

Local and Other Items.

CHOICE Florida Oranges at KENNEDY'S, dec 15 21

CHEAPEST Tobaccos in the City at the Diamond Bookstore.

ORDER YOUR Christmas and New Year Cakes at KENNEDY'S, dec 15 21

XMAS tree ornaments in Lilies, Fruit, Bells, etc., at the Diamond Bookstore.

GET a few of those natural California flowers for your Christmas decorations.

FRESH Tarts, Rolls, etc., at The City Steam Bakery, J. QUIRK, Prince Street, dec 15 1w

GRIFF'S COMIC ALMANAC, for 1884, at the Diamond Bookstore.

REMEMBER the Bible class in the Y. M. C. A. Parlor this evening at 8 o'clock. The public are invited.

70 pairs of Acme Skates opened yesterday. Now is the time to buy. Every size in stock. W. E. DAWSON & Co. dec 15 31

THE Rev. Ralph Brecken lectures in the Y. M. C. A. Hall next Monday evening on "Glimpses of Gay Paris."

CHARLES READE'S novel, "Foul Play," 12 cents, at the Diamond Bookstore.

JOHN MCPHREE & Co's is the place to buy your Dry Goods and Clothing cheaper than in any other house in the city.

THE brig, "Fanny," Murchison master, arrived at Plymouth on the 14th inst., from this port, with a cargo of oats.

HAVE you seen those eighty cent dolls, now selling for thirty cents at the Diamond Bookstore.

The negotiations for amalgamating the Maritime Bank of St. John with the Merchants Bank of Halifax have collapsed.

THE police have, up to the present, arrested thirty-three teamsters for driving without bells, and collected the nominal fine of twenty-five cents from each.

A MEETING of the Ladies' Hospital Committee will be held at the City Hospital, on Tuesday 18th inst., at 2.30 p. m. A full attendance is requested. [dec 15 skm.]

THE property of Mrs. Coombs, situated on Great George Street, was sold at auction to-day by A. McNeill, Esq., Auctioneer, and bought by Malcolm McLeod, Esq., for \$1,750.

TO HOUSEKEEPERS.—You can have your Christmas Cakes fired with the Stephens Patent Oven for 15 cents each at the "City Steam Bakery."—J. QUIRK, Prince Street, dec 15 1w

In the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court yesterday, at the prosecution of the Temperance Alliance, Mr. P. P. Gillis confessed judgment, and was fined \$50 for a violation of the Canada Temperance Act.

THE St. John Telegraph says it is reported that bills of the broken Prince Edward Island Bank have been offered to shopkeepers on Brussels, Waterloo, and Union streets in exchange for merchandise. In some instances they have been taken.

THE barkentine "Ethel Blanche," arrived at Liverpool, G. B., on the 13th inst., twenty-seven days passage; and the barkentine "Erema" arrived at Plymouth after nineteen days passage. Both vessels are owned by Peake Bros. & Co.

IT is said that Donald A. Smith will become Governor of the Hudson's Bay Company. In that event his retirement from the Canadian Pacific Syndicate is very probable, as the interests of the two companies conflict in the matter of settling their lands.

FOR the benefit of our customers our Store will be kept open till 9.30 p. m., during the Christmas and New Year holidays, commencing Monday 17th inst.—J. QUIRK, City Steam Bakery, dec 15 1w

A METEOR.—A large meteor was seen last evening. It fell at 8.30 o'clock in a south-easterly direction. It was similar to the one that fell last Friday evening, and left the same luminous streak behind it which lasted for several minutes.—St. John News, 15th.

THE Windsor Hotel, in Montreal, the finest hotel in Canada, and one of the best on the continent, paid \$37,600 net profit this year. A new wing costing \$137,000 has been erected. This is another evidence of the unprofitable nature of the hotel business.

MRS. ELDER, widow of the late John Elder, the well-known shipbuilder, has gifted to the senate of Glasgow university the sum of £12,500 for the purpose of founding a professorship of naval architecture, to be called "The John Elder chair of naval architecture."

THE audience which attended the lecture of Archbishop O'Brien, "On the Early Stages of Christianity in England," on Wednesday was the Herald says, the largest and most fashionable that has assembled in the Lyceum for some years. The press of Halifax speak highly of the lecture.

CELEBRATING ITS THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY.—The Young Men's Christian Association of Halifax celebrated its thirtieth anniversary on Monday. The Y. M. C. A. building at Halifax cost \$36,000 and is one of the finest on the continent. J. S. McLean, one of the leading wholesale merchants of the Maritime Provinces, is a moving spirit in the Association.

