

THE SLOW POISONING CASE.

Arrival of Mrs. R. T. Weeks.

BEGINNING OF THE INVESTIGATION.

MARSHAL CAMERON left St. John yesterday morning with his prisoner, Mrs. R. T. Weeks, in charge, and crossed the Capes this forenoon, arriving in this city without incident on the way, shortly after noon today. They left the train at the Junction and were driven thence in a sleigh to the police station.

Mrs. Weeks was, after her arrival, closeted at the station for some time with her counsel, Mr. Fred. Peters.

The investigation began at the City Court Room at three o'clock this afternoon, before His Honor the Stipendiary Magistrate.

The interest of the public in the case was shown by the large crowd that assembled around the Courtroom long before the hour set down for the examination.

Mrs. Weeks was attended by her brother, Mr. Frank McLeod. She is pale and evidently still weak as a result of her illness. Mr. Fred. Peters appeared as her counsel, the Attorney General and Mr. Malcolm McLeod, Q. C., for the Crown, and Mr. E. J. Hodgson to watch the case on behalf of Mr. J. M. Sutherland.

The Clerk of the Court read the complaint, which we quote from the warrant for arrest as follows:—

Whereas information hath this day been laid in the said City Police Court in Charlottetown before the undersigned the Stipendiary Magistrate for the said City of Charlottetown wherein Georgina Weeks, widow of the late Robert T. Weeks, of Charlottetown in the said Province, is charged upon oath for that she the said Georgina Weeks, on or about the twentieth day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety at Charlottetown, aforesaid, in the said Province, feloniously did, unlawfully and maliciously cause to be administered to one Isabella Jane Sutherland, wife of James M. Sutherland, of Charlottetown, aforesaid, a certain poison called arsenic, so as thereby then to endanger the life of the said Isabella Jane Sutherland contrary to the statute in such case made and provided.

Mr. Peters thereupon offered bail for the appearance of the prisoner on the day after to-morrow—setting forth that she had just returned from a tiresome journey, that she had had little time to confer with her, and that she had but recently recovered from an illness, and required rest.

The Attorney-General said that the question of accepting bail in such a case was one to be considered and decided by the Magistrate. He would not interfere.

The Magistrate replied that his decision would depend greatly upon the nature of the evidence to be adduced by the Crown. He would, under the circumstances, accept bail if the Crown raised no objection.

The Attorney-General said that he would raise no objection—provided the sureties were good men and the amount of the security sufficient.

Mr. Peters said that Mr. J. D. McLeod and Mr. John J. Davies were prepared to go bail for the prisoner.

The Magistrate suggested that the amount should be \$1,500 each. The Attorney-General said that that would be sufficient.

The examination was then adjourned until Thursday next at 11 o'clock.

The Orchestral Concert.

MR. VINNICOMBE'S orchestral concert in Philharmonic Hall last evening was very creditable to all who were concerned in it. These were, besides Mr. Vinnicombe himself, Miss Lewis (piano), Mr. Fletcher and Mr. A. W. Mitchell (cornet), Mr. F. Smith (trombone), Messrs. Sharpe and Findlay (double bass), Miss Macdonald, Messrs. Harris, Gordon, Hyndman and Newson (violinists), and Mr. Johnson (flute). Rev. Fred. E. J. Lloyd and Mr. L. W. Watson assisted at the organ and piano. The orchestra, thus formed, was nicely balanced. We have not heard finer music than that produced in the overture "Massiniello," in "Sounds from Erin," and in the violin solo, "Meditation Religieuse," by Mr. Vinnicombe with accompaniments by members of the orchestra—though the perfection of the harmonies would have been better preserved at a few points if there had been more practice. Practice only is needed to make as perfect as need be the orchestra which Mr. Vinnicombe has formed.

Not the least interesting parts of the concert were the string quartette by the children, and the violin solo by Master James Hyndman—deservedly encored. As to the vocal music we need only say that Rev. Fred. E. J. Lloyd, Mrs. Malcolm McLeod, Professor Caven and Miss Kate Hyndman were the singers, to the end that readers of THE EXAMINER may know that it was of a very high order and greatly appreciated. We regret very much that Herr Hermann, the popular basso, was unable, by reason of indisposition, to be present. Apart from the lapse caused by Herr Hermann's absence, the concert was highly successful, reflecting credit upon Mr. Vinnicombe and his class.

METHODISM IN CANADA.—The Methodist Recorder says: Fifty years ago there were 15,000 members of our church in Canada. There are now 225,000, representing at least 900,000 adherents, or one-sixth of the Dominion population. The centenary of Canadian Methodism will be celebrated in 1891. A French Methodist institute has been established in Montreal at a cost of \$40,000. The opening meeting was presided over by Rev. Dr. Douglas. The appropriations for the new year made at the recent annual meeting of the Canadian Central Board of Missions amounted to \$210,482.

