Selected Poetry.

THISBE.

She lives in the smoky city,
Low down by the railway line;
She asks for no man's pity,
Nor cares for verse of mine.

She's moving hither and thither,
And often her work is hard;
But sometimes in fine weather
She rests a bit in the yard.

With the empty pail behind her,
She leans her arms on the wall,
And hopes that there he'll find her,
Her lover, strong and tall.

Up in the air above her,
The great trains outward go;
And many a lass and her lover
May journey to Jericho.

But when he stoops from his doorway,
And leans his arms on the wall,
The world would be in a poor way
If that were not best of all.

Household Hints.

Test of Bad Meat.—People in a city are in constant danger of buying unwholesome food, unless they are well posted, and not content with merely the claim of cheapness to commend what they buy. This last is a potent inducement to people of limited means, and a visit to our markets, outside, will afford many evidences of the unscrupulousness of dealers and the creduality of buyers. The health of the public should not be endangered by thus allowing the sale of imperfect meats, and we wish there were stringent regulations preventing it. Dr. Letheby, who has had great experience during several years in the city of London, describes the following, according to the British Medical Journal, as the characteristics of good meat:—

1. It is neither of a pale pink color, nor of a deep purple tint: for the former is a sign of disease, and the latter indicates that the animal has not been slaughtered, but has died with blood in it, or has suffered from acute fever.

2. It has a marble appearance from the ramifications of little veins of fat among the muscles.

3. It should be firm and elastic to the touch, and should scarcely moisten the fingers,—bad meat being wet and sodden and flabby, with the fat looking like jelly or wet parchment.

4. It should have little or no odor, and the odor should not be disagreeable; for diseased meat has a sickly, cadaverous smell, and sometimes a smell of physic. This is very discoverable when the meat is chopped up, and drenched with warm water.

5. It should not shrink or waste much in cooking.

6. It should not run to water, or become very wet on standing for a day or so, but should, on the contrary, dry upon the surface.

7. When dried at a temperature of two hundred and twelve degrees, or thereabouts, it should not lose more than from seventy to seventy-four per cent. of its weight, whereas bad meat will often lose as much as eighty per cent. Other properties of a more refined character will also serve for the recognition of bad meat, as that the juice of the flesh is alkaline or neutral to test paper in tead of being distinctly acid, and the muscular fiber, when examined under the microscope, is found to be sodden and ill-defined.

Facts and Scraps.

When is a ship like a dressmaker? When she's rounding the Cape or tacking about.

It is estimated that there are two thousand four hundred disorders to which the human frame is liable. When a man is laid up with the rheumatism he is apt to think that the entire number has struck him in concert.

There was some philosophy in the henpecked husband who, being asked why he had placed himself so completely under the government of his wife, answered, "To avoid the worst slavery of being under my own."

A young lady had coquetted until the victim was completely exhausted. He rose to go away. She whispered, as she accompanied him to the door, "I shall be at home next Sunday evening." "So shall I," he replied.

"Were you a member of the army?" asked a traveller of a wooden-legged man. "Yes, sir," was the reply; "I was membered by a recruiting officer, dismembered by a Russian artillerist, and remembered by a peg-leg manufacturer."

A member of an American club objected to the publication of the list of the meeting nights of the club, "because," he said, "if it's published we married men will have to account for the off nights." The motion to publish was lost.

A pompous Scotch advocate succeeded in bemuddling a country witness by asking him whether he thought the prisoner was *compos mentis*. The witness could only grin and look foolish. At last the Judge interposed: "Noo jist tell me, do ye think is there ony thing in him?" "De'il a thing," burst out the man, with a smile from ear to ear, "but what's put intil him wi' the spune!"

Rector—"These pigs of yours are in fine condition, Jarvis."

Jarvis—"Yes, Sur, they be. Ah, Sur, if we wos all on us on'y as fit to die as them are, Sur, we'd do!"

Master Jackey (inquiringly)—"Why don't baby eat buns, aunty?"

