

Local and Other Items.

To-night.—Go to the Lyceum.
Improvement.—A new iron and stone fence will be placed around the Post Office building shortly.
Forcing the Season.—Sunshades made their appearance in St. John, N. B., on Saturday last.
Important.—Those desirous of obtaining a good seat are advised to go early to the Lyceum to-night.
Railway Gospel Meeting.—The Lesson for to-morrow afternoon will be, Luke 23:39. The Iying Malefactor.
The Males.—Crossing both ways at the Capes to-day. The Charlottetown portion arrived in town this afternoon.
At Annapolis.—The bark Claribel, Captain Murchison, was at Annapolis, N. S. last week loading spruce lumber for Cuba.
Opposed to Union.—The Portland City Council, at a recent meeting, decided against union with St. John by a vote of 11 to 2.
Died from Hemorrhage.—A Portland, Me., young woman died some days ago from hemorrhage following the extraction of an ulcerated tooth.
St. Peter's Church.—The Story of the Cross will be sung in St Peter's Church at the Children's Service, to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, and also at evensong at 7 o'clock.
He Got Tired.—A Scott Act offender who went down to jail about a week ago rather than pay his fine, to-day handed over the amount with costs and was discharged. He evidently did not like prison life.
To Retire.—London advices say it is reported that Sullivan expresses himself as being too old to enter the ring again, and that he would, in future, confine himself to sparring exhibitions and glove contests.
Y. M. C. A.—Gospel service to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, in the Y. M. C. A. Hall. Subject, "Spiritualism." Rom. viii:1-14. Young men, remember that you are specially invited to attend this meeting.
Drowned in a Well.—Mark Boudreau, of Clare, Yarmouth Co., N. S. fell into a well on his father's premises while drawing a pail of water, Saturday, and was drowned. He was about 25 years of age and unmarried.
The Moncton Election.—The recent elections in Moncton resulted as follows: Mayor MacKenzie was elected by acclamation. In Ward 1 Toombs and Givan are elected by acclamation; in Ward 2 Welsh and Lea are elected; and in Ward 3 McSweeney and Givan are the successful ones.
Out to-day.—The pamphlet containing the evidence and addresses in the Millman murder trial is now on sale. The pamphlet contains about 80 pages, and is sold at the low rate of 12 cents per copy. It is very valuable for reference, or to send to friends abroad. Get a copy.
A Warning.—Mrs. Webster, of Thornhill, Ont., brought an action against John Owens, hotel keeper of the village, for damages, for his having sold liquor to her husband after she had given him instructions not to do so. The case was tried recently and the jury awarded the plaintiff a verdict and \$50 damages.
Drowned on the Banks.—A Gloucester, Mass., despatch says:—Daniel McKinnon and Alonzo McMaster, two of the crew of the schr. Bronhilda, were lost by the capsizing of a dory on Grand Banks while attending to trawls. The former belonged to Prince Edward Island and the latter to Guysboro, N. S. Both were single.
Is Nellie Taylor Insane.—A special to the St. John Sun from Dorchester says there is a growing feeling there that Nellie Taylor is undoubtedly insane and should be sent to the lunatic asylum rather than the penitentiary. It urges that she should have been examined by a medical man as to her sanity, and adds that seven years' imprisonment for escaping from the Dorchester jail is a pretty rough sentence.
Entertainment.—A portion of the choir of St. James' Church assisted by the Rev. James Carruthers, Mr. Alcorn and others, gave a very interesting entertainment in the school house, at Rocky Point, last evening. The programme was made up of songs, recitations, addresses, and a magic lantern exhibition. Two little boys named McNeill and Lane, gave recitations. There was a large audience, and all were apparently well pleased with the performance.
Trotting.—The owners of the horses Josie C. and Black Bird have each deposited \$10 with Chief Engineer Large, for the purpose of making a sweepstakes race, to come off the first good ice. There must be five to enter and three to start, and entries must be made not later than Monday night next.
A match race between Newton Lee's (Truro) Allright filly Lucy Derrick, and Wm. Gammon's (River John) Uncle Sam filly Wildflower, took place on Pictou harbor, on Wednesday, and was witnessed by the largest crowd ever seen at a horse race in Pictou. Wildflower won.
Detective Power's Claim.—Detective Power, of Halifax, well-known in this city, has returned to Halifax from Biddeford, Me. He was at the latter place to make a formal demand for the reward offered by the Saco and Biddeford Savings Institution for the recovery of the bonds stolen by Frank McNeally. If it is not paid, he says he shall at once bring suit against the corporation, and that will place the bank officials in an uncomfortable and unenviable position. Harry McNeally, brother of the thief, holds that Power's version of the matter is unreliable and misleading.
Gave the Wrong Order.—Two special trains narrowly escaped collision on the Newcastle grade yesterday. One of the trains had a snow plough attached, which had been off the rail. The plow had been replaced and the train was fortunately proceeding slowly, when the man in the lookout noticed ahead the smoke of an approaching train. The alarm was given as speedily as possible and the trains brought to a stand-still within about a dozen rods of each other. The train had not been at fault, the despatcher at Campbellton having given a wrong order.—Moncton Times, 17th.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER. DOMINION PARLIAMENT

