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WITH AN H. "What's your baby's name?" asked a visitor who had called to see Mrs. Johnson's services as washerwoman. "I'm 'most' 'shamed to tell you dat chile's sound here say it soun' like he was an injun. But his name, dat his paw 'sited on gibing him—his name an Hoscarr, missy."

"Hoscarr?" feebly repeated the visitor. "Yes'm—Hoscarr," said the mother sorrowfully. "Dere was an Englishman dat was pow'ful good to Mr. Johnson when he took dat foolish trip out west four years ago an' put him on de cyars to come home again, an' when my husband an' him his name he smile an' say, 'Icy call me Hoscarr when I'm to home, he say. So when dis baby was born soun' would do but we mus' call de Hoscarr, after dat Englishman.'"—Exchange.

Along your Saturday evening purchases include a package of Red Rose tea.

STOCK MARKET.
NEW YORK, March 7.—Wall Street—Opening prices were generally sympathetic. Canadian Pacific was down to 1 1/4 and the transcontinental stocks and U. and O. were notably affected. Small fractional gains were made by the People's Gas, Brooklyn Transit and Tennessee Coal. The stock market opened heavy.

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NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers must send in copy before 9.30 a. m. to insure insertion that day. It would greatly favor the Star if the copy could be sent in during the afternoon prior to its publication.

LOCAL NEWS.

Red Rose tea is good tea. Are you using Red Rose?

There will be a band at Queen's Rink this afternoon, the ice is in good condition.

Registrar Jones reports three marriages last week and eighteen births—eleven boys.

The carnival in the Carleton open air rink has been postponed till next Tuesday night.

The Allan liner Numidian arrived this morning at 7.30 and docked at her Sand Point berth.

Thomas H. Hasselwood requests W. E. Ellerington, late of Hull, Eng., to come to the custom house tomorrow at 10 a. m.

A. L. Spencer has costumes to let for carnivals, masquerades, etc. Remember Monday night at Victoria Rink. 128 Germain street—call in.

A car on one of the cattle trains coming to the city by the C. P. R. yesterday, was derailed near McAdam by a broken wheel. A delay of two hours was caused.

One of Hartland's old land-marks passed away on Tuesday in the death of Robert Padgett. He was nearly 80 years of age and had lived a hermit's life as long as anybody can remember.

The Unitarian church, Rev. W. L. Beers, minister—Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. services at 7 p. m., when the minister will speak concerning the Prevention of Crime. All seats free. Visitors invited.

It was intended to release McLean, the recovered smallpox patient at the isolation hospital today, but owing to some delay in getting his clothes the departure will be postponed until Monday.

THE FRUIT TRADE.

The Question of a Duty on Imports via American Ports.

It is understood that an effort is being made by some of those interested to have a duty placed on all fruit imported into Canada through the United States. There is at present a tariff of ten cents per cubic foot on certain kinds of fruit, including oranges, lemons, etc., but the new rate to be asked for will be forty cents per foot, or about one dollar per case on oranges. In addition to this an import duty of fifteen cents per bunch will be asked on bananas coming to Canada through the United States.

At present bananas are cheap and very large quantities are brought to Canada via Boston or New York, to which ports fast West Indian fruit steamers run. The effect of an import tax of fifteen cents per bushel on bananas brought this way would be to cause a decrease and possible stoppage of the fruit trade now done through the states and compel dealers in Canada to import via direct Canadian steamship lines.

The present steamers running from the West Indies to Canadian ports are not equal to the special fruit boats employed by American companies, nor is the service so regular. If an import duty of fifteen cents be placed on bananas it will result in an increase in the price, as should dealers continue to import through the states they will have to pay the additional cost, while should they be satisfied to receive consignments by direct steamer the shipping company will be in a position to regulate the price and will hold a monopoly of the business. A rate of fifteen cents on bananas will be sufficient to kill the competition at present existing between Canadian and American companies.

And the steamship line which is first in the field will have the monopoly, as there is not sufficient business between Canada and the West Indies to support two lines. The same may be said with regard to Mediterranean fruit, on which a duty of forty cents per cubic foot is asked. Canadian business with Mediterranean ports is small and a steamer for fruit trade might find some difficulty in running at a profit. On the other hand those who favor the project claim that after investigating the conditions of the West Indian and Canadian markets, it is believed that an import duty on fruit brought through Canada would be of material assistance in building up a steamship trade with the West Indies. Steamers at present on the service are up against keen competition with the American companies, and the latter control a great part of Canadian trade, which should be diverted through other channels.

SPLIT IN LABOR UNIONS.

As a Result of the Doings on Election Day.

There is said to be a big split in shipbuilders' circles in this city, the division among the men who handle the winter port work having come about through the vote of the laboring men at last Saturday's election. Many men of the old Shipbuilders' Union and those of the Shipbuilders' Society had decided prior to election day to support the labor candidates and the opposition ticket. However, certain circumstances with which the public are thoroughly acquainted had arisen on election day, and the labor vote was not polled as their members expected. Pressure was brought to bear in certain south and north end wards to win away the labor vote, such pressure being thoroughly effective.

