

Reassuring Statistics.

DUN WIMAN & Co. report that the business failures in Canada exhibit a very marked and gratifying falling off. The number of failures and the amount of liabilities for the first six months of 1879 were 1,007 failures, with \$17,425,953 liabilities. But for the first six months of 1880 the failures have been only 649, and the liabilities only \$5,660,848. Of these six months it appears that in the last quarter there were only 146 failures, with the liabilities amounting to \$344,571. These statistics will be very reassuring to the business community.

Pay Your Taxes Promptly, and Save Two-and-a-half Per Cent.

CITIZENS would do well to remember that if they call upon the City Clerk, and pay their taxes now or any time previous to the twelfth day of August next, they will save a discount of two and a half per cent. They would also do well to remember that on every hundred dollars they pay in to reduce the city's overdraft at the bank they save eight dollars interest to the corporation. So that by paying promptly they save in two ways. As private individuals they lessen their yearly expenditures, and as members of the corporation they lessen the annual expenditures of the city. The lesson of economy has, we trust, been well learned of the recent "hard times." At any rate those who pay their taxes promptly will economize both for themselves and the community; and besides they will demonstrate that they are thrifty men and good citizens.

The Licensing Board.

OUR reporter called upon the Clerk of the Licensing Board this morning for the names of those who, at the meeting last evening, were granted licenses to sell spirituous liquors—and was refused. As the Clerk has, heretofore, invariably afforded any information for the public (respecting the actions of the Board) that we desired of him, we infer that, on this occasion, he has received special instructions—either from the Board or the licensees—to withhold the truth. If this be so, either the Board, knowing they have done wrong, have been overcome with the shame of conscious guilt, or those who have obtained licenses, feeling that their occupation is scarcely reputable, do not care for a free advertisement. Will the chairman of the Board please explain? We learn that the number of licenses issued was thirty-seven, or one to about every three hundred of the whole population.

High Prices.

PRICES, in general, are much lower in this Island than they have been. A merchant in high standing informs us that imported goods are now sold to our people at rates, on the average, at least twenty per cent. lower than they were in 1872, and other years previous to Confederation. But we repeatedly hear complaints of overcharges on the part of hotel-keepers, livery-stable keepers, and others who do business for the travelling public. The case of Messrs. Connolly and Eason, in which the latter was charged \$20 for driving about a mile, and using a carriage and pair about two hours, is a case in point. True, "Princess Prices" prevailed. But, even so, the charge cannot be better characterized than as an attempt at "gouging." It is a great pity that persons who visit the Island should carry abroad the impression that those who cater for the public are not above taking undue advantage of strangers. This is, undoubtedly, the best summer resort in Canada. It is the "gem of the Northern Seas." Here the breezes blow pure and cool, and every prospect pleases. And if tourists are prevented from coming here by the fear of being fleeced, the Island and the tourists will both suffer incalculable loss. In no part of America should the prices of those things which strangers need, be cheaper than here; for here, we ourselves produce, at first hand, nearly everything they require in abundance.

Smuggling.

THE Customs officials of Prince County are making things somewhat lively for smugglers in that part of the Island. The schooners "Break of Day" and "Bay Queen" have been seized for alleged violations of the Revenue Law—the former at Casampec and the latter at Richmond Bay. A quantity of loaf sugar, tobacco, cigars, liquors, etc., were found under the cabin floor of the "Break of Day" after she was seized. Returned egg cases from St. Pierre have also been used in the clandestine landing of such goods as enumerated above, from said vessel. It is said that enquiries are being made for other coasting and trading crafts. It is to be hoped that the Law will be rigidly enforced against the parties concerned in this affair. The honest trade should be protected at any cost.

BATHING.

OUR shores are daily lined with bathers. A public bathing house in a convenient place, offering cheap rates, ought to pay well. We see that such an institution has been established in Halifax, or rather Dartmouth. Who will establish one here?

The Advance in Sweets.

