

## LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL

Prince street school concert Friday, Dec. 29th.

The lecture in St. James' Hall on the Soudan War, takes place to-morrow night.

**STOCK NOTE.**—Mr. Goodwill Clark has imported a handsome thoroughbred Leicester ram from the stock farm of Mr. Thomas Kickham, P. E. Island.—Pictou Advocate.

The public examination of the Lower Montague school took place last Thursday. The school was examined by Dr. Robertson, Rev. Mr. Stevenson and Rev. Mr. Turner.

The postponed monthly meeting of the B & A club will be held in their rooms Cameron block tonight (Monday) at 8 o'clock sharp. Important business on hand, by order Secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Alder Black of Searle-town left for Boston on Friday, Dec. 15. They expect to remain a fortnight, their intention being to visit Boston at its best.

At the annual meeting of Teachers' Institute on Saturday evening, reorganization took place with the election of following officers:—Pres., Jas. Langhin; Sec'y, Ira J. Yeo, (re-elected); Executive Committee:—E. Stewart, J. Seaman, J. M. Duncan, Miss Farmer, Miss McMurray.

FIGURES in detail of the Boston Municipal Election show that in Ward 22, W. Strickland polled 1629 votes; the highest in that Ward was polled by R. Roemer, 1749. In Ward 21, B. Curtis polled 2272. The highest polled was by R. Emory, 2352. Messrs. Strickland and Curtis stood second in their individual polls.

In referring to the death of P. P. Archibald the Presbyterian Witness says: "Mr. Archibald took, for many years, a useful leading part in conducting the singing in Popular Grove Church, Halifax, of which he was an elder. He kept the Albion Hotel in this city till he removed to Charlottetown where he purchased the Queen Hotel. He was highly esteemed both there and here. The Charlottetown papers pay high tributes to the memory of the late Mr. P. P. Archibald. He was a thoroughly loyal Presbyterian. His hotel, the Queen, was the headquarters of P. E. Island ministers coming to Charlottetown, and was rigorously a Temperance house. He was a warm friend of the Presbyterian Witness. A few weeks ago he expatiated to the Editor on the zest with which he had read Dr. Currie's Lecture which we published in our first issue in November. He was remarkably well read."

**ST. JAMES HALL.**—Lecture tomorrow night, on the Soudan and Kitchener's expedition to Khartoum.

The heavy southerly wind blowing yesterday morning caused quite a sea along the waterfront. There was a heavy sea outside. The steamer Coban, which sailed from Roche's wharf yesterday morning, anchored inside Meagher's beach to wait for smoother water.—Hx. Chronicle, Dec. 16.

**MAJOR PICKERING**, chief officer of the S. A. forces in the Maritime Provinces and the Bermuda's, who recently visited P. E. I., delivered a lecture on the social work of the world wide Salvation Army in George St. Hall, Tuesday evening last, to an appreciative congregation. The Major, who has served over fifteen years as an officer in England is a man of great ability.—Pictou Advocate.

**AT THE LADIES' COLLEGE.**—Perhaps the reason that the Mt. Allison lady students take more interest than is usually credited to their sex, in such current topics, is because they are given weekly lectures on the leading events of the day. With Dr. Borden they have followed all the details of the Franco trouble, have studied eagerly accounts of the Cuban war, and are now tracing on the map the advance of our soldiers in Africa.—Sackville Post.

The Local Teacher's Institute met at Lower Montague on Saturday. The President, Mr. Coffin, was unavoidably absent. Mr. Fraser Elliot occupied the chair. Bye-laws were adopted for the Institute. The speaking of English was largely discussed. It was decided for the Institute to practice writing plain. The next meeting will be held in Georgetown on the 20th January, when the speaking of English will be further discussed.

