

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

Beer Bros. for Dress Goods

GOOD NEWS FOR THE POOR. Messrs. J. Murphy & Son inform us that the price of broad will be six cents per yard owing to the dull times.

HOTEL TO BE CLOSED.—The Aberdeen Hotel, at St. John, is to be closed and the furniture sold. The hotel has been losing money for some time past.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT.—Before H. J. Palmer, S. M., at 10 o'clock today, John Hume and Angus Martin, of Woodville, who each fined \$50 and costs for first infractions of the Scott Act.

I. O. O. T.—Charlottesville Lodge No. 61, will meet at 8 o'clock this evening in Wright's Hall. Initiation and other business. Depute, "Should capital punishment be abolished?" Visiting Templars welcome.

\$10, \$12 and \$14

Are the three lines of Overcoats we are pushing this week Quite a number were sold last week and every person who seen them was surprised to find such nice goods ready-made. Come and see the coats. You do not have to buy them unless the make, quality and price suits you.

PROWSE BROS.

Equal to Custom Made

The fine blue beaver Overcoat we are selling for \$10 is a dandy, and worth much more money. It will pay you to see this line before leaving your measure. Good cloth, fine finish, latest cut, and the price is only \$10.

PROWSE BROTHERS

Best on This Part of the Earth.

We have seventeen of those wonderful \$12 Overcoats left. Blue black beaver and worsted, cost \$13, made to order. Don't throw away \$6 those hard times, but drop in and see wonderful bargains; our price is only \$12

PROWSE BROTHERS

AN OBJECT IN VIEW.

Our main object in advertising these fine goods is to show the people of this city that they can get just as nice goods ready-made as any other way if they will only pay the price, and in order to intrude these goods, we will offer an extra fine blue black or fawn beaver Overcoat, worth \$18.00 to \$29.00, for \$14.00

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FRERENK COURT.—The Supreme Court will meet at Charlottetown on the 12th January.

CARD OF CORP.—The schor. Karl Crane arrived from Boston to-day with a cargo of corn for Geo. E. Full.

DON'T FORGET THE KIRNESS and Desarte entertainment tonight. The programme is a good one and should attract a large audience.

POLICE COURT.—This forenoon John Higgins, Jr., was fined \$30 and costs or 10 months imprisonment for a first contravention of the Scott Act. The cases against William Macdonald, Peter Kelly and Philip Curley were adjourned.

PERSONAL.

Mr. James A. Grant, Toronto, registered at the Hotel Bayview this forenoon.

Wm. Do. d. Esp., who left here to spend the winter in California, arrived safely at Oakland on the 2nd inst.

At the Queen Hotel this forenoon: W. S. Sterns, S. M.; David Egan, Mount Stewart; Chas. McNeill, New Glasgow; Fannie Beer, Hampton; J. C. Flanagan, Carleton Place.

THE DUNDAS TRAGEDY.—The inquest in view of the body of Margaret MacKenzie was concluded today. The verdict was in effect that the decedent came to her death by wounds inflicted with an axe used by some person or persons unknown. Louis Ross was foreman of the jury. Dr. McLaughlin was coroner.

STROKEN BY A MOB.—According to a correspondent of the Farmer, on the evening of the 8th inst., while Golden Star Division was in session, the school house in which they were assembled at Elmshade, was stoned by a mob of outsiders, shattering two windows considerably. The guilty parties are known, but no arrests have been made as yet.

HIS HAND INJURED.—Miss Cahill, one of the employees in the laundry, had one of her hands badly jammed in some of the machinery a day or two ago. Two rings on the third finger were fastened into the flesh so badly that they had to be cut out by a medical man. Miss Cahill will not be able to resume work for a week or so.

SCOTT ACT.—Yesterday evening Thos. Clarke, Fred E. Jones, Angus D. B. White and Sarah Jane Higgins were the recipients of Scott Act summonses. Sarah Jane's summons charges a first infraction, and the others, allege third infractions. The summons against Clarke and Jones are returnable on Monday. The others are returnable on Thursday.

AN ENGINEER SUMMONED.—A correspondent of the Pictou Standard says: I hear that a leading P. E. I. engineer, who had engaged a Scotch engineer for a steamer he was interested in, which steamer was wrecked, has summoned the engineer of his bank and into the new Government steamer, the Petrel. Seems to me that there are engineers either in P. E. Island or in Pictou county who were more entitled to the job than the outsider, and I think our own people should be preferred.

