

Reciprocity.

This subject is now being agitated in the United States. Commenting on the discussion which took place recently at the National Board of Trade, Washington, the *Monetary Times* says: "The National Board of Trade fully recognizes the fact that any negotiations for a new treaty must originate with the power that terminated the old one. Canada's natural attitude, till the United States moves, is and must be passive. We have never been unwilling to enter on negotiations for the benefit of the two countries; but all we can do is to show that we are not desirous of opposing obstacles to a mutually freer exchange of products. Before initiating, in any degree, however remote, the restrictive policy of the States, we remained inactive in this respect, and ready to receive any offers the Government of Washington might make; and it was only when all hope of reciprocity had gone that we took a line of our own. Even now, we are as ready to treat as ever; but the initiative does not lie with us, and if nothing be done towards an accommodation, the fault is not ours. "The commercial relations of the two countries, in the opinion of the Board, are most satisfactory. The falling off of from eighteen to twenty per cent, in American exports to Canada, during the year ending June 30, 1879, is noted; and it is apparently considered additional aggravation of the evil that the imports remain the same, though on this point there is room for doubt. In the general tariff the Board does not even desire any radical changes; but only such modifications as might seem desirable in the interest of the whole country and of its various industries."

The *Montreal Gazette* remarks that so far as this country is concerned, therefore, it may be accepted as a fact that we are prepared to enter into negotiation for a reciprocity in natural products at any time the United States honestly desires to bring about a treaty. The *Chicago Tribune* of Saturday last in discussing this question expresses the opinion that "there is only one basis upon which there is the smallest hope of establishing reciprocity between the United States and Canada, viz., the Zollverein system, which shall abolish custom-houses on the border and place Canada upon the same footing with every State in the Union as to all foreign trade," and adds that complete reciprocity would require of Canada the adoption of substantially the same tariff against other nations which the United States now maintains. There is an insurmountable obstacle in the way of the accomplishment of this result—that Canada cannot discriminate against the Mother country, and it is an obstacle which Canadians can overcome only at the sacrifice of British connection. It is idle, therefore, for the people of the United States to hug the delusion that trade between the two countries can be made as free as between the individual States of the Union. In giving free entry to the products of the United States, we must extend the same privilege to those of the United Kingdom, and while we are prepared to take that step as regards natural productions, the policy of this Dominion is averse to the extension of the privilege so as to include manufactures. A Zollverein between Canada and the United States would mean free trade on our part with the world and protection on the part of the United States against all countries, except the Dominion, a too one-sided arrangement to receive the approval of our people. We can have reciprocity only in natural products, and we believe that such an arrangement would be a mutually beneficial one; the coal of the Lower Provinces, for instance, would find a market in the Eastern States, while that of Pennsylvania would seek Ontario; the lumber of Ontario would be exported to New York, Massachusetts, &c., and that of the Northwestern States to Manitoba; we would exchange our barley for Indian corn, and in various other products the interchange would be mutually advantageous and desirable by reason of the geographical situation of the producing districts. Upon such a basis alone can a reciprocity treaty be renewed, and it is useless for the people of the United States to delay the negotiations in the false hope that thereby they will ultimately obtain a free interchange of manufactures and articles of every description.

The Bass River, Colchester County, correspondent of the *Halifax Herald* tells the following sad story:—"Some time ago Robert and Agnes McLaughlin, of Lower Economy, lost some of their children by diphtheria. Just previous to this sad affliction, one those travelling vagrants, who are everywhere on the tramp through the country, stopped over night at McLaughlin's house. In addition to the general filth and rags attached to him, was a most disgusting sore on his breast, which was sickening to behold, and it is now generally believed that from him emanated this terrible disease which resulted in the death of six of the children. The night following he stopped for lodgings at Corbett's, of Five Islands, but being allowed the privileges of the barn only, no fatal results followed. On the third night, however, he slept at a Mr. Adams' house, at Five Islands, who soon lost three children by the same disease. From thence he has been traced to Maclean and Southampton, and in every house where he remained over night, fatal results have ensued, in the shape of the loss of from three to five children from out of each family. Surely this will be a warning to people to be careful of what strangers they entertain."

The Afghan revolt was caused, it is said, by regiments who were barefooted and wanted more pay. If W. R. Borchman had been there with his stock of strong, serviceable boots this would not have happened, as but small pay would have been required to get all boots needed.—[Dec 23, 61]

From the *Summerside Journal*.  
A Vesper.