PULLED THE WRONG CORD.—The St. John Gazette says: A certain named Burns had a narrow escape from being frightened to death yesterday. He went up to the hook and ladder house on King street east with a load of coal. Going inside the building he hunted about for some time to find some one who could tell him where to dump the coal, but the place seemed deserted by all living beings and not a soul could be found. Seeing a cord hanging down by a post Burns thought perhaps it might be attached to some bell that would bring the unseen men to the front. He was rather timid about pulling it up, at last gave it a jerk. Being sent the gong, the stable doors flew open, and the horses galloped out to their place in front of the ladder truck and chief's wagon and the drivers were on hand just in time to see the astonished and frightened cartman flow under the ladder truck for safety.

M'Namara—LePage.

The Winnipeg Evening Press reports: Last evening, at the residence of Mrs. Lemuel LePage, 111 Garry street, two of Winnipeg's favorite and well-known young people were joined together in the bonds of matrimony. The contracting parties were Miss Constance L. LePage and Mr. Wm. B. McNamara. There was a large gathering of friends present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. L. Rutledge. The bride looked charming in an old rose brocade with natural flowers. Miss M. LePage was bridesmaid and Mr. H. Langelier her groomsman. After the marriage the young couple and their friends sat down to a repast where toasts were proposed and responded to. Among those who made brief and appropriate remarks were Mayor Pearson and Rev. W. L. Rutledge.

A Famous Brood Mare.

Among the trotting horse owners and breeders the sale of the entire Rosemeade stud of L. J. Rose, Los Angeles, Cal., is considered one of the most important of the year. It will be held in New York on March 5th, and includes twenty-nine colts and fillies from one to three years old, the Sultan stallion Alcazar, and all the brood mares on the farm except the famous queen Minnehaha. Mr. Rose is too much attached to the latter to sell her at any price, and well he may be. Minnehaha, who is a daughter of Stevens' Bald Chief and Nettie Clay, by Strader's Cassius M. Clay, jr., is now twenty-two years of age. She cost Mr. Rose but \$200, but her offspring have brought him a trifle over \$100,000 when sold in the open market.

The News in Short Metre.

The January fire loss last year in the United States was \$0, 808,700 against \$11,560,000 last year.

A modus vivendi will probably be arranged with France regarding the Newfoundland fisheries.

The governor of Formosa has been captured by the Chinese and beheaded with the remaining rebels.

The expediency of a penny postage for the whole British Empire and America is being considered in England.

The Straits of Macinae are blocked with ice, and a transfer steamer with sixty passengers on board is frozen in.

Heavy importations of Scotch potatoes have been made at Philadelphia since last fall. The quantity is estimated at 75,000 bushels.

A first-class machinist in Connecticut is said to be a pretty girl, Nellie Patterson, of Mount Carmel. She learned the trade thoroughly, and gets a man's wages.

Deacon Jackson, of Perry, Me., says that after he had cut the head from a fowl and thrown the body to the ground, it got up, walked ten feet, laid an egg, gave notice of the event by cackling, and then died.

In January, 1889, Levin Schenck, of Bethlehem, Pa., dreamed he would die within a year. The dream worried him and when the grip attacked him recently he became insane from fear, and exhaustion killed him.

Daniel Gleck and his wife, of Carondelet, Mo., in celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary, also celebrated the 50th birthday of each, the birthday of each of their three children falls also upon the wedding anniversary.

It is said that Baron Rothschild, the Paris banker, lives in fear of the Commune. His cellars are almost impregnable, and his pictures and jewels are protected in such a way that the most grasping mob could not reach them.

Charles C. Hoffee, of Corroton, Ga., asked his wife to permit him to get a temporary divorce from her so that he might wed a girl worth \$100,000. His wife refusing, he married the girl and is now in jail for bigamy.

The Chief of Joss in the Mott street worship house of the Chinamen, in New York, has a new altar and canopy, specially imported for him at a cost of five thousand dollars. It is made of wood almost as heavy as metal, and intricately carved. The figures are in heavy gold leaf and crystal.

A young woman who was married in Stokes County, N. C., a few days ago, discovered that her husband had taken a drink of whiskey just before marriage. She was an ardent temperance woman and believed her lover to be a teetotaler. Finding that she had been deceived she refused to live with him.