THE LOBSTER INDUSTRY.

Report of the Commissioners.

OTTAWA, March 16.
The report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the lobster and oyster fisheries of Canada was presented to Parliament to-day. The Commissioners seem to have been far from unanimous in the recommendations. The statistics show that sixteen and a half millions cans of lobsters were put up last year, besides 8,602 tons of lobsters exported alive. There was a large decline in the quantity of lobsters canned in 1886 compared with 1885. The commissioners are divided in their views as to the advisability of leasing areas to lobster packers.
Mr. Hackett objected to the total closing down of lobster fishing for any term of years. He thought nine inches sufficient legal size, and recommended that the fishing season be shortened to two months and that fishing be finally closed for a year from the first July.
Mr. Duvar urged that all lobster factories be shut down for three years, and afterwards put under license. That fishing areas be leased.
With regard to oyster fisheries, the Commissioners unanimously advise that the oyster beds be reserved to the public, and their limits officially defined. That mud diggers be prohibited within sixty yards from any live oyster bed. That no oysters less than two inches in diameter be allowed to be taken, and that the present close season be sustained.
Mr. Deacon recommended that all lobster factories throughout Canada be closed for five years, commencing in 1889, and they be allowed to run this year and that after five years the open season shall be two months in each year, and that the length of lobsters be 10 1/2 inches.
Mr. Odgen made a separate report dealing largely with the export trade in live lobsters, and urging that the taking of crustaceans for canning purposes should commence about the 1st of April, and extend the 10th of July.

POLITICAL NEWS.

Two Election Appeals Dismissed.

OTTAWA, March 16.
In the Supreme Court this morning the appeal against Sir Adolphe Caron, in the Quebec County election case, was dismissed with costs. The appeal was against the decision of the lower courts, that the case was not published against Sir Adolphe inside the six months limit. The Supreme Court did not decide on the merits of the case, but decided they had no jurisdiction.
The appeal in the Montagny election case was also dismissed, confirming Mr. Choquet (Liberal) in his seat.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Lowell.

ITS PEOPLE, MANUFACTURES, CHURCHES AND GIRLS.
SIR,—Appreciation of the many delights I have received at the hands of THE EXAMINER would long ago have tempted me to betray myself on paper, were I certain I could write you something worth reading; and even now I grasp my pen with fear and trembling.
My journey hither was as uneventful as the Charlottetown Subway Bill.
A few changes of cars, a few snow-carpeted scenes, bright with the glory of the "spotty globe," the train rattles on, a moment here, a moment there, past hill and dale, through villages and towns, until it launches you safe and sound into the humdrum of a busy city, to be for the next five minutes a prey to rapacious hackmen and persistent newsboys. Such is the usual winter programme for travellers from Canada to the territory of Uncle Sam; at least it sufficed to carry me safely from P. E. I. to the "land of the free and the home of the brave."

