

**THE NIGHT CLERK'S STORY.**  
**A FACE LIKE CHALK.**

A very bad attack of the Grippe one year ago last winter left my system in a very weak state and my nervous system completely unstrung. After getting over the dangerous stage of the disease I naturally expected to gain strength, but, unfortunately, did not do so. On the contrary, my blood became weaker. I daily lost strength and vitality, and my nervous system became so weak that it was a constant source of suffering both day and night. I lost appetite, the sight of food nauseated me, the weak state of my system caused shortness of breath and unnatural action of the heart, such as fluttering and violent palpitation, and my face was like chalk. I was in this condition and constantly getting weaker when I began taking Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills. I had read the books they distributed and their advertisements in the papers, and thought, "Well, I have taken so much medicine without benefit it is useless to spend any more money. However, I finally made up my mind. It is a forlorn hope; I can but try. If I am not benefited I will not be hurt. So I bought one box and received great benefit therefrom, so continued their use, and to-day am a well man in consequence; my blood is strong, my face has the ruddy hue of health, my appetite has returned, I sleep well, I have not the slightest indications of nervousness or heart trouble, and from a sick, weak, nervous man Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills have transformed me in six weeks to full health and strength." I am yours very truly,  
(Signed) WILLIAM WILLARD,  
Night Clerk Grand Central Hotel,  
Peterboro.

Dr. Ward's Blood and Nerve Pills are sold at 50c. per box, 5 boxes for \$2.00 at druggists, or mailed on receipt of price by THE DOCTOR WARD CO., Limited, 71 Victoria Street, Toronto. Book of information free.

**ANNUAL MEETING.**

The Annual Meeting of the Liberal Conservative Association of the District will be held in the Public Hall at Eldon, on Wednesday, the 1st of March at 1.30 p.m. for the election of officers and other very important business.  
A full attendance is requested.  
JAMES NICHOLSON, President.  
F. B. McRAE, Secretary.

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Under the patronage of the

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**AT THE LYCEUM**

—ON—

**Thursday Ev'g. Feb. 23.**

Admission 25c. Tickets for sale at the Ladies' Aid and the Drug store Feb. 20.

**THE DAVIDSONS**

RE-ENGAGED FOR

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT,**

**FEBRUARY 22nd.**

Miss FANNY in exhibition of Trick skating and jumping rope act.

JOHN F. in acrobatic skating and high jumping when he will endeavor to equal the World's record of 3 feet 19 inches.

An hour's skating after the Davidson's entertainment is over.

Admission 20 cents. Reserve seats 2 and 30 cents.

Galbraith's Band.

**EDITOR'S MAIL**

**Cures For Political Corruption.**

Sir.—The question of compulsory voting to which you devote an editorial in a recent issue, is one which, in addition to the many other objections urged against it, would be in direct violation of the first great principle of human liberty, viz.—The inherent right of every human being to think, speak, and do whatsoever he deems fit, so long as in the exercise of these national rights, he does not infringe the rights of others. It is evidently not the right of the state to dictate to the individual what he may or may not do in matters of conscience, or in those affairs in which the individual is supreme over his own actions, and whatever remedy may be found for political corruptions, it is not in outraging the principles that form the bed-rock of human liberty. The statute book already carries measures sufficiently stringent, but which do not seem adequate to suppressing the evil, as powerless are legislative remedies when not sufficiently backed by public sentiment, or where their wholesome provisions can be thwarted by human cunning and ingenuity.

A corrupt democracy is unquestionably a greater menace to the liberty of the state, than the tyranny of the rankest despot; and with the spread of political corruption, success at the polls or in the legislative halls, becomes simply a question of the longest purse or the most unscrupulous advocate. It is customary in this matter to throw the weight of blame on the politician, though in justice to that much abused individual, he is usually quite as good as the average elector. The source of corruption is not all on one side. The candidate for political honors is frequently met more than half way by "the free and independent elector," who is prepared to play the part of a political Esau, and improves the opportunity of an election by having the rival candidates outbid each other for his support. The average candidate we believe, would be only too happy to escape the calls on his purse, and the demand for jobs and offices which seem to be one of the accompanying circumstances of public life.

