

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

DECEMBER 20, 1883.

Editorial Notes.

Rat Portage has raised a cry for help. Her people have been "burnt out" and are homeless in this bitter weather.

This is one of the results of the N. P. In the United States House of Representatives a few days ago, a bill was introduced authorizing the President to negotiate for the renewal of the Canadian Reciprocity Treaty.

The Pall Mall Gazette has a satirical parody on Tennyson, ending:

Alfred—Alfred Vere DeVere,
If time be heavy on your hands,
Are there no toilers in our streets,
Nor any poor in all these lands?
Oh! teach the weak to strive and hope,
Or teach the great to help the low;
Pray heaven for a noble heart,
And let the foolish title go.

The grievances of the United States Northwest are, according to the St. Paul Pioneer, worse than those of the Canadian Northwest. The Grand Forks Herald says that "the situation" is serious, and what "between the bogus 'frozen wheat' cry, the 'bearing down of prices and the systematic disregard of the people's interests by the monopolists, there are ominous and sinister rumours of retaliatory warfare which would be greatly to be deplored." Clearly our compatriots in the Northwest have nothing to gain by joining the States.

The Montreal Gazette points out a reassuring fact in the Canadian Bank statement for November. Taking the item of current discounts, and allowing for the omission of the Exchange Bank return, the remarkable and gratifying reduction of nearly \$4,500,000 is shown. That is to say, paper in the banks to the amount of more than three million dollars in excess of the decrease in circulation was retired in November. The significance of this fact is that it reveals an ability on the part of traders, wholesale and retail, to meet their engagements far beyond what some people professed to believe. When credit is contracted in proportion to the reduced volume of trade, all danger of embarrassment to the business of the country is removed, and the November return shows such to be the situation in Canada at this time.

Respecting the advisability of this Province launching out into large expenditures, the Patriot is in perfect accord with the Hon. David Laird and Mr. L. H. Davies, but in complete discord with the sentiments of the rest of the community. "Cut your garment according to your cloth," is a motto drawn from common prudence. We have neither the population nor the wealth of their sections of Canada, and therefore it would be folly for us to attempt an exhibition on the magnificent scale which they adopt. But we can have a good and highly creditable exhibition here, if only the community (apart from Mr. Laird and the Patriot) will do what they can to help it along. From the practical unanimity and enthusiasm evinced at the meeting, we infer that the community, as a whole and individually, will do what they can to make the proposed exhibition "a success."

A letter has been sent by the Earl of Devon to his Irish tenants of an important nature, in which he invites them to offer him a price for the fee simple of their holdings, free of all incumbrance, with a view to a sale. His lordship will accept the three-fourths of the purchase money advanced by the Land Commission in present payment, leaving the remaining one-fourth on mortgage at four per cent, payable in ten years. He further engages to pay all legal expenses except the stamp duty (10s per £100) and the registration fee. The Devon estates in Ireland are situated near Newcastle West, in the County Limerick, and extend over an area of more than thirty thousand acres, with a rental of £32,000 per annum. The name of Devon recalls to mind the report of the famous commission, of which Lord Devon was chairman, which supplied arguments and data for subsequent legislation, and which declared "the Irish peasantry to be the worst housed, worst fed and worst clad people in Europe." Much interest will centre in the action of the tenants with regard to this proposal of purchasing their holdings.

Sudden Death in the Woods.

Mr. Dennis Kilbride, of Lot 11, went into the woods a few days ago to do some chopping. As he did not return at the usual hour, search was instituted and his body was found lifeless at the foot of a tree. The event was a great shock to the community. It is said that Mr. Kilbride was subject to heart disease.

The idea of constructing a canal between the Baltic and the North Sea through Holstein has now assumed definite shape. Prince Bismarck has reconsidered his former objection, and a bill for powers to execute the necessary works will be laid before the Reichstag during the coming session. The cost is estimated at between six and a half and seven and a half millions sterling.

Mr. L. A. Smead, through his attorneys, has instituted actions in the Superior Court for damages for \$100,000 each against the Toronto Mail and J. J. Foote, proprietor of the Quebec Chronicle.

Local and Other Items.

