

Local and Other Items.

Buy your Flour at Beer & Goff's.
The Wesleyan Tea last evening went off very well.
His Lordship Bishop Rogers, of Chatham, is on a visit to this city.

CITY SCHOOLS.—The Christmas Examination will take place to-morrow.

WHERE can you get the best Boots and Shoes for the least money? At Gass'

SOMETHING NEW.—Chinese and Japanese Christmas and New Year's Cards at LEWIS'.

The furniture is being removed from the "Princess of Wales." She will be immediately laid up for the winter.

The leading members of the Liberal party have offered the Earl of Dufferin a public dinner at London. The Earl has accepted the invitation.

MOLSON'S Bank, Montreal, has entered an action for \$5,000, to recover the amount of security for one of their defaulting clerks, named Glass.

The King of Denmark has ordered the marriage of the Princess Thyra to the Duke of Cumberland to be postponed until after the funeral of the Princess Alice.

THIEVING still riots in Montreal. An American named McCann was robbed of \$200 at the Grand Trunk depot on the 13th inst. The city swarms with thieves, and the numerous robberies committed are of the boldest character. Attention is being drawn to the smallness of the Police.

A VERY hopeful feature connected with the Canadian live stock trade is the order just passed in Council, exempting Canadian and American cattle from the objectionable clause in the Duke of Richmond's bill respecting contagious diseases of animals. This clause required the cattle to be slaughtered at the port of landing.

THE exports from Grand River, Lot 56, this year, amounted to 20,290 bush. of oats, 67,672 do. potatoes, 1,973 do. turnips, 142 do. barley, 700 boxes preserved lobsters, besides a small quantity of pork, mackerel, beef, butter, hides, fencing, etc. That the exports there will increase when the dredge has finished her work, we confidently expect.

ADVICE from Cuba, on the 26th ult., states that the barque "M. J. Foley," Gavin, master, was taken in a cargo of sugar for New York. The Alberton Pioneer says: "The above vessel was built about half a mile from this village, and when launched was considered to be among the finest vessels ever built on the Island."

AN explosion of nitro-glycerine and gunpowder recently occurred in the St. Bernard coal mines, at Earlinton, Ky. The shock was heard for miles. A train of mining cars, mules and negro driver were blown to atoms. There was a panic among the miners and their families for a full hour, before the result was known.

PAIÑCE OF WALES COLLEGE was orally examined to-day. There was a good attendance of pupils and the following among other visitors: His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Hensley, Rev. Mr. Lathern, Hon. L. H. Davies, Hon. H. Beer, J. Ings, Charles Palmer, John Caven, Henry Lawson, P. R. Bowers, William McKechnie and Richard Sloggett, Esqrs. Further particulars to-morrow.

MOVEMENTS OF THE FISHING FLEET.—Only 20 arrivals have been reported at this port the past week, 3 from the Banks with 75,000 lbs. halibut, 4 from Georges with 50,000 codfish, and 2 from Bay St. Lawrence with light fares. There are two more Baymen to arrive, and one will winter in the Provinces. The fish market is quiet, and prices well sustained. Two of the Newfoundland fleet have already sailed, and two more will sail to-day.—Cape Ann Advertiser.

The schooner "Corina H. Bishop" cleared from Georgetown on the 14th inst. to Gloucester, N. S., with 3,400 bushels potatoes by John Hughes. On the same date, the barque "L. De V. Chipman," cleared from Souris for Queenstown, with 40,000 bushels oats and 600 pieces of deals, shipped by Wm. Welsh. On the 6th inst., the "Florence Abbot," also sailed from Souris for Newport, U. S., with 6,220 bushels and 39 bags of potatoes, by Hazzard Bros., of this city.

INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND.—The annual meeting of the Directors and Patrons of the Asylum for the Blind was held on Saturday night. The annual report was read by Mr. Wm. Compton. The Superintendent's report stated that 22 pupils had been in attendance during the year, 20 of whom resided in the Institution. Of the 22, 17 are Nova Scotians, 3 Newfoundlanders, and 2 P. E. Islanders. The health of the pupils throughout the year has been excellent. This is mainly due to systematic exercise, nutritious diet and plenty of sleep. In the gymnasium, instructions were given by Instructor Ray, of H. M. 20th Regiment. Instructor Smith, of the 101st Regt., has taken his place. The annual cost of each pupil in the Institution is about \$150. The receipts were \$4,111.39. The following gentlemen were chosen managers for 1879: James F. Avery, M. D.; John S. McLean, M. H. Richey, Charles Fletcher, John Duffus, W. C. Silver, S. A. White, W. H. Neal, George Thomson, Wm. Compton, Geo. Mitchell, W. F. West.—Herald.

HARVIE'S ALMANAC, FOR 1879, is full of useful information for all classes in this community. Among other novelties it contains a number of valuable cooking receipts, and "Herschel's Weather Table." This table is said to be constructed upon philosophical considerations of the attraction of the sun and moon in their several positions respecting the earth, and is confirmed by the experience of many years actual observation. The names of all local officials are given correctly. There is, however, a slight error in the list of Railway officials. In it Mr. F. A. Doherty figures as "Assistant Accountant." In fact, there is no such officer; and young Doherty is the junior clerk in the Accountant's office. On the whole, however, the information contained in the Almanac is correct; and Mr. Harvie certainly stands unrivalled on this Island as an Almanac maker.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

LONDON, Dec. 17. The "Times" correspondent with the Kurum column reports that a predatory tribe attacked on Sunday the rear guard of the convoy, East of Saperi Pass. General Roberts sent two regiments which rescued the convoy. Two British officers were severely wounded; three Ghooraks were killed and twelve Ghooraks and one Highlander were wounded. General Roberts has summoned the chiefs of Kurum to answer for the outrage. It is feared that three powerful tribes will combine against the British.

LONDON, Dec. 17. During the debate Sir Stafford Northcote said, he considered under ordinary circumstances, India should bear the expenses of hostilities with her immediate, as her distant enemy was moving on India, and because that would be hostility to the empire. He trusted that the war was nearly concluded. They would be better informed in a month as to its real extent, and significance. He felt sure if it became necessary to exert imperial strength the people of England would willingly contribute.

LONDON, Dec. 17. In the House of Commons to-night, on the debate on Earl Stanhope's resolution, that the House consents to defray all the expenses of the Afghan war from the Indian revenue, the House divided on Fawcett's amendment, declaring the proposition unjust, and the amendment was rejected 235 to 125. Stanhope's resolution was then adopted without a division. Parliament has adjourned until February 13th.

LAHORE, Dec. 17. Lord Lytton received 100 auxiliaries, furnished by the native Princes. He made a speech, and declared that Great Britain was never an ungenerous foe, but justice must precede generosity. He hoped the Ameer, warned by the disasters, would render unnecessary any further operations. The auxiliaries will go to Peshiwar on Saturday to guard the communications of the Khyber column. The Cashmere contingent is absent. It is said they required the formal annexation of the Chital of Little Cashgar and portions of Bafour and Siat, which was sanctioned by the British.

MADRID, Dec. 17. Congress passed the bill authorizing a loan of 250,000,000 pesetas.

FRANKFORT-ON-MAIN, Dec. 17. Karl Ferdinand Gutzkow, German dramatic poet, is dead.

LONDON, Dec. 17. The Odessa Commercial Bank, which decided to go into liquidation recently, was robbed by its manager.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 17. The Porte and Great Britain are negotiating concerning British jurisdiction over foreigners in Cyprus. Great Britain recognizes the Sultan's sovereignty over the Island, but denies its consular jurisdiction. The Porte learns that the Servians and Montenegrins are concentrated on their respective frontiers, and Turkish commanders have been ordered to watch their movements.

VERSAILLES, Dec. 17. The Senate adopted the amendment proposed by M. Bulcastel, of the Right, re-inserting in the budget the grant to aged priests, which was stricken out by the Chamber of Deputies. This action renders necessary the re-assembling of Deputies before the 31st December, to reconsider that portion of the budget.

