

THE USE OF PEANUTS.

There are reports of a wonderful sew peanut, called the "Japanese White Mammoth," grown in Matagorda County, Texas. It is of giant size and a said to yield eighty-seven barrels to he acre.

White Mammoth," grown in Matagorda County, Texas. It is of giant size and is said to yield eighty-seven barrels to the acre.

One reason for being interested in this news is the fact that the peanut crop of the old time peanut growing region of the South has been diminished alarmingly of late years, large areas that formerly produced from fifty to one hundred bushels an acre now yielding not more than twenty bushels. The cause of the trouble is careless farming—neglect to fertilize the soil, and lack of rotation of crops. Virginia, however, still has an annual output of something like 3,000,000 bushels; Tennessee and North Carolina come next. It is now believed that the peanut was originally a hative of Brazil, and that it should properly make a fifth in the list of plants of great commercial importance credited to America, the others being the potato, tobacco, maize and cotton. As far back as the seventeenth century it was extensively cultivated in the old world, and has become such an important article in lafrica that the siave dealers loaded their vessels with it, using it as proyender for their cargoes of captives.

'African peanuts, which are small and nearly round, and contain a single kernel, used to be imported largely into this country, but they have been driven out by our superior varieties. However, the African nuts contain a signethe east coast, are shipped in Marseilles for conversion into pure "olive oil." The poorer peanuts are employed for soap; the residue, after pressing, is known as cake, and brings \$30 a ton as cattle fodder, and the shells are utilized as material for paper.

Recent experiments by dietic experts have shown that one pound of peanut meal contains nearly as much nutriment as three pounds of lean beef. The meal, which is obtained by grinding the 'cake' costs four cents a pound in bulk, and the Germans have prepared from its everal agraceable articles of diet—such as "peanut grits," and "peanut flour," this matter being ground and bolted like ordinary flour. Palatable crackers h

HARMLESS ANTIDOTE DISCOVERED. The most highly recommended treatment for Alcoholism in the world. It quickly and permanently removes all craving or desire for intoxicating liquors, and leaves the patient in the same condition mentally and physically as before the habit was acquired. No bad after effects, no institute or injections, a home cure which does not interfere with business or other duties. For particulars and proof write to Mr. Dixon, 81 Willcocks St., Toronto, Ontario.

### CUNNING JOHN.

"John," said Mrs. Brown to her husband, as he was about to start for town, "I want you to step into Ribbons & Remnants' on your way and buy me six yards of ribbon like this sample. Be sure to get exactly the same shade for those shop-girls are so lazy and indifferent that they will give you the first thing that comes to hand if you don't watch them closely, and then they are never willing to rectify their mistakes. Besides, I must have the ribbon this evening, for want to use it the first thing tomorrow. Now, don't send that stupid office boy of yours to get it. He would be sure to don't send that stupid office boy of yours to get it. He would be sure to blunder. You need not tell me you haven't time, either, It won't take you a minute to run in there, and you won't have to hunt all over the place looking for the ribbon counter, for I'll tell you exactly where it is."

"Oh, I know where it is," interrupted John. "That's where that pretty litthe brunette is. I can find the place all right. Six yards, did you say?".

"John," said Mrs. Brown, in freezing accents, "you need not trouble yourself. I don't believe you would be able to match the ribbon. Til go myself."

WANTED.—A case of Headach that KUMFORT Powders will not cure in from ten to twenty minutes.

BREASTWORKS OF SNOW OFFER SAFE DEFENSE.

Recent experiments made in Norway have proved that snow is a substance which offiers a surprising resistance to penetration by a rifle bullet. Its resistance has been found to be far greater than wood, though not, of course, so great as earth. It was shown that a

wall of snow four feet thick, is absolutely proof against the Norwegian army rifle, which is an arm of great penetrative force. Volleys were fired at a distance of half a mile, and then gradually at decreasing distances, until the range was only fifty yards, and the white walls were not once penetrated. This suggests a new means of field defense in winter campaigning, snow being much more easily handled than earth or sand bags. Troops intrenching themselves in snow banks would be a novel and picturesque sight. It is disputed whether or not Andrew Jackson made use of cotton bales in his defense at the battle of New Orleans, though he got the credit for having done so. Whether he did or not he will have to give place in the matter of novel breastworks to the general who shall first use field fortifications of snow.

An Amazing Spectacle at the Liberal Rally Last Night.

