Local and Other Items.

SIR LEONARD TILLEY is in St. John.

HON. JOHN LEFURGEY is at the Rankin.

ENGLISH wheat prospects are reported good.

BOSTON has 20,000 more women than men.

THE Gulnare returned from Pictou last night.

NO DAILY EXAMINER to-morrow—Queen's Birthday.

THE Northern Light will remain at Pictou for the present.

THE mails will arrive by the steamer Summerside this evening.

WHITE BIRCH trees can be had cheap to-morrow at Market Square.

WET weather has retarded from work in the Western States as well as here.

RHUBARB, Oranges, Lemons, Apples and Bananas at W. F. Carter's. [may23 1i

WHITE BIRCH TREES, suitable for Arbor Day planting, at A. McNeill's Auction Room.

LAWN grass and a great variety of vegetable and flower seeds. B. BALDERSON. [m23 1w

THE S.S Coban left Montreal this morning, and will be due here about Monday next.

STAFFORD'S and Carter's Writing and Copying Inks, at G. H. Haszard's, Baldwin's Old Stand. [may23

THE barque George Peake, Capt. D. A. McDonald, arrived from New York this morning with hard coal.

ST. JAMES CHURCH.—The minister will preach on Sabbath next (D. V.) on the work and maintenance of the Christian ministry.

A BANKRUPT CONSIGNMENT of Jewelry received and selling at the Diamond Bookstore, for cost and charges. This is a chance of a lifetime. [may23

THE market to-day was small. Eggs rose slightly in price, but other saleables remain the same as last reported. Vegetables were on the increase in quantity.

ROOM PAPER, still further reduced both in quantity and price. The sales have been enormous. The balance will be sold out, regardless of price, at the Diamond Bookstore. [may23

JOS. UNSWORTH, ESQ., Mechanical Superintendent of the P. E. Island Railway, returned from Kingston, Ont., last evening, where he has been inspecting the new locomotives under construction.

MR. E. S. LAUGHTON, Business Manager of the Tavernier Comedy Co., arrived here last evening to make arrangements for a short season in this city, commencing on Wednesday, the 28th inst. The Tavernier is a first-class Company.

THE great slaughter of Dry Goods, Table Linens, etc., continues every night. Immense bargains given. A special sale of Oil Paintings, Chromos, and large mirrors on Saturday evening the 24th. Next door to Watson's Drug Store.

THE Heather Belle arrived at Crapaud at 1.20 to-day. Captain McLean reports the ice very heavy from St. Peters' Island to Crapaud. That harbor is now full of ice and southerly wind is prevailing. The steamer remains at Crapaud till to-morrow morning.

JAMES BROWN, ESQ., C. E., was in the city last night, and left by morning train for County Line. There are about eighty men employed on the Cape Traverse branch under his supervision. Mr. Brown expects the grading will be completed by the end of July next.

MISS WILLARD'S great book—"Women and Temperance"—elegantly bound in cloth and profusely illustrated, now selling for one dollar each at the Diamond Bookstore The former price was three dollars. Every friend of temperance should procure a copy at once. [may23

PARTIES planting trees to-morrow should hand in their names to the Secretary of the Sub-Committee of the Square under their charge, or to the Secretary of the Society, stating the kind of trees and where planted. We hope this will be done in order that the Society may know the names of those who have taken an interest in the matter.

A BARN on the farm of Robert McLaren, Esq Hermitage, Charlottetown Royalty, was, last night, at 10.30, consumed by fire, together with its contents, consisting of several tons of hay, and a number of farming implements. The blaze illuminated the city, and the cry of fire was heard in several quarters. As a consequence the fire bells rang, and there was a general turn-out of the Fire Brigade; but, finding that the fire was two miles from the city, the engines were returned to their respective rooms.

THE steamer Worcester, Capt Blankenship, sailed for Boston yesterday evening with a cargo consisting of 1,229 cases of eggs, 104 bags turnips, 476 bags and 2 barrels of potatoes, and 300 bags starch. Following is her passenger list:—Hannah McNally, Malcolm McLeod, John Gillis, Katie Kelly, Wm Henderson, Geo Smith, Henry Gordon, Edward Collins, J W Ashton, Maggie McPherson, Mary Dewar, G W Cunningham, J D McDonald, Jas McCully, John A Carriel, John A McDonald, Mrs J H Fletcher and family, Miss Robertson, Mawley Fletcher, John Chiverie.

