

Local and Other Items.

SNOWSHOEING is the order of the day. LAST NIGHT the thermometer registered 4 1/2 degrees below zero.

TRAINS on the Mainland are also "behind time" on account of the snow.

THE gale of yesterday was one of the heaviest. The wind traversed 630 miles in 24 hours.

THE Local Legislature is further prorogued until the 10th February next—not then to meet for the dispatch of business.

TO-DAY is the last for issuing summons from the City Court. One hundred and twenty-five have been issued for the next session.

LADIES and gentlemen who propose going to Mr. Earle's Concert, to-morrow evening, had better get their tickets at Dr. Dodd's and the Apothecaries Hall, to save trouble at the door.

THE mail boats are still at Cape Tormentine and at Cape Traverse. The courier that left this City for Cape Traverse to-day was compelled to return after reaching North River Bridge, owing to the storm.

A FAMILY at the east end of this city rashly exposed the life of a little girl yesterday evening by putting her out of a second-story window and compelling her to walk on top of the highest snowbanks to a neighboring house for a pint of milk.

THE Civic Bye-law relating to dogs, for the purpose of taxing, will be enforced on the first of February. We suggest to the owners of each and every canine the propriety of repairing immediately to the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court and there have the same duly registered.

A WARNING to DANCERS.—Some days ago a young girl employed in the house of a Civil Service officer at Ottawa went to a dance, where she contracted a severe cold, and being chronically indisposed, she died somewhat suddenly and unexpectedly on the following night.

Henry Irving, the London actor, must have serene confidence in his popularity and the ravenous desire of the wealthy classes to see him act Hamlet, for, despite of the hard times, he is charging \$2.50 each for orchestra chairs in the Lyceum Theatre.

APROPPOS of airy nothings, the chap who gave vent to these lines on Saturday last, no doubt thought that he had something worthy of the air:—

Shovel, brothers, shovel with care,
Shovel if none of your neighbors dare,
Shovel in the teeth of the Nor'westaire,
Shovel in spite of the biting air,
Shovel a path for the passengaire.

AN extraordinary complaint was made at the Police Station to-day. An old lady, who resides at the West End, came to the City Marshal this forenoon and entreated him to send an officer to her house, to prevent teams from driving over it, as three teams had already driven over it this morning! The front of her house is completely covered with snow, while the rear is clear.

A SNOWSTORM of unusual severity set in on Saturday evening and continued till after midnight on Sunday. Yesterday the streets of the city were deserted—scarcely a living being could be seen on them. The Churches, one and all, were poorly attended—thus the ardent follower was, by his attendance, easily discerned from the lukewarm Christian who did not attend! The roads and by-ways throughout the country and the streets of the city, have been entirely blocked. Traffic is almost impossible. There is a complete blockade on the Railway. No passengers have been taken in the trains to-day, and the engines are engaged in fighting a way to their regular points. From three to four feet of snow is reported in the cuttings along the line. The train which left Georgetown this morning reached Cardigan at 1.30 this afternoon. The train that left Mt. Stewart for Souris at 7.15 on Saturday evening is snowed up at Majill Chapel, and at 2 o'clock an engine from this city went to her relief. At 1.30 the Summerside train reached Hunter River, and, at the same time, the train from Tignish had reached O'Leary Station.

THE FREAKS OF IMAGINATION.—Our itinerant correspondent who has lately been in Prince County is a very close observer. He sends us the following, which, he says, occurred a short time ago: "A verdant couple were married recently; and, being in rather poor circumstances, the young husband is compelled to 'earn his bread by the sweat of his brow.' He was hired by one of his neighbors to chop wood a short time ago. This neighbor lived at a distance and the weather was very cold. The young wife assisted in dressing her dearest as warmly as possible for the journey, and when he was about to start, with axe in hand, she warned him 'not to freeze nor cut himself.' Some hours after his departure she looked out of the window and saw her lord returning homewards, walking slowly and very lame. Her excitement became intense; and, as she gazed from the window, her form became cold and weak, and she literally fell into a swoon. Recovering, and seeing he was still far off, she started to meet him; but the pressure was too great, and ere she had gone many steps she again fainted and fell on the snow-covered ground. Seeing her fall he quickened his step, and was soon by her languid form. In his arms he carried her to the lonely cottage. In a short time she revived, and, in a flurry, brushed the snow from the lame foot of her husband, and was awe-struck to find a large hole cut in the boot and the sock saturated with a red fluid. The foot was exceedingly painful, and he could not bear to have the boot removed. The knife was applied and the boot cut off by the instep; but behold! the foot—with the exception of a slight bruise—was sound, and the sole cause of the fear and trembling was a red woollen sock, which his young helpmate had put on his foot without giving him any knowledge of the color.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

OTTAWA, Jan. 27.
A heavy snowstorm prevailed here all last night and to-day.

The uneasiness in the Stock market in Montreal, etc., was not felt to-day so severely as on the day previous.

Several officials of the Public Works Department have been removed within the last few days.

The Governor General visited the Senate Chamber this afternoon, for the purpose of inspecting the improvements which are being made there, and giving an expression of opinion regarding the different specimens of panelling there exhibited.

ST. STEPHEN, Jan. 27.
Fifty thousand dollars worth of property was destroyed here by fire on Saturday night about midnight. The insurance on the property will probably reach \$30,000.

SACKVILLE, N. B., Jan. 27.
Two buildings were burned yesterday at Point Du Chene, and two large dwellings at Shediac also.

LONDON, Jan. 25.
A Calcutta despatch says that a despatch from Jellalabad, dated 22nd, states that Yakoub Khan has seized Fort Fizen, belonging to Bababakakheh Ghilzais, taking the chief prisoners, in consequence of which the Ghilzais have commenced hostilities against Yakoub Khan.

