

Local and Other Items.

A VERY small Market today. Mr. WARDEN, American Consul, has arrived. RICHARD HUNT, Esq., Summerside, is at the Revere. Mr. DEVAN, Inspector of Fisheries, is at the Rankin. Don't forget the B. S. Concert in Market Hall to-night. The programme for the Sacred Concert will appear to-morrow. No news of the recent election at Lunenburg has been received. The Dominion Alliance meets this evening. A full attendance is requested. The Grand Sacred Concert takes place in Y. M. C. A. Hall on Friday evening. J. B. MACDONALD is selling Felt Hats at wonderful low prices. Aged colored lady dropped dead while attending Church in Halifax on Sunday. The horse trot on Hillsborough River to-day was postponed on account of unfavorable ice. JOHN PAY-AST, of Back River, King's Co., N. S., was, on Friday last, killed by a falling tree. Fresh Eggs only 12 cents a dozen; Oranges, all kinds of Preserve from 12 cents upwards at R. E. BRUCE'S. Don't forget the Temperance Alliance at 7-1/2 past seven this evening. The friends of the Act will please be punctual. A MEETING of the Salvage Corps will be held in their Room, next to Hook and Ladder Room, this evening, at 8 o'clock. A full attendance is requested. The small couriers crossed from Cape Turmentine to-day in three hours and ten minutes. The mails arrived at 1:30 and were ready for delivery at 3 o'clock. The Bishop of Altona has appointed the Rev. Alfred Osborne his examining chaplain for the eastern part of his diocese, comprising the districts of Muskoka, Parry Sound, and part of Nipissing. SUGAR DUTIES - Of the \$530,000 sugar duties collected at Halifax, for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1884, it is understood that about \$400,000 were paid by the Nova Scotia sugar refinery alone. CANADIAN CATTLE FOR ENGLAND - The steamer Dominion, which sailed from Halifax Wednesday morning, for Liverpool, G. B., took 274 head of cattle, valued at \$19,000. These cattle were shipped by Montreal parties. Sir PETER LUMSDEN, the British commissioner now in charge of the scientific reconnaissance upon the Afghan frontier, has two brothers in Canada, one a resident of Galt, and the other a railway engineer, who located the Credit Valley line and superintended the construction of the Ontario and Quebec. The ladies of Zion Church intend holding a Tea and Social Entertainment in the Basement on Thursday evening the 19th inst. The evening will be enlivened by music and readings. Tea on the tables at 5 o'clock. Admission 10 cents; admission and tea, 25 cents. Tickets at the door. A. F. FINE, Secretary. IS IT A JOKE? - A bill has been introduced in the Nova Scotia Legislature by Hon. Mr. Fiddling asking for the extension of the capital stock of the Halifax Railway company and permission to construct a line of elevated railway through Halifax city, to be run by electric motors, for the carrying of passengers. Messrs GEORGE STEPHENS and Donald Smith, of Montreal, have founded a scholarship in the Royal College of Music, London. It will be open for competition to natives of Montreal and the neighborhood thereof, and to residents of the same districts of five years' standing. The winner will be entitled to free musical education at the Royal College for a term of three years, with board and residence at the College term. DESAMERIS - In the Public Accounts Committee, on the 11th inst., Sir John Macdonald stated that \$3,000 had been paid out by the government during the past year for information respecting the movements of dynamites. The capture of the Halifax dynamites was, he said, due to information received by the Dominion Government. He refused to give the names of the persons who gave the information, as they told him their lives depended upon his maintaining secrecy. The Montreal Gazette of the 10th says there are rumors that every iron ship yard in the United States will soon be taxed to its utmost to fill orders for steamers for war service under a foreign flag. It is said parties in Montreal are engaged getting up plans and specifications for the new iron, and that already a number of American steamers have been chartered for cruising purposes by a European power, in the event of hostilities on the other side of the water. A big boom is also expected in the provision market. MASONIC - There are twelve Masonic lodges in Prince Edward Island. A new Masonic Hall has been recently opened at Amherstburg, Ont. There are 1,910 Masons in New Brunswick. The Toronto Freemasons say the Quebec-England difficulty should