

Local and Other Items.

THE *Northern Light* left Pictou for Georgetown this morning. She has not yet arrived.

COMMUNICATION between this city and Southport, has been cut off by the ice drifting from the East River.

Two members of the Police Force—Messrs. Keating and Robertson—have, we are informed, tendered their resignation.

THE mails have not yet effected a crossing from Cape Tormentine, and will not, we are informed, so long as the present stormy weather continues.

MR. THOMAS ROBINS, son of John Robins, Esq., has returned to this city, after completing a successful course of studies at the Boston Dental College. He intends practising in this city.

REMEMBER the Concert under the auspices of the Reform Club to-morrow (Wednesday) night, at 8 o'clock. Admission 25 cents. A first-class programme has been prepared.

HOT BEDS.—Extra fine seeds for early sowing, just received, and large supplies expected by first arrivals from England and the United States.

W. R. WATSON.

THE remanded case of McLeod, Coyle, and others, for assaulting Peter Costello, was up before the Stipendiary Magistrate this morning. Mr. Costello did not appear, and they were discharged on their own recognizance.

CHARLOTTETOWN WANTS a Hatter very bad. A man who understood the business well would make money in Charlottetown.

WE refer the Editor of the *Argus* to *Lance's* latest cartoon visible in the window of the "Diamond Bookstore."

I. O. O. F.—On Friday, the 26th of April (the Natal Day of the Order), an Odd Fellows' Entertainment will be given in the Market Hall. Particulars will be published in a few days.

H. JAS. PALMER, Chairman Com.

April 2, 1878.

THE market to-day was very well attended. Prices were as follows:—Butter, fresh, from 24 to 26 cents; do (tub) from 19 to 20 cents; eggs from 12 to 14 cents; flour, from \$3.25 to \$3.60 per 100 lbs.; Oatmeal, from \$3 to \$3.5 per 100 lbs.; beef (per qr.) from 6 to 9 cents per lb.; do (small pieces) from 8 to 18 cents per lb.; Mutton, from 7 to 12 cents per lb., and veal from 4 to 7 cents per lb.; Hay from \$1 to \$1.10 per 100 lbs.

MR. LEA stated, a few days ago in the House of Assembly, that he believed the present School Law would, in a few years, greatly increase the population. He did not point out how this desirable result was to be attained, and we are left in the dark as to the meaning of his expression. The remark is not only original, but a casual observer, taking Mr. Lea's personal appearance into consideration, might be tempted to say that it was *aboriginal*.—*S. Progress.*

WALTZING HER ALMOST TO DEATH.—At the Armenia Social in Cooper Hall, Jersey City, a gold medal was offered on Saturday night to the most graceful gentleman waltzer. The conditions were that the persons competing should dance to right, and keep on the floor at least two hours, stopping only to change lady partners. Nicholas Davis, whose breast is starred with medals won for endurance and grace in waltzing, had Rosie Murray for a partner. She danced nearly an hour, and being compelled to make all evolutions to the right grew faint. Ladies noticed her condition and asked her to sit down. She kept it up, however, until nearly midnight. Then the music ceased, and she fell limp and pale in her partner's arms. She was unconscious for some time, and next day was in a critical condition. The medal was awarded to Cornelius Canfield, who waltzed two hours.

THE *Argus* publishes a letter from the Rev. W. W. Perkins, of Colorado, which contains the following remarks with regard to the Capes route:—"When the time I had allotted for my visit had expired, I was greatly disappointed by the *Northern Light* being 'stuck in the ice,' for, as a consequence, I was unable to bring my family with me, but was forced to turn my face westward alone. There was no way left for me but to cross the Capes in the ice boat. This I greatly dreaded. Somehow, I had the idea that this was a very difficult and somewhat perilous undertaking; but, upon trial, I found it neither one nor the other. On the contrary, I enjoyed the trip immensely. We crossed in less than three hours, and these were hours of real pleasure, rather than hardship, as I had expected. It constituted a new and pleasing chapter in my varied experience. The very great kindness of Capt. Muttart and his hardy, active crew, coupled with the excitement of tripping over fields of ice, gliding through lanes of open water, &c., &c., rendered the voyage highly enjoyable. I regret that I cannot say as much of, or for, the journey from Cape Tormentine to the railroad. Fancy yourself cooped up in one of Her Majesty's 'Royal Mail' vehicles, heavy enough for two or three horses, drawn by one animal of very moderate ability, requiring ten mortal hours to make the distance of thirty-six miles, and if it don't cause you to feel that it is a little too slow, I cannot imagine what will. It is decidedly behind the times. If you will permit me to express an opinion, I would suggest that if your Government would give sufficient compensation to justify the putting on of larger and better boats, with sufficient crews to run them, and better teams on both sides of the water, it would greatly facilitate your intercourse with the rest of the world, and be of immense advantage to the Island.

