

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

DECEMBER 22, 1883.

Our Fisheries.

FROM the exhaustive annual report and statistics collected by the Inspector, we gather some figures that may be interesting to the public in regard to the fisheries of the year now about closing.

As the weather is an important factor in the success of a fishing season we append, as being useful for future reference, a summary of observations made respectively on the north and south of the Island by Messrs. Henry Cundall and James Hunter, official meteorological observers.

Mr. Cundall says with reference to the south of the Island:—

"My Meteorological observations for the past season show that on the whole it was a very fine one, and I should say more than usually favorable for the fishing industry along the Island coast. May was warm and somewhat rainy, June unusually warm, and April, July and August, very fine and pleasant, with the usual gale towards the end of the latter month (on the 29th); September was fine with two gales, one rather heavy towards the end of the month. There were some cold days and snow at the beginning of October, though pleasant weather succeeded them two gales occurred towards the end of the month."

The report of Mr. Hunter, Alberton, is that,—

"On the north coast the characteristics of the fishing season—from 1st May to 21st October—of 1882, have been less than the average in every month of both wind and rain, while the temperature has been, on the whole, slightly higher. May, June and August, having been, together, 6.1 degrees above, while July, September and October were 4.3 below the mean of the corresponding months for the last six years. The rainfall was five inches less than in the average season. The velocity of the wind was as 5.8 miles per hour against a mean rate of 6.6 miles. Thunders and lightnings were less frequent than is usual. Casumpic harbor opened on the 6th April—about the usual time, and exactly one month earlier than in the exceptionally late spring of 1882—and from the 9th the migratory birds began to be seen. As is generally the case there was some breezy weather in May, and again in July; and two moderate gales were experienced, one on the 25th September, the other on the 30th of October."

The Inspector's record states that herring were unusually abundant, the first schools appearing at the eastward on the 17th April, and in a few days spread to all the waters. As early as the 13th June, one train from Tignish to Summerside conveyed nine carloads of herring for export, an unusual incident of late years. Some of the spring fish were reported as equal to the mid-summer of other years. 45,000 barrels in all were taken (being 14,000 barrels more than last year) of which Prince County took 22,500, King's 15,500, and Queen's only 7,500. From some cause unexplained, Queen's County makes a poor show this year in all kinds of fish, whereas the other two counties exhibit a considerable excess. This is especially noticeable in Cod, the total catch being 26,000 qtls., or double that of preceding year, the increase being largely from King's; hake about the same as last year, say 6,000 qtls. Contrary to expectation, Mackerel scarcely came up in quantity to last year, the deficit being altogether on Queen's County, for Prince and King's show an increase; total 28,170 barrels, and the large quantity of 351,933 cans. Lobsters show the serious deficiency of a million and a third cans short of last year, the figures being for 1882 equal to 5,193,720 cans, against no more than 3,844,573 cans this year. There must be something amiss with this industry, and we hear its regulation is under serious consideration by the fishery authorities. Oyster fishing has been active and fairly productive. Rivers and streams are reported as in fair condition and well stocked. Several clean salmon have been taken in fresh water during the summer months, an occurrence scarcely within memory of the oldest inhabitant and fairly attributable to the fry from the hatchery with which the rivers have been stocked. About one hundred and fifty New Brunswick and Nova Scotia boats fished on our coast all the season, and a fleet of fifty-two Americans carried away a large value of mackerel without leaving one cent in return.

General Pryor, who has lately returned from England to New York, reports that "as far as anything visible in the Court was concerned, O'Donnell had a fair trial down to the answer of the judge to the interrogatory of the jury; "I cannot say whether the jury was impartially selected or not; as to the summing up of the judge I have no criticism to make. His answer to the inquiry of the jury, the 'A B proposition,' as they call it over there, was utterly fatal to any possible hope of acquittal or conviction of manslaughter even, because in effect and in the most emphatic terms the judge said there was no evidence to justify it. In referring to the jury's question, he propounded correctly enough the theory of manslaughter and self-defence, but with deadly effect he said "Gentlemen of the jury, but where is the evidence?" meaning by that in the strongest terms to negative the idea that there was a particle of evidence looking either to manslaughter or self-defence, thus, in my opinion, usurping the province of the jury, with whom alone it should have been to say whether or not there was evidence of manslaughter or self-defence."

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.]

Terrible Murder.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21. Henry Probet shot and seriously wounded Mary Hamner, at Wilderman Station coal mines, on Cairo Short Line railroad near Belleville, Ill., yesterday because she refused to marry him, then he fled to Belleville, where he was arrested. While in the grasp of, and struggling with the sheriff, he attempted to shoot that officer over his shoulder, but the bullet entered his own neck, killing him almost instantly.

