

Local and Other Items.

ELECTION day—to-day. To-morrow is Ash Wednesday. CARNAVAL at Georgetown to-night. Reduced fares on the railway. ONE drunk at the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court this forenoon. NEW YORK has 40 millions worth of church property exempt from taxation. SPECIAL TRAIN leaves for Summerside to-day at a quarter past one o'clock—local time. S. V. WHITE, the five-millionaire New York operator, was once a reporter for a St. Louis newspaper. LADIES and Gents pearl, shell and leather card cases at a large discount at W. W. Wellner's. THE hands of an infant child of poor parents at Oshkosh, Wis., were frozen while it was sleeping in a cradle. It is proposed to erect a statue to the memory of Lord Idlesleigh in the Central hall of the House of Commons.

MR. JOHN BRADY, Secretary of the Irish Land League, denies that Mr. Farnell is suffering from Bright's disease. COLONEL GOLDIE, the new Quartermaster General at Halifax, has instructions to purchase Canadian horses for the British army. A MRS. WEST, of Red Bank, N. J., has eloped twice with the same man. At present this specimen of constancy is in Canada. D. A. BRUCE is selling the balance of fur caps, fur and cloth overcoats, sleigh robes, and all winter goods at cost. feb 5 dy wy tf CHARLES DUDLEY WARNER says that there are a great many men who can't pay for a paper, but he never saw a man who could not sit one.

A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD thoroughbred Durham cow belonging to Elias Hines, of Troy, Mo., gave birth to four fine calves the other day, and then died. THERE are about 800 lawyers in St. Louis, and an investigator announces that he has found 500 who have apparently no visible means of support. THE Arabs claim that Eve was created twenty-two years before Adam was, and that Adam was created simply because she was lonesome for some one to talk to. AN eighteen year old boy shot his sixteen year old sweetheart from jealousy, at St. Louis, a few evenings since. It is time children either quit playing with love, or pistols, one or the other.

SHORTLY after midnight, a large section of a rock in the Wilbur iron mines, situated on the line of the Kingston and Pembroke railway, fell, killing five men. It is said that information has been received by the Dominion Government that the British authorities have discarded the Lee-Burton rifle, lately adopted for use in the British army. THE editor of a western exchange says: The longer we run a newspaper and write about people and events, the more we realize how utterly impossible it is to scratch every man on the spot where it itches the most.

A LIGHTNING calculator gave an exhibition at Lansing, Mich., winning great admiration by his rapid figuring. He took up a collection and disappeared, and then it was discovered that his totals were all wrong. It is believed in official circles in Ottawa that a mixed commission similar to the one which sat in Halifax in 1872 will be agreed upon for the settlement of the fishery question and other matters arising out of the dispute.

MENKACZY's great picture, "Christ before Pilate," has been purchased by John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia. The price paid, it is said, was considerably over \$100,000, probably \$150,000. Mr. Wanamaker does not get possession of the picture till May.

MRS. OLIVE CLEVELAND CLARK died at Springfield, Mass., on the 16th, aged 101 years, 4 months and 21 days. Mrs. Clark's father lived to be 90, and her mother was 104 years and 6 months old when she died. She leaves a son 76 years old, a brother 91 years, and a sister 97 years old.

JUDGE THOMAS M. JOSEPH, for several years treasurer of the grand lodge of Odd-fellows of Texas, confesses he is short in his accounts with the grand lodge to the extent of \$23,000. This embraces the entire fund belonging to the lodge. Joseph says he lost the money nearly four years ago in mining speculations.

THE St. John Sun understands that a charge of adultery having been preferred against the Rev. D. D. Currie, a new trial was held at Scotchton, Grand Lake, on the 16th inst., when, after a very full and careful consideration of the case, the court found the charge sustained, and declared Mr. Currie suspended until the conference disposes therewith according to the discipline.

THE Army Gazette points out that an entrance to Belgium from France is quite open, and that it is mistaken to believe that the roads are covered by Antwerp. The Gazette hopes Count Schmettau, who has just been appointed military attache to the German Emperor at Brussels, will press Germany's views on the subject to the Belgium Government.

ALL played out. Don't know what alls me lately. Can't sleep well—can't sleep well. Can't work, and don't enjoy doing anything. Ain't really sick, and I really ain't well. Feel all kind o' played out, somehow. That is what some of 'em say every day. If they would take Dr. Pierce's golden medical discovery they would soon have no occasion to say it. It purifies the blood, tones up the system and fortifies it against disease. It is a great anti-bilious remedy as well.