Legislative Notes and Comments.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

CASCUMPEC HARBOR was the subject of a discussion on Monday evening. We are told that Mr. Pope made a long speech in advocacy of its improvement by the Dominion Government. There is no doubt the Government should have improved Cascumpec Harbor. Had they done so it would have afforded a refuge for many a ship that surely needed it. But the Government—while spending millions elsewhere—will do nothing for us, while we continue to be represented by men who have no influence.

FREE PASSES

on our Railway were also referred to. It is stated that members of the Local Government and other influential gentlemen whose good offices the Dominion Government wish to gain in the coming election, travel by rail free.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR.

very easily explained—enabled Mr. Welsh to have "a slap at the EXAMINER." In our report of Hon. Mr. Sullivan's speech, the sum which the Government, without the consent of the Legislature, expended in boring an artesian well was put down at \$3,335—our compositor and proof reader having, we suppose, mistaken the dollar mark for a figure 3. The amount named by Mr. Sullivan was \$335.

DEBATE ON THE BUDGET.

The Opposition had much the advantage of this debate. Mr. Hackett delivered a short but forcible speech. He submitted the following statement:—

ORDINARY RECEIPTS, 1877.

Subsidy from Dominion Government	\$162,737 55
Assessment, arrears old Land Tax	12,864 52
Do. Real Estate, 1877, and Poll Tax	\$45,683 59
Less 15 per cent. per less Collectors	6,837 52
	\$38,746 07
Fees from Provincial Treasurer's Office	33,239 88
Total ordinary receipts	\$247,588 02

ORDINARY EXPENDITURE.

Public Buildings	\$ 31,867 38
Less paid for Asylum	\$15,067 07
Less Court Houses	3,579 83
To capital account	\$18,646 90
	\$ 13,220 48
Wharves	17,618 74
Bridges	11,768 38
Roads	47,251 02
Ferries	10,537 56
Miscellaneous	6,179 71
Legislation	17,099 62
Education	80,813 60
Various Services	92,402 37
Total ordinary expenditure	\$296,911 48
Total ordinary receipts	247,588 02

Ordinary expenditure over ordinary revenue \$ 49,323 46
Less interest on amount due Land Office—\$402,788.23 at 5 per ct. 20,139 41
Deficit \$ 29,184 05

Mr. Campbell expressed his disappointment with the Government's headstrong persistence in a foolish and extravagant course. He submitted the following resolution, which was voted down by a mechanical and self-interested majority:—

Resolved, That this House do not now go into Committee of Supply; but that it be resolved as the opinion of this House that the welfare of this Province demands a judicious system of retrenchment by reducing our Legislative machinery and curtailing our expenditure in every branch of the civil Service without in any way interfering with the necessary institutions of the country, and that such a policy is necessary to prevent increased taxation, to restore the confidence of the people, and secure the prosperity of the country.

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Ready-made or Made to Order.

JUST RECEIVED

A Very Large Supply of

READY-MADE CLOTHING!

HATS, CAPS, TIES,

SCARFS, SHIRTS, &c.,

Tweeds, Coating and Cloths.

Buyers before leaving their measures or orders elsewhere, should inspect our Stock and Prices.

ROBERT ORR & CO.

Charlottetown, March 18, 1878.

TO LET.

THAT Large and Commodious Brick Building occupied by the late Hon. P. Walker, situated on the square at the corner of Great George and Grafton Streets.

The premises consist of three stories, with excellent cellar, ample storage and suitable offices. The shop furniture is in good condition and nearly new. For particulars apply to

WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer.

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RECEIVED via "Northern Light," for sale at HAZARD'S BOOK AND SEED STORE.