A FEW hotel-keepers in the city, alive to their own, as well as their neighbors interests, have set to work to make a number of much-needed repairs on Water Street. The plank crossings at the different corners of Water and other streets have become so dangerous to carriages that our energetic hotel proprietors, after waiting in vain for some repairs to be made by the city, were to-day and yesterday obliged to set to work and make the necessary repairs themselves. A gateway on King street was also repaired by an hotel proprietor, and three city councillors were witnesses to the performance of the work. It is something new in a city so much governed as Charlottetown to see private citizens obliged, for their own safety, to repair the public streets. While the present council remain in power, there is every indication that our citizens will have to perform certain portions of the Council's work at their own expense and pay their taxes besides. But the worst feature of the whole business is: While our citizens are, at their own cost, repairing the streets to save their horses limbs and their carriage wheels and springs, the City Council have the unblushing cheek to collect a horse and carriage tax. Verily, we are a suffering people!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Censorious Arrogance Rebuked.

SIR,- Your correspondent "Steeple Cleydon" takes exception to Island English. I have not "met and heard speak" "Steeple Cleydon;" but if his accent is not better than his composition, he is scarcely fit to undertake the office of a critic, and a harsh and censorious one at that. Take his first sentence: "*To say* what constitutes good *English* would be *too long a subject* to discuss here; but it is reasonably fair to take the *English* of educated *Englishmen* as a standard." Again he says, "I am not now *speaking* of what is *spoken, &c.*" I will not stop to analyse this; it will be a grateful task for some of the disposed school teachers "who speak most broadly and most badly." It strikes me as denoting a writer, who if I may borrow a few of his adjectives, is "untrained" in the art of composition, "uncultured and unrefined," not to say inelegant.

"Taking them on the whole the Island maidens are up to the average in prettiness." Kind "Stteeple Cleydon" to make so generous an admission; but they are "a little inclined to be overbiown and look frost bitten," what a sad pity. "Overblown," I take to mean a little too stout, and "frost-bitten" to indicate a pinched and shrivelled condition. How the young ladies can be in both states at one time, I must leave to "Steeple Cleydon" to explain. This gentleman effectually conceals his identity under a pseudonym, but this paragraph plainly betrays his occupation. No one but a butcher would, in giving his opinion of young ladies, have hit upon the exact phraseology employed by the trade to describe cattle. "Ranging from fair to middling," and she is "finely-built and healthy," but she need not spoil his admiration though she may spoil the effects of her own good looks.

Your correspondent, Sir, is one of a good many Englishmen, who vainly imagine when they cross the Atlantic that the mere fact of coming from an old, a great, and a refined country like England, to a young and unrefined one like Canada, converts one who was at home an obscure individual, uncultured and half-educated into a mirror of refinement, culture and intelligence. His most prominent qualities are arrogance, ignorance and superciliousness. With these he "lays the flattering unction to his soul" that he is a master of satire; and hence these letters, which I admit have one merit—they will be useful to those public school teachers who "speak most broadly and most badly," as an exercise in English composition for their junior pupils to correct.

In conclusion, I would suggest to "Steeple Cleydon" to cultivate Addison or Steele, and before he writes again acquire some little idea of correct composition and refinement of expression, and let his criticism be more good humored and less harsh and censorious; and I must beg to remind him that he is writing for the uncultivated minds of benighted Islanders, and for heaven's sake restrain from such volleys of chain-shot adjectives, five in one string, most of them polysylabbic, are too much for our limited intelligence.

Yours,

JAYTEAJAY.

A Suggestion.

SIR,—There is a great deal of truth, doubtless, in the remarks of your correspondent, Steeple Cleydon. Instead of becoming indignant, we should rather be deeply thankful for his candid criticisms. (I say *him* and *his*, for I can scarcely conceive one of the tender sex to write in that way about women.) But, after all, there must be some allowance made for our vulgar dialect—vulgar, it seems, in spite of its singular originality. We are Islanders, and few of us have travelled. It is quite true that those of our people who go to Boston, and are so fortunate as to find occupation there, do bring home with them on their return a mixture of the prevalent mode of speech of that cultured city. I have myself met in Boston a young man from this rude town, whose short residence there had wrought such marvellous improvement in his utterance that I could scarcely understand him. Still, education by temporary residence abroad is out of the question for the masses. I therefore suggest, provided your correspondent is remaining here any length of time, that he be requested, in the interest of this outlying region, to speak in some public place, easily accessible, at stated hours. A small fee might be charged—indeed, many would be willing to pay a goodly sum, for the privilege of hearing "English as she is spoke." It would matter little what the philanthropist might say, so only that he spoke audibly. It is tantalizing to be told of one's defects without seeing a remedy for overcoming them, and the course here suggested should commend itself as reasonable to your much-travelled correspondent.

