

Local and Other Items.

The Island steamers went on their regular trips at the usual hour this morning.

WILY GEESE.—A large flock was yesterday seen flying in a northerly direction.

TOYS in great variety and at all prices, a HERRARD'S Bookstore, West Side Queen Square.—11

The regular quarterly meeting of the Benevolent Irish Society will take place at St. Dunstan's Reading Room this evening.

A GREAT BANKRUPT SALE AT ORR & CO'S.—Now is the time, and Orr's the place, to get bargains.—101

RAISINS 12cts. per pound, Currants 8cts., Turkish Prunes 12cts., Egyptian Dates 20cts., Cranberries 6cts. a quart—at the Confectionery.—21ns.

MASONIC.—Regular Communication of St. John's Lodge of A. F. and A. M., will be held at their Lodge Room to-morrow evening, the 11th inst., at 8 o'clock, p. m., for election of officers.

PORTLAND ROBBERY.—John Buchanan, of Portland, N. B., broke into his brother's trunk on Friday last and filched \$400 therefrom. He was caught shortly afterwards with \$97 in his pocket.

P. E. I. PRODUCE.—On Friday last a cargo of Island produce was sold by auction in Halifax at the following prices: calico and early rose potatoes at 24 and 25 cents per bushel; oats at 43 cents per bushel; and butter at 17½ cents per lb., and turnips at 25 cents per bushel.

A DREADFUL OCEAN CATASTROPHE.—A London despatch of the 7th says the steamer *Micpah*, from Seville for Leith, collided yesterday with an unknown vessel off Beachy Head. Both vessels sunk. So far only one man is known to have been saved.

MR. CHARLES WINKLER, of the Union House, is sending to the Paris Exposition some of the largest oysters ever brought to this city. The number which he is sending varies from 21 to 12 inches in length. They were taken at Cascumpec, and, we dare say, cannot be equalled as regards soundness and size.

ADMIRAL SIR ADOLPHUS SLADE, K. C. B.—The latest mail advices from London announce the death, at the age of seventy-four, of Admiral Sir Adolphus Slade, K. C. B., fifth son of the late General Sir John Slade, Bart, G. C. E., colonel of the Fifth Dragoons Guards, and quarry to the late King of Hanover, by his first wife.

AQUATIC.—The *Sporting Times* says a Toronto gentleman offers to match Courtney of Union Springs to row two races, one of three miles and one of five miles, with Hanlon, the Canadian champion, for two thousand five hundred dollars each match, races to come off early in the spring.

QUICK WORK.—The ship *James Duncan* arrived at Queenstown yesterday, in 16 days from this port. She arrived here at 10 p. m., on the 9th ult. Since then she discharged 640 tons cargo, and loaded 57,840 bushels oats and 500 pieces deal, and made the passage to Queenstown—all in the short space of 29 days. We are glad to see that Captain Kichham has added another to his many rapid passages in this fine ship.—*Pat.*

LARCENY.—On Friday evening last, the store of Mr. William Crabbe, on Prince Street, was entered, and the contents of the till taken therefrom. About the same time, the store of Mrs. McLeod, on Grafton Street was entered, and a lot of small wares taken. Two boys, named Robt. Miller and Peter McMahon, were arrested for the first. After the examination of the latter and another witness, the former was sent for trial to the Supreme Court.

ACADIA COLLEGE.—At the Governor's meeting, held on Thursday last, in Wolfville, it was decided to erect three new buildings for the students of the three institutions in Horton. A public meeting was held in the Baptist Church the same day, and \$9,000, was subscribed. Meetings will be held throughout Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and P. E. Island for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions. \$10,000 will serve for the present.

A MISSING STEAMER.—There is a vague suspicion that the steamship wrecked off Ushant is the "City of Berlin," and the fact that packages have been found, addressed to the British Colonial department, add to the belief, as Assistant Secretary Plunkett, of the British Legation at Washington, was a passenger. The steamer had 52 cabin and 120 storage passengers, and a crew of 150. Among the passengers were Rigby and Greenhill, of the British rifle team. The steamer was probably one of the best appointed on the ocean. She was ship-rigged and could make good speed under sail alone. She had eight life-boats, numerous life-buoys, and was commanded by the veteran Captain Kennedy, who has made over 500 voyages across the Atlantic. The cargo was valued at \$350,000.

FIRE IN AMHERST, N. S.—A fire was discovered in Mason Hall, Amherst, on Thursday night, by which it was soon destroyed. It then spread to the dwelling house of D. R. McElmon, where it was checked with difficulty. A high wind was blowing all night. The loss will be about \$10,000. There was \$3000 insurance on Mason Hall in the Halifax Insurance Co.; nothing on McElmon's house. It was thought at one time that all the business part of the town would be burned and a great amount of goods were removed from the stores. Three men were badly but not dangerously burned. The large room in the Mason Hall was used by the Presbyterians for church purposes, and the Templars used the small one. The origin of the fire is at present unknown.—Another fire in Stayer, Ont., on Friday night, destroyed \$15,000 worth of property in the centre of the village. J. Parkinson and T. H. George are the principal sufferers.

