

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

Beer Bros. for Dress Goods
The FASTEST will be due here tomorrow. This will probably be her last trip, and shippers should take note of the fact.

\$10, \$12 and \$14

Are the three lines of Overcoats we are pushing this week Quite a number were sold last week and every person who seen them was surprised to find such nice goods ready-made. Come and see the coats. You do not have to buy them unless the make, quality and price suits you.

Equal to Custom Made

The fine blue beaver Overcoat we are selling for \$10 is a dandy, and worth much more money. It will pay you to see this line before leaving your measure. Good cloth, fine finish, latest cut, and the price is only \$10.

Best on This Part of the Earth.

We have seventeen of those wonderful \$12 Overcoats left. Blue black beaver and worsted, cost \$13, made to order. Don't throw away \$6 those hard times, but drop in and see wonderful bargains; our price is only \$12.

AN OBJECT IN VIEW.

Our main object in advertising these fine goods is to show the people of this city that they can get just as nice goods ready-made as any other way if they will only pay the price, and in order to introduce those goods, we will offer an extra fine blue black or fawn beaver Overcoat, worth \$18.00 to \$20.00, for \$14.00.

THE END OF THE YEAR—Scott Act summaries were yesterday evening served on Mary Davis, Thomas Murray, William E. Barron, and Duncan McNabb. They are all returnable on Monday except Barron's.

THE MARRIAGE—The foreign mails were despatched via the Princess this morning, and will be continued by the Charlottetown-Pictou route till further notice. There is a mail clerk on the steamer.

THE PETREL was to have left Cape Tormentine for Summerside this morning. But there was no sign of her at the latter port at half past two this afternoon, and there was some talk of sending the Frank C. Batt out to look for her.

CLUSED FOR THE SEASON.—The Summer-Point Du Chene route is closed for the season. The harbor at each place is well filled with ice, and last evening Captain Cameron deemed it advisable to bring the Northumberland to Charlottetown from Point Du Chene.

A TIMELY GIFT.—We learn that Archibald Kennedy, Esq., has given \$50 to the young gentlemen of St. James' Literary Association to defray the debt on their magic lantern. The gift is a thoughtful and timely one. It will make the Association cheerful at Christmas.

SCAFFOLD RISK.—The management of the rink is not having to again postpone the opening, but it will be impossible to open this evening in consequence of one of two bad spots in the ice bed, which it has been found impossible to freeze. It is confidently expected that everything will be ready for a sure opening on Monday evening next, Dec. 21st, with Citizens' Band in attendance. Tickets for sale at all drug stores. Buy them early.

A SERIOUS MISTAKE.—William H. Flett, an employe of the Grand St. John mill, took a dose of carbolic acid by mistake on Monday. Immediately after he went home and swallowed a large quantity of soap suds, which acted as an emetic and probably saved his life. Flett, at late afternoon, was suffering much. He has no recollection of taking the poison, and thinks his recent illness must have unsettled his mind.

POLICE COURT.—This forenoon Peter Kelly was convicted of a third infraction of the Scott Act and sentenced to two months imprisonment. Zachariah Martin was fined \$50 and \$4.75 costs or two months imprisonment for a first infraction of the same act. The cases against William McDonald, Patrick McAleer and Catherine Collins were adjourned until Thursday next. The summonses against Augustus Sarah Jane Higgins and Bernard Callaghan were dismissed.

THE PRIZES AWARDED.—The reporters of the three city daily newspapers yesterday afternoon examined the papers in Johnson & Johnson's advertising competition. R. W. Hogg's paper contained 1132 names and he was awarded first prize; Charles Hansen's paper contained 1108 names and he was awarded second prize; Elsie Scoble's paper contained 1037 names and she was awarded third prize. The first prize was \$5, the second \$3, and the third \$2.

TO BE ORDAINED.—On Friday morning next, Rev. Joseph B. McDonald, ecclesiastic, recently returned from Quebec, will be ordained priest, and P. C. Gauthier will be ordained sub-deacon by his Lordship Bishop McDonald. Rev. Mr. McDonald is pastor of the diocese of James-town, North Dakota, and Mr. Gauthier for this diocese. Mr. Gauthier will receive the deaconate a few days later and will be elevated to the priesthood in his native parish, Pictou. The ordination takes place in the chapel of St. Joseph's Convent.—Herald.

