-The unfriendly relations that have exsted for months between Spain and the United States have been strained almost to the point of rupture by the recent disaster that overtook the battleship "Maine," in Havana harbor. The American people are in a dangerous mood, as is evidenced by the autions that have been taken at New York to prevent a hostile demonstration on It is not at all probable that Spain is respon sible for the terrible explosion by which two hundred and sixty United States marines were killed and one of her finest battleships destroyed, but Havana was a most unfortunate place for the disaster to have on curred in view of the strained relations that existed between the two nations, and particularly as it was known that Spain construed ers as a veiled threat for her consideration in the adjustment of the Cuban difficulty. It is not from government circles that the immediate danger of a rupture arises, but from the American people who have viewed the situation with less deliberation and can hardly be trusted to treat Spanish life or hardly be trusted to treat Spanish life or property with proper respect. The investigation that is now being made, thorough as it will be, can hardly be expected to reveal t will be, can hardly be expected to reveal the true cause of the disaster; dangerous suspicions will not be dissipated and Spain friend to cultivate where American interests

-Cecil Rhodes was always considered as his prestige suffered a decline at the investigation into the Transvaal raid. His connection with that affair was never very clearly explained, but it was enough that he was British parliamentary committee. By those who knew him not he was speedily branded as a mischievous meddler, and his services to the empire were made light of. His defence of his conduct on that occasion was approximately weak and second rate politicians miller, Clarence. proceeded to question both his ability and his enterprise. The ex-premier sailed again for the Cape and soon came the news of the opening of his railway to Buluwayo. His assume his duties. work as an empire builder had only been interrupted for a brief space, and it is now anhis railway northward from Buluwayo to

public honors from the ranks of women are so limited that all eyes centred on Miss Willard in the field of work which she had lard in the field of work which she had chosen, and surely her methods and her aim have borne the closest scrutiny to her entire justification. She was the head of a great movement, and neither personal ambition or the emoluments of office spoiled the splendid unselfishness that has always characterized her life and work. Her memory will long be cherished by countless numbers of her sex, and men in their struggle to attain great ends on harder battlefields can not but admire her steadfast purpose and broad humanity. She was one of the greatest women of the age and her mantle can hardly fall on the structure of the sex and sex a

tant matter at present under consideration by the Imperial parliament, and while there is apparently but one opinion as to the necessity of the mountain passes in the revolting district being kept open at all hazard, yet the opposition blame the government for the insufficiency of the late punitive campaign. Just what methods will be adopted next apring have not yet transpired, but it is certain that if British troops can subjugate the Afridie, their subjection will be speedily accomplished and a sufficient force will be maintained in the affected country to prevent a recurrence of trouble. It is not unlikely that the malcontents will soon constitute a source from which Great Britain may draw colonial troops as skilled and as valorous as southern India now effords.

The total country to fax a subject to the depot and took the express for Hailfax on a short wedding trip.

—A sad accident occured on the Canaan road, near Kentville, on Monday when road, near Kentville, on Monday when is a supposed to have been still in Jones, of Canaan lost his life. He was found beneath a large pile of wood beside his sled and team of two horses. He is supposed to have been sitting on the wood, which, rolling cff at an uneven portion of the road, threw him beneath it.

—What might have been a disastrous fire was discovered by Mr. Charles Lewis in the was discovered by Mr. Charles Lewis in the was discovered by Mr. Charles Lewis in the was discovered by Mr. Lewis in the string than the string of the program consisted of an opening address of welcome by Pastor Young, recitation by Miss Winnie Morse, quartette, duets and the string than the string of the program consisted of the fiers of the program consisted of the fiers of the program consisted of an opening address of welcome by Pastor Young, recitation by Miss Winnie Morse, quartette, duets and the string than the string than the string than the string plan to the string than the canaan road, near Kentville, on Monday when it will be a supposed to have been sitting on the wood,

the payment of the war indemnity due from China has undoubtedly had the effect of once more awakening that country to the neces-Japan is acting clearly within her rights in her demands, but the general observer cannot fail to notice how closely she seems to be playing into the hands of the British government. China is being forced to borrow and it must follow that she will borrow from Great Britain and incur Russian and French enunity rather than borrow from either of the enmity rather than borrow from either of the latter nations and incur the displeasure of Great Britain and Japan. The "Mistress of the seas" holds the balance of power in the far east, and Japan is considered as a strong ally. New developments in the situation may be expected within a month.

