

The Reformation of our Youth.

A VERY large proportion of boys and young men appear among the criminals brought before our courts. This sad and notable fact should be dealt with; for if a considerable number of the youth grow up vicious, the future of the town must, inevitably be marked with the black mark of disorder and crime. It need not be said that the prevention of crime is infinitely easier and better than its cure, and far cheaper, and more satisfactory than its punishment. The majority of those who are punished by being sent to jail, are thereby only educated in the arts of crime, and initiated in the ways of eluding the grasp of the law. It certainly is most important that, instead of this, reformation should, if possible, go hand in hand with punishment. Nothing should, of course, be done by the community which would interfere with the right of the parent to correct his child, or to lessen his responsibility for the moral training of his child, or which would give him an excuse for shirking his duty in this regard. But after a youth has been found guilty of a crime, and it appears that he or she is on the downward way, and it is evident that the parents do not do their duty,—then, we think, the community should, in its own interest, step in, take charge of the youth and endeavor to have the means; and the means are a reformatory—with a suitable manager, suitable buildings, utensils and a piece of land. We cannot help thinking that in view of the record of youthful crime, which is day by day being enlarged, the sooner we, as a community, set about procuring these means the better for our present relief and our future happiness.

Potato Starch.

As the season for starch making is nearly closed in the Aroostook district, an estimate has been formed of the results, which places the total expenditure at about \$900,000, of which five-ninths, or \$500,000, was paid out directly to the farmers for potatoes, while the balance represents charges for freight, barrels, labor, profits, &c. At the price at which the starch is sold in Boston—\$90 per ton of 2000 lbs., this would represent the manufacture of 10,000 tons. The proprietor of one starch factory made his contracts for potatoes early last spring at 25 cents per bushel; but after taking all he had contracted for, would not pay more than 15 cents per bushel for any offering.

Now, here is an industry specially suited to this Island and one in which our farmers are particularly interested. To our view, the best method of going into this business would be for the farmers to form Joint-Stock Companies for the erection of buildings, etc., for the purpose, locating them in the centre of potato districts, so as to ensure short hauls. They need to be placed over a stream of pure running water, of which, fortunately, there is no lack here. The greatest expense is for the building and tanks, and a capital of from \$3,000 to \$4,000 is said to be ample for a commencement. Skilled labor is not required to any great extent.

By our farmers, being the owners of the factories, they can, in the years that the United States markets are favorable for shipping, close down the factories or use up only the smaller potatoes not fit for shipment, while in the seasons when potatoes are a drug in the market, they can convert them into starch at as good a price at their doors as they could obtain when hauled miles to a sea-port.

Any additional information we can gain on this subject we shall place before our readers, and meanwhile we would urge upon our agricultural friends a systematic investigation of the subject during the winter.

Hon. S. L. Tilley's Visit to Fred ericton.

An enthusiastic meeting has been held at Fredericton and a committee appointed to prepare an address of welcome to the Finance Minister who will in a few days visit that city. Persons of all parties and classes join in the tribute. Sir Leonard is evidently as popular in his own Province as he is throughout the Dominion—and it is safe to say that no man in Canada stands higher in the estimation of the people at large than he.

School Savings Bank.

SCHOOL SAVINGS BANKS have existed in France since 1832, and now there are about 200,000 pupil depositors in the country. Would not a similar institution be a valuable auxiliary to our Island schools? Habits of economy are too often neglected, and our young people allowed to grow up spend-thrifts.

Produce for England.

THE steamship *Prince Edward*, Captain Robert Fraser, with cargo of produce shipped by Peake Bros. & Co., and others, sailed from here on the 8th inst., for Liverpool, G. B., direct. The following is a list of the shippers: Charles J. Haszard—410 boxes potatoes, 255 bags barley. Alex Smith—100 boxes potatoes. Horne, Pierce & Co.—295 bbls potatoes. Henry Bear—125 bbls and 10 boxes potatoes. George Howatt—200 tubs butter. Robert Bell—200 boxes preserved meats and 1 bbl tallow. Island Packing Co.—75 boxes preserved meats, and 75 do preserved geese. Forsyth, Hart & Co.—1716 bbls potatoes, 1009 boxes do, 220 tubs butter, 4091 bushels oats, 9 boxes poultry and 207 sheep. Daniel Davies—4730 bushels oats, 50 sacks barley, 55 cases preserved lobsters, and 36 cases meats. Fenton T. Newbery & Co.—52 tubs butter and 35 bbls potatoes. L. C. Owen—73 bags white oats. Geo. Davies & Co.—4 bbls and 2 boxes sundries. John H. Gates—2 bbls potatoes, Peake Bros. & Co.—44,284 bushels oats, 9000 feet deals and 23 packages sundries. Total value of cargo, \$30,000.