West Side Queen Square. Ch'town, March 28—11 dy & wkly

Latest by Telegraph.

WAR NEWS.

Lord Salisbury Appointed Foreign Secretary.

The Message Calling Out Reserves Read in the House of Commons.

AUSTRIA UNABLE TO EFFECT A COMPROMISE.

SHE FEELS SURE RUSSIA WILL NOT YIELD TO ENGLAND'S DEMAND.

Special Dispatch to Examiner.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 1.

In the event of war between England and Russia, it is expected that the Porte will remain passive and endeavor to make its territory respected; failing in which the Porte will simply protest to the Powers.

LONDON, April 1.

Sir Stafford Northcote announced in the Commons this afternoon that Lord Salisbury had been appointed Foreign Secretary. The Queen's Message for the calling out of the reserves was read by the Speaker of the House; it is as follows:—"The present state of public affairs in the East, and the necessity of taking steps for the maintenance of peace and the protection of the interests of the Empire, have constituted in the opinion of Her Majesty a cause of great emergency within the meaning of the acts of Parliament. In that behalf, Her Majesty deems it proper to provide additional means for the public service. Therefore, in pursuance of these acts, Her Majesty has thought it right to communicate to the House of Commons that she is about to direct that the reserve force and militia reserve force, or such part thereof as Her Majesty may think necessary, be forthwith called out for permanent service."

LONDON, April 1, 7 p. m.

The discussion of the Message is postponed till Monday next. Sir Stafford Northcote, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in reply to a question of Lord Hartington, said that a circular has been sent to the Powers by the British Government, explaining the views of the Government regarding the present position of affairs.

A St. Petersburg dispatch to the *Times* says that Derby's resignation of the office of Foreign Affairs was a complete surprise, and caused an immense sensation in official circles.

Derby says the dispatch is reproached as having misled Russia and England by going as far as he did in a direction which he disapproved.

The *Times*' Vienna dispatch says, in consequence of Derby's resignation and the calling out of the reserves, Austria has ceased her efforts to effect a compromise about the Congress, feeling sure Russia will not yield to England's demands now, when doing so, would seem somewhat like submitting before a threat.

The *Times* says that the Admiralty have made an urgent requisition on the contractors who are manufacturing large numbers of picks and shovels at Wolverhampton, and demand to know when they will be ready.

Greenbacks & American Silver

TAKEN AT THE FACE,

in exchange for goods at usual prices.

FENTON T. NEWBERRY & CO.

Ch'town, March 20—pat 3i eod ar 2i

Wants, Lost, Found, &c.

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

WANTED.—Board and Lodging for three persons. Address, stating terms, "W. M.," EXAMINER OFFICE, Charlottetown, April 2, 1878—pat 6i

FOUND.—A pair of Kid Mitts, and one Kid Glove. The owner can have them by applying at this office and paying for advertisement. April 1, 1878.

LOST.—On Friday, 29th ult., between St. Dunstan's Cathedral and Ferry Wharf, a SCOTCH PEBBLE BROOCH. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it at this Office. [ap 1-2

WANTED.—A HOUSEMAID, must be well recommended, and a good washer and ironer. Enquire at the EXAMINER OFFICE, Charlottetown, March 30, 1877—1w

WANTED.—By an experienced Sales man, a Situation in a Dry Goods Store Address "B. G.," EXAMINER OFFICE, March 27—3i

FOR SALE.—A FLAG STAFF, TOP, MAST and LOWER MAST, already finished, about 66 feet long, which will be sold for less than cost. Apply to J. D. CURRIE, corner Prince and Grafton Streets. March 5, 1878—8i law

WANTED.—By a steady, respectable young man, a situation in a Store or Office, or at any respectable employment. Good references. Apply at this Office. March 20—

WANTED.—At a moderate rent, a HOUSE containing 6 or 8 rooms. Apply by letter at the Office of this paper. March 11—

WANTED.—A complete set of the "ROYAL GAZETTE" for the last five years, or any intermediate years. Apply at this Office, stating price. Feb. 28, 78—

SPRING GOODS!

Ex S. S. Northern Light,

—AT THE—

London House

—ALSO—

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BE SHOWN ON MONDAY,

the 4th March,

200 PATTERNS

CANADIAN TWEEDS,

West of England and Scotch Makes.

