

Local and Other Items.

No paper to-morrow—Christmas Day.

CHRISTMAS, 1860, was remarkable for intense cold.

The brig "L. J. Westaway" arrived at Cardiff on 23rd Dec.

We regret to learn that Dr. Conroy is confined to his house by illness.

Messrs. BREMNER BROS. are illuminating their place of business this Christmas Eve.

A FULL DRESS parade of Major Morris' Battery of Artillery will take place this evening at 7.30.

CHRISTMAS Day was also the birthday of Sir Isaac Newton—one of the world's greatest men.

Nothing definite has been received regarding the "Northern Light," but it is supposed she left Picton at noon.

The brig "Quango," W. H. Barnard, master, arrived at Demerara on the 23rd inst., with deck load in good order, and all well.

Hon. MR. GAVIN, of Alberton, and other prominent gentlemen, residing out of town, attended the Christmas Examinations on Tuesday.

I. O. O. F.—Regular Convocation of Port la Joie Encampment, for election of officers, will be held at Oddfellows Hall this evening, at 8 o'clock.

St. JAMES' CHURCH.—The congregation and Sabbath School are respectfully reminded of the public service to-morrow morning, at 11 o'clock.

At the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court this forenoon, Dennis Doyle was fined \$2 and costs or 8 days for being drunk and disorderly. Mary Deering, in charge of police for safe keeping, will be sent to the Poor House.

Mr. YOUNG, assisted by his interesting class of juvenile performers, will give one of his popular entertainments in the Athenaeum on Monday evening next. This concert will be well worthy of patronage.

DIED AT SEA.—Captain Fleming, of the brig "Black Swan," which arrived at Vineyard Haven from Miragoane on the 17th inst., reports that, on the 16th November, Joseph L. C. Kerr, a seaman of P. E. Island died of heart disease.

MASONIC.—The regular monthly communication of Victoria Lodge, F. & A. M., takes place in Masonic Hall on Wednesday, 24th inst., at 8 p. m., sharp. Election of officers and other business.—d23 tu w

MR. JOSEPH MURPHY, of Southport, lost a valuable horse at 8 o'clock on Tuesday evening. While passing through the dock at Steam Navigation wharf the horse broke through and was drowned before he could be released. The horse was valued at \$150.

"JOHN BARLEY-CORN" appeared to have supreme control over a large number of people on Tuesday evening. Disorderly driving and zig-zag pedestrianism prevailed to a great extent. Several persons were run over on the streets.

The barque "Devenport," owned by McDonald & Westaway, and the brig "Fanny," are completing their cargoes of produce for the European market at Georgetown. A top-sail schooner, loaded with potatoes for New York by Messrs. O. Connolly & Co, is still at Georgetown.

It gives us great pleasure to rectify a misstatement which appeared in our issue of yesterday. Arch'd Kennedy, Esq., of the City School Board, was present at the examination of the West Kent street and Prince street Schools. In fact, we are informed that he was one of the first to arrive at West Kent street School.

We direct attention to the advertisement in another column of the entertainment by the Methodist Sabbath School on Friday evening in the basement of the Church. The entertainments given by this school in past years have been of a very pleasing character, and have drawn crowded audiences. The admission fee has been placed at ten cents, so all may avail themselves of the opportunity of enjoying a really pleasant evening.

A LITERARY TREAT.—A very excellent lecture was delivered by Robert Shaw, Esq., as advertised, last evening, at St. James' Church Lecture Room (old Kirk building). Subject, "Christmas,"—a very appropriate theme for this season of the year. The learned lecturer reviewed the history of this joyous festival from the Birth of Christ at Bethlehem—pointing out in eloquent language the different modes by which it has been celebrated in different countries and nationalities. He closed his very excellent address by an admirable peroration on the welcome which annually greets old Father Christmas among the high and low, rich and poor of all classes.