OUR CHURCHES.

Services and Sermons on Sunday

ST. PAUL'S.
In the morning, Rev. David FitzGerald preached on the "Holy Scriptures." Rev. J. Osborne, in the course of the evening sermon, expressed a desire to have the sermon printed for circulation throughout the Province. Mr. Osborne preached on the "Second Advent." He selected his text from the Gospel for the day—
"And lift up your heads for your redemption draweth nigh."

There is, he said, much in the Holy Scriptures which is terrible; and nothing is painted in stronger colors than the prophetic descriptions of the Second Coming of our Lord. A sure test of practical holiness is the feeling with which a person anticipates the approach of the Judge of all the earth. If it is anticipated with trembling, all is not right. If with holy fear and joyful expectation, the Christian may be sure that his name is written among those of the redeemed. The Old Testament abounds with prophecies of a "Coming" of the Messiah altogether different from the humility in which He came as the Babe of Bethlehem. By that coming we were redeemed a price. But the Second Coming will be when Christ comes to take His redeemed people Home. This is not a matter upon which Christians differ in opinion—it is a part of the faith of the Catholic Church. We all believe that then we shall be free from pain and death. We all believe that then our redemption will be complete and perfect—if "we are found in him." "We must be found in him," and in order to be found in them, we must grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. This Advent season is the time to think of these things and to resolve afresh to be ready, when the time comes, to sing the Song—the Eternal Song—of the redeemed.

ST. PETER'S.
"The Use of Holy Scriptures" was the subject of Rev. George W. Hodgson's discourse at morning service. In the evening Er. Hodgson spoke of the Second Coming of Our Lord.

PRINCE-STREET METHODIST BRICK CHURCH.
In the morning Rev. Mr. Bernie conducted the service and preached a very practical sermon from the 16th Psalm. In the evening Rev. John Lathern preached from Matt. VI:13: "Deliver us from evil."

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.
The discourse in the morning, delivered before a full congregation, was based upon the words in Jno. XXI. chap. 7th verse: "It is the Lord."

The preacher called attention to the circumstances in which the Disciples were placed—their return to their ordinary occupation—the discouraging results of their toil—their slowness to recognize in the person of the seeming stranger the friend whom they had loved, and for a brief season had lost. He then noticed the new aspect in which matters were when John made the discovery. "It is the Lord," as perplexity gives way to sure guidance—distress to comfort—failure to success.

The principal lessons drawn from the passage were: 1st, That we see things aright only when we find Christ in them. 2nd, That love quickens the perceptive faculty. 3rd, That they who are enabled by love to see him, know that He loves them. (a.) In unfolding these positions it was intimated that the Scriptures assign to Christ the place of Creator, Preserver, and Ruler; and therefore we understand the world around us, the circumstances of our personal life, and the history of the Church and of nations, only in so far as we see the hand of a loving friend and Saviour controlling all things. This thought disposes us to submission under trial, animates us to compliance with Divine direction, and delivers us from distressing care. (b.) The intuitions of love were then dwelt upon, an ability to understand and sympathize with men rather through a kindred spirit than through mere force of intellect—as friend recognizes friend by look and tone of voice and mien, which escape the notice of others, so the heart of a loving disciple is the readiest to pierce the guise of a seeming stranger, and find in him a loved and loving friend. Hence religion addresses itself to the common heart of man—to his spiritual sympathies, to his felt wants, and to his sense of the Divine benignity. The Gospel, the Saviour, life and joy, may be laid hold of by qualities and conditions which belong to the many. They are not offered only to the faculties which distinguish the few.

As love begets love, the fact of our loving Christ, and in love recognizing and owning Him, implies the earlier fact that He loved, and still loves us. John, the loving disciple, was also the "disciple whom Jesus loved." The warm, generous love of the disciple had been kindled into warmth and vigor under the full beams of Christ's love streaming down upon him. The evidence that demonstrates our possession of love to the Saviour is also evidence of His earlier love to us. His the cause, ours the effect. His the fountain, ours the stream.

And then the attribute of the Lord standing on the shore, with provision made for commission, and refreshing for his people, does it not symbolize His waiting to receive His people into the joys of Heaven. He has gone before; they follow Him, and find a cordial welcome.

The discourse of the Rev. Mr. McLennan was listened to with close attention throughout.

PINTROWSKY is about to begin frescoing the Custom House. This looks as if we would soon get back again the two gas lamps which used to be lighted in front of the building.