A SALE of bank and other stock took place at the Merchants' Exchange, Halifax, on the 13th. The attendance was good and the bidding spirited. The stocks put up were all unreserved and all met with ready purchase. Below is the result with rates of sale:—

10 shares Union Bank, 110 p. c.

10 " Acadia Fire Ins. Co., 125 1/2 p. c.

50 " Halifax Banking Co., 105 1/2 p. c.

20 " " " " " 104 1/2 p. c.

20 " Bank British N. America, 114 1/2 p. c.

20 " Halifax Gas Light Co., 135 p. c.

10 " Merchants' Bank Halifax, 123 p. c.

In all about \$14,000.

QUIRK'S WHARF demands the attention of the City Council during the winter, if it does not receive some from the lessees. It is dilapidated, and if great repairs are not made this winter, the cost of making repairs in November next, will be very great. We think that the present is the time for our City Fathers to look carefully into this matter.

A good wharf is required at the lower end of Queen Street. It is the most central situation, is convenient to our leading mercantile establishments, and we cannot see why it has not before received greater attention from the civic rulers.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.]

Napoleon III. Damaged by Fire—A Rescue.

HALIFAX, Dec 14. This morning the watchman on board the Government steamer Napoleon III. discovered flames issuing from the lamp room, which is just aft of the engine room. The alarm was given and the firemen soon had the fire under control, not, however, before the steamer was seriously damaged. Two men sleeping down in the fore-cabin were rescued with much difficulty.

Respite for O'Donnell.

LONDON, Dec. 14. Meetings were held in various parts of London yesterday in support of the movement to procure a respite for O'Donnell. At a conference held by St. Bridget's Club in Holborn, the following resolution was passed:

"We having heard O'Donnell's statement to his brother made last Thursday, earnestly urge the Home Secretary to obtain a respite for O'Donnell on account of what we are firmly convinced was a miscarriage of justice for daring to defend himself against a murderous attack made by one who has been fitly described as the most infamous criminal of modern times."

A copy of the resolution was sent to Gladstone. O'Donnell's statement to his brother yesterday is substantially the same as that quoted by Mr. Russell at the trial. O'Donnell adds, "I never said to Cabitt, the witness for the prosecution, what he swore about my having threatened to take Carey's life. I don't intend to make any further statements."

Steamer Wrecked and Crew Drowned.

LONDON, Dec. 14. The steamer "Ank," from Liverpool for Rotterdam, was wrecked in the gale last Tuesday. The crew of twenty-one men were drowned.

Other Marine Disasters.

LONDON, Dec. 14. The bark "Genn" from Dalhousie, N. B., for Glasgow, was put into Holyhead. She lost sails and deck load, and is leaking.

Brig "Thomas Campbell," at Killorglin, Ireland, from St. John, N. B., while shifting her berth missed stays and was beached. It is feared that she will be damaged.

While the ship "Albertine," from Quebec, was being towed into Greenock Harbor, during the gale the tow-line broke and the vessel was driven out of sight. She has not yet been found.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14. Brig "Marie," from Anaguilla, reports on Dec. 8, lat. 36.10, long. 72.52, was boarded by the mate of the barque "Yarmouth," of Yarmouth, of Yarmouth, N. S., who reported they were short of provisions. The "Marie" gave them what she could spare.

Flatness in English Markets.

LONDON, Dec. 14. The Manchester Guardian in its commercial article, says the market is "exceedingly quiet; sales few, and of little importance. Cloth steady at lowest prices yet touched. Yarns very dull; strike diminishing demand. Spinners easier to deal with."

Preparing.

LONDON, Dec. 14. The British War Office is daily issuing orders, having reference to the shipment of supplies and war material to the British stations in China. The steamer "Hankow," under orders to sail for China next Wednesday, is shipping heavy guns and howitzers.

The County Franchise.

LONDON, Dec. 14. Mr. John Bright, in a speech at Oakworth, last night, referred to the extension of the county franchise as one of the greatest measures to be dealt with in the next session of Parliament.

Powder and Dynamite lying round Promiscuously.

SCHREVENING, Dec. 14. The coast in this vicinity is strewn with casks of powder and dynamite from wrecked vessels.

Successful Evangelizers.

LONDON, Dec. 14. The missions of Moody and Sankey at Stepney have been a wonderful success.

