

Political Meetings.

MR. ROBERT SHAW, during the present week, held meetings throughout the Fort Augustus district, and, we learn, met with a very unfavorable reception from his constituents. While none of the meetings passed a resolution endorsing his political action, the following resolutions were carried—some of them unanimously:

AT FORT AUGUSTUS

Moved by Francis Quinn, seconded by Edward Laverty: Resolved, That this meeting endorses the policy of the present Government, and disapproves of the conduct of Mr. Shaw in withdrawing his support from the party he was returned to support. Carried unanimously.

AT MOUNT STEWART.

Moved by Wm. Doyle, seconded by Mr. McDonald. Resolved, That this meeting has every confidence in the present Government, and censures the action of Mr. Shaw in joining the Opposition.

AT TEN-MILE HOUSE.

Moved by Horatio Braddock, seconded by Angus McAulay: Resolved, That this meeting disapproves of Mr. Shaw's conduct in opposing the present administration.

At these meetings, the independent and honest yeomanry of this Province deprecated the agitation attempted to be raised by politicians of a certain class, against the collection of debts due the public. Even such well known out and out opponents of the Government as Messrs. R. Munn, A. B. McKenzie, Charles Gregor, Wm. E. Clark and Alexander Rattray gave the Government credit for their action in this respect. Mr. Rattray, at the Brackley Point meeting, told the editor of the Patriot that he was "lumbering the people" on that question, and that the people of Lot 33 did not want any "clap-trap" of that kind.

NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.

DEBATE ON THE PACIFIC RAILWAY CONTRACT CONTINUED.

As in duty bound, the leaders of the Opposition are making a good show of opposition to the Pacific Railway Contract. They could not, in Parliament, do as the Montreal Herald, and many leading Grits outside of Parliament have done. They could not approve of the Contract; because if they do so they would have to support the Government; and that would never do. Besides it is right that so supremely an important matter should be thoroughly ventilated; and if the Opposition should cease to oppose, this could not be done. So, after the applause which followed the closing sentences of Sir Charles Tupper's masterly effort had subsided, and after Mr. McDougall had explained that he didn't write certain articles in the Ottawa Citizen, up rose the rising hope of the Liberals of Canada—the Leader of the Opposition. For some time his speech was mainly composed of taunts and sneers which he flung about in great profusion but finally he settled down to the business in hand, and exerted all his ingenuity in exposing the faults and worthlessness of the details of the bargain. The contractors will make enormous fortunes—of course they will; the standard of the Union Pacific Railway, up to which the contractors are bound to build, is not sufficiently high or definite; there is nothing in the contract about ballast, etc., etc. These were his objections. His speech is generally regarded as brilliant but weak. It certainly was not so strong as that of Dr. Tupper; and as Mr. Blake is a clever man and a very forcible advocate—he is the hero of several disturbing speeches—the weakness of his speech must have been owing to the weakness of his cause.

THE WINTER PORT.

It appears from facts brought out in reply to Mr. Richey's question as to whether the statement that goods per S S Polynesian, which had arrived at Halifax a fortnight before, were on the 7th inst. still undelivered at Quebec, is correct, and if so, what precautions, if any, have been taken to preclude the recurrence of such inconvenience; also, whether any and what guarantee is offered as to the time within which, after the receipt by the Intercolonial Railway, of goods landed by steamship at Halifax, such goods will be delivered at Quebec, Montreal, and Toronto respectively, that importers in the Upper Provinces lose largely (in point of time) by having their English goods sent via Boston instead of via Halifax. It is to be hoped that this fact will be widely circulated in Ontario, Quebec and Great Britain, and that sufficient pressure will be brought to bear upon the Allan Steamship Company to induce them to reduce their charges on freight via Halifax to the same rates as they charge via Boston.

SENATOR CHRISTIE, late Reform Speaker of the Senate, died at Paris, Ont., on the 15th. His death was caused by mortification setting in in one of his toes which was accidentally cut in a short time since. He was for many years a rather prominent figure in Canadian politics, and while always a professed Reformer was on more than one occasion at open war with the Browns and the "Globe." He was a Scotchman by birth, having been born in Edinburgh in 1818 where he was also educated. He came to Canada in 1833, was a member of the Assembly of old Canada from 1851 until the Union, when he was called to the Senate, of which he was Speaker during the late administration.