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 shrub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gum, allays all pain, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for their use, 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.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS. P. E. ISLAND RAILWAY.

(SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.) LATEST DESPATCHES.

Floods in Australia. ABOUT SIXTY LIVES LOST. Slaughter of Negroes. A BAD WIPE OUT. Victory for the Government.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22. An Australian despatch states that about sixty lives were lost by the recent floods. At Brisbane and Queensland the damage to property was enormous.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22. The Auckland Bell prints a letter from Earl Kimberley, which contains an account of the terrible slaughter of negroes in that district. It appears that a miner stole a young black and in retaliation thereof the negroes killed the miner and wounded his companion. The latter, on escaping, secured assistance and pursued the blacks, and out of a band of forty of the latter, all but one were shot down.

BERLIN, Feb. 22. The election in this city resulted in favor of all six Government candidates. Weather Bulletin. TORONTO, February 22—10 a.m. Light to moderate winds, fair weather, not much change in temperature.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. "A Farmer's Son" Answered by "A True Liberal."

SIR.—In yesterday's Patriot, "A Farmer's Son" makes a great fuss in re Free Trade, and who loses the 15 cents duty on potatoes? As to the latter, everyone knows who is out by reason of such specific duty on potatoes. The same applies to horses also. But what does this prove? If it proves anything, it proves that other countries and other people, too, are exporting goods and products into Canada at a loss to the producer and gain to our revenue? This matter works both ways and effects all alike. As to free trade, I would refer "A Farmer's Son" and all others seeking the truth to read carefully the well considered words of the Hon. Edward Blake, spoken at a mass meeting of the Liberal Party at Quebec on the 1st February, inst. They are as follows:—

"He (Mr. Blake) had repeated that Free Trade was not practicable in Canada, and gave his reasons. He had reaffirmed his statement that there was no possibility of a change in a system of taxation, the necessary effect of which was to give large and ample advantages to the Canadian manufacturer or his competitor abroad, and it was clearer than ever that a very high scale of taxation must be retained, and consequently manufacturers had nothing to fear."

In the above honest words of Mr. Blake, spoken advisedly during the present campaign, "A Farmer's Son," a farmer himself, and all others must know that the Free Trade plank has been shattered by the great Liberal leader. That question being settled, it behooves the electors of this Province, on next Tuesday, to mark their ballots for the more progressive and best Party.

Yours, A TRUE LIBERAL. Queen's County, Feb. 19, 1887. DIED. Feb. 17th, at Shediac River, of cancer in the stomach, Sarah McKay (formerly of Deshaie, P. E. I.) aged 33 years, wife of John W. Tidd, leaving three children with her husband to mourn her loss.

On the 17th inst., in the city of Portland, N. B., after a lingering illness, Hannah A., aged 42 years, beloved wife of Edw. McClure, and daughter of the late Wm. Dow, of Sanbury Co.

Liverpool Traders. SPRING - 1887.

THE CLIPPER BARQUE "GEORGE PEAKE," 500 Tons Register, OR THE CLIPPER BARK "MOSELLE," 500 Tons Register. WILL SAIL FROM Liverpool for Charlottetown, DIRECT ABOUT THE 1ST APRIL. And will carry Goods at through rates, to all points of the Island, where the Railway connects, at very lowest rates.

The "George Peake" is now at Liverpool. Both vessels have good accommodation for passengers. For Freight or Passage, apply in London to JOHN FITZGERALD & SONS, 16 Great Winchester Street, E. C.; in Liverpool to WITCHAMN BROTHERS, 57 South John Street, or here to the owners.

PEAKE BROS. & CO. CH'OWN, Feb. 19, 1887—dw wtd

NOTICE.

DURING the time the Winter Mail Service will be carried on, via "The Cape" or until further notice, a Special Passenger Train will leave Charlottetown for Cape Traverse at 8 p. m. on Sundays excepted, returning to Charlottetown on following days. Instead of leaving at 8 p. m., on Saturdays, train will leave Charlottetown for Cape Traverse at 12:05 a. m., on Mondays, returning same day. JAMES COLEMAN, Superintendent. Railway Office, Ch'own, Feb. 2, 1887. See pag 61 and 62 for 2 wks

GOOD PURE PARKER-HOUSE BAKING-POWDER. WHOLESOME.