It occupied a matter of some two or three days, during which I doubtless, while asleep, passed through many cities and scenes which, if awake, I might have recognized as famous in the history of battles and the records of literature, science and art. And even now, if I had a railway time table handy, I might, after the fashion of many who have travelled the same road before me, enumerate them all, remarking how beautiful, picturesque or grand they appear (especially when one is nicely dreaming) and giving a little pen picture and short historical sketch of each in turn. But as I notice this department of literary correspondence has been pretty well occupied by my predecessors, who have written delightful imaginative sketches of cities and towns which they had not the pleasure of seeing in reality, and as any such description of mine might probably be considered an encroachment upon the territory of the noble band of critics who write such brilliant and erudite notices of books from reading the chapter titles, it seems there is left for me only the domain of fact, in which to give a superficial glance at the spindle city and the democracy of American thought and action.

Lowell is, without doubt, a very pretty busy little place, containing about 75,000 inhabitants, who are, on the whole, exceptionally active, intelligent, sociable and trustworthy. It is the reservoir of many interesting historical relics, and one of its churches, the Elliot, is built upon the exact spot where, years ago, the great apostle Elliot, from whom the church takes its name, lectured the tawny denizens of the forest upon the beauties of religion and morality. In many respects I find it to be unique. Probably no other city in the Union so nearly approaches the best elements of rustic life and vigor, whilst at the same time retaining the essentials of urban virtues,—dignity, enterprise and refinement. Here business is rife, trade moves briskly, society is courted and religion respected, while all the wheels of the city are successfully worked by the combined efforts of genius, religion and the Almighty Dollar.

So well as I can now judge, it is chiefly noted for its manufactures, churches, societies, pretty girls and mortality. To enter minutely into the state of its manufactures, would require more space and an abler pen than are at my command, and would, in part, be forestalling the new work of America's great editor and novelist, W. D. Howells, who has lately been making a tour of our mills and factories for the purpose of embodying an account of them in his new novel; but a general idea of their extent and power may be gleaned from the following comments and statistics. For instance the Massachusetts Cotton Mills run 119,528 spindles, 3,652 looms, and employ 1,206 females and 511 males. They manufacture sheetings, shirtings, etc., and turn out 907,000 yards per week, in which they use 298,192 lbs. of cotton. Many other mill companies are also engaged in this same manufacture. Again, there is the Lowell Manufacturing Company. This company has made carpets a study, and manufactures them in cotton, wool and worsted designs. They run 385 looms, employ 1,000 females and 800 males, and produce 60,000 yards of carpet per week. Then there is the Lowell Hosiery Company, turning out 1,400 doz. plain and fancy hose every day, and there is the Appleton Company with its cottons of every description, the Middlesex Company with its beavers, ladies' sacking, army and navy cloth, etc., and then there are the manufacturers of screws, shuttles, bungs and plugs, rubber stamps, burglar alarms, bottles, surgical and dental instruments, bed springs, horse covers, steam boilers, curtains, draperies, comices, tags, chemicals, pianos and organs, cigars, frames, machinery, iron and brass castings, carriages, furniture, canned goods, suspenders, candles, tents, pulleys etc., etc., till one asks in wondering desperation if any company has yet successfully accomplished the manufacture of a living, moving, breathing human being. And quick and straight from dozens of Gent's Furnishing Depots all over the city, comes back the answer, "Yes, certainly! Perfect city dudes turned out in ten minutes. Call and see our latest appliances." Thus the wheels of enterprise run on.