GEORGE CARTER has a splendid stock of Christmas Confectionery at his Grocery Store, Great George Street. Give him a call. [d 16 4i eod]

Local and Other Items.

We are pleased to learn that Judge Reddin is rapidly recovering from his recent severe illness.

J. H. FLETCHER, Esq., of the Argus, arrived home last evening. On the way home he lectured in several towns with great acceptance.

PERSONAL.—E. J. Hodgson Esq., left Picton for Georgetown to-day, in the "Northern Light," and will arrive home to-night.

THE application of Thos. Alley, for a warrant of committal for contempt, against the Duchemin Bros., is being heard before the Master of the Rolls to-day.

THE forge of Mr. George Warren, at North River, was last night entered by scoundrels and two bellowses valued at \$60 were smashed to pieces.

A good picture of John Wesley, a bust of Sir John McDonald or Alex. McKenzie will make a good Xmas present. To be had at the Family Grocery.—R. K. BRACE.

You will find a large variety of cakes—large and small—plain and fruit—at moderate prices, at The Confectionery, for, and during the Holidays.—dec 17 3ins.

Dog poisoning is being indulged in by the youthful gamins living about Bayfield street. Several owners of these quadrupeds (the dogs) are seeking out the perpetrators of such cowardly actions.

MR. W. A. HUTCHESON, grocer, has suspended in front of his grocery store, Queen street, a beautiful banner sign, which attracts much attention. It was painted by Mr. George W. Millar, and reflects credit on his ability and taste as an artist.

NEW MUSIC.—We have received from the publishers, Messrs. Landry & Co., St. John, two new pieces of music, "The Ferdinand" polka, mazourka and the "Frieda Waltz." They are two very fine compositions, by Prof. Max Sterne, and are easy to play. They will each be mailed to any address on receipt of thirty cents in postage stamps.

DR. N. E. MCKAY, whose card appears in this paper, is a graduate with honors from both the Halifax Medical College and the Halifax University. His rank as a student is of the highest order, and as he intends to make this city his home, we wish him success. His office is at the Rocklin House.

PEDESTRIANISM.—The St. John Telegraph says: "Foster, the Portland pedestrian, has accepted an invitation to walk in a 50 mile square heel-and-toe contest at Charlottetown, on Christmas day. He leaves St. John next Tuesday. Joseph Leggett will also compete. The prizes are \$40 to first; \$20 to second; \$10 to third, and \$5 to fourth."

A GHOST STORY.—A story comes from Windsor that the College woods are haunted, and that strange, unearthly sounds are heard in the vicinity of that weird locality, "The Devil's Punch Bowl." Several of the students of the College have, at different times, heard sepulchral laughs coming from the interior of the D. P. B., but investigation failed to prove anything. One young gentleman solemnly swore that he saw a misty figure, clad in white, flitting about through the woods, and pointed it out to a companion, but his companion did not see it. Another gentleman states that he heard these strange laughings about 12 o'clock one night. A lady of Windsor is ready to take her oath that one afternoon last week she saw a man roaming around through the woods, dressed in old clothes, with a high red cap on his head and a gun in his hand, followed by a dog, a la Rip Van Winkle, who kept ahead of her all the time, no matter which way she turned. Altogether, Windsor is in a high state of excitement over these spiritual manifestations.—Halifax Herald.

HOW THE BONANZA WAS STRUCK.—The risibilities of the good people of New London have been much excited of late over the reported gold find by John Cann, a crafty negro well-digger and stumper, who resides at, or near, Kensington. It is a good joke and no one appears to appreciate it as much by half as Cann. It appears that he was engaged by a farmer to dig a well. When the work was about completed, the negro obtained a few rich gold quartz from a gentleman who recently returned from Colorado, and when he had struck a good stream of water he emerged from the well with the quartz in his hand, and in an apparent fever of excitement, exhibited them to the gentleman for whom he was working. Stating at the same time, that as soon as he found them the water rushed in, and he had to quit digging. In the mind of the farmer a bonanza was struck. He immediately closed the well; compared the quartz with those from the mines of Colorado; and latterly sent them to Halifax for the purpose of being tested. It is stated that thousands were offered for an acre of the land surrounding the well, and promptly refused. A square foot of the farm could not be purchased at any price. But the "Cat is now out of the bag" and the farmer declares that if that black rascal ever appears on his farm again, his whole carcass won't be worth more than the market price of his heels in a glue-factory.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

OSBORNE HOUSE.

