

Local and Other Items.

St. Valentine's Day.—To-morrow. To-night, "Carnival in the Citizens' Rink." Civic.—Regular monthly meeting of the City Council to-night.

Attention.—Don't forget the Moccasin Dance in the Excelsior Rink on Friday evening next.

Sons of Temperance.—Meeting of Victoria Division to-night. The members of Prince Edward and Orient are invited to attend.

Important.—Don't forget the entertainment in St. James Hall to-morrow evening. Read the programme in another column and you will go.

Distressing.—It is distressing to be told by such a good authority as the Baltimore American that the canvas-back duck is growing scarce.

To Avoid Poverty.—Dr. McGlynn has been telling people in Cleveland how to avoid poverty. He might have said it all in the single word—"Work."

Lecture.—Go to McLeod's Hall, on Thursday evening, for a perfect description of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and the different denominations having departments in its building. See advt.

A Maritime Province Directory.—The St. John Telegraph reports that Messrs. McAlpine & Co. have under way a directory of the maritime provinces. There has been none published since 1870-71.

Flouring Mill.—The Charlottetown Flouring Mill has been in operation for a week past. Everything is working smoothly; and grades of flour are being produced which are said to be fully equal to those imported. The best way to test the quality of the flour is to buy a bag.

Thermometer Readings.—Warmest Saturday evening, 30 above zero; coldest Saturday night, 10 above zero; temperature Sunday at one p. m., 12 above zero; between Sunday evening and this morning, 7 below zero; at 10 o'clock this morning, 6 above zero; at noon to-day, 18 above zero.

Personal.—It is pleasing to see Alex. McKinnon, Esq., of the Board of Water Commissioners, out again after his long illness.

Bean Social.—You won't forget the "Bean" social in the upper rooms of the Second Methodist Church this evening, at 8 o'clock. Selections of music from the violin, cornet, flute and accordion will be given during the evening, interspersed with readings and solos. Silver collection taken in aid of the Parsonage fund. Come.

Down Defeated.—A Fergus, Ont., despatch of the 9th says: "The championship skate of 10 miles, for \$200 a side between Black, of Fergus, and Dowd, of Montreal, came off here to-night. The ice was in splendid condition. Both got away together. Black fell once and lost ground, but quickly regained and came in ahead, winning by half a lap. His time was 39 minutes."

The Mails.—The mails which reached Cape Traverse on Saturday afternoon were forwarded to Summerside same evening and arrived in Charlottetown by regular train this forenoon. The mails which arrived at Cape Traverse at 1:40 to-day were dispatched to Summerside this afternoon and will not reach Charlottetown until the arrival of the regular train from there to-morrow forenoon.

The Babies Home.—The annual meeting of the Halifax Babies Home was held last week. The report showed that 1887 was commenced with 43 babies on hand, and during the year 46 were admitted; 15 were adopted and 11 died; 27 of the children were taken away by their parents, leaving on hand on June 1, 1888, 40 children. During the 13 years the Home has been running, 643 infants have shared its advantages.

Rich in Years.—Hob. W. W. Lord celebrated his ninetieth birthday on Saturday afternoon. Quite a number of friends assisted at the celebration. Mrs. Lord furnished an excellent five o'clock tea, after which some time was spent in pleasant conversation. Rev. Job Shenton read a chapter from the Bible and offered up a suitable prayer. The company departed well pleased with the manner in which they had been entertained, and expressing the wish, in which we heartily join, that Mr. Lord may live to celebrate many more birthdays.

Leap Year Ball.—They had a leap year ball at Atlanta, Georgia, a few days ago, which was a decided success in every respect. In the evening, which, by the way, was wet and unpleasant, the ladies went after the gentlemen with carriages and conveyed them to the ball-room, where the fun was kept up until the " wee sma' hours." Of course, as at every leap year entertainment, there were decided belles, and some who were so unfortunate as to have to play the very unpleasant part of a " wall decorator," but these unfortunate ones consoled themselves with quietly reading newspaper. But there were comparatively few " wall flowers," considering the large number present. The ladies managed it in such a way as to avoid this solitary position, being seen very often during the evening. Space forbids us mentioning all the costumes of those present, so we can only refer to a few of the most attractive.

Mr. S. M. Rosser wore a cutaway with a sweet heliotrope blossom pinned to the lapel. He carried a sweet child-like smile, lawn tie and a new collar.

Mr. L. G. Hafner wore a Prince Albert with glittering diamond ornaments.