But, yet, amidst the smoke and steam of these countless manufactories, like guarding angles pointing away from the desperate struggle for worldly riches that is going on here below, away to the pearly gates above, rise, calm and steady, the spires of more than forty Christian worshippings places. Earthly

refuges they are, where the spirit fraught with the troubles, the anxieties, the fears, the doubts incident to our frail nature, may be lulled to repose beneath the influence of a hope which speaks of better things to come. We hope, but we do not all hope alike; we believe, but our creeds are various. And as the number of our beliefs, so will be the number of our denominations. Thus it is that in this little city we find representatives of almost every doctrine that finds a response in the human heart, the Congregational and Catholic, however, predominating.
Lowell has, also, with great show of reason, been termed the "city of societies," as associations of every hue and feature here find adherents. There are forty-seven associations of trades, professions, etc., numbering thousands of members, whilst secret societies are most liberally patronized. The Oddfellow Society has 18 different Lodges, the Masonic 11, and Knights of Pythias 5, with a splendid following for the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Order of United Friends, Knights of Honor, Royal Arcanum, Ancient Order of Foresters, and many others too numerous to mention. In Lowell, therefore, you see the flow of genial spirits runs strong. There is another sort of spirit that also runs very strong, as I am told there are between 400 and 500 licensed rum-sellers, with nearly as many illicit ones as there are in Souris and Montague together.

But to the sweetest, noblest theme of all. Lowell is markedly noted for its pretty girls, for its sociable girls, for its "ideal girls"; girls whom to know is to love, and whom to see is to respect. Providence has showered them on us here in generous profusion, and the sublime spectacle of one man attached to three or four young ladies is beautifully illustrated on our streets every day. The "society girl" holds her regal courts here in many a panting heart, and revels in a very ecstasy of power. She doesn't talk "slang"—oh, no!—she merely uses a vigorous and terse English appropriate to the high station she occupies. Often have I gazed dumbfounded into her glowing countenance, as, noticing my embarrassment with a pitying smile, she would kindly enquire in her usual classical style of speaking: "Don't you tumble? Well I want to know! If that ain't too utterly too for any thing, to think you can't catch on. It just makes me titter to smile." I never reply. I can't; I simply go out and buy a new grammar on Volapuk.

But sad to say these dear enlightened creatures don't last forever, they too often fade away under the baneful influence of Lowell's frightful mortality. Through poorly ventilated corporation buildings, bad sewerage, and worse water, Lowell possesses paths of glory that take the shortest cut to the grave of any I know of, excepting New Orleans during yellow fever harvest time. It is proper, however, to intimate that under the vigorous measures of the new board of health, this convenience is likely soon to be lost, and Lowell will ere long become as famous for its healthiness as it now is for its beauty, enterprise and sociability.

I may say that on the whole our manufactures here differ very little from those in Manchester, Eng., and are probably neither so varied, as they assuredly are not so extensive, but it may safely be said that Manchester can in no wise compare with Lowell in the capabilities of sustaining that modern problem, the genuine Yankee. Taught at home to believe him a natural curiosity, whose component parts were as hard to ascertain as the results of a presidential election, and who apparently was a cross between Peck's bad boy and a galvanized steam engine, I find the Yankee returns the compliment by trying to make me believe my Canadian brethren are a set of untamed barbarians, who live in icebergs and come over here to get thawed out and civilized. I never agree the point with him; I merely tell him he's a lawyer, (often incorrectly pronounced liar) and that always seems to settle the point amicably between us. Still, I like the lively, broad-souled, enterprising Yankee with his whole humor, confidential friendliness and pure deep-seated patriotism. I haven't had time to ask him whether he likes me or not; it takes up nearly all my leisure fighting with him on the Fishery Question. And herewith opens a wide field of enquiry presenting aspects comical as well as argumentative. But I dare not enter. Time forbids. Kindly accept the best wishes of

SUDDY BOY.
Dalhousie College.
SIR,—The annual Gymnasium competition came off very successfully at Dalhousie College this afternoon. The exhibition was very good, and there was present an unusually large number of spectators. The Island students, as usual, took a very active part; one of them, Hammond J. MacCallum, of Harrington, carried off the silver medal for "single-sticks," against a very large number of competitors. A gold medal was awarded to the best all round gymnast, and also a silver medal to the best man in each separate event. After the competition A. G. Laird gave an exhibition of high-kicking. The Island students are keeping up their reputation for muscle as well as brain. By publishing the above you will greatly oblige.