Dec. 18.—W A Stevenson, New Glasgow; Geo Brown, do; Rubin Bullman, do; A G White, Eldon; Martin Martin, do; A McLeod, Belfast; Lanchin McMillan, Covehead; W S McKie, Clyde Mills; James E Crabb, Fredarion.

ROCKLIN HOUSE.

Dec. 17th.—Alexander McDonald, Souris; Samuel A Collin, Savage Harbour; Albert Craig, Freetown; Alexander R Coffin, Savage Harbour; Artemas W Coffin, do; John McMillan, Mill Vale; Robert Bagnall, Hazle Grove; J P Cook, Victoria, James Griffin, Lot 7; Douglass Gordon, Summerside; Wm Howatt and wife, Tryon; T D Lane, Brooklyn, New York; M G Clark, Alberton; Edward Kinsman, St John, N B; Layton McCabe, Halifax, N S.

Special Notices.

ORDER your Christmas and New Year's cakes at "The Confectionery."—dec 17 3i

MR. JAMES F. McAREE, barber, has removed from his old stand, on Grafton Street, to the well-known barbershop owned by P. C. Kelly on Queen Street, where he will be happy to meet all his old customers.—dec 14, 2in tu th

THE place to get good Sleighs is J. & R. Scott's Kent Street.

FOR Xmas presents, you can get a hand some, all glass, Chandelier, for oil or gas; a dozen Rogers Silver Spoons. Ladies' and Gent's Pocket Books, from 20 cents to \$2.50 each; a dozen Knives and Forks, Lamps, a box of McCormick's Biscuit, a pound of first-class Tea, at the Family Grocery.—R. K. BRACE.

THE Candies and Sweetmeats at The Confectionery are not cheap. Prices from 25 to 48 cents per lb. [3i eod]

CAKES nicely frosted and ornamented at "The Confectionery."—dec 17 3ins.

THE place to get your Sleighs painted and repaired, is at McDougall & Seaman's.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

Bordeaux, France, Dec. 17th, arrived barque M J Foley, from Summerside.

Bermuda, 27th ult.—Sailed, sch. Lottie Bell, for P. E. Island.

At Vineyard Haven, 11th inst., sch. Mary Wilson, from Charlottetown.

At Gloucester, 13th inst., sch. Condor, from Summerside for New Haven.

At Portland, 13th inst., sch. P. Machecca, from Georgetown.

Herring, Apples, Tea, Onions, Crockeryware.

I WILL SELL AT AUCTION, ON MONDAY, the 20th instant, AT 11 O'CLOCK, AT THE

Queen Street Auction Rooms,

30 chests choice Congou TEA, 25 half-chests choice Congou TEA, 500 boxes do. do., 250 bbls. LABRADOR HERRING, 500 boxes No. 1 DIGBY HERRING, 50 bbls. ONIONS, in good order, 50 bbls. APPLES, do. do., 3 crates CROCKERYWARE, 1 case WORCESTER'S SAUCE.

Bargains may be expected, as these goods must be sold to close consignments.

W. D. STEWART, Auctioneer.

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Sleighs! Harness!

I WILL SELL AT AUCTION, AT THE QUEEN STREET AUCTION ROOMS, ON

TUESDAY, 21st Dec., inst., AT 2 O'CLOCK,

1 single-seated DRIVING SLEIGH, 1 double-seated do., 1 set HARNESS, (new and by good makers), 1 single-seated BOX SLEIGH, 1 double-seated do., 1 set SILVER-MOUNTED HARNESS, (second-hand, in good order).

W. D. STEWART, Auctioneer.

Dec. 18, '80—2i

EVENING SALES.

BY AUCTION, THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING, Dec. 18, at 7 o'clock, at Coomb's Ware Rooms, Market House Basement, a large variety of Goods of all kinds, which must be closed out at once.

A. McNEILL, Auctioneer.

Dec. 18, '80.

STILL AHEAD.

