

Local and Other Items.

THE Moncton sugar refinery is working full force.
MONCTON is to have a poultry show on the 17th, 18th and 19th inst.
The Salvation Army has made over seven hundred covers to the City of Guelph.
MR. JAMES A. FRASER, Summerside's enterprising druggist, paid us a visit to-day.
A FRESH lot of choice teas via Northern Light, just received at the London House.
MRS. LAFFREY, of Brantville, has won the Montreal Witness prize of \$100 for the best winter carnival poem.
ARRANGEMENTS have been made at Quebec for the printing of 100,000 copies of the Scott Act in the French language.
DUNCAN C. ROSS, the well known athlete, has applied to be admitted as a theological student in Trinity college, Toronto.
PUMPHREYS are current of the loss in James Bay of a vessel of the Hudson Bay Company, with a cargo of furs valued at a quarter of a million of dollars.
MR. W. EDMUNDS, representative of the well known firm of Thomas May & Co., Halifax, is making his regular business tour of the provinces. He is staying at the Revere.
A MEETING of the Electors of Ward 5 will be held this (Friday) evening the 16th inst., at 8 o'clock, in P. Large & Son's Shop, to nominate a candidate for the approaching Civic Election.
J. TAYLOR, of Mattawa, Ont., claims to have discovered in Collingwood mountains the best gold mine in America. A gentleman from California offered Taylor \$20,000 if he would show him where he found the gold, but this offer was declined.
NOTICE.—The fireproof safe, with combination lock, show cases, case of artist's material, and shop and office furniture in Brennan Bro's Store, will be sold by auction on Saturday, the 17th inst., at 3 o'clock, p. m.—B. WILSON HIGGS, Auctioneer.
REV. K. RICHARDSON acknowledges with thanks the receipt of a handsome suit of clothes made by the Champion Tailor from goods manufactured by the Tryon Woollen Mills, and presented to him by Mr. James A. Reid and Mr. John McKenzie.—Summerside Journal.
MR. WILLIAM RAYDEN, son of William M. Rayden, Esq., of this city, has, we are pleased to learn, succeeded in making the required number of marks in a competitive examination, which entitles him to a commission in one of the British West India Regiments. Mr. Rayden was formerly a Corporal in No. 2 Battery Garrison Artillery.
INSTRUCTIONS have been sent to Inspectors of Weights and Measures not to enforce the law, which was to have gone into operation on the 1st inst., making it compulsory that all packages of canned goods be marked with the weight of the contents. It is the intention of the Minister of Inland Revenue to make certain amendments to the act during the coming session. Until this is done the act will remain inoperative.
THE Woodstock Sentinel referring to the report that the Rev. D. P. Currie is about to embark in the insurance business, pays a deserved compliment to the ability of that gentleman. It adds: However the question, not readily or satisfactorily to be answered, presents itself. Why is it that so many of these, professedly called to the ministry, especially of those whose ability has been most eminent, are forsaking that high calling.
A MONTREAL despatch says: "A few days ago Mr. Duggs, police magistrate, gave his decision upon the charge made against A. B. Almour, that in 1881 he cashed at the Jacques Carrier bank a cheque for \$1,200 made out to the order of his brother, Wm. Almour, endorsing the cheque, and stating that he had a right to do so. The magistrate in his judgment held that it would be better for A. B. Almour to defend himself before a jury."