—ALSO—

BLACK & BLUE

BROADCLOTHS,

Worsted & Fancy

COATINGS!

—ALSO—

SINGLE GARMENTS and SUITS

made up in the best styles and at the shortest notice.

OUR TAILORING DEPARTMENT

A GREAT SUCCESS.

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Men's and Boys' Hats.

We offer SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS in House Furnishing Goods—

DAMASKS, REPPS, CRETANNES, MOREENS, ETC.

SHEETINGS, PILLOW COTTON, WINDOW HOLLAND, White & Grey CALICO, ETC.

CARPETINGS, HEARTH RUGS, MATTS & MATTING, FLOOR OIL CLOTH, ETC.

A CHOICE ASSORTMENT OF Paper Hangings

—ALSO—

GEO. DAVIES & CO. March 2—1m 2m

Auction Sales.

TRADE SALE!

To Close Consignments, THE Subscribers will offer at AUCTION, on

Friday next, the 5th inst.,

AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK, A. M.,

THIRTY Bbls. Labrador Herring, FIFTY Boxes No. 1 Codfish, FORTY Half-boxes No. 1 Codfish, TWENTY Quintals Pollock, THIRTY Boxes Smoked Halibut.

—ALSO— FIFTY Boxes Valencia Raisins, TEN Boxes Chewing Tobacco, FIFTEEN Bbls. Sugar, THIRTY Doz. Brooms, TWENTY Doz. Buckets, FIFTY Boxes Cigars, and other articles.

HAZARD BROS.

Ch'town, April 2—pat 1 sale

AUCTION!

WE will sell at AUCTION,

On Thursday, the 4th April,

AT 11 O'CLOCK,

100 Bbls. Spring Extra FLOUR!

100 " Superfine

To close Consignment.

CARVELL BROS., Auctioneers.

Ch'town, April 1—3i

One Hundred Half-Chests TEA!

Will be Sold by Auction,

On Monday, April the 8th,

AT 11 O'CLOCK,

AT MY SALESROOM, IN WATER ST.,

to close a Consignment.

100 HALF-CHESTS TEA.

Terms Liberal. Sail Positive. No Reserve.

B. WILSON HIGGS, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, April 1—t sale

SALE OF STALLIONS

—AND—

FAT CATTLE.

I HAVE been instructed by the Hon. J. C. POPE to offer, at AUCTION, on

Thursday, the 18th April next,

The splendid thoroughbred HORSE "WARRIOR," 7 years old, imported by the Government in 1875. His Colts, which can be seen at Kensington Brewery, are very promising, and prove him to be a first-class stock getter.

Also—The handsome and powerful Draught HORSE "CHAMPION," 17 hands high, weight 1,600 lbs., compact, active, and a splendid worker.

Also—3 FAT OXEN.

The Stock can be viewed at the Brewery any day previous to sale.

WM. DODD, Auctioneer.

Ch'town, March 30—

AUCTION!

Fishing Station at Rustico.

TO BE SOLD, ON

Thursday, the 9th May next,

at 11 o'clock, on the premises,

THE FISHING STATION of the late E. E. Churchill, which comprises all that tract of Land situate on Rustico Beach, in Lot 24, bounded and described as follows: Commencing at a stake set in the west side of Water Terrace, and in the northeast angle of Fishing Station No. 1, in possession of R. B. Morrison, and running thence by the Magnetic Meridian of the year 1764, south sixty degrees west, two hundred feet, to the shore of Rustico Bay; thence north sixty degrees east to the said Terrace; and thence southwardly along the same to the place of commencement—together with Buildings thereon.

—ALSO—

4 Fishing BOATS, 8 DORIES, 38 PUNCEONS, Lot of Fishing Gear, Baits, Barrels, &c., &c., &c.

Terms at sale.

J. S. CARVELL, Administrator, Ch'town, March 11—eod wkly t sale

HERRING & HAKE!

30 Bbls. No. 1 HERRING, 25 Qrs. HAKE. For Sale Cheap at A. McNEIL'S AUCTION ROOM. —ALSO— 50 BBLs. NO. 1 APPLES! IN PRIME ORDER, SELLING FAST AT A McNEIL'S AUCTION ROOM. No. 11 Queen St., March 20—6i eod