

Local and Other Items.

Among the curiosities witnessed to-day was a horse in a wagon crossing the ice.

Georgetown Harbor closed on the night of the 5th, and the ferry boat stopped running on the 6th.

Mr. I. Arthur, of the firm of Arthur & Tombs has returned to this City. He will remain for a few weeks.

The City Council holds its annual meeting on Monday evening, when the reports of the different civic departments will be received and read.

LAUNDRY'S "Musical Journal" for January has been received. It is well filled with matter and fully up to the order of musical magazines.

We are pleased to see that Dr. Hobkirk who has been confined to his house by a severe cold is again able to attend to the duties of his profession.

The regular meeting of the Charlotetown Land League will be held on Monday evening 9th inst. at 8 o'clock in St. Patrick's Hall. A full attendance is requested.

The funeral of the late Wm. McGill will take place on Monday, leaving the house at 2.15. The train will leave at 2.45. Friends and acquaintances requested to attend.

The brigantine "Parnell," Melnaac master, owned by Michael Foley, Esq., arrived at Queenstown on the 7th inst., making the splendid passage of thirteen days from Canso.

A boy named Albert Allan appeared at the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court this forenoon charged with using threatening language towards his mother. He was remanded to jail to await investigation.

The man who desisted from taking a business tour overland during Christmas week, because Vennor predicted heavy snow storms during that period, now threatens the weather prophet with a suit for damages.

DROPPED DEAD—A Sackville despatch of the 4th says: Geo. S. McCord, manager of the Great North Western Telegraph Company at Bathurst, N. B., suddenly fell dead, this morning, inside Dr. Moore's front door. Heart disease is supposed to be the cause. He leaves a wife and four children.

C. O. Woodbury, Esq., of Milford, Mass., states that the application of St. Jacob's Oil cured a valuable span of white horses of a severe lameness, induced by straining the veins. This led to a personal use, and we now declare it the best—the very best—in the market." Mr. W. is with a vast majority.

The members of No. 2 battery of garrison artillery at Fort Edward to-day, competed for the prize in long range shooting with the heavy guns of the Fort. The target was placed on the ice at a distance of twelve hundred yards, and although it snowed thickly during the competition the shooting was very good. The scores will be published on Monday.

We understand that a movement is on foot to entertain the firemen of this city by a grand dinner. This movement if carried to a successful end is a proper one. There is no department so poorly rewarded for the work performed by it, as the fire department. Its members during winter and summer undergo great hardships, and encounter many dangers to life and limb. For this their recompense from the corporation is small, and smaller still is it from the Insurance Companies whom they directly benefit by hard and courageous work. Then if they are to be entertained, let it be an entertainment worthy of them, and we feel sure the citizens will heartily join in contributing to their enjoyment.

The second mate of the Fishwick's Express line steamer "Edgar Stuart," named McLeod, dropped dead on board that vessel at Yarmouth at six o'clock on Monday morning. At the time the man was sweeping the deck, and in an instant blood came spurting from his mouth. He never spoke. The cause of his death is supposed to be the rupture of a blood vessel. The deceased was a married man and leaves a wife and two children in this city, who reside on Lower Water Street, in the vicinity of Keith's brewery. Mr. McLeod has been second mate of the steamer since August last. He was a native of Sydney, C. B. The remains were interred at Yarmouth.—Halifax Herald.

The "Annual Entertainment" was held in Pownall Hall, on the 29th December. A good programme was presented to a very large audience. Rev. Mr. Tippet, of Charlottetown, gave an appropriate opening address, and Rev. S. R. Ackman, of Cornwall, delivered an interesting lecture on "Look out for number one." Pupils of the Grammar school, recited excellently, and the choir, under the efficient management of Mr. Richard Brohol, and Miss Lidie Jones rendered excellent music. The ladies of the community provided refreshments; and also a number of first class cakes, which were disposed of. The proceeds amounting to \$101.41—were presented to Rev. G. M. Campbell. The choir during the evening was ably filled by F. H. Campbell.

I. O. O. F.—At a regular meeting of Willey Lodge, held last evening, the following officers were duly installed into their respective chairs by Theo. R. Callbeck, Esq., D. D. G. M., assisted by Theo. A. Chappelle, Esq., and other officers of the Grand Lodge:—

- D. A. MacDonald, N. G.
George Stanley, V. G.
Geo. A. Sharpe, R. S.
A. D. White, (re-elected) Treas.
John H. Longworth, P. S.
Benj. Bremner, Conductor.
John W. Pentz, Warden.
E. W. Dawson, O. G.
E. D. Crawford, I. G.
Wm. G. Gillespie, R. S. N. G.
D. A. McQueen, R. S. N. G.
Wm. C. Kennedy, R. S. V. G.
L. S. V. G.
S. S. Peterson, R. S. S.
Jas. A. Webster, L. S. S.
John A. Moore, I. P. G.