Aunt Singleton—"Because she has no teath, dear."

Master Jackey (audibly)—"Then why can't you lend her yours, aunty? You ain't always using 'em."

A Wicked Suggestion—A Frenchman has suggested a new kind of duel. The men are to appear on the ground without weapons, but with at least one coin between them. At the word 'fire" they toss, and the loser has forthwith to invite his mother-in-law to come and live with the family. This project has, after all, its drawbacks. Why discourage duelling to promote suicide?

Charlottetown Prices Current.

CHARLOTTETOWN, August 28, 1877.

When not specially mentioned as in bond, our quotations are to be considered as duty paid.

EXCHANGE.

Sterling 60 days Bills,	10 per cent. prem
" sight "	11 " "
U. S. cy drafts,	¼ to ½ per ct. dis
" gold.	½ per. cent. prem

Drafts on Montreal, St. John, and Halifax ¼ per ct. prem.

OILS.

Kerosene, per gal. (Am.)	$0.29 to 0.30
" (Canadian No. 1)	0.24 to 0.26
Coal Oil	0.51 to 0 53
Pale Seal	0.65 to 0.70
Linseed oil, boiled, per gal.	90c
do raw	85c

Prices of kerosene are per cask. Retail price 5 to 10 cts. per gallon higher.

LEATHER.

Am. Sole Leather	28 to 29c
N. S. Sole	25 to 26c
Canada	23 to 26c

MOLASSES

Barbadoes	46 to 47
Demerara	42 to 43
Trinadad,&c	42 to 43c

(Prices of Molasses are by the lot of from 1 to 10 puncheons. Retail price 5 to 8 cents per gallon higher, according to quantity and quality.)

VINEGAR.

Vinegar, per gal.. per cask	26 to 34
Mess pork (new), per lb.	6¾ to 8
Mess Pork	18 to 20
Prime Mess	14 to 16
Prime Beef	14 to 16
C. C. Bacon,	11.00to 12.00
Shoulders	10.00 to 1100
Hams	14c
Spiced Bacon	14c
RUM—in bond	none
Demerara	none
Cuba	neno
Jamacia	neno

SALT.

Bags fine, stove	$1.10 to 1.50
Do Liverpool	80 to 90c
Turks Island do	25 to 27
Coarse W I from ship	none

SUGARS. (In Bond.)

Barbadoes, duty paid	9⅜ to 9¾
Eng. Refined, duty paid	10½ to 10¾
Vacuum Pan do	10½ to 11
English Crushed (duty paid,	none
American (duty paid)	11¾ to 12
American Granulated	11 to 11¼
Coffee Sugar	11 to 11¼

[Prices of sugar are by the hogshead. Retail price 1 to 2 cents per lb higher.]

CANDLES

Moulds per lb	12½ to 13c
Soap per lb	5½ to 7¼

COAL AND WOOD.

Sydney per ton.	none
Victoria Mines, do	none
Gowrie Mines, do	none
Little Glace Bay, do	none
Lingan	none
Philadelphia Coal	5.75 to 6 50
New Campbelton	4.80
Wood, hard	4.50 to 5.00

FLOUR AND MEAL.

Our quotations are for lots of 10 barrells and upwards.

Patent Process per bbl	$8.75 to 9.00
Superior Extra	7 75 to 8 00
Extra Superfine do	9 10 to 9.25
Fancy	7.50 to 7.60
Spring Extra do	7.25 to 7 50
Strong Bakers do	7.35 to 7.50
Superfine do	7.00 to 7.20
Corn Meal (K.D)	3.75 to 3.80

MACKAREL

No 1	none
No 2 Large	none
No	none

Market Prices.

Charlottetown, August 28, 1877.

MEAT.