Intered on the 19th. Mrs. Chute was 55 years of age.

—Last year the Bridgetown Cheese and Butter Company received 569,562 by, or hearly 285 tons of milk, from which 5,848 libe of butter and 46,000 lbs. of cheese were manufactured and disposed of. Milk and buttermilk to the value of \$7.00 were sold, making total receipts for the year \$5,100.00

-The ability of Petersen, Tate & Cc. to for year. perform their part of the contract with the Dominion government for the establishment of a fast trans-Atlantic line of steamers, has not yet been satisfactorily established, nor indeed has the contrary, but if the steamers are to be placed on the route in 1899, it is surely time that some definite action were taken. The latest official announcement is are to be placed on the route in 1899, it is surely time that some definite action were taken. The latest official announcement is to effect that they are ready to proceed with the contract when called upon and this news is somewhat perplexing to the average reading somewhat perplexing to the average of the names of those taking somewhat perplexing to the names of those taking somewhat perplexing to

## Local and Special News.

-The Bent will case is up before Judge Owen at Annapolis for argument. -Mr. S. Graham of Toronto has moved

-The river bridge should be better supplied with snow while there is passable sled---Butter put up in tins from the Nappan creamery has been successfully shipped to the West Indies. -We have been forced to hold over for a week a letter from Lawrence Amor in reply to Mr. A. J. Johnston.

telephone subscribers.

--Attention is directed to the advertise ment offering for sale the Livery and Trucking business of the late W. C. Bath.

—W. E. Palfrey still continues to give 20c. per lb. for butter and 20c. per doz. for eggs. That is the place to take your produce. 11 -The bill to incorporate the Bridgetown Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, has passed its third reading without amend-

-The Annapolis schooner Shafner Bros. had to pay \$700 salvage to the wreckers who floated her off Berry Island, in the Bahamas, -Mr. McGregor, late chief engineer of the steamer Prince Rupert, has been promoted to the position of marine superintendent of the D. A. R.

--W. J. Burgess of Cambridge, Kings county, received £400 for 400 barrels of mixed apples which he sent to the London Market recently.

—A large pork packing firm in Ireland has offered to establish a branch business in Kings county and the matter is being earnestly considered. —J. W. Beckwith's new Blouse Waists and Ladies' Whitewear for the spring trade are now opened; also his New Clothing for Men, Boys and Children. 48 li

-Pastor Hamilton, of the Inglewood Bap-list Church, was honorably discharged from the action for assault brought against him before Justice Cox by Deacon Clements.

-George Tuttle, Middleton, nephew of Hon. Mr. Borden, has been appointed assist-ant inspector of the mounted police in the Yukon district. He is now on his way to

-M. Laborie, the distinguished Paris solicitor and counsel for M. Zola, in the sensational trial now being conducted in Paris, is a son in-law of William O'Key, Eeq, of Port Williams, Kings county.

—Police Officer Quipp has rented the rooms over Shafner & Figgott's store, lately occupied by Mr. Palfrey, and will take possession at once. Mrs. Quipp is an invalid and some of the ladies of the Baptist church were busily engaged last evening in making the flat ready for occupation.

-One of the sailors who was wrecked in

signed to the Union Bank of Halifax.

—A quiet home wedding took place here yesterday, shortly after noon, the principals being Mr. E. A. Craig, a well known townsments with which she was connected.

—The India problem is the most important matter at present under consideration by the Imperial parliament, and while there

The death of Mrs. Land it was discovered.

—Mr. Avard W. Marshall, of Reading, have not provided in the loss of their children, four of the payment of the war indemnity due from thina has undoubtedly had the effect of once here awakening that country to the necestive of raising that much talked of loan.