Stipendiary Magistrate's Court.

ALEXANDER CARPENTER, a stalwart Hot-tent who frequents the West End, appeared at the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court this morning, charged by Mrs. Keziah Brown with assaulting and threatening to do bodily injury to her. Mrs. Keziah put the case in a nutshell. She said: Yer honoh, dat Sanny Kapenter kom to de place where I was wis Saah Ann Boirs, at de Wes' end, 'bout 9 o'clock Saterdee ni'; broke in de dooh ob de hous'; den broke de krook'ry-war an' de table; and, yer honoh, woa den dat,—he struck de deah 'ittle babie, 'bout five mon's ole, with kurlie 'ed and face blak as koal, in his 'tempt to strike Saah Ann Boirs. Sanny, den, yer honoh, took out a jack-knif, yes, a *jack-kif*, yer honoh, and swoo' he'd do a *trebble* deed yes, *trebble* deed yer honoh. \* \* \* Deed yer honoh. Benny Boirs den kem a' struck pooh Sarah Ann in de face wis 'is fist. Sanny wasn't drunk 'tall yer honoh." Alexander then brought forth strong rebutting evidence to the effect that he was on the pond when he heard cries of "murder, murder," in the house. He and a number of others ran up and broke in the door. When he entered, Aunt Keziah threw a lighted lamp at him, along with a volley of blasphemies. Sandy proved that the women were drunk and that it was Benny Boirs who was in the house beating them when the cry of murder was heard. Joseph Gillis appeared for assaulting Wellington Craswell. The complainant stated that at one o'clock on Saturday morning Gillis entered his room and there assaulted and beat him while he lay in his bed and threatened him with a further assault if he cried for help. The charge was proven and Gillis was fined \$4 and costs. Abraham White was fined \$3 and costs or 14 days for permitting a nuisance to exist on his premises. John McNeill and William Nicholson were each fined \$1 and costs for being drunk and incapable.

The Peace River Country.

The accounts from this region of the Farther North West are of the most satisfactory character. The country is found to exceed in fertility and beauty even the most favorable descriptions heretofore given of it. We find the following in the Victoria (British Columbia) *Standard*: "The Cambie party of the Canada Pacific Railway Survey, which left this city early in the summer for Skeena river, passed up by the Babine Lake, down the Peace River to Lesser Slave Lake, and returned to the Province south of Peace River, by the Pine Pass. A thorough exploration of the Peace River country was made by Mr. Cambie and his party, who divided into several corps, and having a plentiful supply of horses, their explorations covered a vast extent of territory. A distance of 300 miles east to west, and 200 from north to south was thoroughly examined and found to surpass the most glowing descriptions which have yet been published of this fertile and beautiful region of the Dominion of Canada. The parties could travel one hundred miles at a stretch without seeing a hill or even a stone. It is all of the finest undulating prairie, covered with a luxuriant growth of grasses and wild flowers, interspersed with clumps of timber and giving the whole a park-like character. Mr. Cambie never saw anything to equal it on the American continent. He brought with him from this Peace River district wheat, oats, and barley of the finest description. The grain ripens in the early part of August, and the crops are really astonishing. South of Peace River, between Smoky and Pine rivers, is also an extremely fine prairie country, without an eminence larger than Cedar Hill, for a hundred miles or so. Mr. Cambie estimates that there is an extent at least 100 miles square of this delightful section situated within the British Columbian boundary. In this section alone of this Province the acreage is equal to that under crop in the whole Province of Ontario, according to the last published census."

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

ROCKLIN HOUSE. Dec. 8.—J G Sterns, Souris; Capt. Anderson do; Wm. Hooper, M. P. P., St. Peters; D Cameron, M. P. P., Springton; Duncan Patterson, West River; D Hyde do; R B. Stewart, Strathgarny; Lemuel Clow, New Wiltshire; James McLeod, Cavendish; Jas. Stephenson, Fredericton.