To all who Plant or Sow SEEDS. WE beg to inform you that we have received via Winter steamers, all our stock of Flower and Vegetable Seeds, and we are now hard at work testing the vitality of each variety, and putting up in packets, ounces and pounds, ready for the busy season. We have All the Best Varieties and Leading Novelties, all true to name and suited to the climate of this Province. No need to send away to foreign firms. Keep your orders for a home institution. Keep the money in the Island and encourage home industries. Our Catalogue will be ready March 1st, and the Seeds will then be ready as well. By buying from us you can make a personal selection from an immense stock, large variety, best quality, tested Seeds at moderate prices, and get them when you buy them. NO DELAYS!—NO RISK!—NO LOSS. Further announcements from week to week in this paper.

GEO. CARTER & CO., SEEDSMEN. Ch'own, Feb. 18, 1887—law & wky

FLOUR. 1000 Bbls. Matchless, Kent Mills, City Mills, &c., &c.

AT BEER & COFF'S. CANADA AND WEST INDIES. Tenders for Steamship Lines.

TENDERS will be received at the Finance Department, Ottawa, up to and including the 1st day of May next, from persons or companies, for the performance of the following steamship services, viz:—

1st. A line of mail steamers sailing from Halifax to Havana, thence to Kingston, thence to Santiago de Cuba, thence to Canada; and (2nd) a line of mail steamers between Canada and Porto Rico and a adjacent islands. Trips to be made by each line fortnightly. Steamers to be of a size sufficient to carry 2000 tons of cargo and to be able to steam twelve knots an hour, averaging not less than eleven knots an hour. The contract in either case to be for a period of five years. Tenders will be received for the above services either separately or together. Tenders to be marked on the outside "Tenders for Steamship Service to West Indies." The Government of Canada do not bind themselves to accept any tender. By command, J. M. COURTNEY, Deputy Minister of Finance. Finance Department, Ottawa, 7th Feb. 1887—feb 19 law t1 april 30

ITS PURITY. WOODRILL'S & GERMAN BAKING-POWDER. CERTIFIED TO BY F. W. BEST, DOMINION ANALYST, St. John, N. B. Feb. 10, 1887. TENDERS. SEALED TENDERS will be received at the City Clerk's office up to noon on TUESDAY, 1ST MARCH next, from persons willing to contract for the erection of a brick building for the use of the Fire Department, etc. Plans and Specifications to be seen at Messrs. Phillips & Campbell, architects. A certified check equal to five per cent of contract must accompany each tender. The contract is not to be awarded to accept the lowest or any tender. By order, A. H. MACPHERSON, City Clerk. Feb. 10, 1887—10:30 am

BARGAINS! - BARGAINS!

Chairs, Tables, Bedsteads, &c and in all kinds of Household Furniture, such as Parlor, Dining-room and Bed-room, all kinds of Bedsteads, Beds, Mattresses, Pillows, all kinds of Chairs, Lounges, Sofas, Sideboards, Chests, Book-cases, Tables, Washstands, Sinks, Cradles, Cots, Cribs, &c. PICTURE FRAMES and Picture Frame Moulding—late Styles and Finest Quality—Cheap. Looking Glasses and Mirrors, very low. All kinds of Window Furniture, such as Chona Green Blinds and Shades, Cornices, Poles, Rings, Holders, Bands, Chains, Hooks, Blind Rollers, &c. ALSO—The Grand-daddy Chairs, Wire Mattresses, children's Sleighs, Carts and Waggon—cheap, cheap, at JOHN NEWSON'S QUEEN SQUARE, (Op. New Post Office.) Jan. 27, 1887—3 mos pat her

Canadian Book and Bible Co. HAVE just issued the only authentic Life of His Holiness Pope Leo XIII., with his correspondence, Catholic Dictionary and a host of valuable information about Catholicism. A large work, beautifully prepared, well bound, low in price, sold only by subscription. We want Agents in every city, town and country. Address: Maritime Branch Canadian Book and Bible Co., St. John, N. B. Feb. 14, 1887.

REMOVAL. J. B. MACDONALD has removed for two months (while his own store is undergoing alterations) to the stand adjoining Messrs. Perkins & Sterne, on the West side of the Market Square, where he will sell off the balance of his stock of Dry Goods, Clothing and Gents Furnishings, at prices that are bound to sell them. Don't fail to call when shopping. If we have anything to suit, you can buy cheap. Special bargains given in ready-made Clothing Overcoats and Suits. A few Men's Fur Coats left—will be sold cheap. Splendid Tea retailing for 25 cents per pound. J. B. MACDONALD. Feb. 5, 1887—4y wky