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Klondike Gold Output.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—Dr. Dawson, chief of

making total receipts for the year \$5,108.00, an increase over 1896 of \$1900. A few chees: remain unsold which are included in receipts

Mrs. W. D. Lockett personated most effectively the ambitious aunt, who admired rank. The difficult roles enacted by Miss Grace Healey and Miss Madge Morse, representing the American and English girl respectively, were each presented in a charmingly graceful manner, and the contrast of characters was cleverly delineated. Mr. N. R. Burrows represented the promising young American, half owner of the Sierra Gold Mine, in an easy and effective manner, and Mr. Alf. Morse, as his partner, the bashful young Englishman, added to his well-deserved reputation as an amateur actor. The brisk action of the piece was never allowed to lag for an instant, and held throughout the closest attention of the audience, who bestowed generous applause at its close.

the closest attention of the audience, who bestowed generous applause at its close. The "Family Album" as a mirth-provoker could hardly be excelled. The fanciful costumes of the performers, Mrs. H. Ruggles, as Jerusha Spooner, and Mrs. Wier, as Betsy Bobbitt, and their ludicrous acting and conversation, which was entirely impromptu, excited much laughter. The extremely "lifelike" appearance of the pictures added much to the merriment.

Miss Arnaud, in a quaint representation of a lady of the olden time, sang very pleasingly a humorous song befitting the character and received an encore. Mr. Greatorex gave an amusing sketch of the trials of a would-be poet, and responded to an encore with that comical ditty, "The Oysterman."

The musical selections by the 69th Band added largely to the pleasure of the evening. added largely to the pleasure of the The sum of \$45.00 was realized.

day on business.
Jack Martin, of the Canada Paper Co., was in town on Monday.
Mr. R. C. Vaughn, of Grand Pre, visited friends in Clarence last week.
Mr. W. H. Cann left yesterday on a business trip along the South Shore.
Dr. Fred Primrose has closed his Halifax office and gone to Baltimore, Md.
Miss Arnaud, of Annapolis, was the guest of Mrs. Wier for a few days last week.
Miss Edith McMillan, of Annapolis, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. W. Beckwith.
Miss Edderkin returned on Friday from a short visit to her former home in Wolfville.
Miss Ethel Marshall, of Clarence, who has been visiting friends in Wolfville, returned home last Friday.
Pastor J. Clark, of Bass River, has received word of the death of his only sister, at Cambridge, England.
Mr. W. A. Chesley of Bridgetown has been visiting during the past week at Grafton and Kentville.—Orchardist.
Mr. Lemuel McLeod, of Boston, formerly of Bridgetown, was here last week after an absence of thirty-five yeas.
Miss Knodell and Miss Rogers, of St. John, arrived on Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. George Hoyt and other relatives.
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A new shaft, it is said, will be sunk by the Dominion Coal company somewhere between Victoria

onation to Paster Steeves.

On Welnesday evening of last week as the control of the same and pressing and demission in control field and published to seel the revenues of the post office of department by the imposition of a postage star on enverpacery with a see or Causala when sent in the United States or Causala when sen

ifax, close on April 30th; horses to be named July 15th. The events are: WEDNESDAY, AUG. 17.

No. 1—Foals of 1895, mile heats, 2 in 3. No. 2—Foals of 1894, mile heats, 3 in 5 No. 2—Foals of 1894, mile heats, 3 in 5
THURSDAY, AG. 18.
No. 3—Foals of 1896, mile heats, 2 in 3.
No. 4—3.00 class, mile heats 3 in 5.
Entrance \$20; \$5 April 30 when entries close; \$5 June 15; \$5 July 15, when horses must be named; \$5 Aug. 8.
Stakes open to trotters bred or wholly owned in the maritime provinces prior to April 30, 1898.
Entries may be transferred previous to July 15. Horses eligible at first payment, April 30, are eligible for 3 00 stake.
Six entries, the property of different owners, to fill each stake; nominators to have the privilege of declaring out at any time, forfeiting payments made. Should any stake not fill, the promotor reserves the right to re-open the same.

Ottawa, Feb. 16.—Dr. Dawson, chief of the Geological Survey, in an estimate of the amount of gold obtained from the Yūkon district of Cenada, laid before the house yesterday, places the total at \$4,100,500. Of this total \$2,500,000 were mined in 1897, \$300,000 in 1896, \$250,000 in 1895, \$125,000 in 1894, \$176,000 in 1893, \$7,000 in 1892, \$40,000 in 1891, \$175,000 in 1890, \$175,000 in 1894, \$175,000 in 1890, \$175,000 in 189

Nova Scotia and Prohibition.

Thirteen counties in Nova Scotia have polled 14,167 votes in favor of, and 1,940 against the Scott Act, a total of 16,107. In

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.

FARM FOR SALE!