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A SMALL market to-day. Prices unchanged.
BAND at the Rink to-morrow afternoon from 4 to 6.
PERSONAL.—A. C. McDonald, Esq., M. P., and Hon. A. J. McDonald are in the city.
The Bankrupt Stock sale at the store of Bremer Bros. is continued every day, commencing at two o'clock.
GET your Tea from R. K. Brace—it is worth calling Tea. Also, Flour warranted good and cheap for cash.
HON. PETER MITCHELL has taken over the Montreal Herald. The purchase price is said to be twenty thousand dollars.
We are told by the microscope that there are more than 4,000 muscles in a caterpillar, and that the eye of a drone contains 1,000 mirrors.
DURING the past year 20,000 barrels pickled fish and 70 tons of dry fish were shipped from Port Hawkesbury by rail to Upper Provinces and States.
The Electors of Ward 4 will meet this evening in the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court Room, at 8 o'clock, to nominate a councillor for the approaching civic election.
AN important appointment likely to be made in New Brunswick is that of the Hon. D. L. Hanington, a Conservative leader in Provincial politics, to the Supreme Court Bench of his Province.
A McNEILL, Auctioneer, invites inspection of Clothing and other Goods, which must be closed out at his Bankrupt Stock Sale, Saturday evening, January 17th, at 7 o'clock. See advertisement and handbills.
The Northern Light did not return from Pictou to day. She will leave at daylight to-morrow morning. There will be no special train to or from Georgetown to-night.
The track on the eastern division of the Canadian Pacific Railway has been laid ninety five miles west of the Sudbury. This leaves about ninety miles to iron before the connection.
REV. KENNEDY CREIGHTON, pastor of King Street Methodist Church, Toronto, was stricken with paralysis while preaching on the evening of the 11th inst. He is not likely to recover.
We learn that Mr. G. H. Foster, will contest Ward Four, at the coming Civic Election. A meeting will be held this Friday evening, at the Stipendiary's Court Room, at 8 o'clock. Voters are requested to attend.
The letter of Mr. Unsworth, Mechanical Superintendent of the P. E. I. Railway inserted on Tuesday last in reference to the relative merits of Locomotives, was copied from the American Journal of Railway Appliances.
THERE will be a Prayer Meeting (in connection with the Young Women's Christian Association) held on every Saturday afternoon, from 3 to 4 o'clock, in the Basement Parlor of the Y. M. C. A. Hall. Friends and members are invited to attend.
The United States and Canada contains six wonders which may be called wonders of the world, being, whether natural or artificial, without any rivals anywhere. They are the Yosemite Valley, Niagara Falls, Natural Bridge, Mammoth Cave, New York and Brooklyn Bridge and Washington Monument.
No news has been received of Captain John Traynor and Fritz Federman, who sailed from St. John's, N.B., for Liverpool in the 12-foot dory Harold T. Bibber, out 105 days. The wife of the captain, who resides at Georgetown, Me., thinks he is lost. It is the general opinion of mariners that both men have perished. Dr. Bibber of Bath, Me., for whose son the dory is named, is confident that they will succeed in their attempt.
HAD A GLASS EYE TO BUSINESS.—Morris Lary, a man with a glass eye, came to Toronto some months ago from Detroit, and started an agency for the collection of accounts. He soon wriggled himself into the good graces of tradesmen and others. He has now skipped to the United States, leaving due to creditors amounts variously estimated at from \$8,000 to \$10,000.
MR. JAS. McDONALD will read his paper on "Water and Water Supplies" before the Literary and Scientific Society, this (Friday) evening, in the Y. M. C. A. Parlor. As the subject is closely connected with sanitary reform in our city, the paper will no doubt prove interesting and instructive. The discussion following the paper will elicit opinions and facts of importance. Meeting at sharp 8 o'clock. The sessions of the Society are open to all.
GREAT interest is manifested among the Nova Scotia Presbyterians, in the proposal to cede the New Hebrides to France. The New Hebrides were christianized by Nova Scotia missionaries. John Geddie of Pictou, was the pioneer, and when he went there there were no Christians; but when he died there were no heathens. Two Pictou men, brothers, named Gordon, were martyred there. There are two or three Nova Scotia missionaries there now, but these will be driven out by the French. Public meetings will be held in Halifax, protesting against ceding the islands.
THE Y. M. C. Association Entertainment was, as it deserved to be, largely attended. The opening chorus was very well rendered, but the singers admit of a good deal more practice. At the beginning the conductor did not give out proper time, and at the end he finishes a bar behind. The second chorus was better but the last was not up to the standard. The gems of the evening were the solos by Mrs. Room and Miss Earle, while the instrumental music was good throughout. Mr. T. C. James' reading was stirring and was deservedly applauded. Altogether the concert was a success and we congratulate the committee on their selections.—Com

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.]
The Short Line Railway.

PICTOU, N. S., Jan. 15.
A meeting was held here to-night to discuss the position of the Short Line Railway matters. It was addressed by McDougald, M. P., Tupper, and others. Both members stated that if the present company did not pay the claims, and arrange to proceed with the construction of the road before Parliament met, and if the contract was not taken over by some reliable company, the Government would itself pay the subcontractors all arrears, and proceed with the construction of the whole Short Line from Oxford to Louisburg.