be settled by arbitration, and suggests the reference of the matters in dispute to the Grand Master of New York or Pennsylvania. In New York City there are 160 Masonic lodges. The oldest Masonic certificate known is dated Sept. 10, 1764, and was issued by the Grand Lodge of England. A parcel was put with the freight of the St. John boat at Annapolis, N. S., addressed to the Collector of Customs at that place. It proved to be a cigar box, in which was placed the works of a clock, a toy pistol, and a cartridge shell containing some innocent substance. The clockwork was so arranged that on raising the lid the spring would unwind. To this was attached a string, one end tied to the trigger of the pistol. As the string tightened the hammer exploded the paper around the Collector, and seizing the box, downstairs with the supposed infernal machine, and threw it into a snow bank. He then hurried off for help. The discovery of the innocent character of the machine caused a good laugh at the expense of the Collector, and is the joke of the town.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.] RUSSIA'S THREATENED WAR. A Collision Between Afghan and Russian Troops. Bismarck Trying to Make Peace. LONDON, March 16. The Times expresses the belief that Gen. Konrad has gone from Askabad to the disputed territory. It says: "If Russia is allowed to gain territory by trickery, we shall have war a little later - only with the Ameer of Afghanistan, disgusted with our folly, and Russia strengthened by valuable positions gained." Advice from Guban, under date of March 8, state that affairs are little brighter. Sir Peter Lumsden's escort consists of only 400 troops and but fifty are with Gen. Ridgeway at Peshawar. The Government has suspended for one year, the discharge of soldiers eligible for the reserve force, and also transfer from the army in India to the reserve. CALCUTTA, March 16. There are reports here that an actual collision has occurred between the Russians and Afghans. The Government is very neutral concerning frontier news. BERLIN, March 16. Prince Bismarck, it is stated, has ever since the amicable adjustment of the Anglo-German Colonial dispute been actively exerting all his influence with Russia to avert the threatened war with England. LONDON, March 16. In the House of Commons this evening the Government announced that a telegram had been received from St. Petersburg fully confirming Mr. Gladstone's view of the Anglo-Russian arrangement regarding the outposts on the Russo-Afghan frontier. FEARFUL PAIN. LONDON, March 16. A despatch from Korti states that Oliver Pain, French journalist, supposed to have been advising El Mahdi, has become frightened by threats of British vengeance for the part he took in the betrayal of Gen. Gordon and the capture of Khartoum. Pain is now said to have escaped from Khartoum, and to be descending the Nile. Wolsley has offered a reward of fifty pounds for Pain's body, dead or alive. THE Soudan War. SUAKIN, March 16. Gen. Ewart has arrived here. Work on the Suakin-Berber railway has been begun. Osman Digna has offered to give money and stop his night attacks if the British return the body of his standard bearer. The firing last night was the heaviest and most continuous that the British have been subjected to here. CHINESE Troubles in British Columbia. VICTORIA, B. C., March 16. Twenty Chinese arrived on a steamer to-day, but not allowed to land. The police are acting under orders from the Provincial Government, and the Dominion Customs officials are powerless. There is much excitement in Chinatown. PANAMA Revolutionists. PANAMA, March 16. The city of Panama was attacked at 4 a. m. to-day by 250 Revolutionists, commanded by General Alzburu. The Government is defending the city. Firing is going on incessantly. FREIGHT Blockade. KANSAS CITY, March 16. The strikers here received orders this afternoon from Sedalia, to raise the freight blockade, and trains were started out tonight; the proposed tolls having been accepted by the Conference Committee of strikers. RISE of Wages for R. R. Employees. ST. LOUIS, March 16. The General Manager of the Wabash Railroad telegraphed the heads of machinery and car departments of the road, stating that wages will be restored at once to the figure existing before the outbreak. BRITISH Troops Annoyed. KORTI, March 16. The British troops returning to Korti were harassed between Gakind and Halbok by marauding followers of the Mahdi, armed with rifles. Several British soldiers were wounded. TEMPERANCE Petitions. OTTAWA, March 16. A number of petitions were laid before the House to-day from Nova Scotia, against any amendment to the Canadian Temperance Act, except those of a more prohibitive character. THE Egyptian Financial Agreement. LONDON, March 16. The ambassadors of all powers concerned signed in this city to-day the Egyptian financial agreement. WESTERN BUREAU. Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces. TORONTO, March 17 - 10 a. m. Moderate to fresh west and northwest winds fair weather, lower temperature. METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE Charlottetown March 17, 1885. Highest Temperature yesterday, (read at midnight) 40.8 Lowest Temperature yesterday, (read at midnight) 20.0 Lowest Temperature this morning 15.1 Temperature this morning at 8 o'clock 19.1 Temperature this afternoon at 1 o'clock 26.0

[WRITTEN FOR THE EXAMINER.] ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

March 17th, 1885. The old standard of Erin! Unfold it on high; To greet the bright day which her children hold dear; Let the gay notes of gladness ring out to the sky. To honor the Patron, the Saint, and the Seer. Whose blessed advent awoke from the gloom of the grave The nation long steeped in the pagan's deep gloom; As with tidings of Him who had suffered to save, He pointed to life beyond death and the tomb. This day shall the exile retrace the wide ocean To rest for a space in his far native land, Whilst soul of the minstrel, in deepest devotion, Will chime in the music that beats on that strand. Though all tuneless the harp that rich melody poured On the whirling zephyrs which fan thy clear streams; And all voiceless the bells where thy orators soared, In ivory full flushed with ne'er realized dreams. Though grim silence reigns drear o'er Killarney's sweet lakes, And dark cloudlets brood over loved Arranmore; Though the wave of Loch Neagh in murmuring breaks, And dashes in foam on a desolate shore. Yet, Oh Erin! thy glory long prisoned in night, Shall rise to shine forth in effulgence again; And Hope, the ne'er-failing, shall bask in the light, Of its golden gleam over mountains and plain. When the tide of Oppression rolls back from thy shore, All wide shall thy banners of green be unfurled; And thy circle of gold, re-embellished once more, Shed hallowing rays o'er a rectified world. Not by wiles of assassin, nor deeds of the sword Shall thy stainless honor and truth be maintained; But by purpose of Right - and with help of the Lord, Shall the fondest wish of thy loyal hearts be gained. Then mourn not o'er the ages of sorrow and wrong, But eye keep thy future of blessing in view; For sad weeping shall merge into Triumph's glad song, To God, to thy sires, and to Erin prove true. Strange Story of a Corpse. A DEAD WOMAN SAID TO HAVE REVIVED AND SPOKE TO HER FRIEND. At Portland, Me., on the 6th inst., Mrs. Jane Fossett died after a brief illness. The body was prepared for the grave and lay in the best room in the house. On the night of the 10th inst., one of Mrs. Fossett's lady friends was "watching" by the corpse, as is customary still in Maine. She tells the following story of her remarkable experience: "I was sitting near the body and looking intently upon the features that had been so dear to me in life. I could not restrain my tears, and said in a low voice, 'Where are you now?' at the sound of my voice the apparently dead body moved, turned on its side and at last sat up. The eyes opened, and in a thrilling voice the woman, who had been dead, but who lived again, spoke. Mrs. Fossett said she had been in Heaven; that she had there enjoyed a happiness that was beyond her power to describe; that she had met and talked with her mother, long dead, and with other friends. For some time Mrs. Fossett talked, giving me a description of her experience in the spirit land. Gradually her voice grew fainter, and she fell back upon the bed clad as she was in her grave clothes. As the last word was spoken the spirit took its final departure and returned no more." Some people believe that the lady saw a vision in a dream, but she is convinced it was all a reality, and that her friend returned and talked with her. GREAT KUSH for Felt Hats, at J. B. Macdonald's. mecl17. MARRIED. At Highfield, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. H. P. Cowperthwaite, Mr. George A. Seller to Miss Annie S. Johnson, eldest daughter of the late John Johnson, Esq. LADIES' RUBBERS (all sizes) at Macdonald's Boot Store. mecl17. DISSOLUTION NOTICE. THIS is to