

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

The civic elections will be held in Charlottetown on Feb. 14th.

The Bank of Nova Scotia, it is said, is about to change its head from Halifax to Toronto.

An Ottawa despatch says that Dr. Borden will send four nurses with the second contingent.

W. F. McNEARY, Immigration Commissioner, declares that 50,000 immigrants were placed in the Canadian Northwest last year.

Rev. Dr. McGLYNN, rector of St. Mary's Church, Newbury, N. Y., died there on Sunday last of heart failure, superinduced by Bright's disease.

We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement for tenders for the building of a church at Souris which will be found in this issue.

Mr. F. W. HYNDMAN, Insurance Agent in this city, has taken his son, John O. Hyndman, into partnership with him. The firm will be known as "Hyndman & Co."

The kiln and grist mill of Mr. Edward Mann, near Montague, were destroyed by fire on Wednesday last. The building and cloth mills were saved with great difficulty. No insurance.

Miss Minnie K. McDonald of Dundas, now residing in Halifax, has volunteered as a nurse for South Africa. She will likely be accepted, it is thought, as she has experience.

The Elder-Dempster Line steamer Lake Erie has been chartered by the Imperial Government to carry the Yeomanry Contingent to South Africa. This makes the eleventh boat chartered from this line.

The P. E. Island Ladies Aid to the Canadian Red Cross Society intend sending to South Africa, by the steamer leaving on the 18th and 20th, a quantity of requisites for the benefit of any islanders who may be sick or wounded.

The Ottawa Citizen is without an editor. Lieut. Morrison, who has been acting in that capacity for the last year, was smitten with a severe attack of war fever the other day, and will go to South Africa as one of the officers of the second contingent.

Miss Richard Ferguson, a cashier in one of the National Company's stores Toronto was on Saturday last sand-bagged, robbed and then dragged inside the jail yard. When found she was unconscious and soon afterwards died. There is no clue.

The captain and crew of the schooner Laura E. Douglas, which went ashore at Plover in last week's storm have arrived at Georgetown. They report the schooner unharmed and lying in a position from which she can easily be removed in the spring.

The Cunard steamer Corinthia left Boston last Thursday for New Orleans, where she takes on board a cargo of 1,800 mules for South Africa, 300 more than her previous cargo. While the Corinthia was docked on board 4,000 tons of coal and 500 tons of feed for the mules.

In consequence of the inability of Professor Gilbert to be present at the Farmers and Dairywmen's meeting on the 17th inst., the dates of the meeting have been changed from Wednesday and Thursday the 17th and 18th to Thursday and Friday the 18th and 19th inst., as will be seen by reference to the advertisement published in this issue.

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A WINTER despatch of the 5th informs us that the Greenway Government has resigned. High John McDonald has been called upon to form a ministry. It is generally understood that McDonald will be Attorney General, with Messrs. Roblin, Davison, Johnston and McEwen as his colleagues.

A VERY plucky rescue was made at Montague on Wednesday evening last. Master Willard Kennedy, the nine-year-old son of Capt. Kennedy fell over the wharf into deep water, where he remained for about ten minutes, till his cries brought his elder brother Harry to the spot. The latter jumped into the water, and with great difficulty, succeeded in rescuing him in an almost exhausted condition.

The new proprietor of the Hotel Davies, Mr. Doherty, purposing making several alterations in the hotel in the spring. Among these he intends to replace the old front on the corner by a new building four stories high which will extend from the western end to the main hotel building and to contain mainly of bed rooms. Mr. Doherty will no doubt, do his best to improve the hotel accommodation in this city.

The British steamer Georgiana, from London to New York, on Jan. 8th, rescued the crew of the German steamer Ella, from Perth Amboy for Halifax. The rescue was a daring one, the crew having to jump into the water, before being picked up by the boats. The captain's child, a young boy, was rescued by being strapped to the backs of the sailors, who then jumped overboard and swam with them to the boats.

The year just closed has evidently been a most successful one in banking business. The Bank of Nova Scotia has declared a dividend of 9 per cent. on the year's operations; the Merchant's Bank of P. E. I. 8 per cent.; and the Merchants' Bank of Halifax and the Halifax Banking Company declare their usual dividend of 7 per cent. The net profit of the Merchant's Bank of P. E. I. on the year's transactions amounted to \$31,687.14.

Mrs. BRIDGES, Archbishop of Montreal, in a sermon delivered in St. James Cathedral on Sunday, Dec. 31st, pronounced himself in favor of the success of the British arms in South Africa. "The flag which protects us," said Mr. Bridges, "is a banner of liberty, it is a banner of a bitter enemy. Let us hope that the war will soon end with the triumph of our great country and of the principles of justice as proposed by the church."

