

TOWN AND PROVINCE.

Local Briefs.

Be sure and go to the meeting in Market Hall to-morrow night, when the Scott Act will be fully discussed, and Miss Earle will sing "Where is my wandering boy to-night." Mayor Haviland will preside over the meeting.

A SALE of fancy and useful articles commences to-day at 4 o'clock in St. Peter's Schoolroom. Among the attractions to-night will be a Gipsy Tent, where all kinds of Xmas tins from a tin whistle to a cake box can be had.

Don't forget the sale at St. Peter's Schoolroom this evening.

The teachers of Zion Church Sunday School will meet this (Wednesday) evening at 7.30 sharp.

SCHOOL CONCERT.—The children of Prince Street School are prepared to give an evening of enjoyment to all who will patronize their concert on Friday evening.

REV. ANDREW LOGAN GOSGIE, Truro, will preach in the basement of Zion Church, this evening at 8 o'clock. Mr. Gosgie enjoys the reputation of being one of Nova Scotia's most popular preachers.

ONE drunk and one Scott Act case John Joy, dismissed was all that was before the police court to-day.

It is said that one of the contributing causes of the price of eggs remaining firm and the supply of poultry being so brisk, is that of Prince Edward Island, when the McKinley Bill was passed, the farmers commenced to kill off their poultry wholesale.—Moncton Transcript.

MISSIONARY MEETING.—The Ladies of the Upper Prince Street Methodist Church intend holding a public meeting under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society, on Wednesday evening the 17th inst., at 7.30 o'clock. Speeches will be delivered by the Rev. W. W. Brewer and Rev. Mr. Spargo, and Robt. Sturcliffe, evangelist. Also readings, recitations, and singing by the ladies. Give them a full house and encourage them in their noble work.

A SCOTT ACT offender, Patrick Doyle of Mount Stewart, was brought down yesterday afternoon and lodged in jail. The constable had a difficult task to get his prisoner safely incarcerated.

PATRICK HIGGINS is rather weaker to-day than yesterday, speaks but little, and is inclined to sleep most of the time. He says he is not suffering much pain.

SALE of fancy Bohemian Glassware, Lamps, lot of Fancy Goods, Also, balance of a bankrupt stock, Thursday evening, the 18th inst., at 7.30 o'clock, at 106 Queen Street.—C. I. Morrison, Auctioneer.

In reply to several enquiries, the price of the DAILY GUARDIAN is one cent per copy. The boys are not authorized to ask for two.

Lecture on Dickens.

The third Lecture of the Y. M. I. A. of St. James' church course was delivered last night by Rev. Jas. Carruthers. There was a very fair attendance, and the clear and critical analysis of Dickens' characters, and of the distinguishing traits of the famous novelist was followed with closest attention.

The essentials of the fashionable novel, always embodying a love affair, were pointed out. This lecture, believed to be derived from the French, Scott's novels were not of this type, nor were those of Dickens'. The air of reality and truthfulness pervading all his creations, his pathos, his humor, his power of investing the commonest things with an interest that made them intensely attractive were well brought out. Several of his works were outlined and the selections read, both in choice and in the rendering, did the fullest justice to the writer.

Sam Weller's valentine, Mrs. Sarah Gamp, and in fact all the selections were a rare treat, and the death of Little Joe was listened to with breathless attention. The Americanizing and misrepresentation of Dickens in respect of conviviality was rebutted by different selections from his writings, which showed that Dickens was fully conscious of the evils of the drink habit, both at home and in neighbouring countries, and that he did not neglect to use his pen against it.

Professor Anderson, who occupied the chair, expressed the great pleasure the night's entertainment afforded him, and referred to the opportuneness of the remarks made upon Dickens' attitude toward the drinking customs of society, and said that he had little in this direction to accuse any of our most eminent English authors of. He recalled with pleasure even at this distant date a temperance lecture that he once attended when a young man in Aberdeen. The lecturer, a rev. gentleman, departing from the usual custom, treated his audience to a collection of readings from Shakespeare assailing the drink habit. It was grand and made an excellent impression. The professor then depicted the scene from the Tempest in which the great dramatist denounces the drunken sailors.