Away dark dreams,—  
This world is very fair to look upon,  
And though it seems  
Dreary sometimes in dusky twilight gleams  
Bright morrows come when yesterday's are gone.

Though winters creep  
Swiftly on us, and summer's foliage dies  
The roots but sleep,  
And soon again in spring the green leaves peep  
And passion-flowers re-ops their starry eyes.

Lie down to rest  
O man! and trust to God's protecting care,  
And on the breast  
Of slumber, as the Mother's Babe is pressed,  
Sweet visions of the night, serene and fair,

Will come again,  
And he who careth for the sparrow's fall  
Will ease thy pain  
And lift the shadow that thy senses thrall  
As David's music soothed the gloom of Saul.

HUNTER DUVAR.

An Extraordinary Organ.

The organ now being built for the Stewart Cathedral at Garden City, L. I., in several respects will be without an equal in the world. It will be placed in four parts, each placed in different parts of the building, all of which by means of electrical connections can be played together by the organist, who will sit at the key-board in the Chancel and use the keys with as little pressure as that of a piano. It will have one hundred and twenty speaking stops, thirty-six more than the great Boston City Hall organ, and nine more than the monster one in the Royal Albert Hall, London, irrespective of the various mechanical accessories. There will also be an echo organ in the roof which, with the chime of bells in the tower, can also be played upon by the keys in the Chancel. It will cost about \$40,000. The effect to be produced by such a noble instrument will doubtless be of a most marked and inspiring character, especially when aided by a properly-balanced choir. One can imagine what an effect can be produced when those solemn words "Holy, Holy, Holy" in the Episcopal Church service are being performed! Five hydraulic engines will be required to run this grand instrument and triumph of human skill, and underneath the Chancel in the Chapel situated there, is a part of the organ which is arranged so that it can be played in the Chapel as well as from the Chancel. Mr. Roosevelt of New York is the builder, and he has contrived an arrangement by which the ringing of the bells and opening of heavy windows, &c., will be done by compressed air.

Special Notices.

WANTED.—At the Family Grocery "Santa Claus" is wanted to get his stock of Apples, Nuts, Figs, Dates, Sweetie Hearts, Busters, Zulu Bars, Butter Tally, Watches, &c. d22

VERY HANDSOME Gold and Silver Watches, just the thing for Xmas presents, at E. W. TAYLOR'S.

A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT of all kinds of Jewelry for Christmas presents, at E. W. TAYLOR'S.

POUND & FRUIT CAKE at BEER & GOFF'S. d6, 2w

Nova Scotia Shad and Boston Hams, at FISH STORE.

CLARK'S DIAMOND DUST POLISH.—Unrivalled for cleaning Gold, Silver and Nickel ware. Enquire for it.

HONEY 20c. at Beer & Goff's.

MINCE MEAT, 20 cents per lb, at BEER & GOFF'S. d17

GET your Christmas supplies at BEER & GOFF'S. d17

APPLES, FURNITURE, SLEIGHS, &C.

THE Subscriber will sell at Auction, at the Queen Street Auction Rooms, ON TUESDAY, the 30th instant, at 2 o'clock, p. m. 50 bbls. American APPLES, FURNITURE—in Bedsteads, Stoves, Chairs, Tables, Feather Beds, &c., SLEIGHS, Buffalo Robes, &c.,

W. D. STEWART, Auctioneer.

Dec. 29, 1879.

Choice Confectionery, 25 CENTS PER POUND.

GEORGE CARTER, Nalms' Old Stand, 68 St. George St. dec 29, 1879—2i

APPLES, &C.

BY Auction, to-morrow TUESDAY, Dec. 30th, at 11 o'clock, at Auction Room, No. 11, Queen street: 50 bbls. APPLES, in American Baldwins, N. S. Russetts, Pippins, etc., in prime order.

Boxes Soap, Boxes Fancy do., Wrapping Paper, Paper Bags, Peanuts, Green Grapes, &c. 1 new Janneting Sleigh, (latest style) 1 second-hand PIANO, 2 large tables, 12 do Arm Chairs, 25 Paper-holders, and sundry other articles, which must be closed out.

A. McNEILL, Auctioneer.

Dec. 29, 1879,

MUSICAL & LITERARY

Entertainment

A GRAND Musical and Literary Entertainment will be given under the auspices of

St. Patrick's Total Abstinence and Benevolent Society,

ST. PATRICK'S HALL,

Tuesday Ev'ng, 6th Jan.,

at which some of the best talent in the City will assist.