DOX'S MISS THE CHANCE.—Among the papers, magazines and quarterlies to be disposed of by auction at the Catholic Literary Institute Reading Room to-morrow night are the New York Herald, New York Freeman's Journal, Pilot, Star, Canadian Halifax Herald, St. John Telegraph, Free Press, Illustrated London News, 19th Century, Review of Reviews, Century, Ave Maria, Youth's Companion, Scientific American, Youth's Month, Globe Quarterly, American Catholic Quarterly, besides Donahoe's, Canadian Strand and McClure's Magazines, and other high-class and popular monthlies. No better opportunity to secure cheap, and at the same time profitable reading matter, could be afforded than by this sale.

PERSONAL

E. Hackett, M. P., Tisbury, is in town He is at the Hotel Davies.

Mr. F. B. Kennedy has been permanently engaged as secretary of the Y. M. C. A. and is now in full charge of the work of that association.

Rev. A. L. Gaggie, of Truro, N. S., arrived here last evening. He addressed the prayer meeting in Zion Church last evening, and to-night he will lecture.

R. T. Taylor, of Montreal, registered at the Hotel Davies this forenoon. The President of the Catholic Truth Society, of Ottawa, for the ensuing year is Mr. Joseph Pope, Mr. W. C. DesBrisay is recording secretary, and Mr. J. A. J. McKenna is a member of the executive committee. P. E. L. is well represented.

We are very glad to see our old friend Dr. J. H. Maclellan, again able to get around, with his former health and vigor, and to know that he is now quite recovered from the severe illness which confined him to his house for several months. He is now able to attend to the duties of his profession, in all its branches.—Summerside Journal.

W. K. Rogers, Esq., was registered at the Queen Hotel this forenoon. There were registered last evening: W. L. Waring, St. John; Wallace Wilkie, Miss G. McEachern, Summerside; Mrs. F. McEachern, Summerside; J. H. V. Moore, Antwerp; H. F. Coombe, St. John; C. D. Schurman, Wolfville, N. S.; John R. Larkins, Richmond, W. C. Kennedy, city.

SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.—The twenty-second annual meeting of the Halifax School for the Blind was held in that city a few evenings ago. The report of the superintendent showed that 95 blind persons have been under instruction during the past year, 63 of whom were males and 32 females. Nine of these have since graduated or left the school, making the total number in attendance on Dec. 1st, 1896, 86, of whom 56 are males and 30 females. Of these 47 are from the province of Nova Scotia, 25 from New Brunswick, 5 from Prince Edward Island and 9 from Newfoundland.

THE PRINCESS left for Pictou this morning, as usual, and is expected back this evening.

Are You SUPERSTITIOUS

Some folks who believe signs will tell you that it's unlucky to fall overboard on Monday, or to take hold of a buzz-saw in motion on Tuesday, or to fall down stairs with a coal scuttle on Wednesday, or to sit down to dinner with twelve others and only food enough for ten on Friday, but they all agree that it is unlucky and unwise to give a good customer a poor bottle of perfume any day in the week. You don't run any risk by buying our French Perfume which we import direct from the makers for our Christmas trade.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON Graduates in Pharmacy.

A JOB LOT Of 50 Children's rockers in cane, wood and upholstered seat rockers expected on Friday; the price will be about half the usual price. Wait and see this lot.

MARK WRIGHT & CO., LTD For FURNITURE.

A FEW HANDSOME Fur-lined Capes

at \$5 00 and \$6 00

Still Remain for you to Profit by

If you want one don't delay or you will miss them

No more welcome and useful Xmas presents could be given. They represent years of comfort.

BEER BROS.

Useful presents for sm k rs, for shavers, for boys and girls, old men, ladies, and all ages at Wat on's Dress Store. Visiting friends are welcome when they buy or see the window and come in and look around.

We are now sending out our accounts. When you get yours please attend to it, as we must have a settlement before the end of the year.—S. A. McDonald. 142 ft

Spot Cash IS KING

The same low prices, the same public attention, the Laborer, the Mechanic, the Millionaire

WEEKS

Caters for all people, not the classes, but the masses, and taxes lightly as possible every body's pocketbook.

J. B. Macdonald & Co Bankrupt Stock, \$1,000 worth was sold to Weeks & Co.

Pushing and hustling out the Bankrupt Stock at Bankrupt prices. Bargains galore.

In many cases you can buy \$1 worth for 50c, and some cases more

A FEW SAMPLES.—Ladies Corsets, 19c. D.A. Corsets less than cost price. All wool double width serge dress goods 19c, very heavy Ticking, 10c and 15c, Men's Shirts, Linters and Drawers less than wholesale price. Men's Fur Caps, 40 per cent. below usual prices, Men's Fur Coats as low as \$11.95, regular prices \$16.50.