Mr. S. T. Wingfield carried a broad smile, long legs, noble look. Just too sweet.

Mr. D. B. Dennis, hair parted exactly in the middle with mathematical accuracy.

Mr. J. W. Freeman, being the most popular young man present, was awarded the prize—a beautiful oak.

Come and see the Clairvoyant, at Osborne House, where you can learn all about bus' iness, etc., etc. Feb 9, 1w

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Special Despatches to The Examiner. Complimentary Dinner.

Ministerial Speeches. Important Topics Discussed.

Quebec, Feb. 12. Between four and five hundred guests attended the banquet last night in honor of Sir Adolphe Caron, the galleries being filled with ladies. Among the Ministers present were Sir Adolphe Caron, Sir John Macdonald, Sir Hector Langevin, and Hon. Messrs. Costigan and White.

Sir Adolphe Caron replied to the toast of the evening, and was greeted with enthusiastic applause throughout. He ridiculed Commercial Union, and called it Annexation in disguise. He was opposed to granting any mail subsidy, unless Canada could afford sufficient to secure a line able to compete with the first-class lines between Liverpool and New York. He dwelt upon the necessity of deepening the St. Lawrence canal, and intimated that the proposed Quebec bridge would have his support.

Sir John followed and was received with shouts of, "For he's a jolly good fellow." He complimented Sir Hector and Sir Adolphe, strongly eulogising the latter, of whom he said he was proud as "one of my boys." He referred in flattering terms to his recollections of Quebec and said the Government would view the Quebec bridge in as favorable a light as the condition of the country would permit. After a long political address he said he could not close without referring to the treacherous and unworthy conduct of the Mail newspaper, which, although established by himself and his friends, had basely deserted the party in the hour of need, and he now deemed it necessary, in the sternest possible manner, to repudiate that treacherous paper, Sir Hector, White and Costigan also spoke.

Capital Notes. The Defences of Canada. Lord Lansdowne's Departure.

Ottawa, Feb. 12. With a view of arriving at a definite conclusion respecting the practicability of a defence system of Canada consistent with the country's wants and present means, a committee has been appointed at headquarters to consider the subject. It consists of Gen. Middleton, chairman; Adjut. General Powell, General Oliver and Col. Irwin, Inspector of Artillery. In each military district the services of local officers, the commandants of permanent corps in those districts, and the D. A. G.'s in other districts will be utilized to report on the state of the defences. During the holidays the officers and cadets of the Royal Military College will be employed to make a topographical survey of the country.

Enquiry at Rideau Hall elicited the information that the announcement from London of Lord Lansdowne's departure from Canada next month is incorrect. No date for leaving has yet been fixed, but it is likely they will remain until after the close of Parliamentary session.

It is more than likely the Government will recommend to agree that there shall be no revision of electoral franchise this year.

The Champion Walkist. New York, Feb. 12. Albert won the world's championship in the six days' walking match last night by 14 miles, having finished 621 miles and 4 laps by 10 o'clock.

Weather Bulletin. Toronto, Feb. 13—10 a.m. Moderate winds generally fair weather lighter temperature.

Cracked Feed for horses, cows and pigs—barley and oats mixed—only \$1 10 per 100 lbs., also Bran and Shorts.—Henry T. LePage, Glasgow House, Queen Street. ja 26, 4w 3aw

Birth. At Montrose on the 1st inst., the wife of the Rev. George Fisher, of a son.

Died. At Charlottetown, on the 12th February, Joseph Young, aged seventy-nine years. [Funeral from the residence of F. Kelly, Grafton Street East, to St. Dunstan's Cathedral, thence to the Cemetery, at 9 o'clock to-morrow. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited.]

On Sunday morning, Feb. 12th, of inflammation of the lungs, Bethsida M., dearly beloved wife of James D. White, aged 27 years. [Funeral from her late residence, King Square, on Tuesday, at three o'clock, to the People's Cemetery.]

At Granfell, Northwest Territory, on Tuesday, 31st January, in her 27th year, Mary Eliza, beloved wife of Charles H. Coles, and eldest daughter of the late William S. Macgowan.

At 210 Creighton Street, Halifax, on the 7th inst., Robert A. Rafter, in the 48th year of his age, leaving a widow and seven children.

In Boston, Mass., on 12th January, from injuries received in the freight yard of the Boston and Maine Railroad, William R. R. Dingwell, aged 29 years, formerly of this city.