Dynamiters Disposed Of.

EDINBURGH, Dec. 21. In the case of the Glasgow dynamiters to-day, Lord Justice Clark occupied two hours and a half in his charge to the jury, who retired at 11.45. At 3 o'clock they returned and rendered a verdict that five of the prisoners were guilty of all the charges, and five were guilty of the first charge only. Five of the prisoners were sentenced to penal servitude for life, and the remaining five to seven years penal servitude.

Thirty-eight Men Burned at Sea.

LONDON, Dec. 21. The survivors of the steamship "Saint Augustine", which was burned on Sunday in the Bay of Biscay on a voyage from Manila to Liverpool, state that thirty-eight men were left on board when the four boats mentioned in yesterday's despatch put off from the vessel. It is feared that all were lost, as when the steamer was last seen a heavy sea was running, and the vessel was on fire and had no other boats.

Train Telescoped.

BURLINGTON, ILL., Dec. 21. Passenger train No. 1 of the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad, ran into the rear end of passenger train No. 5, at Gladstone, Ill., last evening, telescoping the Pullman Car which ignited, and was completely destroyed. Richard Somers, Superintendent of the dining car service of the road at Chicago, was instantly killed and his body burned almost beyond recognition. Six other persons were injured.

Religious Peace in Germany.

ROME, Dec. 21. According to *Rassegna*, newspaper, the German Crown Prince, Frederick William, at the interview with the Pope, said, "I have only to express the warm desire of Emperor William, and Prince Bismarck for the restoration of religious peace in Germany compatible with our laws and institutions."

Judge Lynch.

VICKSBURG, Dec. 21. The negro Howard, who killed Patrick Flynn, near Skywith on the 18th of December, while being conveyed to jail yesterday, was taken from the Sheriff by negroes, and it is believed was lynched—the first case in which a negro has been lynched by negroes for killing a white man.

Schooner Ashore.

BOSTON, Dec. 21. The three-masted schooner "Augustine Smith," with potatoes and other goods from Lockport, N. S., bound for Boston, went ashore on Short Beach, Little Natant, this morning. The crew got ashore safely. It was thought the vessel could be got off without much damage.

Two Men Shot Dead.

WINCHESTER, ILL., Dec. 21. Adam Hill and George Snyder, young men, were shot and killed on Wednesday night, at a dance six miles from here by Charles and John Sutton, brothers, who went to the dance armed with the avowed purpose of having a fight.

Food Relief.

CAIRO, Dec. 21. It is reported that Col. Sartorius has succeeded in re-victualing the garrison of Sinkat with two months' provisions, through aid of friendly natives. It is hoped that the garrison at Toka will be similarly relieved.

Abductionist Punished.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Dec. 21. Captain Jordan, who abducted Addie Bresman from Astoria, L. I., was sentenced this morning to five years hard labor in the State Prison, and a fine of one thousand dollars.

Killed in a Fight.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21. John Flatters and a man named Cole, railway employes, had a fight yesterday and Cole died last night from the effects of his injuries. Flatters has been arrested.

A Black Memorial.

ROME, Dec. 21. The Republican journals here appeared yesterday with black borders in memory of Overland, the bomb maker, who was hung a year ago in Trieste.

Floated.

GENEVA, Dec. 21. The British troopship "Euphrates," which went ashore yesterday, near Tarifa, was floated by the aid of a gunboat, and has arrived here.

Under Control.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21. At noon the firemen were working vigorously upon the fire, and the flames are under control. No lives lost.

Lorne and Louise.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.

A despatch has been received from Lord Derby to Lord Lansdowne, in which Lord Derby states the gratification it has afforded the Imperial Government to hear from Lord Lorne, his very interesting accounts of the continued prosperity and loyalty of the Dominion of Canada. He further says: "I have this opportunity of placing on record the appreciation with which Her Majesty's Government have observed His Lordship's great discretion and ability in the discharge of the high duties in which Lord Lansdowne has succeeded him, and the warm interest displayed by him and by Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise in all matters affecting the welfare and progress of the Dominion. It gives Her Majesty's Government great satisfaction to know that their efforts have been cordially recognized by the people of Canada."

Movements of the Crown Prince.

ROME, Dec. 21.

The German Crown Prince and his suite were driven to the depot in State carriages, accompanied by members of the Royal Family, the route was lined with troops. A large crowd gathered at the depot, including foreign ambassadors and other notables and many ladies. The German Crown Prince after saluting the assemblage thanked the Mayor for the cordial reception he had received in Rome. He then took farewell of King Humbert whom he kissed several times, assuring him of his warm appreciation of the kind welcome of the Italian people.