BELGRADE, Dec. 17. It is estimated that over 15,000 Servian troops are still on the frontier. The demobilization of the Shamadjika army corps of 16,000 men is proceeding, and that of the militia has been ordered.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 17. The Chinese are continually murdering and killing inhabitants on the Russian frontier.

TORONTO, Dec. 17. The "Irrepressible Phipps" is out with another letter in the Globe, complaining that "his" national policy has not yet been inaugurated.

QUEBEC, Dec. 17. The writ for St. Hayacinthe has not yet been issued by the Quebec Government, although it was signed by the Speaker last week. The Local Government are certain to be defeated, and the fear of this causes the withholding of the writ.

LONDON, Dec. 17. The Times says that, in consequence of the agitation concerning the letter of O'Connor Power denouncing Dr. Butt, the Home Rulers are now divided into two distinct sections. Some, who have not acted with the obstructives, think Butt's inactivity renders reorganization necessary.

LONDON, Dec. 17. The trial of the City of Glasgow Bank Directors is fixed for January 20th. The report of the Investigation Committee on the West of England and South Wales District Bank show that the whole capital and reserve funds are lost, and there is a further deficiency of one million and a half dollars, for which the shareholders are liable. There is no possibility of a reconstruction of the bank.

OTTAWA, Dec. 17. Gentlemen interested in the Ottawa Iron and Steel Company have interviewed Sir John and Hon. Dr. Tupper, in relation to the development of the iron resources. They were cordially received and promised that the Government would consider the matter.

The dismissal of Governor Letellier has not yet been decided upon by the Government, and it is not known what action they will take. Messrs. Chapleau and Curran, who came to the capital to argue the case of the Lieut. Governor's dismissal on behalf of the Liberal-Conservatives, have returned to Montreal.

MONTREAL, Dec. 17. The rumor of another bank failure in Glasgow caused a decline in Montreal bank stocks to-day. The report from Glasgow is not confirmed.

The pooling arrangement between the Montreal and Dominion Telegraph Companies, has been broken off by the former, a difficulty occurring in arranging the details.

John Sumner, travelling Emigration Agent of the Dominion Government, will take charge of the weekly emigration train from Halifax to River du Loup.

Two respectable dressed men were arrested this afternoon for attempting the robbery of a thousand dollars from a gentleman in the Ville Marie Bank.

The Local Government are about to purchase land in the east end of the city, on which to erect the workshops of the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, and Occidental Railway.

Uneasiness regarding financial affairs and general clearing out and preparation for annual inspection of accounts, are causing depression in all speculative home securities, railways, telegraphs, &c. Foreign securities are supported by continental houses. Money brought into the market by the closing out of speculative stocks is being put into consols and other unimpeachable securities. "Guardian" says large sales of cotton at Liverpool are stated to be due to operations for Russia, made with a view of forestalling the new import duty and to the rise reported in New York.

The status of the strikes in the cotton mills is as follows: The card room hands of one mill at Oldham resumed at 5 per cent. reduction on Saturday, but in the spinning department the hands could not be got. On Monday five more limited company mills resumed, ostensibly at a reduction of 5 per cent., but with an arrangement that the 5 per cent. taken off should be invested in the hands of the trustees, and paid to the employees if they carry their point with other mill owners. Meetings of operatives are to be held to-day, to vote whether the members of the Operative Association may resume work at all the mills offering the foregoing promises. If the vote be favorable, doubtless a large number of joint stock mills will resume.

LONDON, Dec. 17. An editorial in the "Times" says the announcement of the Chancellor of the Exchequer that he would not proceed with the motion for a grant in aid of the sufferers of the Rhodope district, is an Opposition triumph over a sudden change of front; yet the motion became very simple when the reasons were stated. It was thought by the Ministers that the distress revealed by the report of the Rhodope commission was a fitting object for Parliamentary aid, but it would be indecorate to make an act of charity the occasion of heated debate; and the purpose of the Government was no sooner known than it was clear that it would be resisted on both sides of the House. The Chancellor thought it better to refrain from making the motion, even at the cost of the sarcasms with which he was rewarded last night. Many Conservatives were opposed to the grant of the public money at a time of such severe distress at home, and a large part of the Opposition would have seen in the act a political purpose.

