

The Little Astronomer.

BY ALICE M. BRAEFORD.

Of what are you thinking, my bonny one, sweet, With your grave little face 'gainst the pane, And where are the dimples hid in your cheek? What bothers the baby's brain? Do you know all the birdies are safely at rest, Nestled close 'neath the warm mother's wing? And soon must our Robin, the dearest and best, Flutter chirping away to a soft little nest, Where the birdlings of Slumberland sing. The blue eyes look solemnly up into mine, Through a tangle of curls soft and bright, While a sweet, hushing voice, like a silvery chime, Says "I'm seein' 'e stars to-night."

Creeling the Bridegroom.

A curious custom in connection with marriage prevailed at one time in Scotland, and from the manner in which it was carried out was called "Creeling the Bridegroom." The mode of procedure in the village of Galashiels, was as follows: Early in the day after the marriage those interested in the proceedings assembled at the house of the newly-wedded couple, bringing with them a "creel" or basket, which they filled with stones. The young husband, on being brought to the door, had the creel firmly fixed to his back, and with it in this position had to run the round of the town, or at least the chief portion of it, followed by a number of men to see that he did not drop his burden, the only condition on which he was allowed to do so being that his wife should come after him and kiss him. As relief depended altogether, upon the wife, it would sometimes happen that the husband did not need to run more than a few yards, but when she was more than ordinarily bashful, or wished to have a little sport at the expense of her lord and master—which, it may be supposed, would not infrequently be the case—he had to carry his load a considerable distance. This custom was very strictly enforced, for the person who was last creeled had charge of the ceremony, and he was naturally anxious that no one should escape. The practice, as far as Galashiels was concerned, came to an end about sixty years ago in the person of one Robert Young, who, on the ostensible plea of a "sore back," lay abed all the day after his marriage, and obstinately refused to get up and be creeled. He had been twice married before, and, no doubt, felt that he had had enough of creeling.

Small versus Large Farms.

Our own notion is that small farms well cultivated, are almost invariably the most profitable; and hence, we firmly believe (what has so often been asserted), that if many a farmer would sell half or two-thirds of the acres he now occupies, and devote his entire time and energies to the care and cultivation of the remainder, he would derive more profit from his labor and investment, with much less vexation of spirit. The fact is, as somebody truly asserts, we have too many farmers who are "land poor"—who have so much land they cannot make a living. Paradoxical as this may appear, it applies truthfully to many a naturally fertile and productive locality. When such farmers have learned that is not economy to own more land than they can till in the most profitable manner, so that it will pay for the money expended in keeping it free from taxes, weeds, and other encumbrances, they will have solved the problem of ease in practical rural life. The happiest and thriftiest farmers we have ever known lived on farms of only ten to one hundred acres, every foot of which was made to count. On the other hand, the farmer who has so many broad acres that he cannot walk over them daily—where rods of fence corners are never cultivated or otherwise utilized—lives a life of anxiety and worry. Instead of working like slaves and living in a miserly manner, in order to "run a big farm," or purchase "all the land that joins them," it would be wise for hosts of farmers to sell some of their broad acres, concentrate their efforts

upon limited areas, and look more to the comfort and happiness of their households, and the proper education of their children. Even if large farms were the most profitable—which we deny—small ones are to be preferred for many and cogent reasons, not the least of which are the comfort, peace, and general welfare of the owners and their families.—D. D. T. Moore in American Agriculturist for August.

Special Notices.