MUDDON SPIRE.

Island English and Island Girls.

SIR,—In your issue of yesterday appeared a communication from a correspondent over the *nom de plume* "Steeple Cleydon," This individual undertakes to lecture the people of this Province on their want of refinement in manner as well as voice. He particularly refers to people in the best society—of course he does not associate with any others—and their accent grates harshly on his cultured ear. Who made this gentleman a judge of the Queen's English? From what college did he graduate? I must say that, if our people speak no better English than he writes, their case is deplorable indeed! The most amusing part of his letter, however, is his description of the Island maidens, who, he says, "are up to the average in prettiness, a little inclined to be over-blown, and look frost-bitten, but still ranging from fair to middling." The sentence I have quoted might be preserved as a literary curiosity, were in not an insult to the fair daughters of P. E. Island. It sounds very much like the utterance of a cynical disappointed individual; and Dame Rumor hath it that the said "Steeple Cleydon" became enamored of one of those same "overblown" maidens, who was on a visit to some of her friends in the city; and, had it not been for the interference of her parents, she would, probably, have been "frost bitten" ere now. Notwithstanding the cultured voice and *high* position in society occupied by the said "Steeple Cleydon," those simple people thought it prudent to take effectual means to prevent him having any further intercourse with their daughter. His "spooney" letters were the laughing-stock of the young lady and her friends, and it is rather a pity some of them were not published as a specimen of pure, unadulterated English.

RASP.

A "Dude" Discovered.

SIR,—Your correspondent "Steeple Cleydon" has at length unmasked himself. His article in yesterday's EXAMINER shows him to be one of those inanimate things called "a dude." Why come to this "colony" to bring about a reform in the accent of our English? Would it not have been better for him to have spared himself the journey and begun in some of the English counties—Suffolk for instance. It is a notorious fact that nowhere is the English language so badly butchered as it is at 'ome. It is also true that no where is better English spoken than in the Maritime Provinces and Canada—Dublin and Inverness excepted.

Our girls he calls "maidens," and says they "look quite like ladies;" and insinuates that they are not, because forsooth their accent does not come up to his standard. Was ever known such insolence? But the creature is not responsible. He is "a dude," not from choice, but because nature made him so. Therefore, let us pity rather than censure it.

PILE DRIVER.

May 23, 1884.

The Language of the Pulpit.

SIR,—I quite agree with your correspondent "Steeple Cleydon." We need to be reformed in many ways, and the speech of too many among us is barbarous. I wonder that your correspondent did not call particular attention to the bad language—English I mean—used in the pulpit. In some of the Churches I have been in, the artificial tone in which the Scriptures are read, and sermons are delivered, is exasperating to a refined ear. But one or two clergymen in the town speak pure uneffected, unadulterated, English; and perhaps that is one of the reasons why the people at large speak so badly. In the Upper Provinces, the clergymen set a good example in this respect.

Yours,

JEREMIAH.

Fitznoodle's Comment.

SIR,—Your correspondent "Steeple Cleydon" deserves the thanks of the people of this colony, you know, for his endeavours to improve the accent of Island English. I am a dude myself, you know, and the peculiar accent, common among Islanders, gwates awfully upon my eahs, you know. Why cawn't they speak, you know, as we do in some of our English cowntries—Lancashire, for instance. I weally think I shall have to leave this blawsted country, you know. I weally cawn't bear the bloomin' accent. It makes me tired—weary as it were.

F. FITZNOODLE.

May 23rd, 1884.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF CHARLOTTETOWN.

ENTERED.

May 23—Sea Bird, Hyde, Gysboro, bal.

CLEARED.

May 22—L & S, Brundage, Pictou, bal; Worcester, Blankenship, Boston, passengers and sundry goods.

May 23—Sea Bird, Hyde, Murray Harbor, sundry mdse.

MARRIED.