MONTREAL, Jan. 7.-An amazing spectacle was presented tonight in the liberal rally in St. James division of candidate selected by himself and his Quebec lieutenant, Hon. J. I. Tarte, so that a liberal kicker might be elected. It will be remembered that Tarte absolutely refused to accept J. R. Brunet as the liberal candidate, and that after a 'stormy meeting, attended by both Laurier and Tarte, J. A. Drouin was selected as the liberal candidate. Brunet announced that he was in the field to stay until the bailots were counted. The situation was rendered more interesting by the announcement that Hon. J. G. H. Bergeron would be the conservative candidate. The chances of Bergeron being elected, with the liberal vote divided, were exceedingly bright. The opinion of the liberals was that Bergeron's election was sure unless one of the liberals retired. Brunet refused, and so in order to avert certain defeat the Laurier government was humiliated into retiring its candidate and recognizing the kicker. Many liberals are angry over the outcome, and say they will vote for Bergeron. As for Tarte, Drouin's retirement is regarded as the first indication of the decline of his power. In making the announcement of Drouin's retirement, Laurier referred to him as a patriot. Among the speakers was Hon. W. S. Fielding. that a liberal kicker might be elected.

The demand for Red Rose tea is steadily increasing both in the east and west. It's good tea.

#### MR. BLAIR'S MOVEMENTS.

MR. BLAIR'S MOVEMENTS.
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Jan. 7.—
Hon. A. G. Blair, Canadian minister of railways, accompanied by his private secretary, J. M. Currier, and Geo. McAvity, of St. John, New Brunswick, arrived at Old Point tonight in the Canadian government private car, attached to the Chesapeake and Ohio express from Richmond, where the party spent the day.

Mr. Blair is making a tour of the south in search of better health. He will visit the Newport News ship yards tomorrow.

DENOUNCE VOTE FOR BEER.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.-Ministers of Chi-CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—Ministers or Chicago are a unit in denouncing the action of the trustees and house committee of the Harvard union in voting to allow students to have German "Kommers," with lager beer, ale and clearst Chicago ministers say that it. to allow students to have German "Kommers," with lager beer, ale and claret. Chicago ministers say that it is in direct opposition to the spirit of the age, and absurd in view of the action being taken by most large business enterprises, requiring employes to be total abstainers. Only one minister interviewed today refused to condemned the idea. He would not question the wisdom of the action as the best course out of a difficulty. Others thought it would be a blot on the almost spotless record of Harvard. Heing strong temperance advocates, the misisters refuse to acknowledge that admitting beer and wine to college buildings will improve the standard of undergraduate meetings. Rev. Charles Inglis, the English evangelist who is conducting revival meetings here and lecturing to students at the Moody Bible institute, said today:
"I am surprised at such a thing in America. I have always told the people of England that ale was shanned by all college students in this country. Some undergraduates in England do drink ale, but I always thought that those in American colleges were such hard students and so sound that they did not care for such things. I must condems anything that recognizes ale for any good whatever."

#### SPORTING NEWS.

There was a large crowd at the Victoriak last evening. The ice was in excellent condition, the music good, and between the fifth and sixth bands there was a lively race. The starters were Logan and Blissard, is ap handicap; Walsh, Dally, Breen, Dalto and Willis, scratches. At the word go it acratch men looked at each other in the condition of the starter of the st The starters were Logan and Blissard, haif lap handicap; Waish, Daily, Breen, Delton and Willis, acratches. At the word go the scratch men looked at each other like dummies, and by the time they got sway Logan was within a few yards of them. As they loaked along the latter trailed in behind the bunch and held his position amit the tenth lap. There were several bursels of the was read to the latter trailed in behind the bunch and held his position amit the tenth lap. The were several bursels of the was read until the tenth lap that a was hard clip was struck. Willis then went to the front and the handicap man commenced to fall behind. Breen, Dalton and Walsh were close to the pacer, and in the last hap were well hunched when Willis went down. Breen stumbled and Dalton crossed the line first for scratch men, but Logan's handicap gave him the race, while Walsh sild across on his back, getting third position. It was a peculiar mix-up. The time was slow.

The following schedule of games has been suggested for the church and school league for the de Soyres cup at the Queens rink. The Mohawis meet this vening at the Queens rink for practice.

At Halifax last night the Wanderers beat the Orescents 8 to 1.

The dates have not yet been fixed. The Mohawis meet this evening at the Queens rink for practice.

At Halifax last night the Wanderers beat the Orescents 8 to 1.

The dates have not yet been fixed. The Mohawis meet this evening at the Queens rink for practice.

At Halifax last night the Wanderers beat the Orescents 8 to 1.

The dates have not yet been fixed. The Mohawis meet this evening at the Queens rink for practice.