An appeal from Cardinal Manning for subscriptions to alleviate the distress in Ireland, was read in all the Catholic Churches in London on Sunday.

Heirs to \$200,000,000.

CLAIMANTS IN CANADA TO PROPERTY IN PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK, AND ELSEWHERE.

The Robinsons, of Ottawa, and other heirs of Hannah and Betsy Baker, claim 1,500 acres of land, on which a part of the city of Philadelphia is built, 11 square miles of land on the banks of the Hudson River, a large tract of coal lands in Pennsylvania, and scattered properties in New York and elsewhere. The Canadian heirs value the whole estate, including the Philadelphia property, at \$200,000,000. According to the Canadian story three generations ago the two married daughters of Col. Wm. Baker settled near Ottawa, and in 1801, inherited the property of their father, to whom his two brothers had bequeathed their estates. The delay in claiming the estates due to the ignorance of the daughters of their father's death at the time of its occurrence, and their children's ignorance that such an estate awaited them. There are thirty claimants in Canada and northern New York. There are fifty-seven other heirs at Brookville, Ohio. These make out that Colonel Jacob Baker died intestate at the residence of his brother in Canada, leaving in possession of relatives his discharge from the army, uniform, cocked hat, and sword, all of which are still in their possession, though the Canadians declare that they know nothing about them, and that the Colonel did not die there, nor did his brother ever go there. There were several brothers, according to the Ohio heirs.

London *Mayfair*: "There is a strange story going round that a Russian peasant, who formed one of a party of pilgrims to the Holy City the other day, begged during her sojourn in Rome for an audience with the Pope, alleging as an excuse that she had a weighty secret to impart. His Holiness, acting under advice, declined the proffered honor. The peasant, however, before leaving, confided to one of the priests of the Vatican that she was bidden by her mother on her death bed to acquaint the Pope that a huge treasure (some 6,000,000 gold rubles) had been hidden in the city of Moscow by Napoleon I. during his stay there in 1812, and that the whereabouts of this treasure was known only to the pilgrim. What truth there is in the statement remains yet to be seen, but report says that the Holy Father is much exercised in mind."

LAST Friday morning Mr. E. K. Rees, a sheep exporter in the township of Kingston, Que., found 42 of his sheep killed and 27 so worried by dogs that they had to be killed.

Sugar & Molasses.

IN STORE AND TO ARRIVE:  
12 hds. PORTO RICO }  
8 " CHOICE BARBADOES } SUGAR  
20 bbls. GRANULATED }  
15 " CONFECTIONER'S A. }  
10 " BRIGHT REFINED }  
103 puns. } Choice Bar- }  
33 tierces } badoes and } MOLASSES.  
18 barrels } Trinidad }

FENTON T. NEWBERY & CO.  
Dec. 9, 1879—6i pat 3i her 2i s jour 2i

Diocesan Church Society.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Society, will be held in St. Paul's School-room, on WEDNESDAY, next, the 10th inst., at 7 1/2 o'clock.

D. FITZGERALD, Sec'y.  
Ch'town, Dec. 6, 1879.

FLOUR & CORNMEAL.

RECEIVED THIS FALL:  
20 bbs. BUDA,  
200 " OCCIDENTAL,  
200 " MAZEPPA,  
100 " CAMPBELLFORD,  
50 " ALABASTER,  
50 " WARCUP'S SUPERIOR,  
and other choice brands.  
200 bbls. CORNMEAL.

BEER & GOFF.  
Dec. 6, 1879.

Tea and Entertainment

—IN THE—  
B. C. Church, Prince St.,  
—ON—  
10th of December  
A Musical & Literary Entertainment  
Will be given by the Choir, assisted by several ladies and gentlemen.  
Ten on the tables at 5 o'clock; Entertainment at 8.  
Tickets, 35 cents; Entertainment alone, 15 cents.  
Ch'town, Nov. 22, 1879—5i 2aw

Union Bank of P. E. Island.