The practice of making political support conditional to the receipt of some personal consideration, is much more general than at first blush would appear. Many who would be indignant at the thought of accepting a direct money bribe, are not above trading their votes for an office for themselves or friends; and many others who would look with contempt on the creature who barter his franchise for some paltry road job, will readily transfer their support to the party promising the largest expenditure of public money in their constituency, such as a branch railing, a new road or wharf, or work of some such nature.

These forms of bribery differ not in kind, but in degree, and that of appropriating public money for political purposes is probably the most immoral.

As to the legal measures of prevention that could be safely taken we would suggest, that as the traffickers in votes have abused and prostituted the privilege conferred on them by the state, let the state withdraw the privilege by declaring their suffrages forfeited. In other words, disfranchise both the briber and the bribed. But here let us say that the real cause lies deeper than legal penalties can reach; it is to be found in human nature itself, and goes down to the very rootwork of character. The youth who regards his vote as a merchantable article, that can easily be turned into cash, and sold and sold again, is simple working in line with the tendency of the times to worship success from the mercenary point of view, regardless of how it has been attained; that smiles on the squint-eyed shrewdness that has reached its goal by running the gauntlet of law and public opinion; that in our public schools and current literature holds up to our youths "getting on in the world" as the great aim of life but does not sufficiently impress them with the virtue of manliness and honesty, and respect for the rights and sensibilities of others, that would conduct even our churches in the commercial spirit, and set a value on men according to the cut of their coats or the weight of their pockets. Not till these agencies which are the great factors

in making for righteousness and good citizenship have themselves cast out the unclean spirit, can much good be expected from legislation. Here lies a work for the home, the school, the pulpit and the press. Let the youth of our country be taught the value and privilege of citizenship and impressed with the idea of individual responsibility. Let them know at what a cost these rights were secured and henceforth will the franchise be valued as a sacred heritage, and not as something to be bought and sold.

M.  
King's, Feb. 20th.

**Faithfulness Appreciated.**

One of those pleasant happenings which help to unite the sympathies of Pastor and people, occurred at Mr. Herbert Church, Lot 48 on a recent evening when the following address, which is self-explanatory, and a purse containing \$12.00 was presented to Miss Lottie Jones, by the Pastor, Rev. Wm. J. Howard, on behalf of self and congregation, to which Miss Jones suitably replied expressing her surprise and gratitude. It might be added that to Mr. Wm. Wood belongs the honor of bringing about this pleasant incident.

Dear Miss Jones,—  
We the members of the congregation, together with the Pastor, have thought it fitting to show you in some way our appreciation of your valuable services as organist and the interest you have shown in the work of the church and your faithfulness in attendance to your duty even at the sacrifice of pleasure has not been unnoticed or unappreciated. You have been kind and zealous in your endeavors to make the church service interesting, thus being a great help to your Pastor, and he and the congregation have had occasion for great thankfulness that you and your choir have worked so harmoniously with the church giving them no occasion for uneasiness or trouble as is too often the case with choirs.

We pray you to accept this slight token of esteem not for its intrinsic value, but for the spirit which prompted it. We trust that you may be long spared to work for Christ in your present capacity and that when done singing and playing on instruments here, you may be permitted through the merits of the Redeemer to play upon a harp of gold and to sing for ever the song of Moses and the Lamb.

**MARRIED.**

At the residence of the Bride's parents on Feb. 15th, 1899 by Rev. Rodk. MacLean, Malcolm L. MacPhee of Heatherdale, to Elizabeth Ann, youngest daughter of John MacPherson, Brooklyn, Lot 61, King's County.

**DIED.**

FELL asleep, at Charlottetown, on Tuesday the 21st of February, 1899, Arthur Ormsby, son of Walter A. O. and May E. Morson, in the seventh year of his age.

(Funeral will leave the residence of Mrs. George Hodgson, at 11.30 o'clock today to St. Peter's Cathedral.)

At St. Avarid's, Royalty, on Monday 30th Feb, 1899, of inflammation of the lungs, Marion Etuel aged 1yr, 6 months, only daughter of Silas J. and Mary A. Wadman.