HENKE'S GIN.—On Consignment 30 Casks, 30 Qtrs and 100 Cases. CARVELL BROS. Dec. 5—pat 3i

Latest by Telegraph.

WAR NEWS.

RUSSIAN REVERSES!

Osman Pasha's Position.

[By Telegraph to Reading-Room and Daily Examiner.]

LONDON, Dec. 10.
Six positions of the Nicopolis bridge sunk on the 6th, and many more are expected to sink on account of the heavy storm having damaged them.

A Russian official despatch says that the battle of Marian and Elina, on the 4th, were much more unfortunate than at first reported, 30 officers and 1800 men being killed or fatally wounded, and eleven heavy guns captured by the Turks.

Osman Pasha claims to have made nine successful sorties in November. He says he has an abundance of provisions and ammunition.

The Russian position at Erzeroum is very critical, as the Kurds threaten to cut off their communications.

Mehemet Pasha has confided an important command of a division to Baker Pasha. The Porte has not received an ultimatum from Serbia as yet.

Operations between Elma and Timova are suspended for the present on account of the bad weather.

The Turks are making great preparations to defend Elma, in case that the Russians make an attempt to recapture it.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.
Gold and exchange unchanged.

Merchants' Bank of P.E. Island

A DIVIDEND at the rate of TEN PER CENT PER ANNUM has this day been declared on the Capital Stock of this Bank for the past half year, payable at its office here on demand.

WM. McLEAN, Cashier.
Ch'town, 3d Dec., 1877.—2in oaw w

M. F. ELLIS, FANCY REPOSITORY AND BOOKSTORE.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AND NEW YEARS' GIFTS!

In Great Variety.
North Side Queen's Square Charlottetown.
Dec. 6—eod t 1st jan

A CARD TO THE PUBLIC

WHILE taking this opportunity of thanking our numerous customers for the liberal manner in which they have patronized

OUR NEW STUDIO,

we would inform them that we have now increased facilities for the production of first-class work, and are prepared to make PHOTOGRAPHS of a Style and Quality that has never been before attempted in this City.

We have on exhibition, at our Rooms, a large number of Photographs of every variety, including the

BEAUTIFUL PHOTO-ENAMEL

the most beautiful style of Photograph known, possessing a softness and delicacy of coloring that has never been equaled. This elegant picture has become deservedly popular elsewhere, and cannot fail to become so here.

Though the finish of our Photographs cannot be excelled, we would direct attention to the beautiful

Glace Pictures

which we make. They possess a highly enamelled surface, and are practically indestructible, and will retain their freshness and beauty for any length of time. If they become soiled they can easily be cleaned, as they will not lose any of their beauty by being wet. This valuable quality, combined with their remarkable elegance, make them very suitable for presents; while the difficulty of their production will prevent them ever becoming so common as to lessen their value. Our patrons can have one or all of their Photos finished in this style—an advantage which cannot be obtained elsewhere.

We give special attention to making Groups of Families, Societies, Schools, &c. Our pictures of children are sufficient evidence of our success in this difficult branch of our art.

Our ENLARGEMENTS, finished in India Ink, Pastel, Crayon, Oil and Water Colors, have made a favorable reputation for them selves throughout the Lower Provinces. Parties intending to have Photographs made will find it to their advantage to sit early, as the number of our customers makes some delay in the delivery of the Photos unavoidable. We prefer to have our sitters come by appointment. Photographs can be obtained for less money elsewhere; but in this case we ask that quality be given the preference; assuring the public that they will find our charges very moderate.

ROSS BROS.,
Cor. Queen and Dorchester Streets,
opposite Connolly's Bank.
Sept. 19, 1877—3m eod

F. T. NEWBERRY & CO.

Offer Wholesale, AT LOWEST MARKET PRICES;

1,500 BARRELS CANADA FLOUR.

Patent Process, Superior Extra, Extra, Fancy, Strong Baker's, Spring Extra, Choice Superior.

GRAHAM FLOUR (Barrels and Half-Barrels).

BRAN.

CORNMEAL. Yellow Kiln-Dried, White Kiln-Dried.

CHOICE BARBADOES MOLASSES. Pancheons, Tierces, Barrels.

SUGAR. Dry Crushed, Granulated, Coffee Crushed, Golden Yellow, English Refined, Barbadoes.

AMERICAN KEROSENE, 120° & 160°

CANADIAN KEROSENE, 120° FINEST CONGOU & SOUCHONG TEA. Chests, Half-Chests and Boxes.

RANKINE'S BISCUITS. Abernethy, Butter, Fruit, Graham, Soda, Pilot, Wine, &c.

White Beans, Split Peas, Smoked Herring, Cheese, Canned Vegetables, Baking Soda, Baking Powders, Vinegar.

APPLES. Baldwins, Russets, Greenings.

