

Local and Other Items.

The City Council will meet on Tuesday evening.

LAMB and Cavanagh who are charged with breaking into Weeks & Co's store were, today, further remanded to jail on the same charge.

The lottery in aid of the Fort Augustus Church will come off on the 12th of January. We learn that it has been a most successful affair. Persons holding books are requested to return them immediately.

The Northern Light was obliged to return to Georgetown yesterday morning on account of the storm. She sailed at ten o'clock in the forenoon and remained in Pictou last night. She will return on arrival of the mail train today with a double mail.

The Rev. Mr. McLeod may be expected to officiate in the Methodist Church, Prince Street, to-morrow evening. The service in the morning, being the first public service of the New Year, will be conducted by the pastor of the Church, Rev. J. Lathern.

In the Second Methodist Church, Upper Prince Street, the Rev. Mr. Pascoe, of the Bible Christian Church, may be expected to preach at 10.30 a. m., and Rev. G. Steele in the evening.

The editor of our Saturday morning contemporary should acquaint himself with the facts regarding the dismissal of the "rioters at Kusies" before he sits up that pseudo-religious howl of his in the interests of what he calls "justice and fairplay." The "rioters" were dismissed at the instance of the Church Warden, who acted as prosecutors in the case. They requested the Magistrate to allow them withdraw the case and have it settled by an apology, on the part of the offenders.

A YOUNG man named Joseph Murphy started from Queen's Wharf to cross the ice to Southport, this afternoon. When a short distance from the wharf the ice broke and he sank to the shoulders. He made several unsuccessful attempts to recover himself, but was compelled to call for help. A large crowd gathered, and with much difficulty released him from his perilous position, after being about ten minutes in the water.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. S. A. Muncey has been appointed ticket agent and telegraph operator at the railway office in Summerside. The appointment is a very judicious one. Mr. Muncey has been in the employ of the Anglo-American Company for upwards of twenty years; and we learn that he will still continue to do the Company's business at Summerside—the telegraph office there being removed to the Railway office. We congratulate Mr. Muncey upon his appointment. Mr. Clarke, who formerly held the office of ticket agent, etc., has been appointed station agent at Kensington.

A SAILOR giving his name as Brennan, and hailing from the West of England, was today discovered in Mr. John LePage's stable, in most destitute circumstances. While in the country a fortnight ago, looking for employment, he had both his feet frozen. He was taken to the city by a farmer a short time afterwards, and has since been wandering about by day and sleeping wherever he could get shelter by night. His feet have mortified greatly, and it is thought parts of them will have to be amputated. From his appearance the police officers think he is a deserter from some man-of-war. He declines to give any information of his occupation.

THOMAS BREEN, who resides on Upper Queen Street, was summoned before the Stipendiary Magistrate this forenoon, at the instance of Alex. Stanton, and fined \$32 and costs, for selling liquor without license. Stanton, we understand, heard that a man named Griffin got liquor at Breen's on Sunday last; and, having in view the prosecutor's half of the fine, not the promotion of temperance, he complained of the occurrence at the Court. Griffin was duly summoned. He testified getting the liquor, and Mr. Breen was fined the amount above stated. Mr. Stanton, after the Court was dismissed, appeared to receive the "prosecutor's half"; but judge the look of disappointment which invaded his bright countenance when the clerk informed him that that provision in the License Act was done away.

LAST evening, after the installation of the officers elect of Wilder Lodge was completed, the newly installed Noble Grand, Mr. W. F. Carter, gave a general invitation to the Grand Officers and Brothers present to accompany him to his dwelling, where a splendid supper awaited them. The invitation was cheerfully accepted, and the brethren sat down to the feast of good things. The spread was excellent, and the attention paid as to its disposal commendable. The usual toasts were proposed, and elicited brief speeches from Past Grand, Benj. Bremner, W. D. G. M.; J. P. Irving, Theo. L. Chappelle, A. D. White and G. A. Sharp; also Bros. R. T. Weeks, J. A. Moore, E. W. Dawson, E. O. Faulkner, J. F. Henderson, C. F. Yates, Wm. Worth and W. F. Carter. After spending a most fraternal and enjoyable time the toast, "Our next merry meeting," was proposed and the brethren departed in peace and harmony. Below we give the names of elective officers installed: W. F. Carter, N. G.; Wm. Worth, V. G.; Chas. F. Yates, R. S.; J. A. Moore, P. S.; E. W. Dawson, Treasurer.