At Halifax last night the Wanderers beat the Victorias 5 to 4.

Carter of Moncton is playing goal for the Halifax Wanderers.

Quite a puglistic atmosphere pervaded the Clermont Avenue rink, Brooklyn, during the playing of a hockey game between teams of the Brooklyn and the New York Hockey Club. Upper cut, swings, jabs and countries to the Stephen club has invited the St.

CURLING.

CURLING.

The St. Stephen club has invited the St. Andrews club to send four rinks to the border town at an early day. The invitation will be accepted.

The St. Andrews club last night elected the following skips to play in the competition for the trophies presented by T. B. Blair: W. A. Stewart, W. S. Barker, Dr. J. M. Magee, F. S. White, W. C. Whittaker, J. J. Harrison, J. U. Thomas, R. K. Litaker, C. S. Thomas, R. K. Litaker, C. C. St. Thomas, R. K. Marcia, C. S. Thomas, R. K. Marcia, C. S. K. Marcia, C. S. Thomas, R. K. Jones and W. S. Barker have been selected by the St. Andrews club to meet a committee from the Thistles to arrange for the annual matches between the two local clubs.

The first series in the capes for the Local

At Thistle Rink.

A meeting will be held on Thursday, when skips will be chosen for the St. Stephen match. Skips and rinks will also be selected for the St. Andrews matches. The points play will come off next Tuesday, and not as announced yesterday.

SPORTING NOTES.

nd. The recipts and expenditures for the Har-rard-Tale football game were as follows: 3700g receipts, \$61,859; expenses, including building extra seats, \$13,340.51; net receipts 448,513.46. The net receipts were shared with

### COMMERCIAL.

DAILY QUOTATIONS.
(Furnished by W. S. Barker, Bank Broker, Palmer's Building.) Dec. 8, 1902. Yester-day's Today's Cl'g. Op'g. 12 a.m. ... 70% 70% 71% ... 31% 31% Cl's. C
Amal Copper . 70%
Am Cotton Oil ...
Am. Sugar Refin . 119%
A. T and Santa F. 79%
A r and S G, ptd. 99%
A r and S G, ptd. 99%
Balt and Ohlo ...
Chesa and Ohlo ...
C, M and St Paul ...
C, Riek I and P.
C and Great West. ...
C and Great West. ...
Cansoldated Gas 71% 31% 129% 79% 99% 65% 114% 46% 164% 155% 23% 164% 156% 23%

Erie lat pfd
Illinois Central
Louis and Nash
Mannattan Ry
Met Street Ry
Missouri Pacific
N Y Osntral
N Y Osntral
N Y Osntral
Pennsylvania R R
P Gas L and O.
Reading Read Co. 1st ptd 324 Read Co. 2nd ptd 62 Read Co. 2nd ptd 64 Read Co. 2nd ptd 64 Read Co. 2nd ptd 64 Tenn Coal and I 64 Union Pacific 101% Union Pacific 101% Union Pacific 101% Us Leather U S Steel, com 45 Wabash 96 Wabash ptd 426

### SHIPPING NEWS.

Schr. Onward, Wesson, for Sale.n f. o.

fajestic, from New York for and Liverpool.
LiZARD, Jan. 8, 5.10 a m—Passed, str St. Faul. from New York for Southampton. Quinners with the strong strength of the strong s

proceeded). Foreign Ports,
CITY ISLAND, Jan 7—Bound south, schs
Annie M Allen, from St John; Abner Taylor, from Calais for Stonington, Con.
ROCKLAND, Me, Jan 7—Ard, sch
Finder, from St John.
Sid, schs Elia and Jennie, for Boston; Laconia, for do; Nellie Watters, for do; Ida
May, for do. May, for do.

BOSTON, Jan 7—Ard, str Norseman, from Liverpool; schs Clifford, from St John; Elwood Burton, from Norfolk.

NEW YORK, Jan 7—Sld, sch Wanola, for Prinswick. Brunswick.
VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass, Jan 7—Ard,
schs Pearl Swelyn, from Northport, LI, for
Halifax; Sallie B Ludlam, from St John for
New York; Hattle C, from Hillsboro for
Newark.

Newark.
PROVINCETOWN, Mass, Jan 7—Ard, str Tyr, destination unknown; two unknown tyr, desination unangua, hree-masted schooners. ST VINCENT, CV, Jan 7---Ard, str Vic orian, from Cape Town for Halifax.

Reports.

Reports.