David W. Landers,

onsisting of 30 acres of tillage and grass land, 50 acres of pasture. The house and outbuildings are in good epair and the land in a high state of culti-

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ELMIRA LANDERS,

AND EXTRA TERMS

ORGANS

Sewing Machines

Get our Prices on Bicycles.

N. H. PHINNEY, Manager. Lawrencetown, Feb. 18:h, 1898.

Men's Heavy Grain Boots, \$2.25, REDUCED TO ..... 1 75

Try my **New Teas**, imported direct from London. They are fine and from 5c. to to 7c. per lb. below regular prices.

T. C. BISHOP.

assortment of

- both large and small -

The prices are right!

Call and see them!

Children's Boots. \$1.00, REDUCED TO ...

All-Wool Oxford Cloth, 70c per yd. REDUCED TO...... Union Oxford Cloth. 48c. per yard, REDUCED TO...... Men's All-Wool Oxford Pants, \$2.00 1 75

\$1 50

week for 137.

Kentville Merchants are importing eggs from Halitax and retailing them for 25 cents.

A petition has been entered against the election of Mr. Johnson as Mayor of Yar-The Yarmouth Salvation, Army purpose opening up a soup kitchen for the benefit of the destitute.

As the business and books of Crowe & Parker must be settled at once, all persons having claims against the firm will please render accounts at once, when same will be promptly paid; and all accounts due the firm must be settled by note or cash within thirty days. Crowe & Parker.

46 4i Co., is applying to the local legislature for incorporation.

The Town Clerk of New Glasgow has been suspended, pending investigation into his accounts with the town.

Black Bros Bakery of Amherst turned out over a thousand loaves of bread for the retail trade of Anherst last week.

James Taggari, a Parraboro merchant, has mysteriously disappeared. He had about \$1200 in money when last seen.

The Dominion government is being asked to place a light at the northern, or Bay of Fundy, entrance to Grand Passage.

There are five or six miners working a portion of the Hardman property at Oldham, who are said to be averaging about \$11 per day.

day.

The people of Ritcey's Cove, Rose Bay and Kingsburg are discussing the feasibility of building an electric tramway to Lunen-TERMS,-Easy burg.

The two-year-old son of Jas. A. King, of Oxford, got hold of a bottle containing carbolic acid and swallowed some of the poison,

causing death.

A gold mining property at Dice Hill, Ellershouse, has been bonded by a New York syndicate for \$10,000 and a forfeit of \$500 has been deposited.

Charlottetown, P. E. I. papers say, one of the newly elected councillors of that city has served over 20 terms of imprisonment for violations of the Scott act.

Adams A. Tupper, of Truro, well known as a promoter of search for Capt. Kidd's treasure, was run over and killed on a railway in Connecticut last week. way in Connecticut last week.
At Oxford last week the six-year-old
daughter of Herbert Keefe, while walking
backwards to shield her face from the storm,

Mr. Frank Marshall, who is travelling for George Marshall & Co., wholesale tea importers, visited his parents in Clarence last week. Rev. O. N. Chipman, of Great Village, has been presented by his friends with a handsome fur coat. Mr. Chipman is a sonin-law of John Schaffner, Esq., Lawrence-town.

Barbagge Co. M. Chipman de feet high which were built in Nova Scotia. The experiament was a flow of the most described by the composition of the most desirable and highest salaried poets in the cloak trade of New England—buyer for A. Shuman and Co., Boston.

One bale Grey Cotton at Mill Prices.

## FARM FOR SALE! That valuable and well-known

farm near Paradise, at pres-KNIVES . . ent occupied by Mrs. Charles F. Ruggles, comprising marsh, upland and meadow, two large orchards, two wood lots, good house and outbuildings. For further particulars apply to

FOR SALE Pocket

Bridgetown, Feb. 22nd, 1898.

Livery and Trucking Business formerly owned by the Late William C. Bath. This property is situated in the centre of the town and is one of the best stands for the carrying on of the above business, and will be sold low in order to wind up the said estate.

For further information apply to

MRS. AGNES MURDOCH.

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Grocer! Corner Queen and Granville Sts.

You make no mistake when you come to us to buy your

Our Specialties are: TEAS, which we can offer in Oolonge, Sayrune and Blends, in price from 25c to 50c per 1b.