Men of both societies have as a consequence it is said banded themselves together in a common purpose and decided to unite and form an independent and separate organization.

Private meetings have been held and preliminary arrangements formed, it is said, for the purpose of organization.

One of the officers of the Shipbuilders' Union has tendered his resignation from that body, and it is claimed there is not the least doubt but that there will be a slump from both unions in favor of the independent body if it is organized.

THE BELLISLE ROUTE.

A Luxurious Steamer for the Route by the First of June.

Those who traverse the "beautiful, blue Bellisle" next summer will do so with a degree of comfort and even luxury never before within their reach. And all because a new steamer is to be placed on the route the first of June.

At Old Fort, Carleton, a Star man yesterday walked the deck of this vessel, but her appearance on the stocks offers only a slight suggestion of what she will be when she is launched between the maiden-trip on the St. John river. The deck, however, is worth talking about. It is of spruce, and A. N. Harned, the builder of the vessel, says it is far and away the finest deck he ever laid. The caulkers will be at work today, and the new vessel will be launched between the 20th and 21st of this month. Down at the St. John Iron Works her boilers and two powerful engines are being made, and she will be ready for the Bellisle route by the first of June.

The new steamer, to be called the Beatrice E. Waring, is 140 feet long and 31 feet wide, with 4 feet 8 inches depth of hold. She will be a third larger than the Springfield, and will not only have two saloons but will be fitted with eleven staterooms, so that persons desiring to go up the Bellisle one day and return the next, or to spend Sunday up there, can do so without having to seek quarters anywhere on shore. This will be a great convenience.

Speaking to the Star, Mr. Harned said the steamer differs somewhat from the ordinary type in that her keel carries out farther than others. The outriggers extend 25 feet over the stern, and support an 18 foot wheel. Pitch pine timber is used for keelsons, clamps, top plank, sheer streak, stringers and outriggers. The stern is of birch and pitch pine, and the bottom plank of birch.

George Beatty will put the top on the vessel. Work was started on her by Mr. Harned in November. It is the intention to have her well finished as the best steamer on the river, and, as already stated, have her ready for the Bellisle route by the first of June. She will have a speed of about fifteen miles an hour.

A GREAT SALE OF DRESS GOODS IS NOW GOING ON AT F. A. DYKSEN & CO'S STORE. THIS IS A RARE OPPORTUNITY TO BUY DRESS GOODS FOR SPRING AT LESS THAN HALF THEIR REGULAR PRICE.

ELECTION AFTERMATH.

They were talking election; fighting their battles over again, and telling stories of the "war."

"Yes and they took them out of the hospital to vote," said one old ward healer with a look of disgust.

"That is nothing," said the solemn man in the corner. "I saw them going out of a grave yard to vote for the government," and then he sadly went out.

"Who is that colossal liar?" said one of the faithful.

"He's a clergyman," said the boss, "and he attended a funeral election morning."

Bicyclists and all athletes depend on BENTLEY'S Liniment to keep their joints limber and muscles in trim.

THE FISH SUPPLY.

The stock of fish for the Lenten trade is barely sufficient to supply the demand, but as yet no actual scarcity has been felt. Dried fish are fairly plentiful, but the fresh varieties cannot be had in any quantity. The lobster fishing is receiving considerable attention from the fishermen, and as this species commands a high price in the American market, the fishermen find more profit in devoting their time to it and neglecting other varieties. For this among other reasons the supplies have fallen off and fresh fish are liable to remain scarce for some time yet. A schooner load of dried fish from Westport has been received this week, the first for some time.

TEN DEATHS.

There were ten deaths in the city last week, classified as follows:

Consumption	2
Influenza	1
Accident	1
Pneumonia	1
Bright's disease	1
Prostatic disease	1
Infantile convulsions	1
Congestion of lungs	1
Old age	1
Total	10

THE FREEMAN AND POLITICS.

Some of the stockholders in the Freeman company complain that Mr. Carleton has written articles for that paper which are of a liberal political flavor, whereas it was distinctly understood that no partisanship would be displayed by its writing staff. The complaining stockholders see no good reason why their political principles should be attacked, especially as the elections are over.

OLD RESIDENT DEAD.

Martin Holts, one of the oldest residents of the North End, where he has lived for the past 30 years, died yesterday afternoon. He was 81 years old. He leaves two sons, Wm. Holts of 28 Kennedy street, with whom the deceased has been living, and John Holts, and two daughters, Mrs. W. McDonald of North End and Miss Matilda Holts of Washademoak.

UNCLE RUBE.

St. Rose's Dramatic club will put on the four-act drama Uncle Rube, in St. Rose's Hall, Fairville, on the evening of March 17th. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the orphans. The club have been rehearsing for some time and an excellent performance is assured.

GOOD BANANAS.

The first carload of bananas by rail from Boston was received by A. L. Goodwin this morning, and will shortly be on sale. This fruit is of splendid quality, full, sound, and of the best flavor. For the rest of the season Mr. Goodwin will receive one and two carloads weekly.