THE PETREL.—The steamer Petrel which has been chartered by the Government for the winter mail service between Capes Traverse and Tormentine, arrived here from Pictou last evening and is now lying at Pownal wharf. The Petrel was built by the Collins Bay Rafting and Forwarding Company in 1892 for their own use. She is 129 feet long, 26 feet beam and 10 feet depth of hold. She has 22 horse power, with a gross tonnage of 345 and a net tonnage of 199. While on the slip at Pictou the Petrel was sheathed with steel plates. Her boiler and tank will be filled to-day, and she will begin work as soon as the Northumberland stops running. Captain Joseph Macdonald, of Carleton Place, is in command of the Petrel. There are some persons who think she will prove a failure in the ice; but that remains to be seen.

IF IT'S A GIFT And it's Furniture, We've got it. Pictures, Desks, Rockers, High chairs, Fancy chairs, Carpet Wickers, Smoking chairs, Lounges, Hall Racks, Umbrella Stands, Tables, Screens, Window chairs, Odd chairs.

MARK WRIGHT & CO., LTD For FURNITURE.

A VERITABLE Feast of Bargains.

In what W. A. Weeks & Co. have provided for their customers this week. And just what a "rich" feast it will be the following examples abundantly illustrate. Decisive reductions on Jackets, Capes, Felt Hats, Trimmed and Un-trimmed Millinery.

This Week's Bargains

Nothing like these values ever offered before

- Regular Ladies' Selling Price: \$2.85 to \$3.25. Ladies' Jackets and Capes now \$1.50. Hats, all at \$1.50. Trimmed Hats \$1.75. Job line Black Ben \$1.10. Fine Cashmere at 50c. Empress Corsets at 60c. Splendid Corsets at 55c. Ladies' Linters at 20c. Heavy quality at 25c. Ladies' Drawers at 32c. Gents' Hose at 30c. Gents' Collars at 15c. Gents' Cuffs at 22c. Unlaundried Shirts at 39c. 1.45 best White do at \$1.10. 1.00 Shirts or Drawers 50c. 1.00 fine Shetland wool 50c. 25c heavy Ticking at 15c. 2.00 and 1.50 Fine linen Towels \$1.50 and 2.00 doz. 16c. Grey Flannel at 12c. 25c. Heavy all wool at 19c. 36c. very finest do at 30c. \$1.25 Cravenette at \$1.00. \$1.00 Gents lined Gloves at 79c. \$1.25 best Kid Clasp at 98c. Furs, Dress Goods, Blankets, Comforts and everything to be found in a first class dry goods store, and our large buying facilities with spot cash puts the People's Store in a position to offer the buying public Honest Goods at Honest Prices.

WEEKS

Wholesale & Retail.

Our Oatcake and Ginger Snaps are not made to stay in on shop, they are made to sell and sell they do. Price 12c per lb. Fresh Patties, Tarts, Scotch Cake, Rolls, German Buns, etc., to-day. Telephone 98.

D STEWART, ECLIPSE BAKERY. Bakes Best Bread.

CHURCH AT KELLY'S CROSS.

The parishioners of St. Joseph's Church, Kelly's Cross, despite the hard times and the disheartening recollections of so many drawbacks and losses in the past, are this fall, under the zealous guidance of the energetic pastor, Rev. D. B. Reid, still determined to push forward the work of completion of the new Church, and some two months ago awarded the contract of finishing the interior of the vestry and parish-room to Messrs. Schurman, Lefrere & Co., Summerside. These gentlemen, although having many contracts on hand, do their utmost to give satisfaction, and generally succeed in doing so. The workmanship done by Messrs. Creamer Bros., employed by the contractors, is neat and artistically executed, a prevailing feature of these gentlemen's work. When they have received the finishing touches of the painter's brush, the pastor and people of St. Joseph's can say they have a vestry and parish room second to none in design, workmanship and finish. To aid the good work, a Basket Social will be held at Kelly's Cross on Tuesday evening, the 22nd inst., when ladies with heavily laden baskets and gentlemen with heavily laden wallets will be welcome. A select programme will be presented. No doubt the ladies and gentlemen of St. Joseph's Parish will repeat the record of the 23rd December, 1895, and make that of 1896 the "Banner Basket Social."

Did you ever hear the like Men's heavy warm Freize Ulsters, for \$2.75 and \$3.75 Boys' Nap Reefers, for 75c Boys' warm Ulsters, \$1.75 Tremendous slaughter at J. B. Macdonald's old stand opposite the Market.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

LETTER FROM MR. SHAW.