Ladies' Cloth Jackets, (last years) \$1 to \$3.95; Macdonald marked price \$4 to \$14. About 50 new imported this year, latest styles, and we may add are going like hot cakes at \$2.10 to \$4.75, regular selling price, \$3.75 to \$7.25. Men's 4 ply lined Collars 4, 8 and 9c.

Also, Men's lined Kid Gloves, Imported and Island Tweeds, Flannels and Blankets, and general Dry Goods.

We bought this bankrupt stock at a big discount. It is unnecessary to say we are selling it cheap, as a great many lines are already cleared completely out. It is nearly all staple goods, and was bought by J.B. Macdonald & Co. from the leading Canadian Wholesale, and just the goods the people want. Bargains for!

W. A. Weeks & Co, Wholesale and Retail

FOR TEA-NIGHT Drop in and get a dozen or so of our GERMAN BUNS. If you've never tried them they will surprise and delight you. They're baked as we bake everything—just right. Their price is 10c per dozen.

D STEWART, BAKERS BEST BREAD.

"FARMING" FOR DECEMBER.

Farming for December contains portraits of two of our Island boys.—Mr. Judson Clarke of Bay View, who writes to the magazine about "A Student's Personal Experience at the Ontario Agricultural College," and Mr. W. J. Palmer of this city, about whose dairy in the vicinity of Toronto an interesting paragraph is published. Mr. Palmer is the proprietor of the "Kensington Dairy and he has adopted the Copenhagen system." Farming remarks that "Mr. Palmer was born in Prince Edward Island in 1869. He is a graduate of the Ontario Agricultural College, having taken the full three years' course there, and received the degree of B. S. A. He has always been an enthusiastic dairy student. For some time he was a student under Professor Henry and Dr. Babcock at the Wisconsin Dairy School. He has also done a good deal of dairy teaching in connection with Ontario Agricultural College Dairy School and the "Travelling Dairy." Upon the whole Farming for December is as interesting to farmers as ever it was. The articles on "Lime as a Fertilizer," "Practical Hints to the Beef-cattle Farmer," "The Experience of a Successful Dairy Farmer," "Cold Storage for Creameries," "The Pork Production of Canada" will all be found interesting and useful to farmers. The article on "Cold Storage for Creameries" was written by Professor Robertson who says that "in the course of a few years the export butter trade of Canada should almost equal in value the export trade in cheese. By directing all the increase of milk towards buttermaking the cheese market will also be strengthened. The outlook for the dairying industries of Canada is very hopeful indeed."

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An Impression

That our store is stocked with everything in the line of elegant and useful holiday gifts is always produced by a glance over our stock!

Let us solve the difficulty. Our Show Cases contain a thousand suggestions in

Jewelry, Watches, Clocks, Silverware, Silver Novelties.

Store open every evening until Xmas. W. W. WELLNER JEWELER.

Number of pupils enrolled 499. Cost of education per capita \$11.90. Queen Square School:—Rent of building, \$ 850.00 Supplements to teachers salaries, 875.50 Salaries from Government, 1345.00 Janitor, fuel, etc., 453.77 \$3525.27

Number of pupils enrolled 388. Cost of education per capita \$10.42. What do these figures show? That far from being one-half in excess of the other, it is actually \$1.48 per head less than one and 33 cents per head less than the other!

But this does not tell the whole tale. In Queen Square there are only seven teachers, who are expected to do the actual teaching of the school to as high a state of efficiency as twelve teachers in each of the other schools. They are obliged to have two grades in nearly all the departments that they may have their departments in harmony with the grading system of the city. And what recompense do they receive? They actually receive less compensation from the School Board than those holding a corresponding class of license in the other school.

If this gentleman, who, from the press reports, was over-anxious that his "resolutions and calculations" should be made public, would study the matter more closely he would find that not only is the per capita much less but that each individual teacher in this school performs double the work performed by individual teachers in corresponding grades in other schools, and for 75 per cent of the pay.

It is to be hoped, then, that in future when members of school boards or others become anxious to flout their bigotry before the public and attempt to injure the status of one of our high schools, they will study their words and not make wilfully incorrect statements which must eventually injure in their own discomfiture.

SCHOLARS. LIBERAL AGAIN.