HAND-PAINTED Cigar Cases at the Diamond Bookstore.

GREAT bargains in ladies' Mantles this week at YOUNG'S.

A SPLENDID assortment of crackers at the Fish Market cheap. dec 20 23

THE newest and cheapest Dress Materials are at YOUNG'S.

THE balance of Xmas Cards are selling off less than cost at the Diamond Bookstore.

CHEAP Clouds, Scarfs, and Sacques at YOUNG'S.

REMEMBER the Annual Meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association this evening at 8 o'clock.

THE most attractive and cheapest Christmas Cards are at YOUNG'S.

HAVE you seen those large handsome framed pictures for one dollar and a half at the Diamond Bookstore.

REAL South Sea Seal Muffs and Caps at YOUNG'S.

At Harvie's auction sale this evening, books will be sold that will supply cheap reading for long winter nights.

LADIES Fur-lined Circulars from \$6.75 upwards at YOUNG'S.

THE five, ten, and fifteen cent tables at the Diamond Bookstore are replenished every morning and are continually crowded.

A FINE display of Dolls and other goods suitable for Christmas presents at YOUNG'S.

THE Episcopal congregation at Alberton are to have a grand New Year festival on the evening of January 1st, 1884.

SCROFULA, that most dreaded taint in the human system, finds a perfect cure in Aker's Sarsaparilla. [See] 7, 1w wly.

THE barkentine "Olivette," owned by Hon. W. Richards, and loaded by him with oats at Summerside, has arrived in Swansea.

THE Methodist people of Alberton are to have a public supper on Christmas evening, to be followed by readings, recitations and music.

A FEW of those natural California flower and wreathing, suitable for Xmas decorations, at the Diamond Bookstore. This is the last chance to make a selection.

AN attractive looking gold brick was shown in the Hx Herald office by Mr. McLean, acting superintendent of the Brunswick gold mining company of Tangier. The yellow morsel weighs 143 cr. over eleven pounds, is worth about \$2,600, is the product of the labor of between twenty-five and thirty men for a month.

OUR immense stock of Briar and Meerschmum Pip's marked down 15 per cent. until 2nd January.—FRASER & REDDIN. dec 20

We are pleased to hear from the agent that steamer "M. A. Starr" arrived at Port Hastings this morning at seven o'clock. Captain Ferguson, fearing bad weather, left here last evening at six o'clock in a snow storm, and deserves great credit for the manner in which he has handled his boat through the season, and on this trip in particular. The management of the Fishwick's Steamer Line are certainly deserving of the best thanks of our shippers and others interested, for the manner in which they endeavor to carry out the public service on this route both early and late during the shipping season.

At a meeting on Friday evening last of the Charlottetown Literary and Scientific Society, the following were the officers elected:—

President—Wm. Kennedy, Esq.
1st Vice President—Alex. McKinnon, Esq.,
2nd Vice President—James W. Mullally, Esq., Barrister.
Executive Committee—John Newson, R. Angus, and Donald McKenzie, Esquires.
Secretary—Mr. H. A. McDonald.

On Friday evening next, 21st inst., Wm. Kennedy, Esq. will read a paper before the society. Subject: "Whiskey." From the well-known ability of Mr. Kennedy an interesting paper may be expected.

ONE HUNDRED Cigar Holders in Cases, worth \$1.00, will sell for 25 cents each for one week.—FRASER & REDDIN. dec 20

THE steamer "Northern Light," during the thick weather yesterday (Wednesday) evening, ran ashore on Man-of-War Rock, which is situated at the entrance of Georgetown Harbor, opposite St. Andrew's Point. The tide was low and the steamer was running at a low rate of speed when she struck the shore. As the bottom on which she now rests is smooth and rock, gradually rising towards the shore, her position is a good one, and it is expected she will come off without much difficulty or injury. The "Northern Light" had the mails and five passengers aboard. She had also a small quantity of freight. The mails and passengers were brought to Georgetown in a boat, and arrived in the city at 10.15 last night.

Since writing the above Mr. Ryan, Purser of the steamer, who arrived in the city this morning, received information that the steamer came off without injury at 1.30 this afternoon. She will leave Georgetown for Pictou to-morrow morning at 2 a. m. with English and Colonial mails.