Sir,—The readers of THE EXAMINER must have been greatly interested in the very able review of the conduct of the present local administration which appeared in recent issues of that paper, over the signature of W. S. Stewart. That they have violated every promise made to the people previous to the election of 1892, and that the most gross extravagance exists in the various branches of the public service, has been conclusively proved by Mr. Stewart. That the affairs of the province are fast drifting to a financial crisis is evident from the fact that by the end of the term of the present administration, the public debt will have reached the enormous sum of at least \$500,000, entailing an expenditure of \$200,000 per year. If this state of affairs is allowed to continue, it is obvious that financial embarrassment will soon arrive, and our autonomy as a province will be most seriously endangered. When the people of this country will consider that two-thirds of the entire amount now paid in property tax, will be required for interest charges alone, that notwithstanding the promises of retrenchment, our expenditure is mounting upwards by leaps and bounds, and that the receipts in the Land Office have decreased from \$72,878.43 in 1891, to \$24,592.71 in 1895, and by the report of the Public Accounts Committee for the year 1895-96, we are owing to that office \$1,000,000 of which the C. P. Lands declared could never be collected, they will pause and reflect before again entrusting their confidence to a party which has broken the financial affairs of the Province to such a "pernicious condition."

Mr. Stewart suggests a plan by which the danger can be averted, and revenue and expenditure made to meet. If I understand him aright, after relinquishing the Property and Income Tax, and effecting all possible saving in the various branches of the public service, he would have \$15,000 to expend on Education. This would leave \$83,000 average to each school teacher in the Province, and leave the Trustees to make up the balance, \$117, from their respective districts, estimating the teachers' salaries at an average of \$200 each. He says that an ordinary English education, consisting of the three R's, is all a government is bound to pay for; and if the rich want a more advanced education for their children, let them pay for it in the same way as for all other articles of life. This is the substance of his contention on this point. In discussing this question we must bear in mind that, owing to our geographical position, we cannot expect to have the same number of such magnitude as to give employment to our surplus population; neither have we mines or minerals to afford work in their development. Our lands are all taken up, and it is manifest that whereas the party rules at Ottawa, the surplus population of this Province must seek employment beyond its shores.

It is, therefore, the duty of the government to make every effort to secure a good and efficient education as to fit them for the great race of life wherever their lot may be cast, so that we may have intelligent and progressive citizens at all points of our coast. It is a matter of "bread and butter" to the poor district that could not raise the \$117 would be obliged to submit to have their children instructed by inferior teachers,—and thus through time they would become "victims of poverty." I feel satisfied that if this plan were carried into effect, one-third of our schools would be closed from their inability to pay a teacher. It must be remembered that the children of rich parents have not a monopoly in brains, nor are the children of rich districts the custodians of the genius of our youth; but in the most humble homes and in the poorest districts of our island have been found the most brilliant intellects. By adopting Mr. Stewart's plan a great number of the schools in which such genius was nurtured and developed would be closed,—the nettle and spear would be given over to their dogs, illiteracy would take the place of intelligence, and ignorance would supplant knowledge.

It is apparent to me that it is the duty of the Government to give to the youth of the province an education at least equal to that of a second class teacher, and that the salary should be paid directly from the Government. I feel that on this point I am expressing the opinion of the great majority of the people, irrespective of party. I also claim that it is the duty of the Government to educate the children of the poor district as efficiently as those of the rich, as the same sun shines on the garden of the widow as well as on that of the prince, and the same refreshing showers invigorate the crops of the humble cottager as those of the millionaire with his broad acres,—so should the same educational justice be meted out to the poorer districts as to the more wealthy. This can only be done by paying the teachers' salaries directly from the Government.

In view of the fact that a boy has to be kept in school until he is 18 years of age before he is able to teach, that he has to be provided with board, raiment and books, that during this time he is unable to earn anything, that the last year he has to be kept in Charlottetown at a cost of about \$100, and in many cases this money has to be borrowed, to be returned when it is earned by teaching,—surely it cannot be said that the teachers at present overpaid. But Mr. Stewart says that before 1878, teachers can afford to have their pay reduced. It would be most interesting to the farmers as well as to the teachers of this Province to know to what extent the legal gentlemen of Charlottetown reduced their tariff since 1878.

The great object of government is to make life and property more secure. The proof of this is apparent in the greater security of life and property in a civilized country, to that in a barbarous one, and it is conceded that the more enlightened a people become, the more secure life and property becomes also. Education being one of the principal agencies in making a people more intelligent, it is therefore evident that it is one of the chief factors toward the greater security of life and

THE MARKETS

Butter.—Toronto advices report: There is no change in the situation here. Choice dairy and fine creamery sell well. There is also a fair demand for low grade dairy at 7 to 8c. Medium grade, however, sell short. Quotations are as follows:—Low grade dairy tubs, 7 to 8c; medium dairy tubs, 9 to 11c; large dairy rolls, 12 to 14c; small dairy rolls, 14 to 15c; creamery tubs, 19 to 19 1/2c; pounds, 20 to 21c.

