterious murder was committed on Wednesday night last in Jersey City. The victim was a police constable named Smith, and what makes the crime more extraordinary is that he was, at the time, lying in the same bed with his wife who was wholly unhurt. She alleges that chloroform must have been administered to her and that she never woke although the body of the unfortunate man disclosed the fact that no common strength and violence must have been exerted in the committal of the deed. She is not suspected of the actual crime, but certain passages in her recent career make it unhappily possible that she may have been, consciously or otherwise, concerned in it.

Baron Baude, the late French Ambassador to the Pontifical Court, has finally left Rome, his conduct during the Conclave, and after the election of Leo XIII., having made him many enemies. He opposed jealously Cardinal Franchi's appointment to the office of Secretary of State, opposed the exhibition of the late Pope's remains at St. Peter's, and opposed Leo XIII.'s giving the apostolic benediction there at Easter, giving as a reason some sensational facts about the Liberals making a display of tricolours, for which he was indebted to his imagination, as was subsequently discovered.

Michael Reese, the news of whose death at Wallenstein, Germany, was received at San Francisco on Saturday, leaves an estate approximated at \$10,000,000 or more. With the exception of Senator Sharon, he was the largest real estate owner in that city. Some years ago he made a will leaving the bulk of his estate to benevolent institutions.

Queen Christina of Spain has arrived at Havre in hopes of benefitting by the sea air, though her physicians wished her to remain in Paris. She passed a bad night in consequence of the journey.

## POSTPONED!

THE GRAND LOTTERY of a MASON & HAMLIN ORGAN, advertised to take place on the 27th inst., is postponed till the 28th September.

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Ch'town, July 26—31 law

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July 17, 1878—3w

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May 18—2aw



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Physicians in all ages have thoroughly tested and well know the effect of Capsicum; and it has always been more or less used as a medical agent for an outward application; but it is only of very recent date that its advantages in a porous plaster have been discovered. Being, however, convinced of the wonderful cures effected by DR. MELVIN'S CAPSICUM POROUS PLASTERS, and their superiority over all other plasters, they now actually prescribe them, in their practice, for such diseases as rheumatism, pain in the side and back, and all such cases as have required the use of plasters or liniment. After you have tried other plasters and liniments, and they have failed, and you want a certain cure, ask your druggist for DR. MELVIN'S CAPSICUM POROUS PLASTER. You can hardly believe your own convictions of its wonderful effects. Although powerful and quick in its action, you can rely on its safety for the most delicate person to wear, as it is free from lead and other poisonous material commonly used in the manufacture of ordinary plasters. One trial is a sufficient guarantee of its merits, and one plaster will sell hundreds to your friends.

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Returning from Orwell to Charlottetown same evening, arriving at Charlottetown about 8.30 o'clock.

Leave Charlottetown for Mount Stewart every WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY mornings, at 4 o'clock.

Leaving Mount Stewart for Charlottetown at 7 o'clock.

Leaving Charlottetown for Mount Stewart same evenings, at from 2 to 3 o'clock, according to tide.

Return to Charlottetown same evenings. Leave Charlottetown for Crapaud every SATURDAY, weather and tide permitting, and every alternate Saturday will make a return trip.

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Ch'town, P. E. Island, April 25, 1878.

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July 3, 1878—

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June 21, 1878—3m

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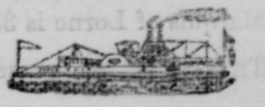
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June 6, 1878—

Prince Edward Island



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Leave Charlottetown for Pictou every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & SATURDAY mornings at 5 o'clock, connecting there at 10 a. m. with train for Halifax. Fare to Halifax, \$4.10. Picnic Parties of twenty or upwards can obtain Return Tickets at Charlottetown Office to Pictou and back same day, for \$1 each.

Returning to Charlottetown.

Leave Pictou every TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, about 2 p. m., on arrival of morning train from Halifax.

CAPE BRETON.

Leave Pictou for Hawkesbury every MONDAY and THURSDAY, on arrival of morning train from Halifax, connecting both ways with Stage and Steamer "Neptune," to and from Sydney and Bras d'Or Lake.

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