Grand Carnival. At the Citizens' Rink. The Managers of the Citizens' Skating Rink intend holding a Fancy Dress Carnival.

Monday, February 13th. Admission, 25 cents. Children, 15 cents. Tickets for sale at the Apothecaries Hall. Carnival commences at 8 o'clock. Ch'town, Feb. 4, 1888—21 4, 6, 11

Wolves Escape. London, Feb. 12. A pack of caged wolves escaped from Sangers Circus to-day. Elephants, camels, horses and other animals became mad with terror and were liberated with difficulty. The wolves were trapped in a stable where they devoured a horse they had already slain. They still fiercely defy capture.

A Denial. London, Feb. 12. The Post denies the truth of the rumor that negotiations are being made with England to join a Franco-Russian alliance.

Trading Among Aristocrats.

Men and Women of the Best Society Behind the Counter. It was rather a bitter pill for London society to swallow when it first admitted wholesale traders within its sacred portals. How wonderfully its views have broadened is shown by the way in which men and women of the very best society are now engaged in retail shopkeeping, and are not in the least ashamed to own up to it.

Lady Mackenzie's Venture. The latest recruit to the band of high born women who have gone into trade is Lady Mackenzie, of Seadwell, Rosshire. Her Ladyship has opened a shop in Sloane Street, where she deals in bonnets, hats, etc., under the name of Mme. de Courcy.

The Grocers Did It. "Yes," said the lady, in answer to a query put by a correspondent, "the crofters are at the bottom of it. We can't get any thing like our original rents from our tenants in Ross-shire. Matters are bad enough now, but they are going to be worse. Foreseeing this I determined to shut the stable door before the steed had left. My husband was very much opposed to my going into trade, but, you see, I got my own way in the end."

Worse Times Coming. "What makes you think that still worse times are coming?" "Well, people who own property in the Highlands are dependent to a large extent on their moors and deer forests. A greater part of the land is good for nothing else. The game laws must inevitably be repealed in England before long. Once repealed on this side of the border they must go on the other side. Then where is the Highland landowner to get his income from?"

I don't blame the crofters. Some of my husband's tenants are men whose families have occupied the land for generations back. They would do any thing they could to meet their obligations, but it is impossible for them to do so. Their crops may be excellent, but what is the use of a good crop if there is no market for it? Foreign competition has killed their market. Yes, times are hard now but nothing like what they will be. It is no use trying to shut out the truth.

The Charlottetown Milling Company. Will Pay Cash for Wheat at their Mills on and after Monday, January 16th. GEORGE E. FULL. Ch'town, Feb. 6, 1888—11 dy 41 wy

Administration Notice. I have been appointed Administrator of the Estate and Effects of Donald G. Martin, deceased, intestate. All sums of money due the said Donald G. Martin, personally or as partner in the late firm of McLean & Martin, and McLean, Martin & McDonald, are required to be paid forthwith at the office of Messrs. McLean & McDonald, Attorneys-at-Law, Charlottetown. All persons having demands upon the Estate will exhibit the same, duly attested, to me within one year. KENNETH J. MARTIN, Administrator. Ch'town, Feb. 6, 1888—11 dy 41 wy

Public Notice. ANY partnership or agreement in the nature thereof, heretofore existing between the undersigned, whether in the name and style of A. L. BRIDGES & CO., or otherwise, has this day been terminated and dissolved by mutual consent. All amounts due to the late firm of A. L. BRIDGES & CO. are to be paid to the undersigned, ROBERT BRIDGES, who is fully authorized to give receipts therefor. Dated at Charlottetown, 1st February, 1888. ROBERT BRIDGES. A. L. BRIDGES.

Referring to the above, R. Bridges will continue the business on his own account, in the old stand, Hillsborough Street, A. L. Bridges doing business on his own account in the store on Queen Street, in J. D. McLeod's building.

FOR SALE. At A. McNeill's Auction Room. 100 Barrels Winter Keeping APPLES (choice) 100 do. No. 1 Labrador HERRING. Boxes Onions, Oranges, Lemons, &c. Selling at AUCTION PRICES to close cut con- signments. 4-1683

NOTICE. THE Subscriber, thankful to the public for the patronage so generously extended to him for the last ten years, would intimate that on the first of September last, he took his son into partnership with him, and that the business is now carried on under the firm and style of JOHN McLEAN & SON. JOHN McLEAN. Montague Carriage Factory, 41 wy—Jan 29