MOLASSES and sugar have advanced all over the world in the past few days. It is now known that the molasses crop in Barbadoes is short and nearly all exhausted. Cable advice quotes the last sales of Barbadoes in England at four cents advance from the lowest point. Stocks in Boston are about 2,000 casks short of the quantity held at this time last year. Montreal is also short in stocks, and the same is true of Halifax, which has been shipping freely to Quebec and St. John. Here the market is rather bare, stocks being extremely light for this time of year. Large lots changed hands last week at three cents advance. Barbadoes is now firm and little offering at 48 to 50c. Sugars are advancing in sympathy. Cable advices say the advance in refined in England is 1s. to 2s., according to quality. Considerable quantities of Scotch have changed hands in our city in the last few days. It can now be quoted at a quarter cent per lb. advance over the prices of a week ago, and held firm. The sugar beet would now be in order.

"Observant farmers and gardeners have found that embanking potato plants, or "hilling" them, as well as some other hoed crops, decreases the product; and in agricultural discussions and in periodicals we frequently see the loss ascribed to the falling rains being turned away from the roots of the plants, on the supposition that the roots never extend more than a few inches from the base of the stems. The mistaken notion is easily disproved by examining the soil between the rows with a trowel, when the small branching fibres will be found to meet between the rows and extend over the whole surface, even before the tubers have set or grown to any size. The plants grow best and give the largest tubers by leaving the soil even and level, and not by denuding the roots between the hills, and piling the soil to an unnatural depth against the plants."

The above paragraph is clipped from the *Country Gentleman*. As hilling potatoes is the practice general throughout this Island, it would be well for our farmers to experiment a little and see whether or not they are following the best method. Certainly the potato plants look better when hilled up in the row; but if hilled potatoes do not yield so well, then beauty should, in this case, be sacrificed to utility.

A Woman's Desire for Liquor.

The danger of tampering with liquor was recently exemplified in the case of Mrs. Maria L. Judson, a young woman with an unusually intelligent face and a ladylike manner. She was recently arraigned in New York on a charge of being drunk and disorderly in a street car. She was born of wealthy and respectable parents. She received a good education, and at the age of eighteen was married to a man named Judson, who is in the wholesale liquor business in Connecticut, and who is said to be worth from \$200,000 to \$300,000. For about eight years the couple lived happily together. The wife then began to acquire a taste for spirituous liquors. Efforts were made by her husband to save her from the fate which threatened their happiness, but he failed; the result was their separation. A divorce was secured subsequently by the husband, who, however, kept himself informed of his wife's mode of living. Finding that she was leading a sober life, and through the perseverance of friends, he had the decree of divorce set aside, and was re-married to his wife. It was only for a time, however, and her fall the second time was even greater than the first. Again her husband deserted her, taking with his boy, twelve years of age, and proceedings are now pending on his behalf to secure another divorce. Mrs. Judson was sent to Blackwell's Island for six months.

The Drama.

AFTER "Hamlet," "Rosendale," (which was played last night), seemed just a little flat, notwithstanding the fine acting of the leading characters. To meet the desires of influential citizens and the public at large, the Company will play "Hamlet" again this evening. This will give those who have not yet witnessed a rendition of this splendid play, an opportunity of doing so.

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

WEDNESDAY..... JULY 21, 1880
SUN RISES..... 4.35 HIGH WATER 10.17a.m
SUN SETS..... 7.37 FULL MOON 21, 4, 49.6m

Weather Bulletin.

Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces.

TORONTO, July 20—10 a. m.

South-easterly to south-westerly winds, increasing cloudiness, followed by rain to-night or to-morrow morning.

Supreme Court—King's County.

GEORGETOWN, July 20.

The Supreme Court opened here to-day, Judge Hensley presiding. The following gentlemen compose the Grand Jury: Michael Hession, Georgetown, foreman; Patrick McEachern, Savage Harbor; R. N. Cox, Morell; Joseph Doyle, Scuris; Cartney McLure, Murray Harbor; Edward Webster, Marie; Daniel McDonald, New Perth; Angus McLean, Georgetown; David McLure, Murray Harbor North; Donald Stewart, East Point; Ronald McAnlay, Norris Pond; George Robertson, Fortune Road; William S. Easton, Georgetown; Allan McDonald, Little Pond; John Hughes, Morell; Allan McDonald, Montague; Daniel McKee, Rollo Bay; Ronald McDonald, St. Peter's Lake; Hugh McVarish, Souris Line Road; James Stewart, South Lake; John Nichol, Grand River. There are no criminal cases. Fifteen civil cases and four appeals comprise the docket.

Eugenie in Zululand.