Cheese.—It is reported from London, Ont., (Dec. 5): At the cheese market to-day 21 factories boarded 7,557 boxes October and balance November. Sales, \$30,000 October at 9c, and 150 November at 8 1/2c. Salesmen are holding for higher prices.

Rheumatism is caused by lactic acid in the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla neutralizes the acid and cures rheumatism.

Saskatchewan buffalo robes, recommended by the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Marine and Fisheries for warmth and durability. For sale by Simon W. Crabbe, Walker's Corner.

Setts carvers in cases, Eye-Winners brand, very nice and cheap.—Simon W. Crabbe, Walker's Corner.

The authorities of Hamburg have announced that they do not intend to make use of the troops in replacing the strikers or in the work of maintaining order.

Look at This List

And see if there is any article you wish for

Albert Chains, Alarm Clocks, Art Goods.

Button Hooks, Brooches, Baby Pins and Rattles, Black Brooches, Bold Buttons, Brooches, Bar Pins, Butter Dishes, Brushes for hair with silver mounts, Bottles, silver mounted, Boxes for collar buttons, (cups and matches), Jewels and Buttons. Baking dishes, Bronze Figures, Belts and Buckles, Blauometers.

Coin Brooches, enamelled; Card Trays and Cases, Cake Baskets, Castors for dinner and breakfast; Candle Sticks, Chains, Charms, Clocks, Card on Clocks, Cuff Buttons, and Links, Collar Studs, Combs, Saps, Cases, gold mounted; Cream and Sugar Sets, Clery Dishes, Cliche Sets, Spoons, Combs, Cracker Jars, Cases of fish and dessert knives and forks, Carvers

Diamond Rings, Desert Sets, and Knives.

Enamel Coin Brooches and Pins, Ear Rings, Eye Glasses, Ebony Cases, mounted Egg stands, Emerald Rings, Engraving artistically done, Elin Watches.

Fruit Dishes and Knives, Fern Pots, Forks, French Clocks.

Garnet Rings and Brooches, Gold Watches, and Jewelry of all descriptions. Gravy Ladles, Grape Scissors, Glassware.

Hand Mirrors, and Hair Brushes, Silver mounted Hair and Bat Pins, Hat Pins.

Initial Pins, from 5c each, Ice Pitchers, Ink Stands.

Jewel Boxes, Jugs for Syrup, Jugs for Water.

Knives and Forks, Knife Rests, Keeper Rings, Keys for Watches and Clocks, Kettles.

Locketts, Lamps in China and Silver, Lenses for Spectacles.

Mirrors, Mustard Pots, Match Boxes, Marble Clocks, Marine Clocks (Mascotte Rings and Pins, Manicure Sets.

Napkin Rings, Necklets, Nutcrackers.

PRESSENTATION WATCHES. Pearl Rings, Pen Holders, Pencils, Pickle Dishes, Photo Frames in gilt and silver; Pebble Spectacles, Pins, Plain Rings, Paper Kives, Pitchers, Pie knives, Purse, silver mounted, Peppers.

Quadruple plate Spoons, Forks, Knives, etc.; quality guaranteed as representative of all goods sold.

Rings signet, wedding, engagement, children's, all prices, either in stock or made to order. Ribbon vest chains and guards, Reading Glasses, Rolled plate Rings and Chains.

Studs, Scissors with silver handles, Solid Silver Thumbes, Brooches, and Novelty, Souverain Spoons, and Boxes, Shaving Mugs, Spoon Holders, Salt, Cream Boxes, Salters, Sugar, Soap Boxes, Syrup Jugs, Silver Polish, Spectacles, gold, silver, aluminium and steel. If you do not know the number of the lenses your friend needs we can fit up a temporary pair, and put in the right glasses later.

Ten Sets, Tea Spoons, Thermometers, Time pieces, Trays, Toast Racks, Tooth Picks, Tonges for Sugar.

Useful and ornamental articles for presents. Urns, Umbrella Cases.

Vest Chains, Vases, Veil Clasp, Vegetable Dishes.

Watches.—The leading makes in handsomely engraved cases or plain, so that you can have whatever you wish. Excelsior, Wedding Rings, Waiters, Water Pitchers.

Xmas Presents. You are invited to call and see them.

Zoological specimens in bronze, Zero Thermometers. The above and many more, new, good and cheap; for sale at

E. W. TAYLOR, Cameron Block.

NEW Job Printing Office. I have just put in a complete Job Printing Plant; everything new and up to date. I am now prepared to do all kinds of Job Printing. If you want Good Work at cheap rates we can do it for you. No labor work will be allowed to leave our office, and no one will do printing cheaper.