ROBBERY.—The robbery of the Bonded Warehouse on Peake's No. 1 wharf was reported to the police at 9 o'clock on Tuesday night. They went to the warehouse, and found that it had been entered by bursting a lock from the main entrance, and that a quantity of goods had been taken. The goods, which consisted of locks and keys, tobacco, cloth, etc., were found under a canvas sail which covered a quantity of salt on the wharf. They were returned to the warehouse. The police then saw persons on board the schooner "Rustic," which lies a short distance from the wharf. The Marshal gave orders to search the schr., and as they proceeded to do so, Mr. Hugh Monaghan came from the schooner with his son, a boy about fourteen years of age. At the same time two boys named John McDonald and Edward O'Neill, escaped from the schooner to the city. They were arrested by the Marshal. On Wednesday morning young Monaghan was examined by the Stipendiary Magistrate. He was present at the robbery. O'Neill and McDonald were not. Monaghan informed the Court how the robbery was effected. The thieves will be arrested and probably examined on Friday morning. McDonald and O'Neill were remanded for vagrancy, and Monaghan gave bail for his appearance as a witness.

At this most festive season, when every one is engaged in trying to please, when stores are ransacked for their prettiest treasures and their cheapest stock, in order to make Christmas as joyous as in Olden Times, we are offering our quota to this end. Our Christmas Cards are of the most varied character, and indicate, by the way in which they go off, that the 25th will soon be here.

We take this opportunity to place other goods of a more useful and not less pleasing nature, before our friends. Our reductions in Mantle Cloths, Dress Materials, Fur Goods, &c., must be very opportune when "everybody is presenting everybody else" with something—a sacque, a dress, or a muff. We have on hand a large and very attractive stock which will, we have no doubt, meet the requirements and the approbation of the Christmas loving public.

The good cheer which Christmas is said to bring is not to be found in the dregs of the wassail bowl, or in a pint of brandy punch, but in the good warm clothing which a benevolent public are bestowing on the poor. It is in trying to please others we enjoy the greatest pleasure, and any one engaged in the work of "giving to the poor" or to their own people, cannot do better than give a call at 83, where, in so large a stock, every one must find the very article they require, and that at a very low price.

Gentlemen will find it the best economy to come to us for Overcoats and Ulsters, of which we have a few left. In our attempt to place a good Overcoat at a small price, we have succeeded—every article sold having given complete satisfaction. We have just got in new Linders and Drawers at prices to suit the times.

The Ladies will find at 83, a good assortment of Fancy Wool Work, at very moderate prices. Yarns, &c., very low. Also, a splendid lot of Chenille in various shades, which is much admired an extensively worn. Householders will find at 83 a Tea to suit any taste. Our prices will show the varied kinds. We can give an excellent Tea for 32c., 36., 40c., and 48c. per lb. These prices are very low, when it is remembered that Tea has advanced 4d. and 5d. stg., per lb.

TREMAINE & METCALF,
SUCCESSORS TO
JAMES DESBRISAY,
83, Queen Street.

Ch'town, Dec. 17, 1879.

NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

Special dispatch to Examiner.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The defences of Shirpur Cantonment are completed.

The enemy occupies the heights and does not descend into the plains, which are patrolled by our cavalry. Gen. Roberts was waiting for the arrival of Gough, to make an attack. Our loss on the 14th was twenty-eight killed and ninety-nine wounded, of whom eight have since died. The enemy's loss was very heavy. On the 19th the British lost nineteen wounded, and Major Cook, who had obtained the Victoria Cross for gallantry, died of wounds received in a previous engagement.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

It is believed that nearly all the passengers and crew of the *Borussia* have perished. The *Times* acknowledges that the Sheffield election is a legitimate liberal victory.

OTTAWA, Dec. 23.

A deputation, comprising 44 delegates from the municipalities along the route of the proposed Trout River Canal Works, waited on the Minister of Railways to-day. Sir John McDonald and Hon. Messrs. Masson and Bowell advocated the scheme. The replies of the Ministers were rather favorable.

Financial.

The following are the selling rates for Exchange at the Agency of the Merchants Bank of Halifax:—

London—sight.....	97 per cent. prem.
" 60 days.....	9 per cent. "
New York—cheque.....	1 per cent. "
Boston—cheque.....	1 per cent. "
Montreal, Toronto, etc.....	1 per cent. "
Halifax.....	1 per cent. "
St. John, N. B.....	1 per cent. "
St. John's, Nfld.....	2 per cent. "

Special Notices.

WANTED.—At the Family Grocery "Santa Claus" is wanted to get his stock of Apples, Nuts, Figs, Dates, Sweetie Hearts, Busters, Zulu Bars, Butter Taffy, Watches, &c. d22

VERY HANDSOME Gold and Silver Watches, just the thing for Xmas presents, at E. W. TAYLOR'S.