The *Gaulois* gives some interesting particulars respecting the visit of the Empress Eugenie to the place where her son was killed. Leaving Helize on the 1st inst, the Empress expressed a wish to ascend the hill where the ambulance stopped to take up the remains of her son. Thence she proceeded on foot into the valley towards the donga where the body was found, following precisely the same track as the officers who went in search of the corpse. The road was stony and rough, but in spite of all remonstrances from her attendants, the Empress persisted in her intention. In the distance gleamed the white monument, thrown into sharp relief by the dark background, but it only seemed to catch the eye of the Empress when she got to the bank of the donga. Then she lifted her hands as in supplication towards heaven, the tears poured over her cheeks, worn with sorrow and vigils; she spoke no word and uttered no cry, but sank slowly on her knees. A French priest repeated the prayers for the dead, and the servant Lomas, who had been an eye-witness, went through the sad story of what had happened last year. The tents were pitched in the valley, and the Empress stayed there two days. On the following day she went to Fort Napoleon, and thence to Rorke's Drift, and on the 8th day visited the field of Isandula, and prayed there with the Englishwomen who had come there to mourn their husbands and brothers.

THE HALIFAX SUGAR REFINERY.—The Directors of the Halifax Sugar Refinery have decided on issuing \$100,000 more stock, in addition to the original amount of \$300,000. Four calls have already been paid up, leaving a balance of 25 per cent., which is payable in August. The additional stock will probably be taken up by the present shareholders.

Special Notices.

You can get Carters, Toirays, Stephens, and the new French copying inks at cheap rates at G. Herbert Haszard's, 18 Queen St.

HYDE'S CELEBRATED CHEESE at the "Family Grocery," j 16

PARTIES who require first class stationery, printed or stamped with die, crest or monogram, can be supplied with any quantity, no matter how large or small the order may be, by applying to G. H. HASZARD, 18 Queen St.

JUST RECEIVED.—A large supply of foreign and other note paper, also envelopes, at the Agricultural Store.—R. MAY.—j 15 3i

EVERYBODY stocks to Rubin & Hart's for good cigars and tobaccos.

GRENADES at 10 cents and 12 cents at the London House. j 29

GOLD FLAKE tobacco at Rubin & Hart's.

FRESH TOMATOES, Apples, Lemons and Cheese, just received at GEORGE CARTER'S, 68 Great George Street. j 14 21 w f

ISLAND STRAWBERRIES and Cream at W. F. Carter's Confectionery, Upper Queen Street. j 29 3w

FLOUR—200 bbls. White Buns, and 100 bbls. Otter Creek, just received at BEER & GORP'S. j 23

FOR fresh, pure air and clean surroundings go the Franklin.

SUN UMBRELLAS very cheap, at the London House. j 29

PINAFORE cigars at Rubin & Hart's.

THE country looks splendid—the Franklin is surrounded by Green Fields, with a shady grove in front.

SMOKE Durham, N. C., tobacco, from Rubin & Hart's.

SMOKE cheroots, from Rubin & Hart's.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

REVERE HOUSE.

July 19.—Thomas H Bickell, Quebec; W M Rayden, Weybridge; J A Whelpley, Greenwich, N B; Prof. Zera, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs E Sears, Boston, Mass. July 20.—H J Daniels, Hamilton.

ROCKLIN HOUSE.

July 19.—Hon John Lefurgy, Summerside; William Simmons, Bay Fortune; William McLaughlin, Souris; James Robison, Bonshaw; James McLeod, Cavendish; Dr McLeery, and daughter, Summerside; John McLeod, Orwell, J P Cook, Victoria; John Goodwin, Bay Verte; Walter McWade, do; Edmund Doane, Halifax.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

St. John's, N'hd, July 15.—Arrived schr Charlie, from P. E. Island.

Barbadoes, June 22.—Arrived Kitty Clyde, from Charlottetown.

Delaware Breakwater, July 15.—Arrived barque M J Foley, from Trinidad.

Liverpool, July 5.—Sailed, Hildred, for Pictou.

DIED.

At Brudenell, Lot 52, on the 30th of May, of heart disease, Emma M. Richards, the beloved wife of Alexander D. Robertson, and fifth daughter of Mr. Thomas P. Richards of Dundas, in the 37th year of her age, leaving a husband and four small children, besides a large circle of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

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QUEEN STREET, CHARLOTTETOWN.