Reports.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan 7—The Spanish str
Ballasterous I, from Bilbso via Metechan,
NS, with iron ore, which arrived her yesterday, reports having encountered heavy
weather during the entire voyage and sustained slight damage to bridge. The vessel
is apparently undamaged from grounding at
Meteghan, NS.

INFERNAL MACHINE-COPS FLED 'We Die Together," Said Capt. Price to the Man Who Brought It.

policemen were waiting dismissal by Capt. Price in the Tremont police sta-tion at 8 o'clock last night an elderly man carrying what looked to be a cig-ar box very carefully in his hands ap-proached Sergt. Sheldon. "I've got an infernal machine," he whispered.

ar box very carretully in his hands apposed here in the series of the series of the series of the sit and series of the series of the sit and series of the se

tain. "Is that the way you do in inewar? Now, you stand right here by
me while I open this box."

The box was opened with great care.
Inside was a similar box bound with
heavy wire. Then came something
wrapped up in coarse brown paper.
Owen couldn't stand it when he saw
Capt. Price tearing off the paper.
"For God's sake let me go," he cried.
"We'll died together, with all my
men," answered the captain, as he removed the last bit of paper. Then he
found a stove lid—just an ordinary,
rusty iron stove lid, on which was written with chalk: "A Happy New Year,
you old Russell Sage."

Owen was allowed to go home, and
the reserve squad was dismissed for
the night.—New York Sun.

Ask your grocer for Red Rose tea.

Ask your grocer for Red Ro

#### MORNING'S NEWS.

P. Dinan, one of Quebec's prominent tevedores, is in town, stopping at the Victoria. Mr. Dinan does all the Dosell's work at Quebec.

The members of the Cathedral shoir were entertained at dinner at the bishop's palace last night by His Lordship Bishop Casey.

Tomorrow night at the Victoria rink Hudson Breen and Len Daly will skate a one mile race from opposite sides of the rink. These skaters ought to be a great drawing card, as both men are in fine form.

Work has been commenced on Hasam, Irons & Co.'s new foundry on Market place, Carleton. The firm will put up quite an extensive shop, which is required by their rapidly increasing business.

business.

The steamer which is to replace the Beaver on the Basin of Minas route is at Canning, and will be brought here shortly to receive her machinery, which is being built by the Messre.

which is being built by the Messre. Fleming.

It was expected the schooner Annie M. Parker, which is being built at Tynemouth Creek for R. C. Elkin and others of this city, would ere this have been put afloat, but unforesseen delays have occurred. It is thought now she will be launched next week.

Str. St. Quentin, Capt. Bennett, finished loading last night, and will sail today for South Africa. Her eargo consists of 2,258 tons of hay, 500 tons of flour and 327 tons of oats. This makes 4,085 tons in all, a big cargo for a ship of 2,170 tons. John Collins was the stevedore.

Isalah M. Wortman, formerly an employe with the St. John Lee Co., leaves today for Upham, where his wedding occurs tomorrow to Miss Minnie Fowler, who has for severel years been bookkeeper with the Globe laundry Co. here. It is the intention of the couple to reside at Perth Centre, Victoria Co. Mr. Wortman is a brother-inclaw of Officer Robert Crawford.

couple to reside at Perth Centre, Victoria Co. Mr. Wortman is a brother-in-law of Officer Robert Crawford.

The proprietor of a well known hack and livery stable is instigating a campaign among the city hackmen to have the charges for coaches at funerals increased. The gentleman in question has in circulation a round-robin, and it is understood three of the leading concerns of the city have signed the same.

it is understood three of the leading concerns of the city have signed the same.

The annual holiday entertainment at the Wiggins Orphan Asylum came off last night in tip-top style. Owing to the smallpox epidemic there were no invitations outside of the inner circle. G. Sydney Smith, the president, Rev. Mr. Dewdney, Rev. Mr. Mathers and a few others did the honors. Only four of the old boys were present. The presentations were on a generous scale, the programme a good one, and everybody was happy.

The annual meeting of the Main Street Baptist church was held last night. There was shown to be an increase of seventy members and a surplus in the treasury. The total moneys raised for church purposes were \$5.234, for missions, \$800. The officers of the previous year were re-elected.

30,234, for missions, \$500. The onicers of the previous year were re-elected and comprise the following: W. H. White, treasurer; A. W. Gay, secretary; W. E. Nobles, president of the Y. P. U.; L. H. Thorne, superintendent of Sabbath school.

