

Miscellaneous News.

Archbishop Lynch, of Toronto, is ill. Mormon missionaries are making converts in Ontario. Ten firms failed in Philadelphia this week; one of them for \$750,000. The "Murmurs of the Tied" is what they call divorcees in San Francisco. There were 243 of them in that city in 1877. Shediac sent last year to Great Britain goods valued at \$202,428, and to the West Indies, goods worth \$2,493. The amount of custom duties collected was \$3,318, and of other duties, \$533. The laborers employed on the Lachine Canal enlargement complain bitterly that they are not paid in cash. It is rather startling to find that the truck system is maintained even in a large city like Montreal. Large quantities of gold have been shipped lately from England to the United States. If Congress will only keep quiet, greenbacks will be at par long before the date fixed for the resumption of specie payments. The hangman's record for the past year shows that 83 murderers were hanged in the United States. Of this number 47 were white, 34 colored, 1 Indian and 1 Chinaman; 4 were hanged for indecent assaults, 1 for burglary, 8 for wife murder, 1 for filicide, and 1 for fratricide. There were 3 double executions, 1 treble, 2 quadruple, and one in which six men were hanged. Not a single woman was hanged; the only one sentenced to death, Mrs. Louisa Lawson of Virginia, had her sentence commuted to imprisonment for life by the Governor. Several Minnesota farmers put in their spring wheat during the last few days of December, just as we have already announced some Canadians did. If the crops from these seedings should turn out to more forward, more vigorous, less liable to rust, and more abundant than the spring sown, a wide question will be opened up. With a normal winter this seeding in December is equivalent to seeding in November. In many years in the latter month a week or so of weather occurs during which there is no frost in the ground, and when the land is in splendid order. If the seed should be sown then, and there happened to be warm weather afterwards, the seed might germinate. The seed and labour would then be lost, but the money loss would be trifling, as the labour would probably not be diverted from other profitable work.—*Globe*.

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ARMSTRONG'S PATENT!
60 PAIRS IN STOCK,
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All Warranted!
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Jan. 18—2aw pat 3w

Latest by Telegraph.

WAR NEWS.

[By Telegraph to Reading Room and Daily Examiner.]

LONDON, Jan. 30.
It is reported that an armistice will be made between Russia and Turkey, but that definite peace negotiations will be concluded on the basis of the preliminaries accepted by the Porte.
The Turks attacked a band of Thessalian insurgents in Mount Pelion, and were repulsed.
Insurrection has broken out in the district of Armigror, in Thessaly.
The Standard's Berlin correspondent says that Count Andrassy has already notified Prince Gortschakoff of Austria's objections to the terms of peace proposed.
Austria will never accept the extension of Bulgaria, so as to include Philippopolis and Adrianople.
The Gaika rebellion is spreading.
The Pope is preparing an allocution against Russia for her persecution of the Roman Catholic Church in Poland, and one against Prince Humbert for assuming the title of King of Italy.

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MEALS served at all hours of the day and evening, at reduced rates.
OYSTERS sent to all parts of the City at the very low price of

30 CENTS PER QUART!
Also for sale by the Barrel, Bushel, or Peck to suit purchasers.
Ch'town, Jan. 14, 1878—2aw

Prince Edward Island Railway,
In connection with the winter Steamship!
"NORTHERN LIGHT."

ON and after **MONDAY, 14th January,** the Steamboat Special Train will leave Charlottetown at 5 a. m., arriving at Georgetown at 8 a. m. on the days upon which the Steamship leaves Georgetown. Immediately on arrival of the Northern Light from Pictou, the Special Train will leave Georgetown for Charlottetown, connecting (when possible to do so) at Royalty Junction with the Mixed Train for Summerside.

G. J. BRYDGES, Supt. Govt. Ry's. W. McKECHNIE, Superintendent.
Ch'town, Jan. 14—6i

KING SQUARE HOUSE!

WE HAVE A COMPLETE STOCK OF
CARRIAGE GOODS

Consisting in part of
Iron, Steel, and Castings, Spokes and Rims, Axles and Springs.

We call special attention to HENRY'S PATENT SINGLE PLY
Cast Steel Carriage Springs,
for which we are agents. We warrant each Set.