A. P. E. STUBBS.
Dalhousie College, March 10, 1888.
Partizanship.
SIR,—The Island Guardian of to-day has an intimation regarding the improving health of the Rev. Mr. Frame, which will be received with pleasure by all classes in the community. In the meantime there are many friends and supporters of the Guardian who think that the temporary Editors should not allow a very unscrupulous political partizan the use of its columns for party purposes, even if a sense of decency does not exist sufficiently strong to prevent a County Judge and Revising Officer from making political attacks.

Ch'town, March 17, 1888.
No Electric Light.
SIR,—Allow me to call the attention of the authorities to the fact that Upper Prince Street was in total darkness last night for the want of the electric light. It is too bad that the taxpayers of that street should be obliged to flounder about in slush and filth at this important season of the year, without any light to assist them in avoiding tumbling into the gutters or getting wet feet.

TAXPAYER.
Saturday, 17th March, 1888.

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE

OF

BOOTS & SHOES,

—AT THE—
Dominion Boot & Shoe Store.

During the Month of March,
J. B. MACDONALD

—WILL CLEAR OUT HIS—
Entire Stock of Boots and Shoes at a Discount
of 20 per cent. off his usual low prices.

The Stock is nearly all New last Fall. Customers are sure to get the best value for their money at THE DOMINION BOOT AND SHOE STORE.
J. B. McDONALD,
PROPRIETOR.
February 20—dy & wky

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White Cottons,
Print Cottons,
Grey Cottons,
Pillow Cottons,
Sheeting Cottons,
Shirting Cottons,
Table Linens,
Towels, Towelling,
Dress Goods,
Cashmeres,
Merinoes,
Plushes, Silks,
Brocades,
Gloves, Corsets,
Hosiery, Embroideries,
Collars and Cuffs,

And a Well Assorted Stock of all kinds of
DRY GOODS,
VERY CHEAP, AT
STANLEY BROTHERS,

BROWN'S BLOCK.
Ch'town, March 9, 1888.—eod & wky.

TEA AND FANCY TABLES. Desirable Residence FOR SALE.

THE LADIES OF ST. JAMES' CHURCH intend having their Tea and Fancy Tables on
THURSDAY, 22nd MARCH,
—IN—
ST. JAMES' HALL.

COMMITTEE:
Mrs. Jas. Carruthers, Mrs. M. McLeod,
D. MacNeill, Dr. Blanchard,
A. Lord, A. A. Bartlett,
A. Kennedy, Robertson,
Angus, McGregor,
James, G. H. Toombs,
McKinnon, Miss McGill,
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A fine collection of FANCY GOODS and APRONS will be offered to the public. All are invited.
Admission, 10 cents. Tea, 25 cents.
Doors open at 2 o'clock, p. m. Tea at 5 o'clock, sharp.
ISABEL McNEILL, Secretary.

Furniture, Stoves, &c.

I am instructed by CHAS. J. PATON, ESQ. to sell by Auction, at his R. residence, East Sydney Street,
On Wednesday, 23th Inst.,
AT 11 O'CLOCK:
All his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising Parlor, Bedroom and Dining Room sets, Brasses and Tapestry Carpets, Rugs, Oil Cloth, Crockery, Glassware, Kitchen Utensils, &c., &c.
G. M. HARRIS, Auctioneer.

Citizens' Skating Rink.

