

Local and Other Items.

St. Joseph's Apron Fair to night. Don't forget the Liberal-Conservative meeting this evening. GRIPS almanac for 1887 is at the Diamond Bookstore 10 cents each. ALL the poets, at the Diamond Bookstore, from thirty-two cents, upwards. LADIES' Fur-Lined Cloaks, in real Squirrel, Musquash, &c., at the London House. WATSON'S Spices, Flavorings and Preserved Fruits are known to be the best. The Vigilant (see Highland Light) sailed from Georgetown at 11 o'clock yesterday. ONE drunk was admonished and discharged by the Stipendiary Magistrate this morning. The steamer left here for Picton this morning at three o'clock, and is expected to return this evening. It was announced in St. Peter's Church yesterday that the new organ will be opened on Christmas Day. EVERY active member of the Y. M. C. A. is requested to be present at the meeting this evening at 8 o'clock. PRINCE EDWARD Council, R. A., meets tomorrow, Tuesday, evening at 7 o'clock, in the new parlor of the Y. M. C. A. ANNUAL meeting of P. E. Council takes place Tuesday evening, 21st inst., at 7 o'clock in the new parlor of the Y. M. C. A. The Rev. W. H. Simpson, of St. Paul's, Halifax, preached in St. Paul's in this city yesterday forenoon—an excellent sermon. As Christmas draws near, the search for suitable presents increases. A very handsome display can be found at Watson's Drug Store. We regret to learn that the dwelling house of Mr. D. F. Macdonald, New Perth, was destroyed by fire this morning. No particulars. MEN'S Coon Coats, Dogskin Coats, Beaver Gloves, Persian Lamb Gloves, Astracan Gloves, Coon Skin Gloves, at the London House. REV. JAMES SIMPSON, M. A., late Master of Trinity College School, arrived on Saturday and entered upon his duties as Priest of St. Peter's Church. An emergency communication of Victoria Lodge, No. 2, A. F. & A. M., will be held this (Monday) evening, in Mason's Hall, at 8 o'clock sharp. Work on the third degree. A SEAL was noticed floating about in the harbor yesterday. His scarping was perched upon a cake of ice apparently in search of something. Rumor says that the object of the visit was to "draw out" the Neptune. GOOD NEWS.—The SS. Clifton passed through the Gut at 8 o'clock this morning, and was due to arrive at Picton at 3 o'clock this afternoon. This is good news for the relations and many friends of Mr. P. Blake, M. P. P. We have received from the proprietor of the Diamond Bookstore a copy of the Christmas number of the Montreal Star, beautifully gotten up, and having as additional features two prize pictures. Get one, only 25 cents. St. Joseph's APRON FAIR opened in the Market Hall this afternoon, and will continue open until late this evening. The fancy and refreshment tables are well stocked, and are presided over by the most popular ladies of the Sodality. All who desire rare bargains and an evening's amusement should attend to-night. NOTICE.—A meeting of the Abegweit Football Club will be held at the office of Messrs. Davies & Sutherland, on Wednesday evening next, 22nd inst., at 7.30 o'clock. The chief object of this meeting will be to discuss the forming of an athletic association. All those interested in athletic sports should attend. By order of the president. SOME people are saying that the little sparrows that are seen in large numbers flying among the trees, in the cold streets, and about the house tops, are nuisances and destroyers. Commenting upon this, an old gentleman who has seen much of the good and bad in the world says: "Where in the world can you find a more destructive animal than man?" We understand that Capt. A. McLean, Pilot of the steamer St. Lawrence, has been appointed to the same position on the steamer Neptune. Capt. McLean has for years been master of the steamers Albert, Beaver and Scud, and is one of the most competent pilots on this coast. We are pleased that the Department of Marine has made such an excellent choice. We learn that a public dinner, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., will be given to the little ones in the Market Hall on Christmas Day. The committee of ladies and gentlemen who have had the matter in hand have worked energetically, and their labors have been appreciated by a charitable public, to whom they return their sincere thanks. All who are desirous of still further contributing can send their donation to the Hall on Christmas morning. In the College museum at Memramcook, is a piece of money bearing the image of Antoine, the Pious. The date is not distinguishable, but Roman history informs us that Antoine succeeded Adrian, as emperor, in 138, A. D., and died in 161, A. D. According to this the coin must be about 1700 years in existence. The material in the coin is gold. This is probably the oldest coin yet known, and Memramcook College has the honor of being its possessor. Rev. F. X. Cormier donated it to the museum. We understand that the boats of the Steam Navigation Company will be laid up for the season after to-day. The first trip made to Picton last spring was on the 26th April—although several attempts to reach that port were made before that date—and to-day is just eight months that these boats have been running this season. The steamer Neptune took the mail to Picton this morning. The steamer Princess of Wales left for Picton at 3 o'clock this morning with freight and will return this evening, perhaps bringing the mails. We are pleased to learn that a meeting to consider the formation of an Athletic Association is to be held on Wednesday evening next. This is a step in the right direction, as there is nothing needed here so much as an Association of this kind. Why should we be behind Picton and other smaller towns in this matter? We hope to see a Club of at least sixty members in operation before the spring. After the success of the Football Club at the Picton Tournament, we think that that Club might easily be made the nucleus of an Athletic Association.