A Terrible Disaster.
PARIS, Jan. 15.
A terrible colliery explosion occurred to-day in the great coal mines at Liévin, in Pas Le Calais, France. At the time of the calamity there were fortunately but forty-eight men in the mine, and all were entombed. Twenty-eight dead bodies so far have been brought up from the mine. It is believed that none of the men in the colliery at the time of the explosion escaped instant death. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

A Discovery.
FRANKLIN, PA., Jan. 14.
The discovery to-day of bodies of four infants, from one to three years old, which were buried near Bigrock Bridge, in the lower end of the city, has created a great excitement. The bodies were found in rough boxes, and one at least was buried alive.

Heavy Libel Suit.
DUBLIN, Jan. 15.
The Freeman's Journal has paid \$3,000 and costs besides publishing an apology in settlement of an untried action for libel brought by Mr. Freckleton, a clergyman. The Freeman's Journal alleged that Freckleton had eloped with a married woman.

The Franco-Chinese War.
PARIS, Jan. 15.
Admiral Courbet, who is in command of the French fleet in China, began to-day landing troops for the occupation of the mine at Kelung.
Le Paris states that Admiral Courbet has captured the mines at Kelung.

An Anarchist Plot.
BERLIN, Jan. 15.
An anarchist plot has been discovered at Lyons. The plot contemplated the seizure by night of arms belonging to the Rifle Society, and the immediate proclamations of a revolution.

Weather Bulletin.
METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE.
Charlottetown January 16, 1885.
Highest Temperature yesterday.....18.1
Lowest Temperature (read at midnight).... 5.6
Lowest Temperature this morning.....11.1
Temperature this morning, at 8 o'clock.....17.6
Temperature this afternoon at 1 o'clock.....16.0

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.
Proper Encores.
SIR,—Is it the correct thing for singers at concerts to respond to encores when brought out by ten or twenty interested parties? Ought not they to be repelled to, when requested by the audience as a body or nearly so?
DIX.

MARRIED.
At the residence of the bride's mother, in this city, on the 15th inst., by the Rev. F. Smallwood, Mr. Donald Fraser, by Catharine, fourth daughter of the late Mr. Peter Van Iderstine.

DIED.
In Woburn, Mass., on Monday, January 5, 1885, after a long and severe illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude and resignation to the Divine Will, Miss MARY WIDGERY, aged 82 years and 6 months, wife of Mr. Walter Widgery, formerly of Charlottetown. Another dear friend has been called away, but it is a pleasing thought to know that our loss is her eternal gain. The deceased was for many years a zealous and consistent member of the Methodist Church, Woburn, from whose immediate circle she will indeed be greatly missed. She was a true, kind, devoted, and affectionate wife and mother, and ever ready to serve the interests of her neighbors by day or night. To her husband, and her only surviving daughter, and other relatives, who have been left to mourn their irreparable loss, we tender our heartfelt sympathy, and tenderly mingle our sorrow with theirs, over the death of one whom we ever found to be a friend indeed, but now she has joined the "great army of those that have gone before."
She has only gone before us:
Soon our journey shall be o'er,
And we, too, shall join the chorus—
Meet where partings are no more.

At Point Peasant, St. Peter's Road, Jan. 15th, 1885, Ernestine Sophia, youngest daughter of W. F. and Mary Ellen Dawson, aged 5 years and 4 months.

At New Glasgow, on Thursday, the 8th inst., Margery Gay, beloved wife of John Gay, aged 62 years. The deceased lived a quiet and consistent life, and died in the full hope of a blissful immortality.

At her residence, Pinette, on the 14th Jan., after a short but severe illness, Lavinia, beloved wife of Albert Vickerson, in the 38th year of her age, leaving a husband and three children to mourn their loss. Deceased was an affectionate wife, a loving mother, and a kind friend and neighbor. Her bereaved husband and children have the warmest sympathy of the whole community.
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NOTICE.
As we are about making a change in our business we request an Immediate Payment of all accounts due up to this date.
W. & A. BROWN & CO.
Jan. 1st, 1885.—ja 6