Our Advertisers.

Fraser & Reddin direct attention to their superior stock of smokers' requisites.

W. E. Dawson & Co. are offering great attractions in goods suitable for Christmas and New Year presents.

D. A. Bruce is overstocked with gents' woollen underwear, flannel shirts, fur caps, etc., which he is offering at a discount of twenty per cent.

Dorsey, Goff & Co. invite persons to call at the Charlottetown Boot and Shoe Factory, and see their stock of boots, shoes, and slippers, nice and durable articles for holiday presents.

Jas. Vatcher invites persons wishing to present children with confectionery during the holiday season to call at the Star Confectionery and inspect his stock.

J. H. Myrick informs the public that the stock of groceries offered at the Fish Market is now complete. They solicit inspection of goods and prices.

S. W. Crabbe is offering tea and coffee pots, etc., at right prices during the holiday season.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Custom vs. Law.

SIR,—In your issue of the 15th inst., I notice that a Souris West correspondent wishes to know whether a half a dozen Souris rummellers are going to be allowed to continue to defy law and order. I confess that I am a little surprised that anyone should ask such a question; for has not our venerable Chief Justice decided in the Mutart-McIntyre case that custom is stronger than law, or in other words, where treating is the custom of the country, treating is not contrary to Statute? It follows, therefore, that where rummelling is the custom of the country, rummelling is not contrary to law. This, perhaps, is good law. If so, it is easy to legalize any conduct that happens to be of such frequent occurrence as to become a custom.

There are judges who widely differ from this ruling; for instance Chief Justice Sprague in the West Simco case recently tried in the Ontario Courts.

It would appear, however, that the public mind—apart altogether from the conflicting ruling of Judges—is somewhat mixed on this subject of law and custom. Perhaps some one well up on the subject, will rise and explain for the benefit of all concerned.

Yours, etc., OBSERVER.

Cardigan, Dec. 18, 1883.

MARRIED.

At O'Leary station, on the 12th inst., by Rev. E. N. Archibald, Robert Brooks, Esq., to Miss Jennima, daughter of Wm. Harris, Esq., of Knutsford.

At Elmsdale, on the 12th inst., by Rev. A. F. Carr, A. M., Mr. James Horn, to Rachel, daughter of Mr. Donald McLean, Tyne Valley.

DIED.

At Vernon River Bridge, on the 2nd inst., after a lingering illness, Elizabeth Ross, in the 43rd year of her age.

At Kildare Cape, on the 16th inst., Mr. John Oliver. Mr. Oliver was 76 years old and highly esteemed.

On December 17th, at Lot 21, Mr. Robert Goss, at the advanced age of 94. Mr. Goss was a native of England, and was well known and universally esteemed in the surrounding districts.

At Wilmot Valley, Nov. 14th, after two days' illness, Sarah Barwise, in the 53th year of her age, widow of the late Joseph Barwise.

SHIP NEWS.

St. Peter's, C.B. Dec 14—Passed through canal, with Comet, Lavach, for P. E. I. Barbadoes—In port Nov. 28, with Edith, Woods, from and for P. E. I.

Halifax, 17—ar L. & S. Brundage, Charlottetown.
Ar at St John's, Nfld, Dec 14—sch Laura F. Matthews, Charlottetown; 16—King Bird, do.

Demarara, Nov 19—sch Lillian B. Wallis, from Summerside.
Passed Deal, Nov 30—Electrolyte brig of Prince Edward Island from West for North (and anchored).

Havana, Dec 11—sch Sarah Carlin, Carlin, from Summerside, has arrived here damaged and needs repair.

Passed Roche's Point, Nov 30—brkt Roland, Byrne, Summerside, via Queenstown, for Bordeaux.

Ar at Yarmouth, N.S. Dec 12 Pembina, Hiltz, from P. E. I.

Ar at Bristol, Dec 3, barque Katie Stuart, Finlayson, Stralsund.