At Charlottetown, on the 22nd instant, by Rev. J. Burwash, M. A., Mr. John Parker, of Cardigan Bridge, to Miss Mary J. Nelson, daughter of Edmund Fanning Nelson, Esq., Hampton.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

OSBORNE HOTEL.

May 22—Edina McGregor, Keone, N H; A J McLeod, Stanley Bridge; David Ross, Orwell; John Parker, Cardigan Bridge; Mrs D A McLeod, Eldon; Wm C Kennedy, Souris; E Ramsay, Tyne Valley; D H Hickock, Morrisville, Vt; D A McLeod, Eldon. 23—M McLennis, St Peters Bay; James McLaughlin, Souris; H. Bradshaw, M D, New Glasgow; Miss L. M. Bradshaw, do; L O Read, Pugwash, N S.

REVERE HOUSE.

May 22.—N T Norman, Montreal; Chas Robertson, do; D O Reese, do; D McLynne, do; J Lea, do; E T Badgett, Westfield, Mass; E S Laughton, (agent Tavernier Comedy Co); J Moffat Spencer, Londonderry; G O Beaman, Boston, 23.—A Hart, Halifax.

DIED.

At the residence of Mr. J. A. McDonald, Sydney Street, Charlottetown, on the 22nd instant, Mrs. Anastatia McDonald, in the 63rd year of her age.—*Requiescat in pace.*

[Funeral to-morrow, immediately after High Mass.]

In this city, on the 22nd inst., of consumption, Archibald, eldest son of Angus Nicholson, aged 22 years.

[Funeral from his father's residence, Long Street, to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, to Sherwood Cemetery.]

TO BE SURE

OF the highest price for BUTTER, the right kind of SALT must be used.

English Dairy Salt.

(the right kind), in bags and by the pound, at

BEER & GOFF'S.

May 23.

NOTICE.

CITIZENS cleaning out their yards can deposit ashes, etc., in the dock at the east end of the Gas Works.

May 13, 1884—2w eod

NEW SEEDS,

FRESH AND GOOD.

A CHOICE LOT of Garden Seeds, all reliable and warranted, just received at

HARVIE'S BOOKSTORE,

KENT STREET.

Ch'town, May 9—tf

LATEST! NEWEST! LATEST!

—AT—

Perkins & Sterns'.

WE have just received our first instalment of this season's Stock, and, during the next ten days, will open the balance of Mr. Sterns' recent purchases in Great Britain and United States. As usual, our stock is bought in the very best markets; and, on inspection, will be found to comprise, in addition to STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS, all the novelties of the season, at lowest prices.

OUR STOCK OF MILLINERY AND LADIES' HATS is large, and consists of the latest Paris, London and New York styles.

An immense Stock of FEATHERS AND FLOWERS.

Dress, Mantle and other TRIMMINGS, in all the latest novelties.

Silks, Satins, Velvets, Dress Goods, Prints, Sateens, Ginghams, etc., etc.

PERKINS & STERNS.

Ch'town, April 29, 1884.

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New Goods to follow by every Steamer.

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Ch'town, May 6, 1884

BANK NOTICE.

THE undermentioned Banks beg to notify the public that, on and after 2nd July next, their office hours will be from ten till three o'clock (without interval). Saturdays from ten till one o'clock.

For the Dominion Savings Bank,
PERCY POPE,
Manager.

For the Bank of Nova Scotia,
GEO. MACLEOD,
Manager.

For the Merchants Bank of Halifax,
F. H. ARNAUD,
Agent.

Ch'town, May 17, 1884 - pat tl july 1

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Braclets	"	"	"
Gold Set, B & E at	from	20 to 30	"
Necklet & Locket	"	15 to 30	"
Cruet Frames	"	25 to 30	"
Clocks	"	15 to 30	"

Pencil and Toothpicks at half price.

E. W. TAYLOR,

Queen Street.

Ch'town, May 17—eod wkly

SALT. SALT.

To arrive and now due at Point Du Chene, N. B., 3,500 sacks Liverpool Coarse Salt.

FOR SALE LOW.

JAS. FRIER.