A chemist has lately performed a feat of no common order. The explosion and fire at Antwerp reduced to a charred mass a bundle of 1,000 florin Austrian obligations. Without presentation in some identifiable form there could be no payment. The imperilled obligations were given to a chemist, and he succeeded in separating the whole of them and finding out the numbers, and upon his report the money has been paid.

Personal.

Louis Rubenstein, of Montreal, has won the championship of the World at St. Petersburg, Russia, for figure skating.

We regret to learn that Mr. A. Hermans was thrown from his sleigh yesterday afternoon, sustaining injuries which prevented his appearing at the concert last evening.

Mrs. William Lawson and Mrs. Reuben J. Hart, two prominent Halifax ladies noted for their literary culture and charitable works, are reported "seriously ill."

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain; and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for diarrhoea, whether arising from teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, and take no other kind. Jan 7 '90.

KILLED BY A TREE.—At St. Margaret's Bay Halifax county, a tree fell on a young man named L. Brown, killing him instantly.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Testing of the Vitality and Vigor of Seed Grain.

SIR,—The summer of 1889 was not a favorable one in some parts of the Dominion for maturing a high quality of seed grain. Rust prevailed to such an extent as to interfere with its usual development and plumpness. Where the rust was severe the grain is unusually light, and its percentage of germinating power has been considerably reduced. This is especially the case with oats. Judging from samples received for testing, this injury has been greatest in the Maritime Provinces, and in some districts in Ontario. The important bearing of well developed, vigorous seed, of high germinating power, on good crops is now recognized by all thoughtful farmers, and no one who has any seed on hand, the vitality of which is questionable, should allow himself to remain long in uncertainty as to its value. The seed testing department at the Central Experimental Farm is now in full operation, and every farmer in the Dominion is invited to send any samples of which he may have doubt to this institution for test. The time occupied in testing is usually about a fortnight; an ounce or two is sufficient for the purpose. Samples may be sent through the mail to the Experimental Farm free of postage, and the returns will be made as promptly as possible, and free of charge. The name and address of the sender should be written plainly, and accompany each package.

WM. SAUNDERS, Director Experimental Farm, Central Experimental Farm, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, Feb. 15th, 1890.

Roofing Gravel.

100 TONS—VERY GOOD. For sale by E. H. NORTON & CO. feb18—6i eod

Herring.

70 Barrels Prime Herring, 40 Quintals Codfish. E. H. NORTON & CO. feb18—6i eod

Apples.

100 Barrels APPLES, in splendid condition. E. H. NORTON & CO. feb18—6i eod

In Stock.

20 Bars Copper, 1 1/2 in. square, 20 sets Bedroom Furniture (bankrupt stock). E. H. NORTON & CO. feb18—6i eod

HERRING! HERRING!

200 Barrels No. 1 HERRING, 100 half brls. 30 qtr. brls. For Sale Cheap for Cash. DAVID SMALL, Corner Water and Pownall Streets. feb18—dy 3aw wky

SEALED TENDERS

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Chapel Point Works," will be received until TUESDAY, the 4th of March, inclusively, for repairing and extending the pier at Chapel Point, King's County, Prince Edward Island, according to a plan and specification to be seen on application to Mr. Joseph R. McDonald, Georgetown, P. E. I., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa. Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers. An accepted bank cheque, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to five per cent. amount of tender, must accompany each tender. This cheque will be forfeited if the party decline the contract, or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender. The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By order, A. GOBEIL, Secretary, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, 3rd February, 1890. feb28—3i

SCHOONERS FOR SALE.

SCHR. "CEYLON," 95 tons, and Schr. "ANNIE E. PAINT," 81 tons. The former will be six years old on March 21st, and the latter five years old in June next. Both these vessels have up to the present time been engaged in the fishing business, and are well found in Sails, etc. For further particulars and price please apply to PETER PAINT & SONS, Port Hawkesbury, C. B. feb17

HAVE YOU GOT THE GRIP?

THEN USE HAWKER'S TOLU AND CHERRY BALSAM. It acts like a charm. Also use Hawker's Pills with it. Price 50 cents.

HAVE YOU HAD THE GRIP?

Then use HAWKER'S NERVE AND STOMACH TONIC to build up and strengthen the system. It is the best invigorator. Price 50 cents. For sale by Druggists and General Dealers. eod & wky—feb17

Notice of Meeting.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Merchants' Bank of P. E. Island, for the election of Directors and receiving a statement of the affairs of the Bank, will be held at the Banking Office on THURSDAY, March 6th, at the hour of Eleven o'clock, a. m. Proxies for voting must be left with the Cashier on or before Wednesday, March 5th. By order, WM. McLEAN, Cashier.