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.] Agrarian Difficulties in Ireland. DUBLIN, Dec. 19. A meeting is to be held at Kilrush to protest against eviction process. The call for the meeting concludes as follows: "People of Kilrush; at a most important crisis in our country's history, you are invited to become soldiers of Ireland, under the banner of the National League." O'Brien, presiding at a National League meeting to-day, denounced the Government in violent terms for conspiring with Judge O'Brien to usurp the functions of a jury and manufacture a verdict by illegal means. The Government never hoped to bring them to trial; but did hope that before a verdict could be obtained from the jury they would succeed in suppressing the anti-rent movement by promulgatory and arbitrary conduct. He warned them they would have to adopt a still more drastic measure than the peaceful plan campaign, to stay the arms of evicting landlords. The Irish would not die in ditches. A Frightful Passage. HALIFAX, Dec. 19. The Ulunda arrived from London on Saturday night, nineteen days out. Capt. Hill reports having experienced a frightful passage. She leaves for St. John tomorrow. A Fast Youngster. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19. In the mile and repeat race between Shamrock and Twinkle yesterday, Shamrock broke the two-year-old stallion record, making the second heat in 2.25. A Large Fire. MONTREAL, Dec. 19. A fire broke out in Nordheimer's hotel at noon to-day, and destroyed the whole interior with the exception of the first flat. The loss is estimated at \$150,000. Protestant Orphans. TORONTO, Dec. 19. The All World's Fair in aid of the Protestant Orphans' Home building fund closed last night. The total receipts are between \$4,000 and \$5,000. Heavy Weather. GLOUCESTER, Mass., Dec. 19. The bark Nellie Moody, of Yarmouth, N. S., arrived to-day from Trapani. The passage took 70 days during which time heavy gales were met with. Weather Bulletin. TORONTO, December 20—10 a.m. Moderate winds, fair and cooler. Ash Sifter Proclamation. Whereas, gifts and rhymes in holiday times, are holding their sway, as of yore, I promise to give a "Miller Ash Sifter," For one verse composed of lines four. The terms we affix are the best in verse six. When written and printed shall be:— One publish'd each day shall its merit display, And be judg'd by committee of three. Be it further proclaimed that the privilege thus named, Shall cease on next Thursday at 7. When six from the whole shall number the role, And shall to the printer be given. No name need append to the verse that you send,— And yet the "Sifter" must know When the judges agree in their choice, you see, To whom the Sifter should go. Of all that's sent in, shall one the prize win: The subject, of course, is to be "The Sifter"—as sign'd—now don't be behind, But leave your verse forthwith with me. MILLER'S ASH SIFTER, the Miller's Tin Shop. Ch'town, Monday, Dec. 20, 1886. Mode of Operation.—Send your verse, with name on separate scrap of paper—enclose in same envelope. Number will then attach to verse and name—the number of verse chosen will call for the name,—and Prize Sifter sent home. Ch'town, Dec. 20, 1886. CHOICE Table and Cooking Raisins at Beer & Goff's. 21—dec18 ONE CASE of Mince Meat just received at Beer & Goff's. 21—dec18 GOLD PENS and Cases, Stylograph Pens, beautiful Card Cases, Ladies' and Gents' Visiting and Shopping Sets at G. H. Hazard's. TAKE your tea at the Apron Fair in the Market Hall this evening. The ladies of St. Joseph's Society have prepared an excellent repast. POCKET BOOKS, for ladies' and gentlemen, in great variety—all of which you can have the name stamped on in gold, at G. H. Hazard's. D. A. BRUCE is opening to-day 2 cases Naps, Meltons and Worsted Overcoatings, finest ever shown in the city. See them. nov6-1f THE Treasurer of the P. E. Island Hospital begs to acknowledge the receipt of \$90 from the agent of Mrs. Cumberland, Leamington, England. THE civic electors of Ward 4 are invited to attend a meeting in Scott's Hall, Wednesday evening, 22nd inst., to nominate a candidate to represent Ward 4 next term. dec 18 41 B. BALDESTON has received to-day a nice lot of fresh Biscuit—Soda, Jersey Lemon, Sweet Wine, Coconut Fingers, and an assortment of Fancy Cakes. 31—dec20 THE Favorite Prescription of Dr. Pierce cures female weakness and kindred affections. Druggists. trs a v BIRTH. On the 20th inst., the wife of T. A. McLean, C. C., of a daughter. DIED. On Saturday, the 18th inst., after a few days illness, Elizabeth C., beloved wife of the late Captain Samuel Match. [Funeral from her late residence, Water Street, tomorrow at 3.15 p. m., sharp, to St. Paul's.]