Perkins & Sterns'
HAVING made an addition to their premises, they are now the Largest Exclusively DRY GOODS HOUSE in this Province. Giving their whole attention to this branch, they are in a position to give the very Best Value.
COMPLETE PREMISES. - LARGE STOCK. - CHEAP GOODS.
Previous to Stock-taking they will sell the balance of their
Fur-lined CLOAKS at a big reduction,
Ladies' ULSTERS at a big reduction,
Wool Scarfs & Squares at a big reduction,
MANTLES and JACKETS at a big reduction,
Men's Fur CAPS at a big reduction,
Knitted Wool JACKETS at a big reduction.
Always Cheap and prices Reliable, without doubt this is the place to buy your
Blankets, Comforts, Counterpanes, Flannels, Wincey,
Cloths, Linens, &c., &c.
TIP-TOP VALUES IN DRESS GOODS & VELVETEENS.
Gents' GLOVES and MITTS,
Silk HANDKERCHIEFS,
SCARFS and TIES,
COLLARS and CUFFS,
Gents' UNDERCLOTHING,
Ladies' GLOVES and MITTS,
Fur CAPS and MUFFS,
Real Lace SCARFS,
HOSIERY and CORSETS,
Newest CORSETS.
SLIPPER PATTERNS, CUSHION PATTERNS, BRACKET PATTERNS.
Cotton Goods of Every Description we Guarantee to be as Cheap as any to be found.
PERKINS & STERNS.
Ch'town, Dec. 17, 1884.

JAMES SHAND,
STEVENSON'S BUILDING, QUEEN ST., IS OFFERING:
Men's Lined Kid Gloves, 75cts; do Fur Trimmed, \$1; do with Gauntlets, 75cts; Men's Buckskin Lined do, 80cts; Men's Cloth Ringwood, &c.
Ladies' Lined Kid Mitts, 50cts; do Long Cloth Gloves, 32cts; do Long Thread do, 28cts. Men's White Cambric Handkerchiefs from 5cts, Men's Colored Cashmere Handkerchiefs in great variety, Ladies' White Cambric Handkerchiefs from 5cts, Ladies' Linen do from 10cts, Ladies' Embroidered and Lace-edge Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Silk Handkerchiefs from 15 to 60cts.
Ladies' Fancy Embroidered Ties, Bands, Brushes, Comb Toilet Pins, Belts. Buttons in great variety; Laces, Edgings, Insertions, Swiss Embroidery, a large stock. Book, Cross-barred, and Jacquet Muslin, Lace Curtains, Black and White Figured Nets,
BLACK AND COLORED VELVETEENS.
A Large Stock Canadian Shirts and Drawers from 40 Cents.
Remember the place: Stevenson's Building, Queen Street, where all goods kept by us are sold at prices which cannot be legitimately competed with.
Charlottetown, Dec. 15th, 1884.

AN important feature of "Babyhood" for January is an article by Dr. Yale on "The First Steps," in which the earliest development of the Baby's power of locomotion is described in a practical manner, with suggestions as to the avoidance of "bow legs," "knock-knees," etc. Parents of little folks as yet nameless may find some serviceable hints in an amusing sketch by Rev. Edward Everett Hale, entitled "Naming the Baby." Mrs. Christine Ladd Franklin makes "The Infant's Mind," a subject of most interesting study. "Baby Abroad in Winter," by Marion Harland, and various other features, go to make this number a valuable one for all who have the Baby's interests at heart.

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A TEA AND BAZAAR
WILL BE HELD
In Aid of the P. E. Island Hospital,
—ON—
Wednesday, February 11, 1885.
Donations will be thankfully received by the undersigned ladies:
Mrs. C. Palmer, President.
Aitken, Mrs. W. H. Kennedy, Mrs. W.
Anderson, Mrs. Prof. Laird, Mrs.
Burwash, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs.
Bartlett, Mrs. Matheson, Mrs. J. A.
Blanchard, Mrs. Dr. McLeod, Mrs. G.
Ball, Mrs. McSwain, Mrs. G.
Beer, Mrs. F. McNeill, Mrs. D.
Beer, Mrs. J. McLeod, Mrs. J.
Brown, Miss G. McKinlay, Mrs.
Beales, Mrs. McGowan, Mrs. John
Coleman, Mrs. G. Moore, Mrs. F. W.
Cook, Mrs. G. Miller, Mrs. W.
Cundall, Miss P. McEwen, Mrs.
Coffin, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. D.
Davies, Mrs. B. Palmer, Miss Ethel
DesBrisay, Mrs. Jas. Perkins, Mrs. F.
DeBlois, Mrs. Poole, Mrs.
Dustin, Mrs. Pope, Mrs. P.
Dodd, Mrs. Rice, Mrs.
Fitzgerald, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs.
Findley, Mrs. Sterling, Mrs.
Gray, Mrs. Col. Snaddon, Mrs.
Hensley, Mrs. Hensley, Miss
Haviland, Mrs. Weeks, Mrs. R.
Ings, Miss Johnson, Mrs. R. Worthy, Mrs.
MILLIE BEER,
Secretary.
July 16, 1884.—lan.