BEER BROS.

SPECIALTY FOR THIS WEEK WILL BE

CARPETS AND OILCLOTHS.

Also, a few pieces of Chenille and Tapestry Curtains still remaining, will be sold at a Special Reduction.

THE SCRUTINY!

THE OFFICIAL COUNT IS MADE, and the Returning Officers have declared it as the unanimous verdict of the People that the place to secure Bargains in Men's Clothing, Furnishings, Hats and Caps, is at

D. A. BRUCE'S.

To make room for the largest and finest stock of goods ever handled by us, which will begin to arrive soon for the coming Spring Season, we offer the balance of WINTER GOODS at prices that withers competition. Remnants of Odds and Ends at prices to suit you.

D. A. BRUCE, Queen Street.

Ch'town, Feb. 18, 1890—eod & wky

LONDON HOUSE!

NEW SPRING GOODS JUST OPENED.

New Embroiderys

New Prints, New Prints, New Shirtings, New Shirtings, New Gingham, New Gingham, New Sheetings, New Sheetings, New Pillow Cottons, New Pillow Cottons, New Tweeds, New Tweeds, New Worsteds, New Worsteds.

HARRIS & STEWART,

Charlottetown, Feb. 12, 1890—

Boots and Shoes!

25 PER CENT. DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

WE HAVE BOUGHT FROM C. B. WARREN his entire stock of BOOTS AND SHOES, and will now clear them out at slaughter prices. Tremendous Bargains until the whole stock is sold. SEVEN THOUSAND PAIRS. Come early and don't delay. Plenty of assistance to wait on all customers. We are fully prepared for the rush.

GOFF BROS.

Charlottetown, Jan. 24, 1890.

Wholesale Trade.

- FLOUR. } 150 barrels Choice American FLOUR, Murdock, 500 " " Canadian " Howard, 150 " " " " " Chipman's Patent, 50 " " " " " White Eagle.
TEA. } 150 half chests Choicest CONGOU TEAS, 20 boxes INDIA TEA (assorted grades),
SUGAR. } 100 barrels Yellow Extra SUGAR, 25 " Standard Yellow " 50 " Granulated Sugar.
MOLASSES. } 25 puns. DEMERARA MOLASSES.
TOBAC CO. } 50 caddies BRIGHT TOBACCO, 25 butts and caddies TWIST "
Codfish, &c. } 50 boxes Choice Table CODFISH, 50 half boxes " 50 barrels and half barrels LABRADOR HERRING, 25 cases CANNED SALMON,
Sundries. } 500 reams Assorted WRAPPING PAPER, 100 dozen BROOMS, 2,000 GRAIN SACKS, 2,000 cases TALL CANS, 10 bales MANILLA MARLINE,

AT LOWEST PRICES.

HORACE HASZARD,

Charlottetown, Jan. 26, 1890.

LOWER QUEEN STREET,

Amazing Prices!

—AT—

JAS. PATON & CO'S.,

Market Square.

3,000 yards White Embroidery, all new goods, wide and narrow, at the wonderful low price of 6 1/2c. per yard.

360 yards English Prints, suitable for lining quilts, worth 12c, now 7 1/2c.

A big lot of Fancy Bordered Cambric, suitable for Bedroom Curtains or Quilt Linings, all make colors, only 4 1/2c per yard.

Beautiful White Linen Table Cloths, with border all round, clearing out at \$1.75 and \$1.50,

White and Colored Table Napkins, in great variety. Prices very low.

We have just opened three large bales of English Prints, new designs and fast colors. This big lot is now on our counters at prices lower than ever.

4,000 yards English Prints, in lengths from 3 1/2 to 20 yards, clearing out at the wonderful low price of 11c. This is a decided bargain. Don't miss this chance of securing a nice piece of Print for a little money.

Room Paper! Room Paper!

Our whole stock of Room Papers must go, and in order to make a speedy sale, we are offering the whole stock at a little over cost price.

Stock-taking just being finished, and as a consequence some very special lines are laid out.

Extraordinary value in Pillow Cottons and Sheetings; also a nice lot of Seamless Pillow Cotton.

Rare Bargains in the Dress Department! Don't pass Paton & Co's. door if you want to buy a dress.

A few very handsome Dress Robes, suitable for brides.

CARPETS! CARPETS!

Marvellous Bargains in Brussels, Tapestry and Scotch Carpets.

Reefers and Overcoats

At Exceedingly Low Prices.

We strongly advise our friends to call early.

Jas. Paton & Co.,

MARKET SQUARE.

January 15, 1890.

JAMES H. GOOD, Attorney-at-Law, Commissioner, &c.

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