A WOMAN who arrived in Truro by train a few days ago is the subject of a queer story. It seems that the woman had entirely lost her memory and could remember nothing about herself, who she was, where she was going or what her name was. She looked to be about thirty-five years of age, and was well dressed and of good appearance. She had a ticket from Lynn, Mass., to New Glasgow. The train officials transferred her to the eastern bound train and wired the authorities at New Glasgow particulars of the case.

SENSATIONAL evidence was given in Montreal on Friday, in the case of James Baxter, banker, accused of assisting Herbert, the defuncting teller of the defunct Banque Ville Marie, to evade justice. Herbert deposed that the greatest portion of his shortage was made up of checks cashed for Baxter, who had no funds in bank. A few days before the suspension Herbert gave these checks to Lemieux, the bank's accountant, now serving three years sentence. When Herbert's cash was counted, as Baxter had the money and Lemieux had the checks he was that much short. More startling evidence is promised.

THURSDAY was a joyful day at St. Dunstan's College. The joy was occasioned by the fact that the College was declared free from diphtheria, the three years sentence. When Herbert's cash was counted, as Baxter had the money and Lemieux had the checks he was that much short. More startling evidence is promised.

Minard's Liniment Cures Cargot in Cows.

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MARY Jane O'Hanley, employed at the Poor House has caused a warrant to be issued for her husband, Angus O'Hanley, who she asserts, visited the Poor House on New Year's Day and attacked her with a knife, wounding her in the neck. At latest accounts O'Hanley was still at large.

C. M. B. A.

At the regular meeting of Branch 216, Charlottetown, held on Wednesday evening last, 3rd inst., the following officers for 1900 were duly installed: President—Alex. McDonald. 1st Vice President—John Trainor. 2nd Vice President—M. F. Koughan. Recording Secretary—Henry Fitzgerald. Asst. Recording Secretary—Jas. McQuaid. Financial Secretary—H. P. Clerkin. Treasurer—S. P. Paoli. Marshal—Andrew McDonald. Guard—Dominick McDonald. Trustees—Jas. O. Arsenault, Dr. F. E. Kelly, James McIsaac.

Dr. Kelly, retiring President, takes the chancellor's chair. After the meeting the President entertained the Brothers to an oyster supper at the Revere Hotel, where a couple of hours were pleasantly spent. Following are the officers of Branch 293 Cardigan Brigade. (This list was inadvertently omitted from our last issue.) President—Thos. J. Donahoe. 1st Vice President—Bernard McDonald. 2nd Vice President—Joseph McMillan. Recording Secretary—John A. McDonald. Assistant Sec.—Lemuel J. Sigsworth. Financial Sec.—John C. Flanagan. Treasurer—Dr. A. Allan. Marshal—P. D. Bowlen. Guard—Dr. Allan, Ferdinand McAlroy, Michael Ryan. William M. Flynn, the retiring President, will occupy the chancellor's chair.

The Markets.

This market was poorly attended yesterday. There was plenty of pork in, however, and buyers were paying 46, 44, and 43; and for the best, 45, 44, and 43, at \$7.25 per ton, and straw at \$4.75. Oats brought 29c. There was no potatoes on the market at all. Hides sold at 60c, rough and 75c, trimmed. Following is a list of other articles as they sold yesterday: Butter, (fresh)..... 0.18 to 0.19 Butter (salt)..... 0.20 to 0.23 Carrots (per bush)..... 0.00 to 0.10 Celery, per bunch..... 0.20 to 0.21 Eggs, per doz..... 0.35 to 0.40 Beans..... 0.12 to 0.14 Lamb per quarter..... 0.46 to 0.08 Mutton, per lb..... 0.06 to 0.08 Turnips..... 0.12 to 0.14 Pork (small)..... 0.06 to 0.08

Semi-Annual Meeting.

The Semi-Annual Meeting of Farmers and Dairywmen will be held at Marshfield on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, JAN. 18th and 19th, 1900, commencing at 1 o'clock P. M. on the 18th. Opening remarks by the President. Address—Senator Ferguson. Paper on Adjustments to Dairy Farming—F. G. Boyers. Paper—Swine, by J. A. McDonald, Herrauxville. Paper—The Farmer's Orchard, Jeremiah S. Clark, Bayview. Paper—Cyrus Crosby, Bonshaw. Paper—How to Make Farm Life More attractive, President Simpson, Bayview. Poem—Original, by Mr. Thompson, Marshfield. Mr. Gilbert, Postory Manager at the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, will be present and will deliver addresses on the Poultry industry. Mr. Hubbard of the Co-operative Farming Association will be present. D. Robertson, of Montague and Cyrus Shaw, Esq. will be present and will deliver addresses. All Branch Associations should be represented and will please forward their names to William J. Gibson, Marshfield. Delegates from the west will be met in Charlottetown, on arrival of morning train. The usual reduced rates on the R. R. JAMES D. McINNIS, Secy. C. Association. Head St. Peter's Bay, Dec. 26, 1899.