OUR PRICES ARE VERY LOW
BEER & SONS.
Ch'town, Jan. 9, 1878.

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TAILORING DEPARTMENT.
In this branch of our business gentlemen may rely upon having Superior Goods and well-fitting Garments. We have in Stock over one hundred Patterns—New Goods—to select from. N. B.—Private room for measurement on first floor.
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The Very Latest!
\$30,000
WORTH OF
Staple and Fancy Dry Goods!
AT COST AND UNDER COST.

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Intending to go out of the business, will offer the whole of their Stock to the Public on and after
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A GENUINE CASH SALE!
NO HUMBUG!

All Goods Marked down at Cost in Plain Figures.
J. D. MASON & CO.,
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MERCHANTS MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY
OF CANADA.

Capital \$1,000,000, with power to Increase to \$2,000,000.

HEAD OFFICE: MONTREAL.
RISKS TAKEN DAILY AT THE OFFICE OF
CARVELL BROS.,
Agents for P. E. Island.
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OUR STOCK
—FOR—
CARRIAGE BUILDERS
IS VERY COMPLETE.

Over 50 Tons Bar Iron, 40 Bales. Tire Steel, 200 Elliptic Carriage Springs, 110 sets Axles.

ASSORTED SIZES, from 1/2 to 1 1/2 inch, and a very large Stock of
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which we offer to cash and prompt paying customers at better prices than ever before.
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X MONEY X
REQUIRED at once, from all those who received their accounts up to Dec. 31st, 1877.
THEO. L. CHAPPELLE, Diamond Bookstore, 85 North Side Queen Square.
Ch'town, Jan. 25—2i

FOR SALE—A few second-hand Kerosene Oil Lamps, cheap, at EXAMINER OFFICE.
Nov. 27—

Wanted, Immediately,
A Housekeeper & Cook—A woman of experience and of good moral character will find a good situation and good pay. Apply immediately to
E. D. STAIR, Intelligence Office.
Jan. 18—1w

AN Apprentice to learn the Cabinet-making business. A steady, lively boy wanted.
E. D. STAIR Cabinet Maker.
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MORE SNOW!
Buy Harvie's Almanac
FOR 1878—PRICE 12 CENTS.
Jan. 3—

TENDERS.
MAYOR'S OFFICE, Charlottetown, Jan. 21, 1878.
SEALED TENDERS will be received at this Office, until noon of the 31st day of January next, from persons willing to contract for furnishing and putting up from 400 to 600 Street Signs. Pattern to be seen at the Mayor's Office. The Council will not be bound to accept the lowest or any Tender. By order,
WM. B. MORRISON, City Clerk.
Jan. 21—2aw t 31st pres 2w

Buy the American X O
SARREN B. WHEELS
—AND THE—
BAND HUB WHEELS,
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TO SELL:
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WILL CONTINUE AT
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Several Lots of that
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Remnants at half Price!

WOOLLEN & FUR GOODS
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GREAT BARGAINS IN CLOTHING!
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ROBERT ORR & CO.
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RARE CHANCE.
GREAT BARGAINS in high turned and Box Sleighs. Carriage and Sleigh repairing and Painting solicited. Charges moderate, at
PETER H. TRAINOR'S,
Kent St., opposite the Rocklin House.
Ch'town, Jan. 17, 1877.—4i

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

WANTED—A few Barrels of OAT-MEAL and a supply of Cooking Apples for the "Soup Kitchen," to be left at Alex. Hornes, cor. Queen and Fitzroy Streets.
Ch'town, Jan. 25—

MONEY TO LEND—on good security. Apply to J. F. Montgomery, Euston street, Charlottetown.
Jan. 11, 1878.—tf

LOST—Last Tuesday evening, 22nd inst., near Post Office, or on Queen street, near Reading Room, a Ring of Keys, with Check attached. Finder will be rewarded by returning to this office, or at 65 Upper Great George street.
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LOST—On the 29th of October, from the house in which Mr. Sinclair formerly resided, a Prayer Book of the Reformed Church of England, which was seen in the house after the fire. The finder will be rewarded on leaving it at the EXAMINER OFFICE.
Jan. 8, 1878