LONDON, Dec. 17. Lord Beaconsfield will receive on Thursday the deputation sent to present him with an address and casket, from the English residents of the Pacific Coast.

DUBLIN, Dec. 17. Lieutenant Colonel Chas. J. Tottenham, Conservative, has been elected to Parliament, from New Ross, Ireland, by five majority, defeating Mr. Delaney, Home Ruler. After the declaration of the poll, the Home Rule mob paraded the town, throwing stones and otherwise disturbing the peace. The police are now patrolling the place.

Married. At the residence of the bride's father, on the 18th inst., by the Rev. K. MacLennan, Mr. William Worth, of the firm of Coombs & Worth, Printers, to Mary Jane, daughter of Mr. Adam Murray.

HOTEL ARRIVALS. RANKIN HOUSE. Dec. 19.—Wm. Alelyne, Hillsborough Head; Geo. H. Williams, Quebec. REVERE HOUSE. Dec. 19.—James Manuel, Halifax; George Morrison, Toronto; William Patrick, Maclean, N. B.

THE Christmas Examination Of the City Schools

WILL be held on FRIDAY, the 20th inst., at 10 o'clock, a. m. The usual routine work of the schools will be carried on by the Teachers in their several Departments. The parents of the pupils and the citizens generally are respectfully invited to attend.

By order. ISAAC OXENHAM, Sec'y of City School Board. Office of City School Board, Charlottetown, Dec. 16th, 1878. } 3i

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A LARGE NUMBER OF FANCY & USEFUL ARTICLES will be offered for sale at reasonable prices. The Refreshment Table will be abundantly supplied with all seasonable delicacies. Special attention is invited to the CHRISTMAS TREE of the young ladies.

Tea will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock, after which there will be a Musical Entertainment. Admission, 15 cents; children, 10 cents; Tea, 25 cents. Ch'town, Dec. 12, 1878.

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AUCTION SALES.

Baldwin Apples, Furniture, &c. I WILL sell at Auction, at my Sale Room, Queen Square, to-morrow (FRIDAY) 20th inst.; at 2 o'clock:—

25 BBLs. NO. 1 AMERICAN BALDWIN APPLES, 1 Mahog. Dining Table (ext.) 1 Mahog. Centre Table, 1 H. C. Sofa, 1 Sewing Machine, 1 Wardrobe, 1 Cupboard, Stoves, &c., &c. WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer. December 19, 1878.

CHRISTMAS TRADE SALE

To Close Consignments, we will Offer at Auction, ON MONDAY NEXT, 23RD DECEMBER, AT 11 O'CLOCK,

B BLS. FLOUR, Bbls. K. D. CORNMEAL, Bbls. ONIONS, Bbls. No. 1 Labrador HERRING, Casks KEROSENE, Cases " " Casks VINEGAR, Half-Chests TEA, Boxes SOAP, Boxes T. D. PIPES, Boxes CRACKERS, Boxes Val. RAISINS (Fresh Fruit), Boxes PEPPER, Boxes Baking POWDER, Boxes CLOTHESPINS, Dozs. BROOMS, Nests TUBS, Boxes PEARL BLUE, Boxes BLACKING, Pans. MOLASSES, Pails, Washboards, Wrapping Paper, Candles, Nails, Stove Brushes, Coffee, Washing Soda, Starch, &c. Terms at Sale.

HASZARD BROS. Dec. 19th, 1878—pat t sale

CHRISTMAS SALE! APPLES, &c.

BY AUCTION, next MONDAY, Dec. 23, at 2 o'clock, at Auction Room, 100 Barrels very Choice APPLES, suitable for Christmas. Also—Oranges, Lemons, Cider, Coffee, Pepper, Mustard, Mixed Spices, &c. And—Expected in time for sale, 20 Barrels ONIONS. All of which must be sold to close Consignments. Remember the hour—2 p. m. A. MACNEILL, AUCTIONEER. Dec. 19—3i pat sat

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