The Visible Comet.

PHELPS, N. Y., Dec. 21.

Professor Brooks, of Redhouse Observatory, says the comet discovered by him last September, the comet of 1812, is now visible to the naked eye. It is a small round nebulous mass, in constellation Cygnus. In small telescopes the tail can be traced one degree and a half in length. In large telescopes the comet presents a fine appearance, with star-like nucleus and large tail.

Militia Appointments.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.

The appointments gazetted this week are those of the officers appointed to the several militia schools.

Murder at Caraquet.

BATHURST, N. B., Dec. 21.

Gustave Lantain was murdered by his cousin, Philip Lantain, in a quarrel at Caraquet, to-day.

Educational Institute.

A SHORT ESSAY ON PARSING.

The third meeting of the Institute was held last evening in the Upper Prince Street School. After the reading of the minutes and the approval of the report of the executive committee, the president invited Mr. T. A. LePage to read his paper on "Parsing and the Parts of Speech." Mr. LePage began by saying that parsing a word is simply telling what part or place that word fulfils in a sentence. It is simply a weighing or valuing of the ingredients of a sentence. It is an exercise which has its foundation in sentences and can have no existence apart from them. Sentences do not exist for parsing, but parsing for sentences, as the whole object of parsing is the better understanding of sentences and parsing itself merely a scientific analysis of a sentence. It is possible for a person to use language correctly without being acquainted with grammatical terms. But those people who talk correctly have after all the root of the matter in them. If they went to work and analysed their own sentences, they might construct for themselves a system of grammar with terms equally as accurate, though not so scientific as those to which we are accustomed. The Latin origin of the parts of speech was then shown, and their etymological sense explained. He then proceeded to say that we get an idea of what a word means by the connection in which it occurs; we grow through custom to a correct knowledge of its meaning, and before we can use words rightly ourselves we must first have assimilated their essence to our own mental constitution. He thought that the difficulty young pupils have in employing correctly the phraseology of English Grammar was not fully appreciated. Parsing, even with fairly advanced classes, is more interesting when the pupils are made to investigate the value of words in their own ordinary language and are led on to invent some terms of their own to state the results of their investigation. He would not have parsing degenerate into the labelling of words, but rather make it an inquiry into the functions of words. The principle on which all rational parsing rests is this—what a word is depends entirely on what it does. The sentence is the starting point of all sensible parsing; for the same word may be two, three, four, or even five different parts of speech. Then followed the inquiry—what constitutes a part of speech? A particular usage, a distinct function. Whether there are eight parts of speech, or nine, simply means are there eight or nine distinct uses of words? If one discovers ten or eleven distinct uses of words it follows that there are ten or eleven parts of speech. The parts of speech were then grouped into two classes, principal and secondary, and their functions explained and fully illustrated. In his concluding sentences, he spoke of the difficulty of teaching grammar to young minds, and expressed it as his opinion that Currie's Grammar should not be put into the hands of pupils under twelve years of age. What grammar they have before that should be learned from the easy stories of the reading books. An interesting discussion followed, during which the black board was brought into requisition, and some of the perplexities of parsing intelligently elucidated by Mr. LePage. A vote of thanks to that gentleman was moved by Dr. Leeming, and seconded by Rev. D. McNeill, and the proceedings of a most enjoyable evening were brought to a close.

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far surpasses any former display made by him for the Christmas and New Year Trade. His numerous customers and the public in general are respectfully invited to call and inspect the handsome designs and low prices of the above different lines of goods.

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Tea Sets, Waiters, Epergnis, Ice Pitchers, Cake Baskets, Butter Coolers, Castors, Mugs, Napkin Rings, Fruit Knives, Nut Crackers, Jewel Cases, Toilet Vases, Dressing Cases, Knives, Forks, Spoons, etc.

Brick Store, Corner Kent and Great George Streets.

W. E. DAWSON & CO.

Ch'town, Dec. 20.—4i

Christmas.

PERFECTION Granite Iron Ware Tea and Coffee Pots.



PERFECTION Pearl Agate Ware Tea and Coffee Pots, in different makes and finish

AT RIGHT PRICES.

SIMON W. CRABBE,

Sign of the Stove, Walker's Corner.

Ch'town, Dec. 20, 1883.—4i

XMAS & NEW YEAR

OUR STOCK OF GROCERIES, at the Fish Market, is now complete, and we will sell, during the Holidays, very low. An inspection is solicited. Quality and price is sure to satisfy.