"What's in a sign?" might be asked about many of the bulletins posted all about many of the bulletins posted all cover the city to advertise business or call attention to some particular thing. The queer turn that is occasionally given to a sign often serves to attract attention to it. However, it is oubtful if the proprietor of a Market street dry goods store was pleased with the change in his sign which occurred resembly. He had a notice in front of his place which read, The Cheapest Store of the City. Some one put a theatrical poster over the first four letters of the 'cheapest,' so that the sign read, The Pest Store of the City. The merchant wondered why so few customers called that day.

It may have been with feelings other than those of flattery that the pastor of a church in Roseville saw a notice he put out reading: The pastor will preach here this evening,' changed by some wag to The pastor will screach here this evening.'

It was only a mistake in spelling which made the owner of a chair-repairing shop appear to be doing a preserving business, for he had out a notice which announced 'Chairs Canned Here.'

Some stores have hung in the front windows signs made of moveable letover the city to advertise business or

tice which announced 'Chairs Canned Here.'

Some stores have hung in the front windows signs made of moveable letters set in a frame. A cigar dealer, by name Vera P. Orr, left it to his boy to arrange the letters one day. The boy got twisted on the alphabet, and when, half the day passed, no sales had been made, the proprietor thought of looking at the sign. He expected to find on it the name and announcement that cigars were sold there, but instead this is what confronted him: 'Verra Poor Cigars Sold Here.'

On Bridge street a livery dealer hung out a sign notifying the public that there would be a 'Fine Sale of Horses,' but a boy with a stick dipped in some tar changed 'n' to an 'r,' so that the sign read: 'Fire Sale of Horses.' The proprietor wondered what some of his customers meant by asking him if the horses were badly burned, until he saw the sign.

'Hanging out in front of a hardware store on one of the coldest mornings recently was a notice stating that there were lawn mowers and refrigerators for sale inside.—Newark News.

TORONTO, Jan. 7.—The Evening Telegram's London cable says: Sir Charles Dilke at a meeting of the ship-masters' society made a speech refer-ring to the admiralty sending a train-

## Lasts a

Lifetime.

destructible, and the Cresolene is certainly not expensive. This way of treating affections of the throat is most
economical, and is also most effective.
Our little picture illustrates how it's
used. You put some Cresolene in
the vaporizer, light lamp beneath,
and then hreathe-in the soothing,
healing vapor. For whooping-cough
and croup it's a perfect specific.

Vapo-Cresolene is sold by drugglist everywhere.
A vapo-Cresolene puts, is leading the Vaporise and



**MATCH RACE!** Thursday Evening,

January 9th. BREEN and DALY.

The Victoria

Rink's Own Band IN ATTENDANCE.

ADMISSION---15 and 25ots.

R. J. ARMSTRONG, Manager.

STEAMERS.

INTERNATIONAL S. S. CO.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT. ONE TRIP A WEEK

BOSTON!



COMMENCING Dec.

19th, the steamer ST.

CKOIX will leave Saint
John every THURSDAY
morning, at 7.39, Standard, for Eastport, Ludecordinant and Boston.
Returning, leaves Boston MONDAY at 8.15 a.
m.

m..
Freight received daily up to 5 p. m.
W. G. LEE, Agent,
St. John, N. B.

H. L. COATES, (Cor. Main and Harrison Streets, Oppo-site St. Luke's Church, N. E.) CARPENTER, BUILDER and GENERAL JOBBER.

Special attention given to the plac

ing of place glass windows.

AFTER THE FIRE. As soon as we are through with the insurance people we will have a Sale of Damaged Goods at

F. E. HOLMAN'S Store,

King Street, opposite our old

A. E. CLARKE.

# GUUD BUILEK.

JAMES PATTERSON,

ing ship to Newfoundiand. He said the admiralty were troubled lest they should be spending money to increase the efficiency of America's seamen, indicating that colonials might be induced to wander into Uncle Sam's navy after they had received their training.

MARRIAGES.

WATERS-SPEWART—At the home of the bride's parents, Jan. 1st, by the Rev. L. A. Hoyt, Frederic B. Waters of Loch Lomond to Jean B. eldest daughter of Robert G. Stewart of Garnett, N. B.

STORM.—Died suddenly at 213 Ger street, on January 8th, Ada F. Storn old and valued friend of Mr. and Mr. West Jones and family.

#### ELYMIS NO 1 NURSERY

There was a man in our town. And he was wondrous wise, He went into a grocery store, And looked with both his eyes. And when he saw upon the shelf No sign of good 'VIM TEA". He went into another store "I don't deal there" said he

Wholesale only by BAIRD & PETERS, Tea Importers and Blenders, ST. JOHN, N. B. BE WISE and ask your Grocer for

"SOLD ON MERIT."