Referring to the above, we would intimate that we are now prepared to carry on the business on a more extensive scale, and would solicit a continuance of the support hitherto received. JOHN McLEAN. JOHN H. McLEAN. 41 wy—Jan 29

THE FINEST OF Scotch Whiskey. Is the produce of some of the most noted Distilleries in the Highlands of Scotland, where nothing but the finest Malt is used for distilling. After being carefully selected, it is removed to the Inland Revenue Bonded Stores in Greenock, blended in certain proportions and allowed to mature in Bond. This is done under the personal superintendence of Messrs. Thorne, whose experience extends over fifty years. 1m dy—Jan 7

WANTS, LOST, FOUND &c. LOST.—On the Hillsborough ice, last Thursday afternoon, a Fox-weight, with strap attached. Finder will be rewarded on leaving the same at Apothecaries' Hall. 3-1611

FOR SALE.—A well-bred young Cow, newly calved. Apply to T. A. McLEAN, Charlottetown, or at Holland Cove Farm. 3-1617

BOARDS ACCOMMODATED.—At Mrs. McLean's, Hillsborough Street, between Dorchester and King. oct 19 eod 1f

NURSE WANTED.—Apply at EXAMINER'S office. eod 1f—1622

WANTED.—Two Thousand Dollars, at 5 per cent. First-class Real Estate security. Apply at this office. 2w dy wy—Jan 27

WANTED.—A small property (a mile or two out of town), having on it a never-failing spring of water. Information of such please furnish to "C. B.," P. O. Box 13, Charlottetown or this office. dec 13

TO LET.—A House on Slaney Street, opposite the Brick Church, containing seven rooms, a good cellar, stable and coach house. Apply on the premises. nov 28 1f

TO LET.—The Surgery and Consulting Room in the City Hotel, Great George Street, hitherto occupied by Dr. Warburton. Apply at the London House or to Daniel Davies, Dundas Place. nov 28

Inland Steam Navigation Company OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the office of Hon. L. C. Owen, King Street, on SATURDAY, the 5th day of February, instant, at 3 o'clock, p. m., for the election of Directors and the transaction of other business. By Order of the President and Directors. JOHN HUGHES, Secretary. Ch'town, P. E. I., Feb. 6, 1888—31 1aw

Stop it at Once

IF YOUR GROCER WILL NOT GUARANTEE his Baking Powder contains no Ammonia. It seriously IMPAIRS DIGESTION, and is classed among POISONS. PAPER. WOODBILL'S TINS. 5 cts GERMAN BAKING POWDER 7 cts 10 cts 22 cts

Is made of strictly pure Grape Cream of Tartar—and All Grocers are authorized to guarantee that AMMONIA FREE or ALUM are not used in its manufacture. Jan 9

WHEAT. The Charlottetown Milling Company WILL PAY CASH FOR WHEAT at their Mills on and after MONDAY, JANUARY 16th. GEORGE E. FULL. Jan 4, 1888—dy, 2aw 31, wy 6 w, Pat. Guardian.

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Dress Goods, cheap, at James Paton & Co's. Ladies' Jackets and Dolmans at reduced prices. Mens' Overcoats, good value, at Jas. Paton & Co's. Corsets, all kinds and prices. The Best Place on the Island to buy Carpets. Gloves, in Kid and Cashmere. Table Linens and Table Napkins, extra good value. The best value in Cambric Embroideries. Mourning Goods of all kinds. Millinery made to order on short notice.

JAMES PATON & CO. WATER STREET, Summerside. MARKET SQUARE, Charlottetown. February 6, 1888—dy & wky

J. B. MACDONALD

—WILL SELL OFF CHEAP— Dress Goods, Dress Goods, Dress Goods, Carpets, Carpets, Carpets, Flannels, Flannels, Flannels, Knit Wool Goods, Knit Wool Goods, Knit Wool Goods.

Overcoats, Overcoats, Overcoats, Mens' Suits, Mens' Suits, Mens' Suits, Boys' Suits, Boys' Suits, Boys' Suits. Underclothing, Flannel Shirts, Cotton Shirts. —ALSO— 100 CHESTS CHOICE TEA, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, CHEAP, AT J. B. MACDONALD'S. Ch'town, Feb. 7, 1888—dy & wky.

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Another Lot Just Received. Nice Overcoat for \$4.25 that ought to be cheap at \$5.50. Heavy Tweed Pants and Suits altogether Too Cheap. CALL AND SEE. GEO. E. FULL, SIGN OF THE LION, QUEEN STREET. Ch'town, Dec. 1, 1887.