Shediac, May 16—7i

Lobster Packers' Supplies

10,000 cases flat and tall Cans (1-lb.),
500 cases ½ lb tall Cans,
250 boxes Tin Plates,
100 ingots Tin,
50 pigs Soft Lead,
5 bars 1¼ and 1½ Copper,
200 coils Rope (6, 9, 12 and 15-thread),
5 bales Marline,
100 bags Liverpool Salt,
12 Mounted Herring Nets,
100 lbs Cotton Guanging,
50 doz. Tarred Cod Lines (12, 14 and 18-thread),
50 gross Trawl Hooks (Nos. 14 and 15),
100 barrels Bait,
100 doz. suits Oil Clothing,
50 doz. suits Jumpers and Overalls,

For Sale by

HORACE HASZARD.

May 19—2w eod

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

Queen's Birthday, 1884.

EXCURSION RETURN TICKETS will be issued, at One First Class Fare, to and from all Stations on this Railway, by afternoon trains, on FRIDAY, 23rd May, inst, and by all trains on SATURDAY, 24th inst., good to return up to and including MONDAY, May 26th. inst.

JAMES COLEMAN,
Superintendent.

Railway Office, Ch'town, May 16, 1884.

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JUST ARRIVED, VIA BOSTON,

875 Barrels Choice Patent Flour.

DAILY EXPECTED, VIA PICTOU,

500 Barrels Choice Superior Extra.

FOR SALE BY

J. A. CHIPMAN & CO.

N B—Owing to the inferior quality of most Canada Superior this year, we have concluded to make a specialty of the two following brands · Evangeline, 1st grade; Superior Extra, Nova Scotia Mills, 2nd Grade. We guarantee these brands to give satisfaction.

J. F. SHATFORD,
Agent.

Ch'town, May 10.

To Contractors and Builders.

TENDERS for repairs of damage done by late fire to St. Patrick's Hall, will be received by the undersigned, on or before Saturday, May 31st. Specifications can be seen at the office of the Merchant's Bank of Halifax, Charlottetown. The subscriber will not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

F. H. ARNAUD,
Agent Royal Canadian Insurance Co.

May 15.

MONEY WANTED.

IN consequence of my loss by the fire of 20th February last, I feel compelled to ask for an immediate settlement of all overdue accounts, whether by notes of hand or otherwise.

All accounts not settled by the first of June next will be placed in the hands of my attorney, without further notice.

Balance of Furniture saved from the fire selling off at great bargains.

JOHN NEWSON.

Ch'town, May 1, 1884—1m

COAL. COAL.

THE Subscriber is now prepared to receive orders for the following Coal, which will be sold at the lowest cash price, viz:

Acadia Mine, Round and Nut,		
Intercolonial Mine, Round and Nut,		
Vale	do.,	do.,
Albion	do,	do.,
Gowrie	do.,	do.,
Sydney Old	do.,	do.,

—AND—

Anthracite (Egg and Chestnut Sizes).

CAPT. JOHN HUGHES,

Water Street.

Ch'town, May 15, 1884—3m tu th sa

COAL. COAL.

JUST ARRIVED per schooner Bounty from Pictou,

100 tons Intercolonial Round Coal.

Will be sold at $3.25 (cash) per ton from vessel.

ALSO, TO ARRIVE NEXT WEEK,

100 tons Acadia Nut Coal.

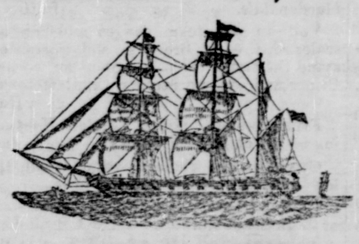
Will be sold at $2.75 (cash).

CAPT. JOHN HUGHES,

Water Street.

Ch'town, May 13, 1884—3aw tf

MIDSUMMER TRIP, 1884.



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Head of St. Peter's Bay, fortnightly, beginning May 5th, remaining until next day, leaving *via* train.

Souris, May 6, fortnightly, remaining until next day's train.

New Bedeque Road, at George Clow's, every alternate Saturday, beginning May 10th, going by Younker's, and returning Monday, by Tremere's Road and South Wiltshire Road, stopping at Henderson's forge, at noon.

Will be at B. Heartz's farm, St. Peter's Road, one week on Thursday, and next week on Saturday, beginning May 8th.

Balance of time will be in the city, Upper Great George Street, near P. Large's Carriage Factory.

TERMS—Fifteen dollars for the season. Mares not proving in foal can be returned next year free.

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W. S. McKIE.

A. CLOW, Groom.

Ch'town, April 25, 1884.

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