Theatre Burned.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14. The Standard Theatre was burned at seven o'clock this evening. There was no loss of life. The building was entirely destroyed with its contents. The loss is \$300,000. This theatre was the first in New York to produce H. M. S. Pinafore, and was noted for the great run which Patience by the same authors received at that house. The Standard paid royalties to Gilbert and Sullivan as the first metropolitan house to produce their works.

Election of Hon. G. W. Ross.

OTTAWA, Dec. 14. Hon. G. W. Ross, the new Minister of Ontario, is elected for West Middlesex by 120 majority. Cameron, (Reform) is elected for the Commons for the same constituency by a about 50 majority.

Close Elections.

OTTAWA, Dec. 14. In Cardwell, Thammill, Conservative, is elected by about sixty majority.

In West Simcoe, Phelps, Reformer, is elected by thirty-nine majority.

There still is one seat in the Ontario Legislature lost to the Liberals.

["From Lyrics of Love and Beauty."] I Dream Still of Thee.

AIR—Come Rest in my Bosom.

I. When hushed is the greenwood, when twilight has fled, And sleep falls on Mortals, like sleep of the dead, And the moon gazes stilly o'er lake, wood and lea, I court happy slumber, but think Love of thee!

II. I think of the days, when our love yet was young, And the glow of thy beauty first round my heart clung, How blest were my day dreams, how swift time did flee, Asleep or awake, Love, I dream still of thee!

III. With thee have I wandered, thro' green-wood and glen, Thro' bays that the wild Cushats brood only ken, While on pleasure beckoned and time swiftly flew, Sped the happiest moments that ever I knew!

IV. But why thus revert to the days that are gone, The bloom of thy loveliness, rivals the moro, And the love glance still lights up the charm of thy smile, Like the blush blooming rose of thy beautiful Isle!

V. One boon I'd request, 'tis the dearest to me, Ere sad I embark on the broad rolling sea, Thy photo of beauty in Sol's magic art, A memento of love to wear over my heart!

VI. Thy image of loveliness ever shall be, A guardian, a talisman, dearest to me! When high roll the billows, with white foaming crests, I'll confide in thy love, 'yond the waves of the west!

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Ch'town, Dec. 14, 1883.

THE INFANTRY SCHOOL.—Regulations in regard to recruiting for the new infantry schools at Toronto, St. John's, P. Q., and Fredericton, N. B., have been sent out by the Militia Department. Applicants for enlistment must be bona fide British subjects, of good character, unmarried, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five in good health, not less than five feet six inches in height and thirty-four inches round the chest. They will be required to enlist for three years and pass a medical examination before attestation. The rate of pay will be \$1 per day for staff sergeants, sergeants 80c; corporals, 70c; lance corporals, 50c; buglers, 40c, and privates, 40c. In addition to this, free rations, barrack accommodation and medical attendance will be given. Allowance is also made for good conduct pay. A free kit will also be supplied on joining.

WINNIPEG is in a state of excitement over the strike of drivers and firemen on the Canadian Pacific Railway. The wages were recently reduced and accepted by all except the engineers and firemen—whose monthly bonuses had been reduced from \$12 to \$7 per month respectively, to half those figures. On the 12th inst., a deputa-tion waited on Supt. Egan and presented a schedule of wages which they said they were willing to accept. He said the schedule asked for greater wages than before the monthly bonus had been reduced; however, he would forward their demand to General Manager Van Horne, and it would be about ten days before an answer could be got. The delegates said they would not wait that long and would give the company twenty-four hours to decide, after which the whole matter would be referred to Mr. Arthur, president of the brotherhood of locomotive engineers of the United States. On Mr. Egan refusing to have anything to do with Arthur, he instructed the master mechanics to issue the following order for all the men to sign: "We hereby agree to accept employment from the Canadian Pacific company at the rate of wages offered by the company in our present capacity." Mr. Egan said if they did not wish to sign they might leave work. The engineers and firemen refused to sign, and but a single train left Winnipeg on Tuesday last, it being in charge of master-mechanic Reid as engineer, and Superintendent Egan as fireman.

THE OLDEST PRIEST.—The Calais Times says:—"Rev. James Quinn, of Milltown, N. B., is the oldest Catholic clergyman in the Maritime Provinces. He has reached the age of seventy-six years, and nearly fifty years of this long life has been spent in the ministry."