OPENING OF THE MILITARY SCHOOL.—On Wednesday the Military School for the Provinces was opened at 9.30 a. m. in the drill shed, St. John, with three candidates. They are: Lieut. Woodrow, 62nd Batt.; Lieutenants Langstroth and Fairweather, 74th Battalion. The hours of the school are to be from 10 a. m. to 12.30 p. m.; 2 to 4.30 p. m. The officers are—
Commandant—Lt. Col. Maunsell, D. A. G.
Adjutant—Major Freeland, B. M.
Instructor—Capt. McKenzie.
The school is to continue open for two months. A number of candidates were expected last night from Nova Scotia, and advices have been received that there will be some from P. E. Island by the close of the week.—Telegraph.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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

The Corner-Loafing Question.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir.—In making the complaint through your columns of the corner-loafing nuisance, I did not do so to invite controversy on the subject—in fact, I can conceive no opening for a controversy, as every right-minded individual must admit that congregations of idlers, from day to day, about street corners, are an unnecessary ornament to any well-regulated city, and I am therefore surprised that "Citizen," who, from his letter, I should judge to be an intelligent individual, could so far descend as to, in any way, excuse a custom denounced by all citizens who have the credit of their city at heart.

When so many young men are constantly leaving the country and going thousands of miles in search of employment, it appears to me a very lame excuse that "Citizen" gives, when he says they assemble at the corners waiting for employment. This, I presume, was taken from them the charge of "idlers," that I made. I would ask "Citizen," in reply to this assertion, if he at any time during the half century he has been perambulating the streets, needed assistance, and engaged it from amongst those whom I choose to call corner loafers?

I am afraid "Citizen's" hearing is somewhat impaired, if he has not also frequently heard the low conversation indulged in by those whom he attempts to screen; or, surely if he has heard it and is not himself shocked by such coarse language, he cannot be so ungallant as not to be so, in company with his mother, sister, wife or daughter, and my own experience is that the presence of ladies does not in any way interfere with their free use of language which must be anything but pleasant to a lady's ears.

I will not attempt to defend myself from the accusation of "Citizen," that many of those whom I call rowdies are as well bred as myself; but I will say that I have not yet disgraced the teachings of kind parents by descending to the role of a corner loafer, even though it be in search of employment.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for indulging me in so much space in your paper, I promise not to trouble you further with this question, and close, hoping this half century perambulator may add lustre to his declining years, by creating employment for those individuals whom he considers I have so grossly insulted, and thus relieve the corners of their unsightly presence.

Yours truly, TRAVELLER.

Jan. 7th, 1882.

Mr. Fletcher Lectures at Cornwall.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

DEAR SIR.—On Wednesday evening last, we had the pleasure of listening to one of the ablest lectures ever delivered in our hearing. The lecturer was J. H. Fletcher, Esq., well known to the people of P. E. Island. The subject—"Ten thousand feet above the level of the sea"—was very fine indeed, with here and there a dash of humor, to keep the blood in circulation. The descriptive powers of the speaker are, to say the least, certainly magnificent. Mountain summit, storm, beautiful scenery of various kinds, light and shadow, were brought before us in rapid succession, as with panoramic change. The manners and customs, sayings and doings of the people living in that altitude, were true to the life. A fine audience greeted the lecturer, and they very much wish to hear him again, and that soon.

Yours truly, S. R. A.

Cornwall, Jan. 6, 1882.

Query.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir.—Is it because the heads of families and leading men of Montague Bridge already know more on the subject of Temperance than they are willing to practice, that they are never seen out to hear a Temperance Lecture?

Yours truly, INQUIRER.

Advertisement for Jacobs Oil, featuring an illustration of a man carrying a large fish on his back. Text includes 'JACOBS OIL', 'TRADE MARK', 'THE GREAT GERMAN REMEDY FOR RHEUMATISM', and 'Neuralgia, Sciatica, Lumbago, Backache, Soreness of the Chest, Croup, Quinsy, Sore Throat, Swellings and Sprains, Burns and Scalds, General Bodily Pains, Tooth, Ear and Headache, Frosted Feet and Ears, and all other Pains and Aches.'

Advertisement for Cracked Feed, listing 'Cracked Oats, Wheat Bran, Cracked Barley, Wheat Shorts, White Oats, Black Oats.' and 'For sale by HORACE HASZARD, Charlottetown, Dec. 21, '81—1m 6d'.

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Molasses and Sugar 200 TONS ROUND COAL. For sale by W. W. CLARKE, Lord's Wharf, Dec. 28, '81—1w. FLOUR. 300 BLS. SUPERIOR EXTRA FLOUR. For sale by the subscriber. A. H. YATES, Water Street, Nov. 30, '81.

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