Sir,—The Patriot has very fairly answered my enquiries as contained in your issue of Monday last, and I have little more to say except to explain that my reason for writing was that a very strong feeling exists among the Liberals of this city in regard to the appointment of the engineer of the Petrel as well as several others recently made. I cannot, however, accept the Patriot's statement that if any one from this island or the other province had applied a stranger, such as Mr. Dunn, would not have secured the position, because it is notoriously known that a young Islander, well qualified, was an applicant for the position, and since he did not receive it has had to seek employment under the Stars and Stripes. He was a Liberal and voted at the last election for Hon. Mr. Davies, but will not likely be here to do so again. Even from the Patriot's explanation there appears to be some grounds for the rumor aloft that Mr. Dunn was here on a certain person's hands who either had to get him work or pay him damages for not employing him. I thank you, Mr. Editor, for the space in your paper for my last letter and in anticipation for this one.

LIBERAL.

WHY WAS HE DISMISSED? Sir,—If Mr. Wellington Matthews is such a wonderful man and so capable as a Scott Act prosecutor, will the Guardian and Patriot explain why he was dismissed by the Peters Government from inspector for Queen's County? Surely the present local Government, now run by Hon. Donald Farquharson, would not have dismissed such an official as Mr. Matthews is now said to be. The fact, however, remains that he was dismissed as a man named Brown put in his place, and as both Matthews and Brown belong to North Wiltshire and in Mr. Farquharson's constituency, the dismissal and new appointment were certainly made by his recommendation. Now let the public have the necessary explanations.

INQUIRER.

A REMOR. Sir,—It is true that a certain ward politician of Charlottetown is looking up evidence against certain railway employes for the purpose of using it before Captain Donahoe when that commissioner arrives here? I have heard that this politician has been making inquiries in the direction indicated and that he intends playing the part of the informer. If this is so he ought to remember the old saying for the equally applicable to his last, "which is 'who-ma-ster stick to his avil.'"

CONSERVATIVE.

The Misses Lengworth's sale of Xmas fancy articles will commence on Tuesday, Dec. 15th, at their residence, Water street, 139 5i.

Some very nice parlor and hanging lamps are being sold cheap at the cheap crockery store.—W. P. Colwill. decl2 dw 2w

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Some Christmas Bargains in High-grade Dress Stuffs

Did it occur to you that a handsome Dress would be a welcome Christmas Gift to someone?

We're showing a very choice line of high-grade Dress Stuffs—the very 'tip-top' in style—handsome patterns every one new this season. There's just one dress (7 yds) of each pattern, and they're going at prices that make them easy to buy as cheap stuffs.

LOT 1-5 handsome dresses, regularly \$10 15 Christmas price, 8 60

LOT 2-1 handsome dress, regularly \$9 65 Christmas price, 7 25

LOT 3-4 handsome dresses, regularly \$8 75 Christmas price, 6 55

LOT 4-1 handsome dress, regularly \$8 05 Christmas price, 6 00

LOT 5-3 handsome dresses, regularly \$5 25 Christmas price, \$3.95

Better see them—quite likely the one you want is here.

Moore & McLeod.

How Does This Strike You?

Dozens of Ulsters and Overcoats at INVOICE PRICE, with cost of selling added.

As we have more of this line of goods than we may be able to sell this season, we make this genuine offer to dispose of them. We mean to sell exactly as we advertise. You seldom get an opportunity like this to buy at actual cost to retail.—D. A. BRUCE.

We don't consider it necessary to be continually harping at the good quality of work done in our

Tailoring Department

We are no amateurs, but are confident that we are in a position to do as

High-class Work

as any within a radius of a thousand miles of us. We have the cutters and workmen to do it. Extra good value given in winter Overcoats.

D. A. Bruce

Bissell Carpet Sweeper

FOR ONE WEEK PRICE \$2.50

SIMON W CRABBE

Walker's Corner 135 STOVES HARDWARE

FOR ONE MONTH ONLY.

ARE WE IN THE..... FANCY GOODS SALE

And we think it due to our patrons To Sell at Rock Bottom Prices.

Everything we have in Fancy Goods, including Dressing Cases, Opera Glasses, Scissors, Cases, Merchants and Brass Pipes, Cigars in boxes, Perfumes, etc., etc., etc., will be sold regardless of cost, until January 1st, 1897. Reddin Bros.

LONDON HOUSE

Overcoats, Reefing Jackets,

We have about one hundred and fifty. Not all sizes, but on those we have you can save a lot of money.

T. J. HARRIS