R. K. BRUCE wants 100 bushels Potatoes and Turnips in exchange for Herring and goods sept17  
BOYS' JERSEY SUITS, new and cheap at Perkins & Sterns. 3i e o d—sept14  
NEW CASHMERE AND MERINOS at J. B. Macdonald's. dy wk pat—sept14  
The full value store is Norton Bros. se 12 da wk  
If you want cheap and Good Dry Goats, go to Perkins & Sterns. 3i e o d—sept14  
NEW FALL GOODS at J. B. Macdonald's. sept 14—dy wk pat  
CHOICE CRANBERRIES, 8 cents per quart. Six Barrels just received at Beer & Goff's. sept14  
CHEAP KNITTING YARNS, at Perkins & Sterns. 3i e o d—sept 14  
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ANOTHER lot of our "Royal Wringers" received to-day. Norton Bros. se 12 da wk  
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A LARGE STOCK of Blankets and Flannels, very best value, at Perkins & Sterns. sept14—3i e o d  
SCARLET and WHITE FLANNEL, selling very cheap, at J. B. Macdonald's. sept14—dy wk pat  
GOLD and silver plating of every description done at Brown's, such as carriage and sleigh handles, brass rails, etc., also table ware, and jewelry of every description, at the Athenaeum, corner of Prince and Grafton Streets. [sep 5  
LADIES' WINTER JACKETS, Fur Lined Cloaks, Dolmans, etc., just opened at Perkins & Sterns. 3i e o d—sept14  
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COMPETITORS for our \$50 special cash prize should use our American Hickory and White wood. The best ever imported. Norton Bros. se 12 da wk  
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We are the General Agents for P. E. Island for Henry Dorton & Sons' Saws and other goods. Norton Bros. se 12 da wk  
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D. A. BRUCE is now showing his fall and winter suitings. Special bargains offered to cash buyers. seps  
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THERE is \$10,000 that says you cannot get a man in the world that can do as many different kinds of work, and do them as perfect in every respect as Brown, at the Athenaeum. For further information address P. O. Box 33. [sep 5  
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CHOICE BARTLETT PEARS, Grapes, Oranges and Lemons, at Beer & Goff's. sept12  
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BOOTS made on extra large lasts.—Dorsey, Goff & Co. [sep 2  
FAIRBANKS SCALES repaired, and warranted to stand the test, or no pay, at Brown's, at the Athenaeum. [sep 5  
OUR Long Boots are hand-sided and self-lined.—Dorsey, Goff & Co. [sep 2  
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Charlottetown P. E. I., June 20—eod

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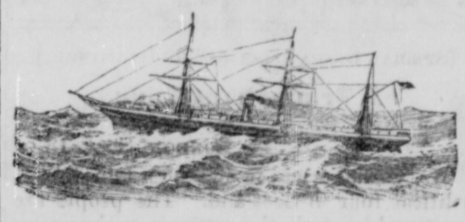
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June 19th, 1885—eod wkly

ROYAL CANADIAN INSURANCE CO. FIRE.

CAPITAL, \$2,000,000 HEAD OFFICE—Montreal. HALIFAX BRANCH—J. Scott Mitchell, Agent. Risks Taken on Most Favorable Terms. AGENT FOR PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND: F. H. ARNAUD, MERCHANTS BANK OF HALIFAX.

The North Atlantic Steamship Co.



FOR LIVERPOOL THE STEAMSHIP "Nellie Wise," due here from Cardiff in a few days, is intended to sail from

Charlottetown to Liverpool, direct, ON OR ABOUT THE 20th SEPTEMBER, and will take Lobsters, Live Stock, and other Freight at lowest rates. FENTON T. NEWBERRY, Agent. Sept. 1st, 1885.

S.S. 'CLIFTON'

IS INTENDED TO SAIL FROM Charlottetown for London ABOUT THE 14th SEPTEMBER, carrying lobsters, live stock, grain and other produce at current rates. RETURNING WILL LEAVE London for Charlottetown ABOUT THE 3rd OCTOBER.

Importers should patronize the direct line Rates of Freight Moderate. For Freight or Passage apply in London to Stewart Bros., 3 & 5 Court, London; in Miramichi to R. A. & J. Stewart, or here to FENTON T. NEWBERRY, Agent. Ch'town, August 13, 1885.

Reduced Fares.

Pleasure Excursions During Month of August. ONE of the steamers of the P. E. Island Steam Navigation Co. will leave Charlottetown every THURSDAY morning at 6:30 a. m., for Pictou, Georgetown and Souris, returning to Charlottetown same evening. Will leave Georgetown on FRIDAY morning for Pictou, calling at Murray Harbor on her way, and will return to Charlottetown the same evening.

This will afford excursionists an opportunity of enjoying a delightful cruise on the water, besides obtaining an extensive view of the eastern section of the Island, the great Breakwater of Souris and the Railway Terminals. ROUND TRIP \$3. Meals and Staterooms can be procured on board. F. W. HALE'S, Secretary. Ch'town, Aug. 4th, 1884.

P. E. ISLAND Steam Navigation Co'y.

STEAMERS ST. LAWRENCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES. Summer Arrangement NOVA SCOTIA. Leave Charlottetown for Pictou Landing, every Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday morning, at 6:30 o'clock, connecting there with the Train for Halifax. Returning to Charlottetown on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, about noon on arrival of train from Halifax. Leave Pictou Landing for Georgetown on Thursday, on arrival of train about noon.