The schooner Bismarck, Maskell, master, from Montague, P. E. I., via Jeddore, reports that on Thursday, Dec. 6th, about 4 p. m., when near the Western Shag ledge, off Sheet Harbor, she noticed four men on another ledge, about a quarter of a mile nearer shore, whom they rescued and brought to port.

They proved to be Captain Martin and the crew of the schooner Lady Sarah, of and from Port Medway for Arichat with a load of lumber. The Lady Sarah had been into Jeddore and was proceeding that morning, when a gale struck and capsized her. All hands got into the boat, but she was partly smashed on the deck when launching, and they barely managed to reach the edge they were found on. The boat went adrift and broke up, and the vessel was last seen bottom up, grinding against another ledge. One trunk was all that was saved. It was very fortunate that the Bismarck happened along before dusk and saved the party of the good Samaritan, as, although the ledge afforded room enough for accommodation on a fine day in fair weather, a heavy sea would wash over it, and the ensuing night to that of the rescue was so cold that the men there would probably have perished. They were only on the ledge, however, some three hours. The Lady Sarah was 22 tons register, built at New Dublin in 1848, hailed from Liverpool and owned in Port Medway by her captain. There was no insurance on her.—St. John Telegraph.

SMOKERS, BEHOLD!

WE OFFER one hundred Cigar Holders, worth \$1.00, marked a dollar, for 25 cents each.

From now until 2nd January we have marked our immense stock of BRIAR PIPES at 15 per cent. discount.

A few A1 MEESCHAUM PIPES for Xmas Gifts. Every one warranted.

A fine assortment of WALKING STICKS.

FRASER & REDDIN.

Opposite Post Office. Ch'town, Dec. 20, 1883.—10i

HURRAH! FOR THE DOMINION EXHIBITION

Encourage Home Manufacture.

EVERYONE wishing to give their children presents

Confectionery for Xmas and New Year's Holidays,

should call at the "Star Confectionery." Not one pound of imported trash. No poisonous colors in the shop. A good assortment of Cakes, Wafers, Biscuits, Sweets, and a lot of other things too numerous to mention. Call and see before purchasing elsewhere.

JAMES VATCHER,

Corner Great George and Fitzroy Sts. Ch'town, Dec. 20, 1883.—6i 25 mo

D. A. BRUCE, MERCHANT TAILOR,

IS OVER-STOCKED with the following GOODS, and offers them at a

REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT.

Gents' Woollen Underwear, Flannel Shirts, Fur Caps, Kid Mitts, Sleigh Robes.

OVERCOATINGS,

WHICH YOU CAN HAVE

MADE TO YOUR MEASURE

Cheaper Than Imported Ready Made.

D. A. BRUCE,

72 Queen Street, Charlottetown. Dec. 20, 1883.—4od wly

Christmas.



PERFECTION Granite Iron Ware Tea and Coffee Pots.

PERFECTION Pearl Agate Ware Tea and Coffee Pots, in different makes and finish

AT RIGHT PRICES.

SIMON W. CRABBE,

Sign of the stove, Walker's Corner.

Ch'town, Dec. 20, 1883.—4i

XMAS & NEW YEAR'S GOODS.

We are showing a most extensive Stock of

ELECTRO-PLATED GOODS,

suitable to the season, which, for price and design, are

UNEQUALLED IN THE CITY,

—COMPRISING—

Tea Sets, Waiters, Epergnes, Ice Pitchers, Cake Baskets, Butter Coolers, Castors, Mugs, Napkin Rings, Fruit Knives, Nut Crackers, Jewel Cases, Toilet Vases, Dressing Cases, Knives, Forks, Spoons, etc.

Brick Store, Corner Kent and Great George Streets,

W. E. DAWSON & CO.

Ch'town, Dec. 20.—4i

CHARLOTTETOWN BOOT AND SHOE FACTORY.

COME! COME! COME!

—AND GET YOUR—

XMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS

AT LOWEST PRICES.

VELVET, Carpet and Kid Slippers, French Kid and Oil Goat Button Boots, Grain Calf Skating Boots, Overshoes and Rubbers, and a large assortment of all kinds of Boots and Shoes, from 50 cents upwards. Warranted to fit and best qualities.

DORSEY, GOFF & CO.,

Ch'town, Dec. 20, 1883.