OUR Christmas cards need no puffing, call and see for yourselves. The largest and best variety of Christmas, New Year and Birthday Cards ever imported in this city, at Lewis', Upper Great George Street.—[dec 4, eod tf]

A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT of all kinds of Jewelry for Christmas presents, at E. W. TAYLOR'S.

POUND & FRUIT CAKE at BEER & GOFF'S. d6, 2w

Nova Scotia Shad and Boston Hams, at FISH STORE.

DATES, Figs, Oranges, Lemons, Grapes and Nuts, at BEER & GOFF'S. d6, 2w

CLARK'S DIAMOND DUST POLISH.—Unrivalled for cleaning Gold, Silver and Nickel ware. Enquire for it.

HONEY 20c. at Beer & Goff's.

GET your Christmas and New Year's Toys at the Agricultural Store. They are the cheapest in the city.—ROBERT MAY. d16 6i

MISCE MEAT, 20 cents per lb, at BEER & GOFF'S. d17

Another lot of Acme Club Skates just received; a few pairs of Silver-Plated.—W. E. DAWSON & Co.

GET your Christmas supplies at BEER & GOFF'S. d17

THE cheapest place to get your mottoes framed is at G. H. Cook's, over Apothecaries Hall.—[dec 13, 1w]

CALL and see the Vases that are being sold at half-price. Vases marked \$2.60, selling at \$1.10, and Toilet Sets and Vases accordingly at the Agricultural Store.—ROBERT MAY. d13 3i

HEADQUARTERS for useful Toys, &c., at wholesale prices at T. NELMS' (Mr. Robert Young's old stand.)

Frames & Sashes

1 set second-hand Doors and Windows, with inside casings and Mantles, out of a house 24x36. Will sell the lot cheap.

1 suit new Sashes, and 6 Frames and Sashes, 12 lights, 10x12. H. COOMBS.

ABOUT 4 TONS IRON still remaining on hand. Will be sold cheap. H. COOMBS.

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GAS FITTINGS.

6 fancy Chandeliers, in gilt, 12 single and double Bracket Burners, 1 Gas Stand, with rubber tube attached, Lot of Gas Pipe, lot of 2 in. Lead Pipe, 1 Safe, lot of New Lamps to fit on gas burners.

H. COOMBS.

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SUNDRIES.

Cross-cut Saws, Musical Boxes, Plaster Paris, Clapboards, Broadcloth, Hoop Iron, Out Tubs, Meat Barrels, 1 ship's Medicine Chest, 1 fancy Work Bench, 1 Gun Case, Lot Mahogany Doors, second-hand, Hose and Lead Pipe, 1 Wench, 1 Mahogany Desk, Lot of 7 inch Stovepipe, Stove Drums, 4 Chimney Tops, for smokey chimneys, at half price.

H. COOMBS.

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BUY THE DAILY EXAMINER, for the latest news—local and telegraphic.

LONDON

HOUSE.

DECEMBER.

G. DAVIES & CO.,

Desire to call special attention, during this month to the following low lines of Goods:

A Lot of ENGLISH BLANKETS, at \$1.75, \$2.50 and \$3.50

A Lot of QUILTED BED COVERS, \$1.25, \$1.75, and \$2.00

A Lot of BOYS' REEFERS at \$2.00

A Lot of Womens Grey Ribbed HOSE, at 22 cents.

A Special Line of Plain and Fancy

WINCEYS,
(Stripes and Tartans.)

A Large Assortment of Mens' Women's and Children's

Fur Goods

A choice lot of

Wool Goods,

Promenade Scarfs, Squares, BREAKFAST SHAWLS, &c. &c., &c.

Also—Just Received by S. S. "Prince Edward,"

NEW FRILLINGS, FRINGES, LACES, RIBBONS,

SPOTTED NETS, BERLIN WOOLS, LADIES RIBBED CASHMERE HOSE.

A Fresh Supply of Kerr's Celebrated

N. M. T. SEWING COTTON.

TERMS CASH.

Geo. Davies & Co.

Dec. 3, 1879.

COAL. COAL.