The people who had the pleasure of being in St. Paul's Schoolroom on Thursday last must have passed a very enjoyable evening. The comic readings were well chosen and afforded considerable amusement to the audience. The music was very well rendered, and suitably adapted to the occasion. We might specially mention a piano solo by a young lady, whose name we did not catch. It is seldom a Charlottetown audience has enjoyed a greater treat or heard music rendered with such exquisite taste and brilliancy of touch. This young lady shows remarkable talent and bids fair to be a distinguished pianist. We would also mention a reading, entitled "Advertising for a Schoolmaster in Ireland." The keen sense of the ridiculous, and the mastery of the Irish tongue which the reader possesses, makes him a general favorite with the audience. We were highly gratified to find such an improvement in the way of noise at the lower end of the room; and it has seldom before been our experience to listen to music which has not been fairly drowned amid a buzz of talking and laughing among those who neither care or know what good music is. Nothing of this sort, however, marred the proceedings, and we sincerely hope for a continuance of those pleasant entertainments throughout the winter.—COM.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the statements or opinions of our correspondents

A New Invention.

To the Editor of the Examiner:

SIR,—New Years Day was, in many respects, a gala day at Brackley Point. At one of the comfortable h-mesteads in that classic locality, a shooting match was held on the 1st day of January, 1879. It is said that a genuine Brackley Pointer always aims to kill two birds with one shot. The farmer on whose grounds the gay tournament was held, did not deviate from the time-honored rule. He had the double object in view, of entertaining his friends and selling his geese at a high price; and his aims in both directions were a decided success. Early in the day, the stalwart yeomen of the vicinity could be seen approaching head-quarters armed with artillery of different calibre. Many were armed with that good old firearm known as the Queen Bess musket. Others laboured under the weight of a Spanish musket that had, probably, seen service 200 years ago. A few carried the lighter and more affeminate looking weapons of modern days. But the latter and there playthings were looked upon with contempt by those who carried the trusty old muskets their fathers carried before them.

An animated discussion, on the merits of the different kinds of firearms, took place with a regularly appointed chairman. But it was soon brought to a close when the champions of the old guns, with flint locks, exhibited them to the chairman for inspection. The stocks of some of them were scratched and clawed, and chawed almost to pieces by being used in mortal strife with seacons and wildcats in olden time. One individual brought forward, with pride, an old musket whose stock was so literally chawed and scratched that it had to be bound together with brass and iron bands. He related how one of his fore-father's had to face three bears and a wildcat in the midst of the forest with only one charge of powder, and eventually came off victorious. He then triumphantly asked the defenders of the new guns how they would like to go into such a *melee* as that with their new-fangled breach-loading pop guns. No answer came. At this stage the host announced that the targets were set up and that the geese were waiting to be delivered to the best marksman, no matter what style of firearms he used. At it they went; and it is needless to say that they did not all come off victorious. The shooting being over, many prepared to leave, when one of the leading Brackley Point farmers addressed the assemblage to the following effect: "Compatriots and fellow countrymen, do not depart yet a while. I have that to show you this auspicious New Year's Day that will be the wonder of the ages as time rolls by. Your minds to-day have been largely employed in thinking of the different kinds of firearms in use. Mine, from early youth, has been occupied with a scheme for perfecting heavy ordnance. I have lain in bed for hours and asked myself the question, why tons and tons of dead inert steel and iron should be used in making a cannon, when our commonest wood strapped with iron would answer all the purposes. At length, after three years of hard labor with brain and hand, my invention is complete. Until to-day it was my intention to send it as a mark of respect to our mutual friend and fellow-countryman, the Governor of the Great Northwest. The thought that the first shot fired out of it should be aimed by our esteemed friend at that huge humbug Sitting Bull was a stimulus to my weary brain and hands. But, friends, what is, I hope, a laudable pride in my invention has induced me to fire a trial shot in your presence." The inventor then left, and soon returned with a team laden with the great gun. To a common observer it looked like one of the old-fashioned pumps—about 15 feet long, strapped all round with iron and plugged up in the big end. After some comment and considerable labor it was placed in position under the direction of the inventor. It was pointed towards the bay and aimed at some dark object on the ice about two miles distant. It was charged with two and a half lbs. of powder, an old cannon ball and some grape shot. Just as the inventor was giving the order to fire, some one sung out that the dark object on the ice at which the formidable weapon was aimed, was a Frenchman fishing smelts. This caused considerable delay and some discussion. At length it was decided to "let her rip;" and, if the Frenchman was killed, it would be some consolation to him and his family to know that he died in the interests of science. After that little matter was settled a new difficulty arose. The impression seemed to gain ground among the spectators that the gun was likely to prove as effective from the breech as the muzzle. Even the inventor removed behind an old hedge some 50 yards distant to give orders. From his sheltered position he shouted the word fire several times and immediately lay down flat. At length a dare-devil from Nova Scotia, after being provided with about fifty feet of fuse and a written agreement that his wife would be provided for in case of accident agreed to light the fuse. Every Brackley Pointer, your reporter among the number, retreated behind some barricade. What followed will be commended in another letter.