A GRAND ASSORTMENT

PURE CONFECTIONERY

B. BALDERSTON'S.

CHOCOLATE, VANILLA, LEMON, ICE CREAM CARAMELS, something new. EUREKA MIXTURE, VICTORIA MIXTURE, MCCORMICK'S MIXTURE, } 25c. per lb.

Spiced Chocolate Sticks, Fig Paste, Jujubes, Barley Sugar Twist, and other varieties too numerous to mention.

I keep the purest and most delicately-flavored CANDY to be had in the Dominion.

B. BALDERSTON.

Dec. 18, 1880—2w eod

DR. N. E. MCKAY,

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.

OFFICE—At "Rocklin House," Kent Street, where he may be consulted professionally.

Ch'town, Dec. 18, 1880—oaw

ENDYMION!

THE NEW NOVEL,

By the Earl of Beaconsfield.

For sale by

BREMNER BROS.

Ch'town, Dec. 18, 1880—3i

CLEARING-OUT SALE.

Groceries, Crockery, Woodenware, Iron Safe, Shop Furniture.

I WILL Sell at AUCTION at the store occupied by Mr. Albert Simpson, North Side of Queen Square, on MONDAY, 27th inst., at 11 o'clock, the entire stock in trade, consisting of General Groceries, Crackers, Crockeryware, Woodenware, Pickles, Sauces, Spices, large lot of Canned Goods (in variety), all the Shop Furniture, Iron Safe, Counter Scales, &c., &c.

Full details in Hand Bills.

WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer.

Dec. 17th, 1880.

London Goods.

Received per steamer "Prince Edward."

CASKS ENGLISH MALT VINEGAR, CASE HOLLOWAY'S MEDICINES, CASES CASTILE SOAP, Sage, Fine bottled Salad and Castor Oils, Candied Peels, Spices, Essences, &c. Cases Murray's Fluid Magnesia, one case Fine Chemicals for dispensing, and a general assortment of best English Drugs and Medicines at

APOTHECARIES HALL, DesBrissay's Corner Queen Square.

Ch'town, Dec. 17, 1880.—1m tu f

Buffalo Robes, Wolf Robes, Horse Blankets.

A SUPERIOR LOT HOURLY EXPECTED per "Northern Light." Intending purchasers will find it to their advantage to wait arrival, as they will be sold very low.

JOHN STUMBLES.

Gt. George St., Dec. 17, '80—2i pat ar her li

Fancy Sale and Tea,

In aid of the Baptist Church Building Fund, will be held in the

MARKET HALL,

ON

Wednesday, 22nd December.

The sale will commence at 2 p. m. Tea on the Tables at 5 1/2 o'clock.

Admission to Hall 10 cents. Admission to Hall and Tea 30 cents.

Tickets for sale at the Apothecaries Hall, Medical Hall, W. R. Watson's, and at the door. Dec. 17, 18 0.

NORTHERN LIGHT.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE the Northern Light will make daily trips, when practicable, leaving Georgetown at 6 a. m.; and Picton, at 1.40 p. m., on arrival of the train from Halifax.

WILLIAM MITCHELL, Agent of Dept.

Dept. of Marine, Charlottetown, Dec. 16, 1880.

NEW COAL DEPOT

AT THE HEAD OF—

POWNAI WHARF.

THE subscriber has on hand a quantity of the BEST PICTOU COAL.—Round and Nut; also Slack for Blacksmith's use. For convenience of customers orders can be left at the stores of S. W. Crabbe, Grafton Street; Dodd & Rogers, Queen Square; or

DAVID SMALL.

Queen's Wharf, Ch'town, Dec. 11, '80—tf

Labrador Herring.

250 HARRELS. For sale by W. D. STEWART.

Dec. 9, 1880.

CONFECTIONERY

FOR THE HOLIDAYS:

I HAVE ON HAND a very large lot of CHOICE CANDIES, and will sell them VERY LOW during the Holidays:—

CHOICE MIXTURE only 25 cents per lb. Other Candies from 12 cents per lb. upwards.

A large lot of Crystal SUGAR TOYS, such as Panorama Eggs, Flower Pots, Hats, Return Balls and Crystal Eggs (very pretty).

CHOICE GREEN GRAPES only 25 cents per lb.