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Rev. R. O. Armstrong, Mulgrave, N. S.  
Pierre Landry, Senr., Pokemouche, N. B.  
Thoms Wasson, Sheffield, N. B.

**NOTICE!**

In connection with the visit of Professors Robertson and Macoun, a Special Train will leave SUMMERSIDE on Wednesday, March 1st, at 12 o'clock local for O'LEARY and ALBERTON, returning to Charlottetown that night after the close of the Alberton meeting. Also a Special Train will leave CHARLOTTETOWN, on Thursday, March 2nd, at 12 o'clock local for ST. PETER'S and SOURIS, returning to Charlottetown that night after the close of the Souris meeting. These trains will call at all stations going and returning.  
From Summerside and Charlottetown, the return fare will be ONE DOLLAR, and from all other stations the rate will be in this proportion.  
Ch'town, Feb. 22, '99. d&w td

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A Sure and Safe Remedy in every case and every kind of Bowel Complaint is

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Two sizes, 25c. and 50c.

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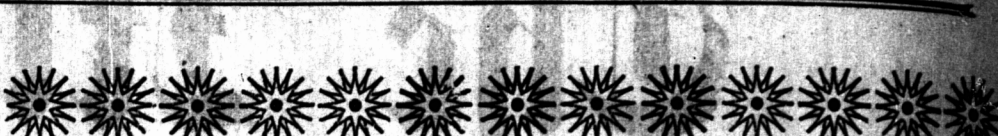
**Closed up at once.**

All those indebted to us will oblige by making immediate payment at the OLD STAND.

**Accounts long overdue** if not attended to at once will be sued for.

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**IN PRICES.**



In stock taking last week we found some lines of Furniture we had ceased to make, and as our FACTORY is crowding NEW PATTERNS on us, we must make room—the prices below should make quick clearance for us and profit for the BUYERS.

**FOR CASH ONLY.**

- 1 Parlor Suit at \$45 00 was \$65 00
- 1 " " at \$40 00 was \$60 00
- 1 " " at \$35 00 was \$50 00
- 1 " " at \$37 50 was \$50 00
- 1 " " at \$32 50 was \$45 00
- 1 " " at \$30 00 was \$40 00
- 1 " " at \$20 00 was \$25 00
- 1 " " at \$17 00 was \$22 00

- 1 Hall Stand at \$7 50 was \$11 00
- 1 " " at \$7 50 was \$10 50
- 1 " " at \$5 50 was \$8 50
- 4 " " at \$3 00 were \$4 00

- 1 Bedroom Suite at \$50 00 was \$75 00
- 1 " " at 35 00 was 50 00
- 1 " " at 32 50 was 45 00
- 1 " " at 19 00 was 24 00
- 1 " " at 17 50 was 22 50
- 1 " " at 17 00 was 21 00
- 3 " " at 13 00 were 16 00

- 1 Sideboard at \$17 50 was \$25 00
- 1 Sideboard at 9 00 was 12 50
- 1 Sideboard at 7 00 was 9 00

- 3 Extension Tables at \$6 00 were \$7 75
- 3 Extension Tables at 5 00 were 6 75
- 1 Extension Table at 4 75 was 6 50

- 13 odd Centre Tables **one third off!**
- 7 odd lounges **one third off.**

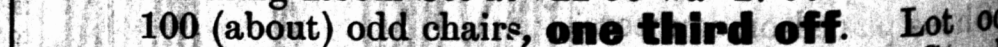
- 1 Dining Room Set at \$30 00 was 40 00
- 1 Dining Room Set at 27 50 was 36 00
- 1 Dining Room Set at 22 50 was 27 50

100 (about) odd chairs, **one third off.** Lot odd pieces—Wotnofs, Cabinets, Fire Screens, Umbrella Stands Music Stands, Reed Chairs, Fancy Rockers, Odd Bureaus odd Sinks, odd Bedsteads, all at **one third off.**

To avoid misunderstanding, we have fastened red tickets, showing **REDUCED PRICES** on all goods enumerated above.

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