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SYDNEY WARD. SAINT JOHN, N. B., Feb. 12, 1886.

W. E. the undersigned Residents and Voters of Sydney Ward, in the City of St. John, N. B., would nominate W. M. LEWIS, Esq., of said Ward, to represent us in the Common Council as Alderman.

By Order of the Common Council of the City of Saint John.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a Bill will be presented for enactment at the present session of the Provincial Legislature to provide for the extension of wharves on the "Petitgill" property.

To the Electors of the City of Saint John. BELIEVING in the principle that no Mayor in this City should hold office for more than two years, and having been solicited by numerous electors to allow myself to be placed in nomination for the Mayoralty, I beg to announce that I will be a Candidate on the second TUESDAY in April next.

ALDERMEN. We shall again be candidates for your suffrage at the coming election for

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PROGRESS.

Notices of Houses, Flats or Apartments to Let, not to exceed Three Lines, about 25 words in length, will be printed in "Progress" for 10 cents each insertion. More than three and less than ten lines, 25 cents. Patronize the peoples' paper.

WAR WITH THE LIGHTS. THE GAS COMPANY CUT THE RATES OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

The Calkin Company Comes Down to a Quarter-A Further Cut Threatened—Keep the Rival Company Moving—It Means Money For the Citizens. War has been declared between the electric light companies, and the cost of illumination is 30 per cent. less than it was ten days ago.

But it was a thorn in the side of President Blair and his estimable associates. They are all good and worthy citizens, but they have one decided weakness—for 12 per cent. dividends. It is not pleasant to hear a merchant who has his electric lamp compare it with the Calkin across the street, and compliment the latter upon its decided steadiness and brilliancy.

Some features of the fight are regrettable. Progress learns upon the best authority that the gas company, through its agents, has descended to curious means, to put it mildly, to oust the Calkin Co. One store in the city burned three of the Calkin lights and found that they gave excellent satisfaction. The proprietor had no thought of changing until he received an intimation that the gas company's electric took the place of the Calkin light.

Just here let PROGRESS comment slightly, and sufficiently for the present, upon the "invariable correctness" of the bills of the gas company—no matter whether they are for electric lighting or for gas. A meter may be only an apology for measurement, and register twice the quantity of gas burned, yet the merchant has to pay for it all the same.

A short time ago a lamp in a King street store went out very early in the evening, and the proprietor was forced to burn gas. He spared a few minutes to write a note to the secretary of the gas company informing him of the fact, and requesting credit upon his bill for 35 cents.

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chant that no reduction would be allowed for the off night, and that he must pay the 35 cents. He was told in turn to carry the merchant's compliments to the gas company, and the statement that he would not pay it and they might go ahead and collect the same.

Really Miss Portland, you ought to be happy. You needn't have been so coy about it. Your lover is ardent and wealthy as well as winsome. And he is able to support you in style, as no doubt he will have to until your estate recovers from the sad condition to which your natural guardian has reduced it.

Blank Books, of all kinds, for sale at Mr. Arthur's, 80 King street.

MR. COSGROVE AND HIS COLT. Their Antics Delight a Sunday Afternoon Crowd.

Mr. Thomas Cosgrove, of Lower Cove, owns a colt. It is a very fine colt and Mr. Cosgrove thinks a great deal of it. The colt also thinks a great deal of Mr. Cosgrove. It is not an unusual thing for a man to take his favorite dog for a walk on Sunday afternoon.

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Why is it necessary, when an address of condolence is passed, for it to be carried to the afflicted relatives and read by the bearer in their presence? This may not be done generally, but it happened a number of times in Portland not long ago.

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PARLIAMENT IS READY TO JOIN IN WEDLOCK ST. JOHN AND PORTLAND.

There will be High Jinks, "Flotsam" Thinks, When the Ceremony Comes off. Other Matters—News and Gossip. Not So Interesting—News and Gossip.

FREDERICTON, March 28.—Hurry up with your union bill, Mr. Common Clerk Peters. Here we are nearing the end of the session and all we want is to have the contracting parties before the legislative altar, in order to proclaim them one.

The assembled wisdom has been gleefully hugging itself over the prospect of a short session until a week ago, when the decision to push the union bill through at all hazards was reached.

Do the government contemplate holding a general election soon? If so, who will be on the ticket with Ketchum? How many, if any, of the government horses have splints, and how many have sprains and what was the cost of each?

How much did the attorney-general pay as lessee of the Dugarvon river? And of the Renous? And how many mosquitoes and black flies does he own on each? Who stole Mr. Hanington's amendment from the files of 1885, and when is the bear bounty to be restored?

What is the population of New Zealand? Who wrote Mary had a little lamb? Who struck Billy Patterson? And where is his little dog gone? And how many, how much, how long, and how often of each? And when and what for?

How is this For an Undertaker? Mr. M. N. Powers, undertaker, entered a drug store a few days ago and engaged in conversation with a number of gentlemen gathered there.

Oceans of Bad Rum. A number of Portland people have been amusing themselves lately counting the liquor stores they pass on their walk through that city, and wondering what will become of them when the cities are united.

The Country Will Be Safe. Second Lieutenants Hetherington, Parks and Sterling go to Fredericton shortly for a short term at the military school to qualify for promotion.

It Was the Assistant Clerk. In the notes on the union election last week, City Clerk Godard was named for Assistant City Clerk McLean.

Brave Men and Brave Women. The sister of gallant Horace Whitney's intended bride lost her affianced in a railway disaster about a year ago. Both were once the brightest of their sex in their native place.

LET THE PEOPLE SAY.

Mr. Everett Will Give the Matter His Consideration—So Will Mr. Thorne—Mr. Barker in the Hands of His Friends—But Let the People Choose.

Now would somebody just kindly rise to mention what has become of Dr. Berryman? And would somebody else be good enough to inform the house what is rankling in the bosom of the St. John Globe this fine, bracing weather?

It was some time in the fifties that this same gentleman was asked to be put in nomination for the civic chair in opposition to Mr. W. O. Smith but he refused.

But who started the great boom going on in favor of Mr. Everett's candidature? His name was even brought forward when Mr. Thorne first came into the arena, and it was said then that he was another candidate of another wing of the temperance party.

Mayor Thorne generally knows his own mind and PROGRESS found him Thursday as he was walking into his store from the council meeting.

On the streets the report was quite current that a requisition was being circulated asking Mr. Everett to run and that Mr. George Barker was out of the contest.

The new council will have some ugly subjects to handle, and not a few of them are the legacy of the town across the way. So far, Mr. Magistrate Tapley has succeeded in keeping back that investigation into the police court accounts.

Here was a good sized bombshell with the fuse burning. The aldermen quit at once, the investigation dropped and the bomb didn't explode.

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THE PEOPLE WHO MOVE.

May and Should Inform Their Friends Through This Paper. "For one week only," about May 1, PROGRESS will enter into competition with the city directory.

The miniature directory mentioned above will deal with two classes—business firms and residents—and it will give the number of the street to which they have removed.

Great variety of Easter Baskets, at Portland News Depot and branches.

THE DOCTOR CAN COLLECT.

From Anyone Who Summons Him to Another's Bedside. "Well, this makes me weary!" said a King street man, toying with a bit of paper that might have been a grocer's bill or a promissory note.

"What the deuce do you mean? No blackmailing business, I hope." "Ha! ha! You've struck it, because another person is making me pay his bill.

Ald. McGoldrick and Mr. Peacock. A good story is never old, and that's the reason Portland people are still laughing over the way Ald. McGoldrick got sold election day.

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