The Wesleyan Academy.

We understand that a point of considerable interest has arisen in connection with the Wesleyan School Property in this city. By an Act of the Legislature of this Province, the trustees of the school property on Upper Prince Street in this city, were some twenty years ago incorporated as a trust to hold and use said property as a Methodist school. The Superintendent Minister of the Prince Street Methodist Church was made Chairman of the Board of Trustees, which office was handed down to his successors. It was required that all trustees should be adherents of the Methodist Church and a majority of them full members of said Church. After some thirteen years from the creation of the school, all the nominations to fill vacancies in the trust were to be made by the quarterly official board of the Methodist Church referred to. The present school system of this province rendered it unnecessary to continue the school according to the first purpose. It has therefore been discontinued and the property disposed of.

The question now arises as to the duty of the trustees. What disposition should they make of the funds in their possession? Should they retain them to be used, if necessary, at some future time for the conducting of a school upon a somewhat similar basis to the one which has been discontinued? Or should they return to the original subscribers the amount of their subscriptions? The trustees are instructed through united legal counsel that subscribers have no claim either in law or equity upon the funds of the school, and also that the trustees are not at liberty to return money to subscribers without special legislation—that even then it would be very difficult to accomplish it, and the

counsel do not recommend such a course. They suggest that a larger interpretation be put upon the Act of incorporation and consider the work of a Methodist School to embrace religious instruction such as is usually imparted in Sunday Schools. This has been done in St. John, N. B., in connection with a case in some respects resembling the present one. Between the supposed claims of subscribers and the Church, and what the trustees understand to be their duty, the public will await with interest the outcome of the case.

A Few Things an Idler Would Like to Know.

Why do Island papers with one exception publish lengthy accounts of all accidents, murders, divorces, etc., to the exclusion of the least shade of literary matter?

Replying to the enquiry of why it was so difficult to procure the works of George Elliot, Thackeray, Kingsley, George Meredith and writers of that class; a young lady engaged in one of our leading book-stores replied that there was no demand for them. The ladies of our city said she prefer the kind of novels that come with red covers and deal largely with life as it ought not to be. Query? What constitutes a lady?

Why at Government House Balls do members of the elite appear in dresses so extremely "decadent" as to remind one of the illustrations in Fox's Weekly and other sporting papers? Are such ladies members of what is commonly called "Good Society"?

A young lady recently from the country attended the Sunday school of one of our leading churches and was placed by the superintendent in one of the Bible classes. Neither teacher nor scholars took any notice of her, and at the conclusion of the service she returned home having been spoken to by no one but the superintendent. Query? What are Sunday schools for?

Why does a certain city church with a large congregation and wealthy pew holders, make little if any arrangement for its poor members—making it necessary when cases of absolute destitution are thrust upon their notice, to form a committee to "beg" assistance from church goers? Does this form of charity (?) comply with the demand "Visit the widow and the fatherless"?

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Nothing New.

QUEBEC, Dec. 16.—Mr. Tarte's promised letter to Sir John Macdonald is published to-day, but it contains nothing new, except some bitter attacks upon McGreevy.

A Strike.

DUBLIN, Dec. 16.—The porters of the Waterford and Limerick Railway struck and are demanding additional pay for extra work. The traffic on the road will probably be blocked.

The Sawtelle Case.

DOVER, N. H., Dec. 16.—In the Sawtelle murder trial this afternoon, the jury were sworn and S. Lictor Read made his opening statement to the Court. The jury go to Rochester to-morrow to go over the ground covered by the case.

An Emphatic No.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 16.—The question whether New Haven should furnish free text books to pupils in Catholic parochial schools was decided to-day at a special town meeting by an emphatic "No." At one time it was feared a general fight would follow the Moderator's ruling.

The McKinley Bill in London.