Try us for Billheads, Statements; Letter and Note Heads, Invitations, Programmes, Circulars, Visiting Cards, Receipts, Notes of Hand, Dodgers. Call and see us

J. D. TAYLOR'S, QUEEN STREET. Orders by mail promptly attended to.

Sale of Ladies' Fur Lined CAPES

The temptation offered by a very special sale of handsome Fur-lined Capes in London last summer, proved to be too great for our buyers to resist. The value was extraordinary, the styles were correct and altogether the attractions too unusual to pass it by.

BUT Carried away by the enthusiasm of the moment, he "plunged" a little too heavily. The benefit is all for you. We place these beautiful goods on sale at but a fraction of their retail worth. An equal chance to buy may never again come to you. Buy low and buy once.

Read this List of Reduced Prices.

- Black Cloth Covering, new style collar, squirrel lined, edged with black Coney—only a few left \$5
- Brown Cloth or black, similar in style to above, regular price, \$8.50 \$6
- Brown Cloth trimmed with German beaver, deep fur collar, lined squirrel, with handsome shot surah lining at the fullness of black, regular \$18 value \$12
- Black Brocade Cloth, grey squirrel lining, black Opposite collar and edging, very handsome, price \$19 \$12
- Fawn Brocade Cloth, imitation beaver collar and trim, very stylish, regular price \$21 \$13
- Brown Plaided Cloth, seal fur collar, lined rich grey and white squirrel, very handsome, deep length, price \$22 \$14

These are only a fair sample of the reductions we are making

Above Prices Commence Friday 11

BEER BROS.

Display

Our holiday stock offers a spectacle of unusual brilliancy, even for the sparkling season of Christmas.

Pretty Gifts.

SPARKLING RINGS, GEMS OF WATCHES, PRETTY CLOCKS, CHOICEST SILVER NOVELTIES.

COME

And enjoy yourselves looking at the pretty things. Shop open every evening until Xmas.

W. W. WELLNER, JEWELER.

That's What I Want FOR CHRISTMAS

THAT! THAT! THAT!

How many different THATS there will be before you select yours. (See our big stock of XMAS GOODS)

Just opened, our new and elegant assortment of

Xmas Cards, Xmas Calendars, Xmas Booklets.

From the fine art houses of "Raphael Tuck, Son & Co., and Marcus Ward & Co.

Everything New. Everything Pretty. Everything marked at low prices.

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Xmas Goods.

Now open, a fine assortment of Xmas Goods of all kinds, including

Celluloid, Leather, Plush, Silver and Bronze Ware.

A fine assortment of the Celebrated Raphael Tuck & Sons Xmas Cards, Booklets and Calendars now opening.

Newest Goods and Newest Prices.

Toy Department open in a few days,

McMILLAN & HOBNSBY, Xmas Supply Store, Queen Street

Comfort for Cold Nights. We have Blankets here that take the chill off the coldest night. Prices are the only cold thing about them they're Below Zero. Just a few samples: Fair quality cotton Blankets, 75c and 85c per pair. Warm Woolen Blankets for \$1.85, \$2.15, \$2.35, \$2.65, \$2.80, \$3.20, \$3.32, per pair and up. 2 Grand Values. No. 1.—Full size, 66x88 in, full weight, 8 lbs per pair, warm and comfortable. \$5.30. No. 2.—Little larger, 68x88, same weight, but differently made, very fine, very firm in texture, and luxuriously soft; pleasant to the touch, our price \$6.65. Moore & McLeod.

2 Much Stock. We have an overstock of Men's Ready-made Clothing, Underclothing and Shirts, that we offer at clearing prices. Now is your chance to buy. We will give you as much for a dollar as any store in Charlottetown, and in some lines more. D. A. BRUCE, Birth-place for great and honest bargains.

SKATES. The Nicest and Cheapest line of Skates ever shown in the city. Ace Club.....65c and upwards. Hockey.....\$1.25 and upwards. RACERS and Ladies' Gems. Also, a large stock of HOCKEY STICKS selling at 40c and 50c. Call and see the line at W. E. DAWSON

EMPIRE BLEND TEA. I have just received the first instalment of my winter's supply of this famous tea, in 1, 3 and 5 lb. tins and 50 lb. steel chests. Remember there are several qualities of Empire Blend. I sell the BEST. T. J. MORRIS, Grocer and Crockery Man.

LONDON HOUSE. Overcoats, Reefing Jackets, We have about one hundred and fifty. Not all sizes, but on those we have you can save a lot of money. T. J. HARRIS