THE WAR!

Following is the quota the transports will carry from Halifax: Officers & Men. Horses. Montezuma..... 666 275 Laurinville..... 365 285 Pomeranian..... 350 312 Total..... 1281 1177

DATES SAILING FROM HALIFAX. Montezuma, Laurentian Thursday, Jan. 18 Pomeranian..... Saturday, Jan. 20

The War Office on Friday received through Gen. Forester Walker at Cape Town, the following despatch from Col. Baden Powell dated Mafeking, Dec. 26.—"We attacked one of the enemy's works this morning endeavoring to push back cordons northward. Our force consisted of three guns, two squadrons of proteCTORATE regiment, one of Bechuanaaland rifle, an armored train. The enemy had strengthened and doubled the position since yesterday's reconnaissance. Nevertheless, our attack was carried out and pressed home with the greatest possible gallantry and steadiness, under very heavy fire; but all efforts to gain the territory by escalade failed, the fort being practically impregnable; our attack only withdrew after six of our officers had been hit, and a large number wounded. Nothing could have exceeded the courage and dash displayed. The general situation remains unchanged, and the health and spirits of the garrison are very satisfactory. I regret to report the following casualties: Killed—Capt. R. J. Vernon, Capt. H. C. Saugard, Lt. H. C. Faxon, 18 wounded—Capt. Charles FitzGerald, 23 non-commissioned officers and troops. Prisoners—Three ironclads were captured."

A despatch from Rensburg Cape Colony dated Jan. 5th says: About 1000 Boers while leaving Colesburg last evening made an attack upon a column of British troops. The Boers' forces. At 5 o'clock this morning the Royal Horse Artillery with four guns occupied the Boers to retire to the kopje. After considerable shell and rifle fire the mounted infantry dismounted and charged the Boers successfully, taking 50 prisoners. English losses are reported light. During the fight the ironclads Dragoons effected a surprise movement and charged on the retreating Boers. They killed seven and cut their way clear through the Boers for two British officers who took the Boers for New Zealanders were captured.

LONDON, JAN. 8.—Gen. French reports a serious accident to the 1st Suffolk regiment. Four cover of darkness, a regiment attacked the Boer position. Lieut. Col. Weston, in command, was wounded, and a retreat was ordered. Three-quarters of the British reached camp, but the others were overpowered and compelled to surrender, seventy in all, including 7 officers.

The following has been posted at the War Office: Freze Camp, Jan. 8: The following has just been received from Gen. White, dated 2 p. m. yesterday: The attack commenced chiefly against Cabarr's camp and Wagon Hill. The enemy in great strength pushed the attack with the greatest courage. The intrenchments at Wagon Hill were three times taken by the enemy and three times were retaken by us. The attack was continued until 7.30 p. m.

At one point our position was occupied by the enemy the whole day; but at dusk, during a heavy rain storm, they were driven out at the point of the bayonet in a most gallant manner by the Devon Colonel Park leading, and Col. Hamilton following. The troops had a most trying time, but behaved excellently, and I am elated over the services they have rendered to the Queen. The enemy was everywhere, but we pushed with heavy loss, greatly exceeding ours. London, Jan. 9.—White's gallant defence of Ladysmith renders relief imperative. What is the hero of the nation and destined for a peerage.

Worms Weakened Baby.

My baby suffered terribly with worms. I used one bottle of Dr. Lyle's Pleasant Worm Syrup, which completely cured him. Mrs. Wm. M. Messer, Waterford, O. t.

Eastern Items.

The usual Christmas and New Year festivities passed off quietly. It seems the old custom of celebrating Christmas with a view of "getting gay" on this festive occasion is fast becoming obsolete, indeed, during the holidays, it would be difficult to detect even the "odor of the Timothy."

A separator has recently been placed in the North Lake cheese factory, and a large quantity of butter is being manufactured. This factory has been a pronounced success since its inception which is in no small measure due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Leachin McDonald, the acting director.