Jan. 2, 1879.

RAMBLER.

Cruel Treatment.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

SIR,—It seems that a few weeks since a Railroad official at Charlottetown notified his superior officer (Mr. McKechnie, Supt.) that four men working under this *pet Gré* official could be dispensed with for this winter. Consequently, they were discharged. Immediately afterwards, the place of one of those young men was filled in the person of a brother-in-law of the said *pet Gré* official, at good wages. This *Pooling* system, we trust, will soon end. The young lad whose place is thus taken from him is an orphan; and has a little sister depending on him for her support. Fortunately for them, they have a few friends, and these few are not Critics. Yours, &c., ANTI-CRIT.

Married.

At Montreal, P. Q., on Wednesday, 25th Dec., by the Rev. J. B. Green, Geo. F. Owen, Esq., of Oreillon Cottage, Cardigan, P. E. I., to Isabella Murray, eldest daughter of the late Geo. Hunter, Esq., of Montreal.

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NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

Gold--Princess Louise Pleased.

General Grant at Dublin.

OTTAWA, Jan. 3.

It was 4 below zero all day, with heavy winds. The mails are all delayed. The Inspector of Weights and Measures at Hull has been dismissed, and a Conservative put in his place. Her Royal Highness, though feeling keenly her recent bereavement, is in the best of health and spirits. She does not keep within doors, but takes daily exercise on foot. She is reported to be entirely satisfied with her surroundings, and has, it is said, communicated her satisfaction to the Queen in enthusiastic terms.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

General Grant has been presented with the freedom of the City of Dublin. He has visited the public institutions and other places of interest.

The cotton masters are considering the advisability of reducing wages in the same proportion as has been adopted at Oldham.

A common understanding was reached yesterday by all societies connected with the engineering trade to resist to the utmost any prolongation of the hours of labor.

OTTAWA, Jan. 2.

It is rumored that the Letellier business is settled, and that the Governor General refused to interfere.

The next session of the Supreme Court has been called for the 20th of January.

No intelligence has as yet been received regarding the movements of the Chief Justice.

It is stated that Lieutenant Governor Letellier has been given to understand that he will not be disturbed in his present position. It is, on the other hand, also stated that he is merely to remain until the question has been settled by the Colonial Secretary.

LONDON, Jan. 2.

A correspondent at Berlin says that a majority of the Federal Council are friendly to Bismarck's financial scheme. It is thought he will secure the support of the rural members of the Reichstag, by protecting native corn and cattle. Although the Liberals will determinedly oppose the measure, they are probably aware that their protest will be little more than formal.

The Post's Berlin despatch says that the Government has to give notice of the termination of all treaties of commerce by the end of the present year.

New Publications.

Rose Belford's Canadian Monthly and National Review continues to improve. The number for January is exceedingly interesting. Christmas literature of a high order occupies a large portion of its space. "Something about Peru"—an illustrated sketch—is instructive and somewhat fanciful. "Papers by a Bystander," comprise a powerfully written comments upon current events.

VICK'S FLORAL GUIDE.—This work is before us, and those who send five cents to James Vick, Rochester, N. Y., for it will be disappointed. Instead of getting a cheap thing, as the price would seem to indicate, they will receive a very handsome work of 100 pages, and, perhaps, 500 illustrations—not cheap, but elegant illustrations, on the very best of calendared paper, and as a set-off to the whole, an elegant Colored Plate, that we would judge cost twice the price of the book.

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THE CITY SCHOOLS will be re-opened, after the Christmas Holidays, on Monday, January 6th inst.,

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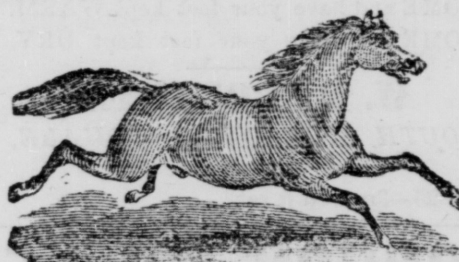
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