CANNED GOODS, a full line. COFFEE from 30c. to 45. per lb. Arlington Wheat Meal, Raiston Whole Wheat Flour.

Spices and Essences Everything usually kept in a well appointed Grocery. We also have a fine line of China and Crockeryware carefully selected and

# FISHER, the Tailor

announces that during the absence of Mr. McPhee, the cutting depart-Lieut. Nichol, 69th, 2nd class; written 64½, drill 62½, average 63½.

Lieut. Whitman, 69th, 1st class; written 59½, savored somewhat of a humbug thus far, and if the project is to materialize it is quite time that substantial progress were reported.

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W. M. FOR SATISFACTORY WORK GUARANTEED TO EACH CUSTOMER.

Bridgetown store will be to project to her upon the occasion of her marriage. She highly appreciates and values their kindness.

-W. T. Jenniogs, engineer, says the proposed Yukon railway can be completed by September at a cost of \$4,000,000.

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Bridgetown, Fob. 8th, 1898.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WE ARE NOW OPENING NEW + GOODS

for the early Spring Sewing.

Sheetings, Pillow Cottons, Grey and White Cottons, Ginghams, Prints, etc. PRICES LOWER THAN EVER.

We have just opened two cases of the best make of Prints, 32 inches wide. As these cases are direct from the mills we are able to sell them at 10c. per yard, regular price 14c.

We have still about a wheelbarrow load of Winter Goods left, the prices of which we have cut to clear.

Our 20 per cent Discount still continues on all lines of Dress Goods. We have a number of dress lengths we will run off at seventy-five cents on

Room must be made for our New Spring Goods which are at this early date beginning to arrive. Without doubt our Spring Stock will be the finest, best assorted and greatest value ever before imported by us. We have taken the utmost care to import the latest effects in all makes of Dry Goods.

Annual Cash Clearance Sale

of all lines of Winter Goods has commenced.

Be sure that you get some of the bargains offered, for they are genuine. We never misrepresent either as to quantity or quality. We now endeavor to engage your kind attention to the following low lines, and we feel sure that you will find it to your advantage to peruse our mark down carefully. We start with a line of Fancy Plaid Goods suitable for Ladies' Waists and Children's Dresses.

20 pieces FANCY PLAID GOODS. 20 pieces. STORM COLLARS. - STORM COLLARS.

30 pes. FANCY MIXED GOODS, 30 pes. Combinations of all shades. All extra value 

KNIVES LADIES' CLOTH JACKETS. heavy English Cheviot with Velvet Collar.
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7.00, 8.50, plain Freize, very heavy... 6 00, fancy Frieze, very heavy... These Goods cannot be beaten for Style, Workmanship and Finish.

FURS. FURS. 4 (only) Ladies' Fur Coats away below cost to clear.

\$13.00 Astrachan Jacket, \$44 00. Reduced to This is No. 1 quality. CAPETTES.

Original prices, per yd ...... 25c. 30c. 45c. 50c. 60c. 75c. 1 Astrachan Collar, large size, \$6 75. .... Now only \$4 99 Sale prices, per yd ...... 17c. 22c. 30c. 38c. 45c. 50c. 3 Cooney Collar, #81.25. .... 90c 3 Cooney Collar, \$1.25. I Electric Seal Collarette, 8 Alaska Sable tails. 2 heads, 8 tails.

> FEATHER BOAS. - FEATHER BOAS. 3 yds. long. Colors: Black & White, Black & Pink, Black & Gold, Former price, 98c. Reduced to only 67c. PLAIN BLACK FEATHER RUFFS.

LIGHT FANCY FEATHER RUFFS. Colors: White, Cream, Pink, Blue, Gold and Tabac.
Former price, each \$1.00 - Reduced to 65c each.

Only one in each of the following:

\$12.00 Persian Lamb and Chinchilla. Now only \$8 25
\$13.50 Copper Lynx, very stylish. " 9 50
\$9.50 Electric Seal, very stylish. " 6 25
\$13.75 Electric Seal, Alaska Sable tail trimmings. " 9 50
Lower than the lowest. Highest grade of material and perfect fitting garments.

As we have not space to enumerate our large and varied stock, we wish to call your attentiou to the fact that the discounts we are offering apply to all lines of Winter Goods, and intending purchasers would do well to look at our values before buying, as we are confident

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