DIVIDEND NO. 31.  
NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of five per cent. for the past half year, has been declared on the capital stock of this Bank, payable at its Head Office and Branches on and after this date.  
GEO. MACLEOD,  
Cashier.  
Ch'town, Dec. 1st, 1879—1w d3

BUY THE DAILY EXAMINER, for the latest news—local and telegraphic

PERKINS & STERNS

Invite the attention of buyers to their large, well assorted, and

CHEAP STOCK,

of the following goods:

- MANTLE CLOTHS,
- ULSTER CLOTHS,
- TWEED SUITINGS,
- WORSTED COATINGS,
- WHITE FLANNELS,
- SCARLET FLANNELS
- SHIRTING FLANNELS,
- FRENCH TWILL FLANNELS.

DRESS GOODS.

A large variety of the Newest Materials, and Trimmings to suit.

Winceys,

of the best value.

FUR MUFFS,

COLLARS & TIES,

in Seal, Mink, Astrachan, &c.,

GREBE MUFFS,

AND

Grebe Trimmings.

KNIT WOOL GOODS,

of every describing from a 5c. pair Bootees to a "PEG WOFFINGTON" combination Scarf & Hood.

Black Silk Fringes,

a very large variety good & cheap

All of the above extra good value.

Perkins & Sterns.

Ch'town, Nov. 4, 1879.

Positive & Unreserved Sale —OF— REAL ESTATE,

BY AUCTION, WILL BE SOLD, without reserve, on the premises, on Wednesday, 10th day of Dec.,

next, at the hour of 11 o'clock, in the forenoon,

"THE OSBORNE HOUSE," with Out-Houses, Stables, etc., attached, situated on Water Street, opposite the Merchant's Bank of P. E. Island, and extending through to King Street, lately occupied by James Davis, deceased, as a Hotel.

This Valuable Property is so well known that further description is unnecessary.

Also, a BUILDING LOT, situated on Water Street, between the Osborne House and Warehouse of Mr. Martin Hogan.

Also, a TENEMENT COTTAGE, situated on the corner of Hillsborough and Fitzroy Streets, now in occupation of Mr. W. Sheppard and George Squires.

Terms at Sale. B. WILSON HIGGS, ALEX. MCKENZIE, Executors of late James Davis, Ch'town P. E. I., Nov. 17, 1879.—2aw ts

NOTICE.

WE have on hand some lots of Fancy Goods, Silks, Ribbons and small wares, which we are offering to country traders and others in exchange for country Socks, Mitts, Homespun, &c. By calling early an advantageous exchange may be secured.

F. LEPAGE & CO. Glasgow House, Queen Street, Dec. 6, 1879—2w 2aw

CONCERT!

THE QUINTETTE CLUB of Charlottetown, lately known as the "Orchestral Club," will give their opening Concert of the season in ST. PAUL'S SCHOOLROOM, on

Thursday ev'ng, 11th inst., at eight o'clock.

Tickets 25 cents each; to be had at Dr. Dodd's, Apothecaries Hall, and Bremner Bros.

S. N. EARLE, Director. Dec. 5, 1879.—4i

OPENED THIS DAY,

Fancy Wool Breakfast Shawls, Plain do do do, Colored Wool Squares,

NEW FEATHERS, NEW HATS, NEW FRILLINGS, PLAIN & FANCY VELVETEENS. BEER & SONS.

Dec. 3, 1879.

Acme Skates.

ONE CASE this day received.

BEER & SONS.

Dec. 3, 1879.

CHOICE LABRADOR HERRING.

25 bbls. No 1 LABRADOR, 25 " HALIFAX SHOPE, Just received at the

FISH MARKET, Grafton Street

Dec. 1, 1879—

BRICKS. BRICKS.

BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS take notice that the Charlottetown Brick Company will be prepared to deliver in JUNE and JULY next at their yard in the Royalty, and in Charlottetown, any number of Bricks up to ONE MILLION, at prices lower than ever before placed in this market. Reserve your orders.

FRED. W. HYNDMAN, Agent. Ch'town, Dec. 1, 1879—pat 2w

Bones. Bones.

THE undersigned will pay fifty cents Cash per cwt. for all bones delivered at the Bone Mill, in the Royalty. No quantity less than one cwt. (112 lbs) taken.

FRED. W. HYNDMAN, Agent. Ch'town, Dec. 1, 1879—pat 2w

COAL. COAL.

ON HAND, (in Shed),

100 TONS BEST SCOTCH HOUSE COAL, (Warranted.)

Also—A large quantity of Picton Round and Nut Coal. Terms Cash. CAPT. JOHN HUGHES, Water Street. Nov. 26, 1879.