Just Received!

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF Ladies' Hose, Fancy Hose, Colored Hose, White Hose, VERY CHEAP.

New Printed Cottons, Fancy Prints, Pompadour Prints, Spot Pompadour.

NEW CURTAIN LACE, 14 cts. Per Yard and Upward.

THE BALANCE

Summer Stock of DRESS GOODS

WILL BE SOLD OUT

At a General Reduction.

MILLINERY GOODS

AT A SACRIFICE.

GIVE US A CALL.

TREMAINE & METCALF,

83 QUEEN STREET. Ch'town, July 10, 1880.

THEATRE.

MARKET HALL.

By desire of numerous influential Citizens the Company will remain ONE NIGHT MORE.

This Tuesday Ev'ng, July 20,

Upon which occasion will be produced, by request, Shakespeare's sublime Tragedy of

HAMLET!

PRINCE OF DENMARK.

HAMLET. MR. E. T. STETSON, AND COMPANY IN FULL CASTE. July 20, 1880.

Lumber. Lumber.

I WILL Sell by AUCTION, on FRIDAY NEXT, 23rd inst., at 6 o'clock, p. m., on Pownal Wharf,—

23,000 feet Spruce Deal, 8,000 " Scantling, 8,000 " 2 inch Pine, Dry No. 1, 7,500 " 1 1/2 inch " " " 4,000 " Spruce Boards, 2,500 " Dry Pine Boards No. 1, 25,000 " Pine Boards, Ec Wild Brier.

—ALSO—

2,400 pieces Fencing, 2,000 feet Spruce Boards, 3,000 feet Deal, 800 feet Hardwood Plank, Ec Maria Emma.

W. D. STEWART,

July 20, 1880—3i tu th f Auctioneer.

BUILDING LOTS.

PARTIES wanting to purchase Building Lots in Victoria, Lot 29, will please apply to

DONALD PALMER, Esq., or

MRS. HENRY HARDAY,

July 20, 1880—oaw Summerside.

MANILLA ROPE!

Manufacturers' Prices.

Orders Solicited. All Sizes in Stock

CARVELL BROS.

Ch'town, July 16, '80—2m 2aw, pat 2m 1aw

BRICKS.

GOOD HARD BRICKS for sale at the Brick and Pottery Works in the

Royalty. FRED. W. HYNDMAN.

July 15, '80—2w

POWNAL WHARF.

THE CITY OF CHARLOTTETOWN, CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, July 8, 1880.

TO be Sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, at POWNAL WHARF, in Charlottetown, on THURSDAY, the 22nd JULY instant, A. D. 1880, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, the LEASE OF POWNAL WHARF for a period of FIVE YEARS, subject to such conditions as will be submitted on the day of Sale.

By order,

WM. B. MORRISON,

[ju 8, '80]—pat h till 21st City Clerk.

HOUSE TO LET.

ONE-HALF of that three-story BRICK HOUSE, situated on Upper Queen Street, containing nine rooms; at present occupied by the Rev. Alfred Osborne; with coach house and stable, and pump in the yard.

ALEXANDER HORNE.

July 3, 1880—2aw.

Wants, Lost, Found, &c.

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

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A good COOK. Apply at this Office. [ju 15 ood

WANTED—A COOK in a private gentleman's family. Must be well recommended. Wages \$7 per month. Apply at this office. [ju 3

LOST—Between the Athenaeum and Union Bank, a \$20 note. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at this office. [ju 3

TO LET—That new three-story House on Grafton Street, opposite the Athenaeum, containing six large rooms. Possession given 1st July. Rent moderate. Apply on the premises. [j 17, 2aw tf

PERSONS wishing to get Plain Sewing or Fancy work done immediately, and to order, can have the same by applying at Mrs. J. R. MCKENZIE'S King Square, next door to the residence of Mark Butcher, Esq. [j 16

Apartments to Let, on Euston street, near Great George street. Apply to PATRICK SHERRIFF, Fitzroy street. [j 14 tf.

BOARDERS.—Two or three persons can be accommodated with Board and three Furnished Rooms in a pleasant part of the city. Enquire at the EXAMINER office. June 10

WAGSTAFF'S HOTEL, Pownal Street, continues to receive transient and permanent Boarders. [j 11