certify that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, carrying on business under the style and firm of Bremner Brothers, has on this third day of March, A. D., 1885, been dissolved by a mutual consent. Dated this 3rd day of March, A. D., 1885, at Charlottetown, in Prince Edward Island. W. H. BREMNER, BENJ. BREMNER. Referring to the above, I desire on behalf of the late firm to thank the public for the very liberal patronage bestowed in the past, and to inform them that the good will of the business has been transferred to Mr. John Coombs, Queen Street. I would respectfully request all of our former customers to place their patronage with Mr. Coombs, whose facilities for doing the best class of work in Mercantile, Fancy and Book Printing, Book Binding and Blank Book Manufacturing, at the lowest prices, and in the shortest time, are unequalled in the Province. BENJ. BREMNER. Regarding the Dissolution Notice of Messrs. Bremner Bros., above, I beg to state that I will have, from this date, in my business, the practical assistance of Mr. Benjamin Bremner, who will be pleased to see all his former customers at my office, 18 Queen Street. JOHN COOMBS. March 5, 1885 - Two wksly 2mo

Perkins & Sterns. White Cottons, Grey Cottons, Print Cottons, SHEETING COTTONS, PILLOW COTTONS, FLEECY COTTONS AND ALL OTHER COTTON GOODS, WOOLEN GOODS, SILK GOODS, &C., AT VERY LOWEST PRICES. PERKINS & STERNS. Ch'town, Feb. 20, 1885. Great Bargains! For the next 30 days we offer the balance of our Dry Goods at a LARGE DISCOUNT! - as we are shortly to make a change in the business. Special Lines of Goods are MARKED DOWN to Prices that are Bound to Sell Them. Don't Fail to Call Early if You Want Bargains. We require a Prompt Settlement of all Accounts due up to date. Remember the place: Desbrisay's old stand, opposite the Market House. W. & A. BROWN & CO. Charlottetown, Feb. 7, 1885. MORE CHEAP GOODS! PEOPLE Looking for Bargains ought to go first to Weeks & Co.'s Cheap Store, where goods are sold all the year round at ab ut the same rates as many shops call their "selling off" prices. During March a number of excellent Bargains will be offered to all cash customers alike: - 7000 yds. Bed Tickings at 5 to 7c per yard under usual prices; 200 white fringed Counterpanes only \$1.10, worth \$1.75; 2000 yds. Roller Towellings at 5c, 6c, and 7c; 1500 yds Table Linen, beginning at 15c. Very cheap; 4000 yds. Cotton Flannels, 4c. to 6c. under prices; All Grass Cloths and Prints, Cretonnes, &c., at reduced prices; about 9000 yds. choice Cotton Shirtings from 7c. per yard; black and colored Cashmeres and other Dress Goods at a bargain, about 5000 yards to go cheap, ask to see them; also, special lines in Ladies' Corsets, at low prices. Now is the time to buy Cottons, as they are going up in price. We have about 75,000 yards bleached and grey Cottons and Sheetings to offer at the lowest prices ever seen. Call and see the goods, even if you don't want to buy. W. A. WEEKS & CO. Ch'town, March 5, 1885. TO RENT. SALT. SALT. SALT. IN STORE: 5,000 Bags of Liverpool Salt. 2,000 do Fishery do. PEAKE BROS & CO. Ch'town, Feb. 14, 1884. W. A. BRENNAN. Ch'town, March 11, 1885 - 1/2 COAL. COAL. ON hand, a quantity of Ft Lou, Gourie Mines and Glace Bay Coal. Also: Sydney (old mine) Round Coal. Will be sold for Cash at Summer prices. CAPT. JOHN HUGHES, Water Street. Ch'town, May 10, 1885 - 1mo COAL. COAL. IN STORE: 300 Tons ACADIA NUT, 200 do do ROUND, 100 do INTERCOLONIAL ROUND, 150 do OLD MINE SYDNEY, 200 do SYDNEY SLACK. For Sale Low. C. LYONS, Acadia Coal Depot, Peake's No. 2 Wharf. Ch'town, Jan. 29, 1885 - 6wksly SUBSCRIBE FOR THE WEEKLY EXAMINER, the best paper published in the island.



Liverpool to Charlottetown. 1885. SPRING TRIP. 1885. THE CLIPPER BARK "GULNARE," NOW ON BERTH, 500 Tons Register. Classed in English Lloyds William McDonald, Commander, WILL SAIL FROM Liverpool for Charlottetown, On or about the 1st APRIL next, carrying Freight at through rates to Pictou, Georgetown, Souris and Summerside. For Freight or Passage, apply in Liverpool to Pictou Brothers, 51 South John Street; in London to J. Pictou & Sons, 16 Great Winchester Street; or here to L. C. OWEN. Ch'town, Feb. 3, 1885 - 1u th sat COAL. COAL. IN STORE: 300 Tons ACADIA NUT, 200 do do ROUND, 100 do INTERCOLONIAL ROUND, 150 do OLD MINE SYDNEY, 200 do SYDNEY SLACK. For Sale Low. C. LYONS, Acadia Coal Depot, Peake's No. 2 Wharf. Ch'town, Jan. 29, 1885 - 6wksly SUBSCRIBE FOR THE WEEKLY EXAMINER, the best paper published in the island.