J. H. MYRICK.

Ch'town, Dec. 20, 1883.—6i wkly 2i

Our Store Closes Every Evening at Six p. m. (Saturday Excepted).

Carpet Department:

In this Department we are doing a very large trade, in Axminster, Velvet Pile, Brussels, Tapestry, Scotch Hemp and Twine Carpets, Hearth Rugs and Mats. The reason is we buy from the very best British markets, keep the newest designs and styles, and sell at a small advance on cost.

Grand Assortment of

Silk Plushes, Velvets and Velvetene, 100 boxes to choose from, at prices lower than ever before offered.

Mantle Department:

These goods are selling rapidly. They are the best and newest makes and grand value.

Cloth Department:

The 200 pieces Job, Jacket and Ulster Cloths have been selling wonderfully fast. The prices are very low for the quality.

A large lot Seal Cloth from \$3.50 to \$8.25 per yard. Daily expected, 30 pieces Oilcloths (English), from 1/2-yard to 3/4-yard.

WHOLESALE & RETAIL.

W. & A. BROWN & CO.

Ch'town, Nov. 23, 1883.—dy wkly

INDUSTRIAL AID CONCERT PROGRAMME.

Instrumental Duett..... Qui Vive Galop Misses Carey and M. Debrisay. Solo (vocal)..... Sweet Violets Miss Crabbe. Reading..... Miss Barr. Solo (vocal)..... If daughter deels my lady please Capt. Maxwell. Piano Solo..... Miss Bessie Lewis. Chorus..... Tic Tic Solo (vocal)..... Mrs. M. McLeod. Solo and Chorus..... The Powder Monkey Mr. H. James Palmer. Reading..... Mr. E. Harris. Solo (vocal)..... In the North Countrie Miss K. Hensley. Solo (vocal)..... Mr. Erie. Chorus..... Swanee River Ch'town, Dec. 22, 1883.

An Entertainment

will be given in the Basement of the METHODIST (BRICK) CHURCH,

Wednesday, 26th instant,

—BY THE— SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CHOIR.

Doors open at 7.30; commence at eight o'clock. Admission, 15 cts. Dec. 22, 1883

MASONIC DINNER,

—ON— ST. JOHN'S DAY,

(DECEMBER 27, 1883)

AT THE RANKIN HOUSE.

Tickets can be obtained from the following Committee:—S. W. Crabbe, A. N. Large, T. A. McLean. Ch'town, Dec. 22, 1883.

TERPSICHOE HALL.

THE Subscriber, thankful for past favors, begs leave to inform the public generally, that the second and last term for the season, will be opened on Friday, 28th instant, at eight p. m.

The present Private Class, will be continued on Wednesday evening, during the remainder of the term.

The present afternoon class will be continued as usual on Mondays and Thursdays from 3 to 5 p. m.

E. PURRIS. Ch'town, Dec 22nd, 1883

Challenge.

OLIVER TWIST will trot any colt on the Island of this age, for \$70.00. Twist was two years old in July last; but is not particular to a few months. Say sometime through the winter, when the ice is suitable. J. P. IRVING. Cape Traverse, Dec. 22, 1883.

SMOKERS, BEHOLD!

WE OFFER one hundred Cigar Holders, in cases, marked a dollar, for 25 cents each.

From now until 2nd January we have marked our immense stock of BRIAR PIPES at 15 per cent. discount.

A few AL MEESCHAUM PIPES for Xmas Gifts. Every one warranted.

A fine assortment of WALKING STICKS. FRASER & REDDIN. Opposite Post Office. Ch'town, Dec. 20, 1883.—10i

SOLE LEATHER.

375 Sides Logan's No. 1 and No. 2, AT BOTTOM PRICES.

FENTON T. NEWSBRY. Dec. 19, 1883.—pat 5i. wly pat her sj 3

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

Christmas Excursion.

EXCURSION RETURN TICKETS, at one First Class Fare, will be issued to and from all Stations on this Railway, on 24th and 25th December, instant, good to return up to and including January 2nd, 1884.

JAMES COLEMAN, Supt. Railway Office, Ch'town, Dec. 18, 1883. pat tl 24. sil wy pa li

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

WANTED—To Lease for a term of years, a Cottage, centrally located. Enquire at this office. [de21 ff

TO LET—Warehouse to let on Lord's Wharf. Apply to W. W. CLARKE. [de50

TO LET—Part of House opposite Railway Station. Enquire at this office. [de19

BOARDERS—Mrs. Robert Rodd, has removed to the house of Mr. C. Heats, Easton Street, where she can accommodate number of Boarders, on reasonable terms. [de3