THE Subscriber offers for sale the CITIZENS' SKATING RINK, together with the Land, comprising one whole Town Lot. Possession first May next.
Apply to
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Ch'town, March 5, 1888—2w eod

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FOR SALE CHEAP.—Light Sloven and Harness, 1 Double Wagon, 1 Single Wagon, all in good repair. Also—1 good Fire Proof Safe.—JOSEPH KNIGHT & SON. 81 eod—mch16
WANTED.—A Housemaid. Apply at Chief Justice Palmer's. mch16
FOR SALE.—A large Fire and Burglar Proof Safe, cost at factory \$350. Will be sold cheap. Apply to Norton & Fennell. mch14—3w 2w wky 31

TO LET.—"The Clifton House," suitable for Boarding House and Store. Fine Stabling in connection. Possession 1st May. Apply to Mrs. P. CONNOLLY, Pownall Street. mch14—31 eod pd

TO LET.—Those commodious Stables on Trafalgar Street, Charlottetown, lately occupied by Mr. John F. Powers, adjoining the premises of Mr. J. D. McLeod. Possession given immediately. Apply to EDWARD J. HODGSON. mch9—dy 11
WANTED.—By the 1st May, a House with four or five comfortable rooms, centrally located. Apply to "D. R. H." P. O. Box 537, City. febz11
BOARDERS ACCOMMODATED.—At Mrs. McLean's Hillborough Street, between Dorchester and King. mch14—dy 61 eod wky 31

THE PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Organized at Halifax.

THE NAMES OF THE OFFICERS

HALIFAX, March 16.
A convention of newspaper men representing all sections of the Maritime Provinces, was held here to-day. Perfect harmony and good feeling prevailed, and the Maritime Press Association was organized, with every assurance of a prosperous career and of doing excellent work. The following officers were unanimously elected:—
President—Hon. David Laird, of the Charlottetown Patriot.
Vice Presidents—C. F. Fraser, of the Halifax Critic; J. E. B. McReady, of St. John, N. B., Telegraph; W. L. Cotton, Charlottetown Examiner; Robert Drummond, Stellarton Trades Journal; L. M. Wood, of Albert Maple Leaf; A. C. Bertman, of the North Sydney Herald.
Recording Secretary—John T. Hawke, Moncton Transcript.
Corresponding Secretary—Wm. Dennis, Halifax Herald.
Executive Committee—Alex. Lawson, of Yarmouth Herald; V. A. Landry, L'Esperance; L. C. McNutt, of the Fredericton Farmer; Rev. Robert Murray, of Halifax Presbyterian Witness; F. W. Bowes, of the Halifax Chronicle; S. D. Scott, of the St. John Sun; and S. Boyd, of the Moncton Times.

THE LATE EMPEROR

HIS FUNERAL OBSEQUIES.

Many Tributes of Respect.

LONDON, March 16.
The Imperial funeral took place in Berlin to-day. At 9 o'clock the corporations, guilds, etc., which were to line the route of the procession took up positions. Mourning flags and black draperies were suspended from all houses, and the lamp posts were completely covered with crape. The route of the procession presented an imposing aspect in keeping with the deep sorrow and reverence felt by the people.
At one o'clock the funeral services were held at the Cathedral. The Emperor Frederick was not present owing to the intense cold. Dr. Koegel delivered the funeral address, his text being:—"Lord now leavest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word, for mine eyes have seen thy salvation."
At St. Petersburg the services in the Lutheran Church were attended by the Czar, Czarina and high officials.
At Constantinople, services were held, at which were present the diplomatic bodies, palace officials and German residents.
Throughout Great Britain the greatest sympathy was manifested.

WASHINGTON, March 16.

Services in memory of the late Emperor William were held at Concordia Lutheran Church this morning. The President, accompanied by Secretaries Bayard, Fairchild and Whitney, and the Postmaster-General, were present.
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