Fancy Sale and Tea.

THE Ladies of the Charlottetown Baptist Church intend holding a Fancy Sale and Tea in the Market Hall, on Wednesday, December 22nd. Donations will be thankfully received by either of the undersigned committees:— Mrs. James LeBlair, Mrs. Norton, Mrs. George Davies, Mrs. S. McRae, Mrs. Whitman, Mrs. Needham, Mrs. Nell McLeod, Miss M. Currie, Mrs. Dr. McLeod, Miss Mary C. Davies. Nov. 22.—2aw and'wy FIND THE PUZZLE. FIFTY PIECES GREY FLANNEL, from 18 cents a yard. THE Talk of the Town is PATON & CO'S. CHEAP GOODS. BUY your TEA from JAMES PATON & CO., Market Square. A BIG STOCK OF FUR CAPS and GOAT ROBES. USEFUL PRESENTS FOR CHRISTMAS: Kid Gloves, Silk Umbrellas, Fur-lined Dolmans, Handkerchiefs and Glove Boxes. Cheap at J. PATON & CO'S. JAMES PATON & CO. offer Special Inducements to CASH BUYERS. LADIES' JACKETS, MANTLES, &c., much under regular prices. COUNTRY CUSTOMERS will find JAMES PATON & CO'S unrivalled for Variety, Excellence and Cheapness of Goods. GRAND LOT of MANTLE AND ULSTER CLOTHS. Don't buy before you see our stock. EVERYBODY who wants a new HAT or BONNET should go to JAMES PATON & CO'S. STILL BUSY. Small Profits are the secret terms, and don't you forget the place. JAMES PATON & CO'S, Market Square, Charlottetown. REAL BARGAINS in Blankets, Horse Rugs, &c., &c., at JAMES PATON & CO'S. THE following is a list of the different COATS we have in stock, price 40 cents up: Dr. Warner's New Perfumed, Maid, Beauty, Star, Juno, Paris, Rafter, Sensation, Landsdown, Improved, Bonanza, Health, Dermatoid, Lily, Progress, Nursing, and Butterfly. USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR GENTLEMEN: Fur Gloves, Fur Mitts, Mufflers, Silk Scarfs, Cardigans, Silk Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas and Fur Coats. MEN'S LINDERS & DRAWERS, extra value, at PATON & CO'S. EXTRA GOOD VALUE in TEA this season, done up in 5, 10 and 20 pound parcels. DRESS GOODS! Dress Goods! cheap, at JAMES PATON & CO'S. OOL SCARFS, Wool Sacques, Mitts, Hoods, Tam O'Shanter's, Vests, &c., &c. TRUNKS, SATCHELS & TRAVELLING BAGS at Bottom Prices, at JAMES PATON & CO'S. THE Largest and most Complete CARPET DEPARTMENT on the Island. Hemp, Scotch, Tapestry, Brussels and Plush Carpets, good patterns and Low Prices. The Puzzle is to find a better place to buy your Dry Goods than JAS. PATON & CO'S, CHARLOTTETOWN. Dec. 14, 1886. Horses Wanted. I WILL be in Charlottetown for some time and will be prepared to purchase a number of GOOD HORSES. Don't fail to see me. A good price for a good horse. Dec. 15, 1886. JAMES KEEGAN. FLOUR. 1000 Bbls. Matchless. Kent Mills. City Mills. &c., &c. —AT— BEER & COFF'S. CHRISTMAS IS COMING! BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS! JUST received at the Bible and Tract Depository, a nice supply of Magazines, Gift Books, Text Books, Christmas Cards, Edward Cards, Mottoes, Sunday School Books, &c., &c. Bibles and Testaments at all prices. M. F. ELLIS. Nov. 21—cod The "Old London" OYSTER HOUSE IS the most reliable place in the city to get Fresh Narrow's Oysters. The Half-Shell Department cannot be surpassed in the Province for convenience and neatness. It is supplied daily with the Best Oysters that can be procured. The Stews that are served in the Saloon have never failed to more than please the most fastidious. Exquisite! is the exclamation of those who order by the Pint, Quart, &c., and are always agreeably surprised at the size and flavor. Always on Hand, the Largest Stock of Cigars in the city, and the best brands available. JOHN JOY. Nov. 6, 1886—cod 1f Painting and Repairing A SPECIALTY. THE undersigned, wishing to thank his many friends for their patronage during the past twenty-five years, begs leave to intimate that he is now prepared to execute all work entrusted to him with neatness and dispatch. Painting and Repairing done at bottom prices and all work warranted first-class. New and second-hand American Buggies, Carriages, &c., always on hand. Shop opposite the Law Court, North Side Queen Square. W. J. FRASER. late of the firm of McKinnon, Fraser & Co. Nov. 29, 1886—5wks 2aw

Skates! Skates!