LIQUOR LICENSES.

Inspector Jones has received to date fifteen applications for liquor licenses. The time for making application expires on March 5th. With each application a fee of five dollars must be paid, and this, if the license is granted, will be credited on the license fee.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 6.—The steamer Manchester Commerce arrived at 9.30 tonight, after a voyage of 16 days, from Manchester. She will remain at quarantine till morning. The Canada has arrived from Boston.

P. E. ISLAND.

Lack of Communication a Very Serious Blow to the People.

Isaac Carter and Benjamin Bremner, of the firm of George Carter & Co., Charlottetown, are in the city on a business trip, having crossed by the capes on Thursday.

They say that conditions on the island, owing to the steamship service during the present winter, are worse than at any previous time at least since Confederation. There are on each side of the straits hundreds of carloads of goods awaiting transportation and the continued stoppage of the boats is a matter which causes not only much inconvenience but great loss to merchants. The shipments of frozen meats and eels from Prince Edward Island to the United States during the winter season is an industry of considerable importance, but this year is resulting in heavy losses to the shippers. Many carloads of meats and eels have been lying at Georgetown for weeks. They were shipped in lots of time for admission to the United States, but these goods are not allowed to enter the States after the first of March and no other market is available. In addition to this they are becoming worthless from lapse of time and it is more than probable that by now they have been dumped over the wharves. These shipments are worth at least a thousand dollars per car, and this is only one item in many, of cases where perishable freight has been ruined by the failure of the winter service.

There are consignments of horses, too, which have been standing in stables for weeks, awaiting shipment. The feeding of these horses is expensive and the shippers are losing heavily on them. Besides the perishable goods and live stock there are carloads of produce and other freight which should have been brought over long ago, but which has been lying in the cars for weeks.

On the Nova Scotian side are equally large quantities of freight which include the spring stocks ordered some time ago by merchants. No new goods have yet reached the island for a week or more, and the delay is possibly a serious effect on next summer's work. Mr. Carter is especially interested in shipments of seed for his farm. The seed should be on the island now in order that it might be distributed through the country for the farmers. But neither he nor any other seedsmen have as yet received their supplies, and a continued delay will mean late harvests this year on the island. The farmers depend almost wholly on merchants for their seed and in some lines it is required at once as certain varieties are planted in hothouses much earlier than outside planting is begun.

Mr. Carter says that for a time there was considerable expression of feeling in Charlottetown with regard to the service, but the merchants are now so used to the thing that they simply have to grin and bear it. When both steamers became fast in the ice it was a matter of regret, for which no one could be blamed. Then when the Minto got loose and was sent to relieve the Stanley—which needed no further relief—there was hope for the people were glad. But when for the second time the Minto became fast it was seen that matters would have been better if that steamer had been allowed to run on the route alone.

Reports from Pictou today are to the effect that the weather was so thick last evening that the steamers could not be seen.

Morrell & Sutherland.

NEW BLACK AND COLORED

Dress Goods and Costume Cloths.

39 CENTS A YARD.

Another suprising special for next week, Monday starts a three days' sale of New Black and Colored Dress Goods and Costume Cloths, embracing the newest fabrics of the season, new and fashionable colors and combinations in alluring abundance. The perfect light in our dress goods department proves a great aid to shoppers.

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We are making a lot of fuel, green and dry mixed sawed and split in 9 inch lengths. We are getting 75c for a coal cart load, delivered. 85c if delivered south of Union street or west of Paradise Row.

E. RILEY & CO., Millers,

CLYDE ST., OFF CITY ROAD.

LOBSTERS SEIZED.

A Newly Appointed Fishing Inspector Distinguishes Himself.

A newly appointed and over-zealous fishery inspector sought departmental distinction this week by the seizure of a number of lobsters under the legal size limit. The number was about eight, and the bold seizure was made in the hope of a vessel lying at the wharf. He did not stop to inquire where they were caught or who owned the bucket they were in. Now the fishermen are inclined to

make a disturbance. They say that they caught the lobsters in Nova Scotia waters, where there is no size limit, and that they had no intention of selling them, but had them in the galley awaiting the cook's treatment. They claim that there is no law to prevent this. They also want their bucket back.

Miss Gerlie Winslow, eldest daughter of Fairfax Winslow, of Woodstock, was married at her home on Wednesday evening to Clarence Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton were the recipients of many beautiful and costly presents.

SPRING OPENING, Of Campbell's Clothing.

Next week we will have our new spring styles in Campbell's Clothing ready for our waiting customers.

Possibly you think it a little early to buy, but don't let that interfere with your looking over our goods. See what we are showing. Notice the "smartness" of this high-class clothing. You will be surprised to find with what care and skill it is manufactured. The artistic lines in every garment emanate from the brain of a skilled designer. It will be a pleasure and surprise for you to inspect these goods.

Suits from \$10 to \$20. Overcoats, \$10 to \$20.

CUSTOM TAILORING, Blue Serge, \$18.

When referring to our Tailoring Department we point with pride to the exceptionally fine line of Blue Serge included in our Spring Stock.

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