Shere Ali's Master of Horse, the great opponent to British influence, is dead.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the statements or opinions of our correspondents

The Fishery Award.

FAIRPLAY ADVOCATED.

To the Editor of the Examiner.
SIR,—Allow me to say a word in the discussion going on in the press about the disposal of the money obtained by the Dominion Government by the Fishery Award. The organs in the pay of the Local Government contend that our share of the award should be handed to the Local Government, to be expended in the manner that suits them best. To this mode of expending the money there are many objections. In the first place, the Locals have, since we went into Confederation, spent a large amount of money so recklessly that we have little or nothing to show for it. It is to be feared that if they get the portion of the Award the Island is entitled to into their hands, it would be used more for the purpose of keeping themselves and friends in power than for the benefit of the country. If the Local Government once got the money into their hands the people might bid good-bye to reform and retrenchment until it was all gone. If we are to judge by the jobbery and extravagance of the last two years, giving them control of the money would be a curse to the Island instead of a blessing. Instead of being used for the people's benefit, it is to be feared that a large portion of it would be used to corrupt the people and the representatives of the people.

There is another reason, which outweighs all others, why the Dominion Government should control the expenditure of the amount of the award. The money was paid to us for privileges given to the fishermen of the United States to fish on our coast on an equality with our own fishermen. The money, then, should be expended in such a manner as to give our own fisherman every facility and encouragement in his precarious calling. The harbors should be improved as much as possible, breakwaters built, and, perhaps, in some places, short railway branches, so that our fishermen may be able to compete with the American fishermen. When the rights that in reality belonged to our fishermen were given to foreigners for a money consideration, it surely is reasonable that it should be expended for their benefit. That being the case, who so competent to see the money expended in a proper way as the Minister of Marine and Fisheries. The Dominion Government controls our fisheries, and if the money was handed over to the local Government they would spend it for other purposes, and the fishermen would be left to shift for themselves. When the \$800,000 given by the Dominion Government to buy the Proprietors' lands, it was used for that purpose, and our fishermen got little or no benefit from it, and there never was a word of complaint. Surely, then, the money that was obtained by giving foreigners privileges that diminish our hardy fisherman's chances of success in his occupation, should be expended for the fishermen's benefit. Besides improving harbors and building branch railways, it would benefit all classes in the community as well as the fishermen. The farmer will have easier access to market and the trader greater facilities for trade. Instead of casting longing eyes on money which does not belong to them, let the Local Government cut down its enormous staff of officials and desist from perpetrating frauds on the country in the shape of huge asylums and other jobs. In a word, let them practice that economy which will enable them to live within their means, and learn that the whole treasury of the Dominion is not to be at their disposal to feed a horde of officials and their friends.

It is a matter of congratulation for the Island that one of our representatives in the Dominion House of Commons is Minister of Marine and Fisheries at the present time. That he will see that our fair share of the award will be expended for the benefit of our fisheries, I have no doubt. Yours, etc.,

FAIRPLAY.
New London, Jan. 24, 1878.

To the Editor of the Examiner:
SIR,—Why do not the proper authorities utilize the prisoners in our jail in cleaning the snow from our thoroughfares? In other cities of less pretensions than Charlottetown, this system is adopted to public advantage. Cannot the able-bodied men in our own local institution be brought to the rescue; and, during the winter months, be compelled to clear the streets of snow, and perform repairs to the same during summer?

Let the proper Commissioners move in this matter, and they will receive the gratitude of the

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Charlottetown, Jan. 27, 1878.

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Ladies' Skirts,
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Ties,
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Ladies' Cloth and Kid Gloves,

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Brussels Carpets,

Tapestry "

2-ply Scotch "

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Charlottetown, Dec. 30, 1878—

AUCTION SALES. BANK STOCK.

I WILL SELL AT AUCTION, ON Friday, the 31st instant, At 12 o'clock, at my Sale Room, 40 Shares in Union Bank of P. E. I. WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer. Ch'town, Jan. 22, 1878. 3i

Mortgage Sale.

To be sold, by Public Auction, on Tuesday, the 25th day of February 1879, at the Court House in Summerside, at 12 o'clock of the same day, under and by virtue of a Power of Sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage, dated the first day of November, 1873, and made between Donald McLellan, of Lot 14, in Prince County, in Prince Edward Island, and Margaret, his wife, of the one part, and Daniel Hodgson, of the other part,—

ALL that tract, piece and parcel of land, described as follows: Commencing at a stake fixed on the west bank of Grand River, being the south boundary of a tract of land owned by Andrew McLellan, running from thence by a line running north seventy degrees west along the said Andrew McLellan's land twenty-three chains and fifty links; thence at a right angle west seventy degrees east five chains to Frederick McDonald's land; thence north seventy degrees west eighty-seven chains; thence west seventy degrees south ten chains to John McLellan's east line; thence south seventy degrees east along said line six chains; thence east seventy degrees north five chains; thence south seventy degrees east sixty-one chains to the Main Road; thence westwardly along the road five chains to John McLellan's east line; thence along said line south seventy degrees east to the shore of Grand River, aforesaid; thence north-eastwardly along said shore to the stake at the place of beginning, containing an area of sixty-six Acres of Land, a little more or less, being part of the farm of the late Angus McLellan, on Lot or Township Number Fourteen, together with all the buildings situated thereon.

For further particulars, apply to Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod, Charlottetown. Dated 20th January, A. D., 1879. D. HODGSON, Mortgagee. Ch'town, Jan. 25, 1879—oaw till sale.

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