**J. LEWIS COX**, the well known trainer and driver of Amherst, returned a few days ago from New York, where he purchased for A. B. Etter, the stallion Roberval, a handsome five year old of Wilton, sire of ninety in the list, and twenty in the 20 class. Wilton is the most prominent son of Geo. Wilkes. He also brought home the mare Pooleess by Actuary, 2.11, sire Belmont, by Nutwood, who leads all sires, living or dead, in the number that he has in the list. Both of Mr. Cox's purchases are unmarked, and will probably be heard of on the Provincial turf next season. Mr. Cox left this afternoon for his home in Canning, where he will remain for the winter, returning in the early spring, to again take charge of Mr. Etter's string. At his stables at Canning, Mr. Cox has the celebrated stallion, Abbott Wilkes, 2.11. Sackville Post.

MR. CHAS. TAPER was taken to the P. E. Island hospital Saturday, where he underwent an operation.

**SANTA CLAUS** in his new announcement intimates that he will be at Patton & Co's Bazaar today between the hours 3 and 4 o'clock.

Mrs. M. McCunn has left for Summer side, P. E. I., where he has been appointed manager of the branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia. Mrs. McCunn will leave in a few days to join her husband.

Mrs. ROBERT YOUNG died at her home Hillboro Square on Saturday morning after a protracted illness. The surviving husband, son and daughter, will have the sincere sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

PERMISSION has been granted by order in-council to Alexander J. McFadyen to register at Charlottetown the schooner A. J. McKeon, formerly registered at Lunenburg, but wrecked at Martin's Shore, P. E. I., last September, the vessel having been condemned, sold, and since then thoroughly repaired and made seaworthy.

On Saturday night in the window of Mr. W. C. Whitlock's picture gallery was to be seen a picture which was the property of the late Col. Grey and now in the possession of Mrs. A. Lord, Brighton. The picture represents the defeat of the rebel Boers on the 30th April 1846 at Quat Kopjes, across the great Orange River, South Africa by a field force under command of Gen. Richardson. An extract from an English journal says: "Captain Grey on the extreme right, with six horsemen only, one of them a leader of the Griquas, leading at a gallop about 100 yds in front of the attacking force, that officer's attention became instantly directed to the cannon and in a few seconds having had his brave Griqua comrade and horse shot dead at his side, the cannon was his and the gunners were slain. On the left and right of Quat Kopjes the passes are protected by Boer marksmen while in the centre of the pass to the right the cannon which was captured by Captain Grey is plainly to be seen."

### FROM MANITOBA.

Mr. F. Scott Talks of Prairie Life and Emigrants.

Reference was made in Saturday morning's GUARDIAN to the return of Mr. F. Scott formerly of North River now doing business in the vicinity of Portage La Prairie. In conversation with a representative Mr. Scott said: "The advantages offered the ordinary settlers are very great.

"In the first place in many sections he can secure what is termed a homestead as a free grant, which increases in value as soon as he cultivates and improves the land. Those desiring improved homesteads can secure them on the crop installment system. There is, however, considerable land for free homesteads in the Dolphin district and towards Swan River.

"The Doukhobors are, as a rule, a poor class of immigrants. They do not improve the country in general as they are a secluded sect. Those among them who are laborers will work for less money than the ordinary laborer. The work done is not half as good as performed by Swedes, Americans or the people of the British Isles. The Galician immigrants are a little better but they are not as clean as the Doukhobors.

"When the new railroad from Yorktown to Prince Albert is completed a great ranching country will be opened up. There will also be a vast amount of land suitable for mixed farming along the line of the railway. Portions of the prairie land are well watered but the water is not as good as it is on the Island.

"The principal product of Manitoba and the territories is wheat but ranching is considered more safe. The time is coming when the lands of Manitoba will have to be treated as the land of other countries.

"There is very little difference in the farmers of the west and the P. E. Island farmers. The farms are, however, more scattered but distance is not considered with the western settler and he will go ten miles to attend a concert.

"Living is about as cheap in Manitoba as it is in P. E. Island and the country has many material advantages which P. E. I. has not. Business must advance in proportion to the increase in the population of the country." Mr. Scott thinks that any person in comfortable circumstances can make a living here as well as in the west, providing he is as energetic here as he must be there.

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