Queen Street.

XMAS & NEW YEAR

OUR STOCK OF GROCERIES, at the Fish Market, is now complete, and we will sell, during the Holidays, very low. An inspection is solicited. Quality and price is sure to satisfy.

J. H. MYRICK.

Ch'town, Dec. 20, 1883.—6i wly 2i

SOLE LEATHER.

375 Sides Logan's No. 1 and No. 2, AT BOTTOM PRICES.

FENTON T. NEWBERY.

Dec. 19, 1883.—pat 5i. wly pat her 5i

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, a Special Passenger Train will leave Charlottetown daily (Sundays excepted), for Georgetown, at 4.15 p. m.; and will leave to return on arrival of "Northern Light" from Pictou, calling at all Regular Stations going and returning.

When this Train has Foreign Mails, the driver will sound two long and two short blasts of the engine whistle when approaching Charlottetown.

JAMES COLEMAN,

Supt. Railway Office, Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1883. [See p. 21

CHRISTMAS

AUCTION SALES

HARVIE'S BOOKSTORE,

QUEEN STREET,

COMMENCING AT

Seven o'clock Thursday Ev'g, December 20th,

and continued every evening during the Christmas Holidays. Great Bargains may be expected in

Fancy Goods,

Bells, Vases,

Albums, Toys,

Work Boxes,

Ink Stands,

Pencil Cases,

Church Services,

Christmas Cards,

Miscellaneous Books, &c.

Ch'town, Dec. 18, 1883.—4i

Valuable Stock.

BY AUCTION, in front of the Market House, on Friday, December 21st, at two o'clock,—

1 Black Horse, 2½ years old, sire Messenger Boy, dam Highland Mary. Is trained to harness; kind, gentle and fast.

1 Red Horse, 2½ years old, sire Abdallah Messenger, dam Saladin mare. Trained to harness, and very fast.

1 Colt, 1½ years old, sire Harry Baker, dam Highland Mary.

1 Horse Pair, sire Royal Harry, dam Highland Mary. Took 1st prize at Provincial Exhibition, 1883.

1 Black Mare, Highland Mary, sire Flying Frenchman, dam McElonis mare. This mare is now in foal by the trotting stallion Heronago.

1 Grade Cow, 5 years old, in calf.

1 Grade Cow, 10 milk.

TERMS—Six months credit, on approved joint notes.

A. McNEILL,

Auctioneer. Ch'town, Dec. 16, 1883.—mo tu th

Tenders for Shoeing Horses.

TENDERS will be received at the office of the Chief Engineer, up to Saturday, the 22nd December, from parties willing to contract for providing shoes and shoeing Fire Department Horses (6), for one year from 1st January, 1884.

By order,

PETER MACGOWAN,

Secretary. Ch'town, Dec. 18, 1883.

P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

Christmas Excursion.

EXCURSION RETURN TICKETS, at one First Class fare, will be issued to and from all Stations on this Railway, on 24th and 25th December inst., good to return up to and including January 2nd, 1884.

JAMES COLEMAN,

Supt. Railway Office, Ch'town, Dec. 18, 1883. pat 2i 24. wly pa 1i

EARLE'S GRAND CONCERT

WILL take place in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, on FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 4th. Tickets, 75 cents; to be had at Mr. Fletcher's Music Store and at Fraser & Reddin's. Concert at eight, sharp. No encores.

S. N. EARLE.

Ch'town, Dec. 8.—2aw

WANTS, LOST, FOUND, &c.

TO LET—Warehouses to let on Lord's Wharf. Apply to W. W. CLARKE. [de] 70

TO LET—Part of House opposite Railway Station. Enquire at this office. [de] 19

STOVES.—One No. 9 Magician Cook Stove, as near as good as new, with pots and pans complete, for \$14.00. One Base Burner Hall Stove, cost \$10.00 and but little used, will be sold for \$15.00. These prices only open for a few days.—H. COLEMAN, Agent. [de] 18 2i

BOARDERS.—Mrs Robert Rodd, has removed to the house of Mr. C. Hearty, Easton Street, where she can accommodate a number of Boarders, on reasonable terms. [de] 7