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The threatened strike of cotton operatives at Bolton has been averted, the employers conceding an advance of wages. Seven hundred employees of the Leicester plush works, at Bradford, have struck against a reduction of wages made necessary by the McKinley tariff. Three hundred more will strike to-morrow, and 400 at the end of the week.

A Bank Sued.

MONTEREAL, Dec. 16.—Judge Taschereau gave judgement to-day in the case of R. A. & J. Stewart, wood merchants of St. John, N. B. The action was for half a million dollars against the Bank of British North America on the ground that the bank had refused to honor a couple of the said firm's checks at its St. John branch. The bank met the action by a plea that the Court have had no jurisdiction in the case of action did not originate in the limits of the Province of Quebec, and as the action had been served upon Mr. Grindley in Montreal. The Judge decided that the service was perfectly valid and that the Court had full jurisdiction to take up the case; the exception therefore was dismissed.

Married.

At Charlottetown, on the 16th inst., by Rev. David Sutherland, Albert Edward Chandler, Rockland, U. S. A., to Jane Macdonald, Belhel, Lot 48.

Died.

On the 8th inst., at Head St. Peter's Bay, David Anderson, sr., I. P., aged 84.

Special Notices.

FUR lined Cloaks—Beer Bros. ASTRAKAN Jackets—Beer Bros. BLACK Dress Silks—Beer Bros. SER our \$5 Dress Robes—Beer Bros. Low prices on Silk Seal—Beer Bros. SUIT of men's underclothing for 60 cents, J. B. Macdonald's. CLEARANCE prices on Fancy Goods—Beer Bros. READ Hazard and Moore's holiday advt. in this paper. READ James Paton & Co's advertisement. SCOTT ACT or no Scott Act Mark Wright & Co. have a nice lot of Picture Moulding. New Maple Walnuts, just received at Beer & Goff's. TAKE a look at Beer & Goff's show-window full of Cooking and Table Raisins, Currants, Caudied Peels, Essences, &c., and then go inside and see their prices, and you will not leave without ordering your Xmas supplies. (Dec 16) If you want to buy or sell a Farm advertise in the Toronto Weekly Mail. That paper reaches 100,000 farmers' homes every week and your advertisement should meet the eye of some one who wants to purchase. Advertisements of this class are inserted in the Toronto Weekly Mail for Five Cents a word for each insertion or Twenty Cents a word for five insertions. Address "The Mail", Toronto, Canada.

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Hon. Mr. Laurier's Visit THE HON. WILFRED LAURIER, M. P., Leader of the Liberal Party of Canada, will address a MASS PUBLIC MEETING in the MARKE' HALL, CHARLOTTETOWN, ON THE EVENING OF MONDAY, 22nd December, Inst., On the Public Questions of the Day Mr. Laurier will be accompanied by several prominent Members of the House of Commons, who, it is expected, will also deliver Addresses. Tickets at one first-class fare will be issued from all Stations on the Railway to Charlottetown on the 22nd inst., the day of the meeting, good to return next day. The doors will be open at 7. m., and the chair will be taken at 8 o'clock, sharp. THOMAS W. DODD, President Liberal Association. H. C. MACDONALD, Sec'y. Liberal Association.

COMPLAINING. Almost Everyone is complaining of dull times, but SANDERSON & CO. are rushing out big parcels from their large, well-selected and assorted Stock of GENERAL GROCERIES. They have never before been so well prepared to meet all the requirements of their patrons (who seem to know well where to get good value for their money). The extra good value of their 24 cent Tea is well known and appreciated. They also offer a special bargain in Tea at 19 cents, or 5 pounds for 90 cents. Their FLAVOR, in Oregano, Five Roses, Classic, Royal (special brand), Howard and Kent Mills, all fresh and every barrel warranted. Molasses, American Kerosene Oil (good and cheap), New Raisins, Currants, Candied Peels, and a large and varied assortment of Confectionery—all bought at rock bottom prices and being sold at a small profit by SANDERSON & CO. Newson's Block, South Side Queen Square, Opposite Post Office. Ch'town, Dec. 13—dly&wkly

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