RAISINS. Layers, Valencias, Loose Muscatel.

Currants, Coffee, Cream Tartar, Chocolate, Cocoa, Cocoa Sticks, Bronza.

Prepared Corn, Pepper, Ginger, Mustard, Spices.

Candles, Laundry Soap, Toilet Soap, Blue and white Starch, Washing Soda, Washing Crystal.

TOBACCO. Boxes Twist, Flat 12's, Caddies Bright Smoking, Caddies Chewing.

SOLE LEATHER. Extra, No. 1 & 2.

CRATES ASSORTED EARTHENWARE.

Brooms, Blacking, Bartlett's Blueing, Pails—Grained, Painted & Varnished, Tube, Washboards.

MATCHES. Cases, Half-Cases and Boxes.

MANILLA ROPE. all Sizes.

T. B. Pipes, Horse Nails, Wrapping Paper, Paper Bags.

LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR CASH

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE!

The Subscribers will offer at AUCTION, on

Wednesday, 12th inst.,

at 11 o'clock, a. m.,

20 CHESTS TEA (choice) 20 Half Chests do., 50 Boxes RAISINS, 50 Boxes SOAP, 10 " " Toilet, 10 " CANDLES, 40 " PEARL BLUE, 20 Cases MATCHES, 10 Nests TUBS, 25 Doz. PAILS, 10 Bbls. LAMP CHIMNIES.

—ALSO— 50 Bbls. Russet and Baldwin APPLES—American. MACKENZIE & STUMBLES. Ch'town, Dec. 10—2i

LAND SALE.

56 ACRES FREEHOLD PROPERTY, LOT 62.

TO be Sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Colonial Building, on FRIDAY, the 21st December, 1877, at 12 o'clock noon, a FARM of (56) fifty-six acres of land, bounded as follows: Commencing on the south side of Gray's Road, at the north-east angle of land sold to Archibald Crawford; thence south forty-eight chains (48) and seventy-five (75) links, or to the rear line of farms fronting on Northumberland Straits; thence east eleven (11) chains and forty-eight (48) links; thence north to the road; thence along the road to the place of commencement, containing an area of fifty-six (56) acres of land, a little more or less. For conditions of Sale, apply to BRECKEN & FITZGERALD, Solicitors for Bank of P. E. Island.

TENDERS.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, 29th Nov., 1877. SEALED TENDERS will be received at this Office until noon of the 30th day of December next, from persons willing to Contract to supply, for one year, the City Stables with Hay, Oats and Potatoes. The Council will not be bound to accept the lowest or any Tender. WM. B. MORRISON, City Clerk. Nov. 30—pat t 20th dec

CALL AND GET

OUR LIST OF THE BEST STOCK OF CHRISTMAS

New Years' Presents, TOYS, GAMES, ETC.

BREMNER BROS. Dec. 5—4i eod

DR. H. A. PARKER, SURGEON DENTIST,

(LATE OF OTTAWA), Office, . . . St. Lawrence Hotel Office Hours: 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. Dec. 3—1w*

CARD.

MRS. PENNEE having decided on passing the winter in Charlottetown, will be happy to give Private Lessons in Music Singing and Languages, to a limited number of pupils. 24 Great George Street, Dec. 3—

Wants, etc., etc.

Advertisements under this heading, in space not exceeding half an inch, will be inserted for TEN CENTS per day.

WANTED.—Customers for New Figs, Turkish Prunes, Egyptian Dates, Florida Oranges, Lemons, Grapes, at The Confectionery. decl10

LOST.—Enormous quantities of Coconut Cakes, Butter Scotch, Chocolate Creams, Almond Candy, &c., have lately disappeared at "THE CONFECTIONERY." Dec. 10, 1877.

WANTED TO RENT.—A DWELLING-HOUSE, containing from eight to ten rooms, in a convenient part of the town. Address X. Y. Z., EXAMINER Office. Dec. 10—1i

LOST.—On Thursday night, between the Market Hall and Queen Square, a small pair of OPERA GLASSES—in a case. The finder will be rewarded on leaving them at the EXAMINER OFFICE. Dec. 7, 1877—1in

WANTED.—By a young lady, a situation in a store, who thoroughly understands millinery, having paid particular attention to it. City preferred, but would accept a situation in the country. Address "A. G.," Charlottetown Post Office. [Nov 27—

FOR SALE.—A few second-hand Kerosene Oil Lamps, cheap, at EXAMINER OFFICE, Nov. 27—

WANTED.—Three or four good Canvasers for the WEEKLY EXAMINER. Applicant must have credentials. Liberal Commission. Nov. 30, 1877.

WANTED TO PURCHASE.—A Good MILCH COW. Apply to Hon. G. W. DEBLOIS, Chairman Commissioners Poor House. Ch'town, Dec. 4—