FOR SALE, at the Gas Works, a quantity of Round Lingan Coal. This Coal gives a great heat, and being almost free from sulphur, is suitable for either grates or cooking stoves. Dec. 17, '79—1w

RAISINS,

CURRENTS, Citron Peel Essences, pure Spices, Pastry Flour, etc., at

BEER & GOFF'S.

Dec. 17, '79.

Sugar & Molasses.

A few puns, choice MOLASSES, " " bbls brown SUGAR, Cheap for cash or approved paper.

H. COOMBS.

dec. 17, '79.

Bones. Bones.

THE undersigned will pay fifty cents Cash per cwt. for all bones delivered at the Bone Mill, in the Royalty. No quantity less than one cwt. (112 lbs) taken.

FRED. W. HYNDMAN, Agent.

Ch'town, Dec. 1, 1879—pat 2w

CHOICE LABRADOR HERRING.

25 bbls. No 1 LABRADOR, 25 " HALIFAX SHORE, Just received at the

FISH MARKET,

Dec. 1, 1879—

Grafton Street

MAIL NOTICE.

MAILS for Great Britain will close every WEDNESDAY afternoon at 4.30 o'clock; also, fortnightly, on SATURDAY afternoon at same hour, on and after the 20th instant.

For the other Provinces, and for the United States of America, will close daily at 4.30 p. m., and be forwarded to Georgetown by special train, leaving every evening to connect with the steamer *Northern Light*. This train will also take a mail to Georgetown.

For the regular train going east, will close daily at 2 o'clock P. M.

For the Postal Car going west, will close daily at 7.30 A.M.

Post Office will now close at 8 o'clock, p. m., and will only open after that hour when a foreign mail is received in time for delivery same night.

A. A. MACDONALD, Postmaster.

Post Office Charlottetown, } Dec. 19th, 1879.

Mortgage Sale.

TO be Sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Court House in Charlottetown, in Queen's County, in Prince Edward Island, on Wednesday, the Third day of March Next, 1880, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, by Virtue of a Power of Sale in an Indenture of Mortgage dated the eighth day of May, 1873, and made between Alexander Martin, of the one part, and Edward Jarvis Hodgson, of the other part,—

ALL that tract, piece and parcel of land situate, lying and being on Township number Sixty-two, in Queen's County, in the said Island, and bounded and described as follows, that is to say: Commencing at a stake fixed at the edge of the Creek making John Nicholson's southern boundary line and running from thence due east fifteen chains, fifty links; thence south three degrees east thirty; four chains; thence west ten degrees north sixteen chains and fifty links; thence west fifteen degrees north to the edge of the dry land; thence following the courses of the dry land along the inner edge of the marsh northerly and easterly to the place of commencement, containing eighty-seven and a half acres of land, a little more or less, together with the appurtenances thereto belonging. For further particulars apply at the office of Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod, Solicitors, Charlottetown.

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Dated the 3rd day of December, 1879. EDWARD J. HODGSON, Mortgagee.

Dec. 3, oaw till sale, wed

Wants. Lost, Found, &c.

LOST.—A Small GOLD BROOCH, between King's Square and E. St. Paul's Church. A suitable reward will be given on its being left at this office.—d 24 2i

LOST.—By the subscriber, a letter addressed either to "Messrs. Hertz & Son," or "Richard Hertz, Esq." Any one leaving it at the ROCKLIN HOUSE will be suitably rewarded.—A. E. C. HOLLAND. d183i

NEW COTTAGE TO LET.—Kitchen and sitting-room below, and three bedrooms above stairs. A large piece of ground attached. Pleasant and healthy situation for a small family. Well suited for a Market Gardener or Laundress. Enquire at the residence of Chief Justice PALMER.—d6 m & w

A Fine Cabinet Organ.—(Smith maker) which cost \$130.00, will be sold for sixty dollars, less than half. Apply at this office. [n10]

TO LET.—And immediate possession given, 2 tenement houses, 8 rooms in each, thoroughly fitted up, banked and outside windows on, all ready to occupy. Rent low to good and careful tenants; none other need apply. Apply to the owner, RICHARD WEEKS, Head Hillsborough Street, Ch'town. [n 14, eod]

FOR SALE.—A first-class YOUNG F MARE, 3 years old, sired by Imported Blood Horse "Abel," stands 15 hands, good style and quite gentle in harness. Will be sold cheap and on easy terms. Apply at this office. [n. 1, tf]