St. Patrick's Brass Band will take part in the programme.

Admission 25 cents; Reserved Seats 35 cents. Tickets to be had at the Drug Stores of W. R. Watson, S. W. Dodd and C. D. Rankin.

Doors open at 7 o'clock; Entertainment to commence at 8.

RICHARD WALSH, Secretary.

Ch'town, Dec 29, 1879.—5i

FOR SALE.

A THEODOLITE with box, &c., in good working order, can be seen at the shop of JOHN JURY, Watchmaker, Ch'town, who has the sale of the same. Price FIFTY DOLLARS—about half price.

Dec. 29, 1879.—4i wky2i

Notice to Importers.

THE Fast Sailing brigantine *Shamrock*, classed 7 years A1 at English Lloyds, William McPhee, commander, will sail from Glasgow, carrying freight direct to this Port, about the 15th MARCH, next, 1880.

For terms, freight, &c., apply to JAMES KELSO, Esq., 134, St. Vincent street, Glasgow, Scotland, or here to the owner.

OWEN CONNOLLY, Ch'town, Dec. 27th, 1879.

COAL. COAL.

FOR SALE, at the Gas Works, and Koughan's Scales, a quantity of Round Lingan Coal, at \$3.50 per ton.

This Coal gives a great heat, and being almost free from sulphur, is suitable for either grates or cooking stoves.

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CHRISTMAS, 1879,

New Year, 1880.

RAISINS, Currants, Citron, Lemon and Orange Peel, Flavoring Essences, Ground Spices, (pure); Preserved Ginger, Orange and Lemon Marmalade, Pearl Sago and Tapioca, Macaroni and Vermicelli, Cress & Blackwell's Mixed Pickles and Sauces, Durham Mustard, (in tin's and bottles), Newman's Port Wine, and Hennessy's Brandy.

WM. R. WATSON, Dec. 24, 1879.—1w pat

A SOUP KITCHEN

IN connection with the Women's Temperance Union and Benevolent Society, will be opened for the winter if sufficiently assisted by the charitable public. In order to distribute judiciously, only those will be relieved who identify themselves with the Society, which will enable the committee to look particularly into each case. In view of the present pressing demands for help, the friends of the poor are urgently requested to send donations immediately and as regularly as possible, which will be received by Mrs. W. KENNEDY, Confectionery. Clothing will likewise be very acceptable.

E. McRAE, Secretary of the Women's Benevolent Society. Dec. 23, 1879.

The "Northern Light."

PARTIES expecting goods by "Northern Light," via Georgetown, must advise Railway Agent at Pictou Landing to deliver.

WM. MITCHELL, Agent of Dep't. Dec. 23rd, 1879.

Plate Glass & Common Mirrors

2 Large Mantle or Shop Mirrors, will be sold for less than cost.  
2 Plate Mirrors, in gilt, cottage size,  
2 Round Top Show Glasses, cost me \$6, now offered at \$4.50.

2 Maps of P. E. Island, 4 pairs Scales, a lot old style Beams, at 25 cts. each, 1 wood Pump, about 10 feet, part Cucumber Pump, 3 crowbars, 2 Force Pumps, for cleaning windows. Apply to

H. COOMBS. dec. 17, 78.

CORDWOOD.

THE undersigned will receive tenders up to 1st of JANUARY next, from parties willing to supply 500 CORDS of dry SOFTWOOD, to be delivered at the Charlottetown Brick Company's yard in the Royalty.

The wood to be 4 feet in length, and not over eight inches in diameter. Further particulars can be obtained from the undersigned.

FRED. W. HYNDMAN, Agent. Ch'town, Dec. 1, 1879. pat 2w

PERKINS & STERNS

Invite the attention of buyers to their large, well assorted, and

CHEAP STOCK,

of the following goods:

- MANTLE CLOTHS,
- ULSTER CLOTHS,
- TWEED SUITINGS,
- WORSTED COATINGS,
- WHITE FLANNELS,
- SCARLET FLANNELS
- SHIRTING FLANNELS,
- FRENCH TWILL FLANNELS.

DRESS GOODS.

A large variety of the Newest Materials, and Trimmings to suit.

Plain, Checked & Plaid

WINCEYS,

of the best value.

FUR MUFFS,

COLLARS & TIES,

in Seal, Mink, Astrachan, &c.,

GREBE MUFFS,

AND

Grebe Trimmings.