BUY BEER & COFF'S TEA. Notice of Meeting. THE General Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the MERCHANTS BANK OF PRINCE EDWARD 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 3rd, at the hour of ELEVEN o'clock, a. m. Proxies for voting must be left with the Cashier on or before Tuesday, March 1st. By order, F. MITCHELL, Cashier. Feb. 10—tu th sat 11 mar 3

HAVING secured the services of MR. WILLIAM TUCKER, a native of this Island, who has had nine years experience as a Horse-shoer in the United States, I am prepared to supply a long-felt want in this line. Mr. Tucker has reduced horse-shoeing to a science, and is prepared to perform all classes of work in a common-sense and scientific manner. I need not inform the intelligent horseowner that the gait of the horse and condition of the feet must be understood to weight a horse properly and to successfully operate thereon. Numerous patrons already admit the merits of the work performed, and recommend his system of shoeing. Customers can always depend on prompt attention and entire satisfaction. W. J. FRASER. Ch'own, Nov. 17, 1886. QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY OF LIVERPOOL AND LONDON. CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOCIATION OF TORONTO. J. DESBRISAY, Agent. OFFICE: BROWN'S BLOCK (over Merchant's Bank of Halifax) Market Square. Ch'own, Jan. 31, '87—mo wed & wky 1 mo

LOST, FOUND, &c. TO LET—The Dwelling House lately occupied by the subscriber, situate on the corner of Prince and Dorchester Street. Apply to T. C. Robbins. feb 19—2aw 1f

WANTED—A Clerk who has had several years experience, and who is capable of taking charge of one of the best departments of a dry goods store in the city. Address: P. O. Box No. 26. feb 19 2f

TO LET—A House on Douglas Street, West, containing 7 rooms, all in good repair; possession given immediately. Apply to James Bradley, Great George Street. feb 18 2aw 1f

TO LET—A House and Outbuildings and 6 Acres of Land, known as "Maryfield," situated on Malpeque Road, adjoining the premises of Malpeque Mill, E. G. For further particulars apply to J. G. Eckhardt, at St. Vincent's Street. nov 21 2f

TO LET—Shop and Tenement on Upper Queen Street, lately occupied by W. W. Rodd. Apply on the premises. nov 21 2f

TO LET—That brick House and Shop on Dorchester Street, formerly occupied by Owen Connolly, immediately possession given. For terms and particulars apply to Owen Connolly. jan 21 2f

TO LET—Shop and Warehouses lately occupied by Beer & Sons at Head St. Peter's Bay. Apply on the premises. jan 21 2f

TO LET—That brick House on Dundas Esplanade, now in the possession of G. H. Hazard, Esq.; possession given 1st October next. For terms and particulars apply to Owen Connolly. jan 21 2f

James Paton & Co.

Those who have not inspected our Stock of Dry Goods and House Furnishings should do so at once. Remember, the time for buying all kinds of House Furnishings will soon be at hand, and bear in mind we lead in this line.

Our Carpet and Oilcloth Show Room is loaded with nice new patterns, for Spring Trade, from the cheapest Hemp Carpet to the best Velvet Pile. We have the Largest Stock of Carpets and Oilcloths on the Island.

Also, a large assortment of Sheetings, Pillow Cottons, Tickings, Gray and White Cottons and Print Cottons, at Lowest Prices for Cash.

JAMES PATON & CO., Successors to W. A. WEEKS & CO., Market Square. Ch'own, Feb. 17, 1887.—dy wky

Ten Thousand Pounds Extra Quality -T-E-A- at Twenty-five cents per pound at the LONDON HOUSE. Feb. 11—2aw wy 2mos

30,000 FEET PICTURE MOULDINGS, the Largest Stock ever shown in the Province. Wholesale and Retail at Low Prices. A splendid assortment of AMERICAN METAL MOULDINGS, direct from the factory of a renowned Chicago maker—Choice and durable. Send in your Pictures, &c., and have them framed cheap. Plush frames of every description, made to order. MARK WRIGHT & CO. Ch'own, Jan. 7, 1886.

BEER BROS. Largely Reduced Prices During Stock Taking. Remnants of SILKS, SATINS, &c., &c., at Clearance Prices. Largely Reduced Prices During Stock Taking. Ch'own, Jan. 31, 1887.

BRITISH WAREHOUSE 83 QUEEN STREET. EXTENSIVE CASH SALE! I have decided to close out the whole of my stock of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, commencing December 15th, 1886, and continuing until the whole is disposed of, at LARGE DISCOUNTS FOR CASH. A. I. BROWN. Ch'own, Dec. 14—wky