PASTRY and CAKES, very fine.

CAKES ICED to order.

As this is nearly all home manufacture, I can warrant it pure. Wholesale buyers will do well to give me a call.

W. F. CARTER,

Dec' 15, 1880—10i

Nestle's Milk Food.

FOR INFANTS and INVALIDS. For sale at

BEER & COFF'S.

Nov. 25, 1880.

BUTTER, BUTTER.

CHOICE QUALITY, FOR SALE BY THE TUB, at

BEER & GOFF'S.

Nov. 25, 1880.

BOOKS! BOOKS!

—AT THE—

British American Book & Tract Society.

LEISURE HOUR, SUNDAY AT HOME, Boys' Own Annual, Girl's Own Annual, Toy Books, Chatterbox, Infants' Magazine, Child's Companion, Child's Own Magazine, Sunday School Books, Hymn Books and Bible, Hymnal of the Presbyterian Church, a variety of other Books, Christmas and Birth-day Cards &c., &c.

M. F. ELLIS, North Side Queen Square. Ch'town, Dec. 11, 1880—till 25th

VALUABLE

PICTURES

AT AUCTION.

I HAVE RECEIVED A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

Chromos and Oleographs,

In Alhambra Gilt Frames, from the celebrated house of S. HILDESHEIMER & Co., London, which I will sell by Auction, on

WEDNESDAY, the 22nd inst.,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M., AT THE

Queen Street Auction Rooms.

The Pictures will be on exhibition Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday before the day of sale.

W. D. STEWART, Auctioneer.

Dec. 9, 1880—

Prince Edward Island Railway

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

CHARLOTTETOWN, Dec. 10, 1880.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, a Passenger Train for Georgetown, to connect with steamer "Northern Light," will leave Charlottetown at 4.45 p. m. daily, Sunday's excepted.

A Passenger Train will also leave Georgetown for Charlottetown daily, Sunday's excepted, on arrival of the "Northern Light."

L. B. ARCHIBALD, Superintendent.

Dec. 11, 1880—tf

SPECIAL NOTICE.

ALL persons who have not paid their Taxes on Real Estate in the Royalty of Charlottetown for the year 1879, and likewise those who have not settled their Poll Tax for the same year, are hereby notified that they will be dealt with as the law directs, without any respect of persons, if not settled immediately.

G. C. HOOPER, Collector.

Enston Street, Charlottetown, Dec. 13, 1880.

NOTICE.

MERCHANTS expecting Goods by S. S. "Northern Light" must instruct their Agent at Picton Landing to deliver.

WILLIAM MITCHELL, Agent of Dept.

Charlottetown, Dec. 6, 1880.

Buffalo. Buffalo.

A SPLENDID LOT OF BUFFALO ROBES, lined and trimmed. A few JAPANESE ROBES.

BEER & SONS.

Dec. 1, 1880—1m

DIGBY HERRING.

600 BOXES CHOICE DIGBY HERRING, direct from Digby, ex "Northern Light." For sale, wholesale only.

W. D. STEWART, Auctioneer.

Dec. 13, '80.

Wants, Lost, Found, &c.

WANTED—A situation as Law Student by a young man of good education. Address EXAMINER Office. [d 15 2i pd]

WANTED—A general servant in a small family. Liberal wages will be given to a competent girl. Apply at this office. [d 17,

TO LET, for Dancing Assemblies, Public Meetings, etc., Allin's Hall. Apply to W. KENNEDY, at "The Confectionery." [d 16 6i eod]

TO LET—A House, with several rooms, on Kent street. Terms moderate.—E. PALMER, jr. [d 14 3i eod]

TO LET—Shop and Dwelling House on Great George Street. For particulars apply to E. McDOUGALL. [d 14 tf]

WANTED—By a competent person, employment for the winter to make up books and accounts. Apply at this office. [d 1

BOARDERS—Three or four Boarders can be accommodated with first class board and apartments at very reasonable rates, in a pleasant and one of the most convenient localities in the city. Apply at this office. [no 6 tf]

TO LET—A House containing 8 rooms, with stable, coach house, and a large garden attached, fronting on Rochford Square. Possession given immediately. Apply to J. T. CROCKETT, at the Fish Market. [no 2