KNIT WOOL GOODS,

of every description from a 5c

pair Bootees to a "PEG WOFFINGTON" combination Scarf & Hood.

Black Silk Fringes,

a very large variety good & cheap

All of the above extra good value.

Perkins & Sterns.

Ch'town, Nov. 4, 1879.

JUST OPENING.

A NICE and well assorted lot of Layer Raisins, Loose do., Currants, Ground Allspice, Cloves, Nutmegs, Ginger, Pepper, Mixed Spices, (all sorts); Rice, Cream of Tartar, B. Soda, Coffee, Raspberry and Lemon Syrup, Crushed and Loaf Sugar, Best Tea, Tobacco, (in twin bar, solace, little giant, and twist); White Beans, Cheese, Table Salts, Confectionery, (all sorts); Pickles and Mustard; Toilet Soap, Laundry and Queen do., Buckets, (assorted); White and Blue Starch, Brooms, (all sorts); C. L. Potash, Shoe Stove and Scrubbing Brushes, Wash Boards, (cheap); Indigo, Candles, Salt-petre, Rope, (different sizes); Apples, Oranges, etc., and more opening.

All of which will be sold cheap for cash. J. B. HARTY, Store in Newson's Building opposite Post Office. Dec. 24, 1879.

TO LET.

THE SHOP on Upper Queen Street, now occupied by Simon W. Crabbe. Possession given the 1st June, 1880.

ARCH'D. WHITE, Ch'town, Dec. 22, 1879.—taw pat pres n e her 1m

NUTS, ORANGES,

GRAPEs, Figs, Dates, Pound and Fruit Cakes, &c., at BEER & GOFF'S. Dec. 17, '79.

S. S. "NORTHERN LIGHT,"

WILL MAKE DAILY TRIPS between Georgetown and Pictou, until further notice, (Sundays excepted) leaving Georgetown at 6 a. m., and Pictou at 1.40 p. m., weather permitting.

WM. MITCHELL, Agent of Dep't. Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1879.

WANTED TO BORROW, \$850.00.

BY the Trustees of Spring Park District School, for one or three years. Offers stating lowest rate of interest, for all or any part thereof, will be received by

WM. HEARD, Chairman of Trustees. Ch'town, Dec. 19, '79—1w

FURNITURE.

12 New Lounges,  
2 Smoking Chairs,  
3 Feather Beds, at only 25 cts. per lb  
2 Meat Safes,  
2 Sewing Machines,  
A lot of second-hand furniture, bedsteads, chairs, book-cases, washstands, tables, mattresses, and last but not least wanted, 1 bath tub.

H. COOMBS. dec. 17, '79.

SUNDRIES.

Cross-cut Saws, Musical Boxes, Plaster Paris, Clapboards, Broadcloth, Hoop Iron, Oat Tubs, Meat Barrels, 1 ship's Medicine Chest, 1 fancy Work Bench, 1 Gun Case, Lot Mahogany Doors, second-hand, Hose and Lead Pipe, 1 Wench, 1 Mahogany Desk, Lot of 7 inch Stovepipe, Stove Drums, 4 Chimney Tops, for smokey chimneys, at half price.

H. COOMBS. dec. 17, '79.

Valuable Property for Sale.

TO BE SOLD, all that part of Town Lot No. 74, in the first hundred of Town Lots in Charlottetown; having a front of 67 feet, Dorchester Street, and running back 80 feet, together with the buildings thereon erected. For further particulars apply to Messrs. Hodgson & McLeod Charlottetown. Sept. 18, 1879.

Pure Confectionery.

A GRAND ASSORTMENT for Christmas, at BEER & GOFF'S. Dec. 17, '79.

APPLES.

100 bbls. No Baldwins, } American.  
100 " Russetts, }

CARVELL BROS. Dec. 18, '79—3i

TO LET.

FOR ONE OR MORE YEARS the House and premises recently occupied by Mr. W. W. Clarke, situate on Great George street, two doors above the office of Messrs. Longworth & Hazard, attorneys, nd near the head of Steam Navigation Co's. Wharf. For terms etc., apply to JOHN INGS. Ch'town, Dec. 15, 1879.

Frames & Sashes

1 set second-hand Doors and Windows with inside casings and Mantles, out of a house 24x36. Will sell the lot cheap. 1 suit new Sashes, and 6 Frames and Sashes, 12 lights, 10x12.

H. COOMBS. dec. 17, '79.

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