That "We never miss the water till the well runs dry," has been fully exemplified in the departure of Mr. M. J. McCarthy, the "village blacksmith" to the seat of war in Africa. Mr. McCarthy and Lieut. Leslie have the unique distinction of being the only volunteers—so far as I know—from King's Co. Both have exhibited patriotism of the highest type and we trust that in the fortunes of war, they will be spared to return again to their native land.

The cheese factory building which has been erected at St. Margarets, during the summer is completed externally. The building is 60 by 26 ft. two stories in height and occupies a fine site near the Church. The second floor will be fitted up as a hall, wherein we presume the "Winter basket social cake" will receive full justice. The zealous pastor, Rev. Peter Curran, and his parishioners deserve much credit for their energy in this commendable work, and it is hoped the factory will be a successful operation next summer.

Mr. J. A. McEachern formerly of the P. E. I. R. has recently returned from the Klondyke, to his home in Washington. Mr. McEachern worked a claim for over a year and was very successful.

On Wednesday last was witnessed the strange sight of Supervisor McEachern, selling the rebuilding of two bridges in the vicinity of Big Pond. Midwinter seems an inopportune time for bridge building, but then this is the "growing time." Wait till we see the supervisor next year. Com.

JACKETS—Call into Weeks & Co for a jacket all new goods and the price too low to mention. Weeks & Co. The Peoples Store

Tenders for Church.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned, until February 8th, 1900, for the construction of a new Catholic Church at Souris, P. E. Island, designed by Mr. W. C. Harris, Architect, to be built of stone or brick, about one hundred and eighty feet over all in length, and to seat about one hundred and fifty people. The plans and specifications can be seen at Souris on January 8th, to the 15th, 1900, and can be seen at the Bishop's Palace, in Charlottetown, from the 15th January to the 8th of February, 1900. Each tender must be accompanied by a certified cheque for \$100.00 or an approved note to that amount, which will be returned if tender is not accepted, and which will be forfeited if tender fails to under-take the contract after his tender has been accepted. Tenders to be sent to the undersigned and marked "Tender for Souris Church."

D. E. McDONALD, P. E. I. Souris, P. E. I. Jan. 10, 1900. 41

Strayed Ox.

There has been on the Subscriber's premises for the last three months an Ox one and a half years old, which the owner can have by proving property and paying expenses. If not claimed by the 20th inst., he will be sold at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., to pay expenses. JAMES CURRAN. Jan. 10, 1900—4f

WINTER CLOTHING! Ulsters and Overcoats

We have a large stock of Men's heavy Ulsters from \$3.75, 4.75, 6.25. These are cut prices and are actually worth 35 per cent. more. We have Overcoats in Beaver, President and Melton Cloths, in Black, Blue and Brown, at any price you want to pay.

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J. B. McDonald & Co. For Best Value in Clothing.

DR. E. G. GILLIS, Graduate of McGill University, Physician and Surgeon. KENSINGTON, P. E. ISLAND. Office and Residence over Jas. Kennedy's Store. Nov. 22, 1899—3m. Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

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Beats anything in the city we mean it, and if you compare our goods and prices with others, you will agree with us. So get Your Suit, Your Overcoat, Your Ulster, Your Reefer, At RAMSAY'S, the Bargain Givers. Buy Your Underclothing From us and get just the kind you want at the price you want to pay. The best \$1.00 suit of Underclothing in the city. Buy Your Boots & Shoes From us and be sure of keeping your feet warm and dry, no matter what the weather is. And our stock of Iron Wear Rubbers Is complete in assortment and quality. If you have been paying out good money for worthless Rubbers try the Model Store, where you get value for your money every time. Flannels, Tweeds, Hats and Caps, Blanketings, Carriage Wraps, Gents' Furnishings. You always get the worth of your money at Ramsay's. R. H. RAMSAY & CO. THE MODEL STORE.

A STOCK-TAKING SALE. We have just commenced Stock-taking, and all remnants are thrown on a counter at REMNANT GIVE-AWAY PRICES. Dress Goods Remnants, Lace Remnants, Silk Remnants, Dress Trimming Remnants, Velvet Remnants, Gingham Remnants, Cloth Remnants, Cretonne Remnants, Ribbon Remnants, Art Muslin Remnants, Table Linen Remnants, Sash Curtain Remnants, Toweling Remnants, Embroidery Remnants, Print Cotton Remnants, Dress Lining Remnants, Satteen Remnants, Ticking Remnants. ALL FURS Have got to go. All Ladies' Felt Hats worth up to \$2.00 25 cents. 1-3rd off all Ladies' Jackets, (Only 24 left) mostly good ones. SALE BEGINS TUESDAY MORNING, January 2nd, 1900. SENTNER, McLEOD & Co. Wholesale and Retail. Successors to Beer Bros.

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