THE Times is mistaken, as Rev. Michael Egan, of Nelson, is an older priest than the venerable Father Quinn. On 19th June, 1879, the fiftieth anniversary of Father Egan's ordination to the priesthood was celebrated. In point of age and service in the ministry he is, therefore, the senior of Father Quinn.—Catham Advance.

SALVINI announces his intention of making an American tour next year.

Weather Bulletin.

Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces.

TORONTO, December 15—10 a. m. Strong winds and gales from the west and northwest, decreasing in force by night; fair to cloudy cold weather, followed by snow.

SHIP NEWS.

Halifax, Dec 12—Ar schr Our Hops, Wells, from Georgetown.

Port Mulgrave, Dec 13—Passed south schr Emerald of J. E. L.

Boston, Dec 10—Ar W Roger, Just, Cascopec.

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Flannels and Blankets,

Ulster Cloths and Mantle Cloths,

Tweeds and Coatings,

Fur-lined Cloaks and Cloth Jackets,

Wool Squares and Wool Scarfs,

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VELVETS, VELVETEENS AND PLUSH,

Winter Goods, of every description, Good and Cheap, at

PERKINS & STERNS.

Ch'town, Nov. 19, 1883.

XMAS AND NEW YEAR. CLOTHING

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Largest, Grandest and Cheapest

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Bargains in Fancy Work Boxes, Bargains in Writing Desks, Bargains in Photograph Albums, Bargains in Autograph Albums, Bargains in Plush Dressing Cases, Bargains in Fine Wax Dolls, Bargains in the Newest Toys, Bargains in Choicest Fancy Goods, Bargains in all kinds of Books, Bargains in the Richest Stationery, Bargains in Everything.

OUR FIVE CENT TABLE

5 CENTS. 5 CENTS. 5 CENTS. 5 CENTS.

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Exhibits a quantity of Goods some of which formerly sold at one dollar. We make this departure in order to convince our numerous patrons that we are selling

CHEAPER THAN EVER.

As to the superiority and cheapness of our

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We need not say anything. All who have seen them admit that they are the best, and much lower priced than any in the city.

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89 Queen Street, Queen Square.

Ch'town, Nov. 20, 1883.

Citizens' Skating Rink.

SEASON 1883-4.

THE DIRECTORS have much pleasure in announcing the

OPENING OF THE RINK,

—ON—

Monday, December 17th,

(ICE PERMITTING).

The Band, under the management of Mr. John Worth, will be in attendance.

The new brass instruments, imported expressly for the Rink, will be used.

Tickets for sale at the Apothecaries Hall at the following prices:

Gentlemen's.....\$5.00

Lady's.....3.50

Promenade.....1.00

Afternoon Skating (Boy's).....2.50

(Girl's).....2.00

Single Tickets, all times.....25

Single Tickets, to Promenade.....10

By order,

W. W. STANLEY, Secretary, Ch'town, Dec. 12, '83.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

CHRISTMAS CARDS

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S. T. NELMES,

Standard Bookstore,

Ch'town, Nov. 1, 1883.—cod

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500 LOOKING GLASSES, every variety and price, from 6x8 to 24x60. New Plates for old frames.

FANCY GOODS, in every variety, viz:—Brackets, Music Stands, Easels, and Canterbury, Fire Screens and Tables (combined), Flower Stands and Light Stands, Folding Chairs and Rocking Chairs, Chess Table and Ladies' Work Table (something new), Smokers' Stands, Parlor Stools, etc., etc.

Two very fine BAGETTELE BOARDS.

FRAMED CHROMOS.

MANTLE MIRRORS (new patterns).

Upholstering Department,

Under the management of MR. DREW, a veteran in the trade.

We have just received our Fall and Winter Stock of Goods, comprising forty-five different pieces of Furniture Coverings, Gamp and Buttons to match, Heavies Tickings, Hair Cloth, imitation of Leather, etc., etc. In this department to give satisfaction, as our stock was purchased in the cheapest markets and marked accordingly.

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Every variety of Spring Beds, Dominion Wire Mattresses, best in the market, every bed warranted, price \$5.00.

We have now on hand (and are manufacturing daily) a large and varied stock of Household Furniture, comprising many new and beautiful designs. Particular attention given to ordered work.

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Dec. 1, 1883.—3w

FOR SALE.

THE Church Property, corner of Prince and Euston Streets, consisting of Church and Dwelling House, with Land. Terms may be known on application to the undersigned.

D. McNEILL, Body of Trustees

Ch'town, Nov. 1, 1883.