JUST RECEIVED: 150 pairs Acme Club Skates, 200 do Imitation Spring do FOR SALE AT VERY LOW PRICES. DODD & ROGERS. Ch'town, Dec. 3—4wks cod NEW Musical Goods Just Received AT "THE MUSIC STORE." New Violins, New Accordeons, New Concertinas, New Harmonicas, New Jews-Harps. Best Violin Strings. ALSO— A LARGE STOCK OF NEW MUSIC BOOKS, VERY CHEAP. C. P. FLETCHER, Sign of the "BIG FIDDLE." LOWER QUEEN STREET. Nov. 22, 1886.—2aw & wky THE PLACE TO BUY ALL YOUR Dry Goods CLOTHING Where Everything is Cheap. COME AND SEE THE BARGAINS that we offer in ALL KINDS OF DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING. GEO. E. FULL, Sign of "RED LION," QUEEN STREET. Nov. 2, 1886. WANTED, LOST, FOUND, &c. WANTED—Two steady, respectable, married Men; constant employment and good wages. Apply, with references, to the Manager at Gas Works. dec 20 1f TO LET—A Cottage, on Sidney Street, opposite the Methodist Church; immediate possession given. Apply to John Kelly, City Councillor, or to the owner, Edward Kelly. dec18 41 pd WANTED AT ONCE—A good plain Cook. Apply to Mrs. F. H. Beer. dec 13 3f FOR SALE—At A. McNeill's Auction Room, a large Hall Stove—base burner. dec17 2f FOUND—A Bunch of Keys. The owner can obtain the same at EXAMINER office on paying for this advertisement. dec15 WANTED—A Girl for general housework in a small family. Apply at once to Mrs. W. R. Borcham, Prince Street. dec17 1f SHORT-HAND—Taught personally or by mail; terms moderate. Address: "C. C. Lock drawer 32, P. O." dec19 1f TO LET—A Store and Dwelling, one door north of G. W. Miller's; possession given immediately. Enquire at the Danvers House, corner Prince and Water Streets.—W. I. Farquharson. nov19 1f COACHES, Buggies, &c., stored for the winter in a dry warehouse. Coaches, \$4; buggies, \$2.—D. O. M. Keddin, Jr. dec17 1f WANTED—A Parlor Maid. Apply to Miss Peters, Sidmouth, Charlottetown. nov21—dy & wky 1f FOR SALE—A good Driving Mare, seven years old, dark bay imported blood horse Roland; sire, Bagnall's Messenger. The mare is now in foal by All Right. Apply at EXAMINER office. nov19 1f TO LET—Shop and Tenement on Upper Queen Street, lately occupied by W. W. Rodd. Apply on the premises. nov21 1f TO LET—The House at the head of Pownall Street, now occupied by Mrs. Robert Weeks. Enquire at THE EXAMINER office. nov17 1f

MERRY XMAS.

Feather Fire Screens, Feather Mats, Plush and Leather Satchels, Fur Muffs and Capes, Fur Gauntlets, Silk Handkerchiefs, Handkerchiefs—all kinds, Lined Kid Gloves and Mitts, Cushions, Slippers, Fender-Stools, Banners, Brackets, Footstools, Etc., Etc., Etc. USEFUL PRESENTS, JUST THE THING FOR CHRISTMAS. 42<sup>nd</sup> CALL AND SEE THEM AT BEER BROS. Ch'town, Dec. 14, 1886. THE GREAT Clearance Sale OF DRY GOODS CLOTHING STILL GOING ON AT J. B. MACDONALD'S. Everyone who has already Made Purchases, Delighted with their Bargains. NOW IS YOUR TIME TO BUY YOU CAN DEPEND ON GETTING THE BEST BARGAIN EVER OFFERED IN THIS CITY AT J. B. Macdonald's GREAT CLEARANCE SALE. Ch'town, Dec 16, '86.—dy wy X FURS! FURS! X NO MATTER what competitors may say in their advertisements, it is apparent to the general public that the BEST BARGAINS can be had at our establishment. It is not our claim that we offer FURS as cheap as other houses—we claim you save 40 per cent by trading with us. We have not the time to enumerate our bargains in Muffs, Caps, Gloves, Coats, Sacques, Robes, Collars, &c., but we invite you to call and examine them—satisfy yourself that our bargains are genuine, and our prices—the LOWEST OF THE LOW. STUART'S NEW FUR STORE, NEWSON BLOCK, CHARLOTTETOWN. Ch'town, Dec. 11, 1886. X