Beef,small pieces] per lb.	$0.08 to 0.14
Beef[per lb. [by the quarter]	0.07 to 0.10
Ham, per lb.	0.12 to 0.13
Lamb, per lb	0.00 to 0.02
Lamb per qr.	40 to 50
Mutton, per lo.	0.07 to 0.1
Pork,(small pieces) per lb.	0.07 to 0.08
Pork, per lb. (by the carcass)	0.6 to 0.10
Veal, per lb.	0.04 to 0.07

POULTRY.

Chickens, per pair	0.40 to 0.50
Ducks, (each)	0.26 to 0.35
Fowls, (each)	0.30 to 0.35
Brant, (per pair)	1 00 to 0.05

BREADSTUFFS.

Buckwheat Flour, per lb	0.03 to .05½
Flour, per bbl.	8.50 to 9.5
Flour, per 100 lbs	3.75to4 00
Oatmeal, per 100 lbs.	3.75 to 4.0.

FISH.

Codfish, per qtl.	3.50 to 5.00
Herring, per bbl.	4.00 to 4.25
Mackarel, per doz.	0.60 to 0.96
Calfskins, per lb	0.06 to .09

MISCELLANEOUS.

Apples, per bushel	0 60 to 1.00
Barley, per bushel	0.80 to 1.00
Butter (fresh per lb)	0.16 to 0.20
Butter,per lb by the tub	0.16 to 0.20
Cheese, (new milk) per lb	0.12 to 0.18
Cheese, per lb	0.1 to 0.00
Clover Seed, per lb	0 to 0.00
Eggs,per doz.	to 0.14
Green Peas per qt.	to 0.4½
Hay, per ton	9.54 to 10.00
Hides, per lb.	0.04 to 0.4½
Honey, per lb.	0 25 to 0.30
Homespun,(men's wear per yd,	0.65 to 1.00
Homespun,(women's do per yd,	0.35 to 0.44
Homespun Flannel, per yard	0.32 to 0.38
Lard per lb	0.12 to 0.16
Oats, per bushel	0.50 to 0.55
Pearl Barley, per lb	0.03 to 0.04
Potatoes, per bushel	0.36 to 0.40
Sheepskins (each)	0.36 to 0.45
Straw, per cwt.	0.36 to 0.45
Tallow, per lb	00.2 to 00.3
Timothy Seed, per bushel	2.50 to 3.00
Turnips per bushel	0.18 to 0.19

BOARDS.

Hemlock, 100 feet	0.81 to 0.93
Pine do	1.62 to 2.40
Spruce do	0.80 to 1.00
Shingles, per M.	1.50 to 1.75

St. Peter's Schools

will Re Open on Monday, 27th August.

Five Teachers are employed in these Schools, which are graded to suit scholars of all ages.

Boys' School.

The Boys' School will be under the charge of V. E. Harris, Esq., of King's College, Windsor, and of the Normal School, Truro. Mr. Harris has graduated with honours at King's College, and also holds a Nova Scotia Public School License of the highest grade. Subjects Taught—Greek, Latin, French, German, Mathematics. English Branches — History, Arithmetic, &c. In the Boys' School there are two departments.

Girls' School.

Subjects—All English Branches, rench German, Music, Singing and Drawing. In this School there are three departments.

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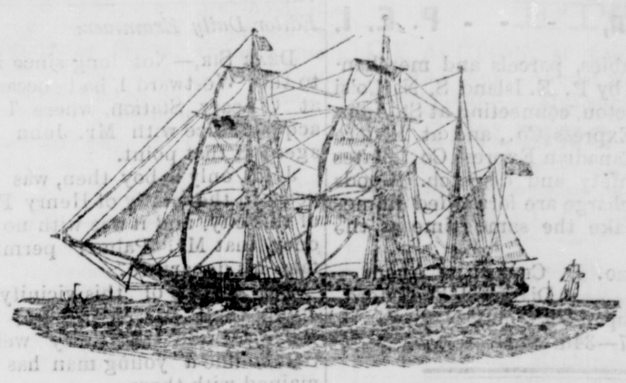

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Charlottetown, July 23, 1877.

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