NEW BRUNSWICK CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

Leave Summerside every day (Sunday excepted) on arrival of Train from Charlottetown, connecting at Point du Chene with Trains for each of the above named places; and at St. John, with steamers of the International Company and Railway for Portland and Boston. Also leave Charlottetown for Summerside every Monday morning at one o'clock. Returning, leave Point du Chene every day (Sunday excepted) on arrival of day train from St. John, for Summerside, connecting there with train for Charlottetown. Also leave Summerside for Charlottetown every Saturday evening, about five o'clock. By order, F. W. HALE'S, Secretary. Ch'town, May 20, 1885.

STEAMER "MIRAMICHI"

leaves Montreal on the following dates, viz: TUESDAY, 21st July, " " 18th " " " 1st September, " " 15th " " " 29th " " " This is the fastest and the most comfortable steamer in the neighboring waters, and is so largely patronized by tourists that it is one of the most pleasant routes for pleasure seekers. CARVELL BROS., Agents. July 11—2 mos 2aw pat

STEAMER "HEATHER BELLE," SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.

ON and after Tuesday, May 5th, the new steamer "Heather Belle," Hugh McLean, master, will run as follows:—

Every Tuesday morning, at 4 o'clock, will leave Charlottetown for Orwell Wharf, leaving Orwell Brush Wharf at 7 a. m. for Charlottetown, calling at China Point and Halliday's Wharves; leaving Charlottetown at 3 p. m. for Halliday's, China Point and Brush Wharves, where she will remain over night. Wednesday will leave Brush Wharf for Charlottetown at 7 a. m., calling at China Point and Halliday's Wharves; leaving Charlottetown at 3 p. m. to return, remaining at Brush Wharf over night. Thursday will leave Brush Wharf for Charlottetown at 7 a. m., calling at China Point and Halliday's Wharves; leaving Charlottetown at 3 p. m. to return; leaving Brush Wharf about 6 p. m. for Charlottetown. Friday, will leave Charlottetown for Crapaud at 4 a. m.; leaving Crapaud at 7 a. m. for Charlottetown, leaving Charlottetown at 3 p. m. for Crapaud, returning over night. Saturday, will leave Crapaud at 7 a. m. for Charlottetown; leaving Charlottetown at 1:30 p. m. for Crapaud, and returning to Charlottetown from Crapaud same day.

FARES: Cabin, to and from Orwell and Wharves, 30 cents; deck, 20 cents. Cabin, to and from Crapaud, 40 cents; deck, 30 cents. Excursion Return Tickets will be issued from Charlottetown to Orwell every Thursday Evening at one first-class fare. Also, Excursion Return Tickets will be issued every Saturday to Crapaud at one first-class fare. JOHN RUGES, Agent. Ch'town, P. E. I., May 5, 1885. 3m law pat may pres her 3m

FOR BOSTON, Summer Arrangement.

THE PALACE STEAMERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL S.S. CO.

Leave St. John for Boston, via Eastport and Portland, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 8:00 a. m. On or about June 27, a steamer will leave St. John at 8 p. m. every Saturday night for BOSTON DIRECT. Fare from Charlottetown to Boston, \$6.50, 2nd class; \$9.50, 1st class. For tickets and other information apply to G. A. SHARP, P. E. I. Ry., P. E. Island Steam Nav. Co., or to your nearest Ticket Agent. May 14, 1885—eod wkly



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Mortgage Sale

TO be Sold by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 21st day of September next, at the hour of eleven o'clock, forenoon at the Court House, in Summerside under and by virtue of a Power of Sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the sixth day of May, A.D. 1880, and made between the Reverend Charles Fraser and Margaret Fraser, his wife, of the one part, and Edward Jarvis Hodgson and John Ball, Trustees of David Stewart Rennie, deceased, of the other part. ALL that tract, piece, or parcel of land, situate, lying and being on Lot or Township Eight, in Prince County, in the Township of Summerside, bounded as follows:—On the east by the south side of the said Road, in the division line of the said Road, and Township number Seven, at the intersection of the Woodbridge Road, thence south thirty-one degrees and twenty-three minutes and thirty seconds, together with three shag-oak chains and twenty-five links, thence north along the road road aforesaid and thence along the road aforesaid to the place of commencement, aforesaid to the hundred and fifty acres of containing two hundred and fifty acres of land a little more or less, together with all rights and appurtenances thereto belonging. For further particulars enquire at the office of Edward J. Hodgson, Charlottetown, or of J. Edward Wyatt, at his office in Summerside. Dated this 19th day of August, 1885. EDWARD J. HODGSON, JOHN BALL, August 19—d salv & wkly