Springfield.

Mr. Charles Marshall spent several days quite recently at Lunenburg.

The W. M. A. society was held at the Baptist parsonage on the afternoon of the 9th inst.

Mr. James C. Grimm spent Friday and Saturday last week at New Albany. He held an auction sale at the south schoolhouse.

The members of Woodbine Division S. of T. were highly entertained on the evening of the 11th, by the members of the Lake Pleasant Band of Hope, led by Miss Cora Durling.

By the time this is printed, our young friend Ernest Mason, of Acadia University, will be home on a short vacation. We take this opportunity of being in time to say "welcome home."

The pie social held at Temperance Hall by the ladies of the Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening the 7th inst. was a success. The proceeds went towards the salary of Rev. Mr. Stewart.

The ladies of the Baptist church are talking about holding a Farmer's Supper at the house owned by the E. C. and W. M. Durling Co., near the carriage factory on the evening of Monday the 27th at 5 o'clock. The admission fee, which will include supper, will be thirty cents for adults and fifteen cents for children under twelve. The proceeds, if any, will go toward paying off the debt on the church building, which is about a hundred and twenty dollars. If there should be a surplus, it will be devoted to missionary work. The only thing, as far as we can see at present, that will hinder the supper from taking place on the day appointed will be a blinding snowstorm. In that case it will be held on the first fine evening following. Our friends will please cut this out and paste it on a crisp dollar bill so that they may not forget it.

Deep Brook.

Mrs. F. W. Purdy of Bear River spent a few days of last week with friends here.

Mrs. J. D. Spurr has gone to Mobile to meet her husband and to sail with him from that port.

Miss Helen Fraser of Clementsport has been visiting her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Vroom.

Mr. James E. Brooks of Bridgetown, was here on Wednesday last in the interests of the "Singer" Manufacturing Company.

Mr. J. D. Purdy has been quite sick for some days with what threatened to be typhoid fever, but is now improving rapidly.

A pie social was held in the Temperance hall on Tuesday evening last by the members of Clements West Division No. 349. A very enjoyable time was spent and a snug little sum realized toward the fund for the new organ. With the same object in view, the members are now practising for a concert to be put on the boards in a week or two.

St. John's Episcopal church at Bear River which has been undergoing repairs was reopened for public worship on Sunday 5th. Messrs. Purdy Bros. of Deep Brook were the contractors and all speak well of the efficient manner in which they performed their work. The old square windows of small plain glass have been replaced with gothic windows of beautiful cathedral glass. The ceiling is painted a light olive, and the walls a darker shade of the same color. The border is hand painted and consists of a background of straw colour edged with a broad strip of terra cotta and filled with alternate figures of Maltese cross and fleur de lys. The pews, columns and other wood work have been grained in ash and walnut, and kneeling rests have been added. The outside of the church has been newly shingled and clapboarded and will be thoroughly painted next spring.

Paradise.

Mrs. B. R. Balcom returned from Bear River on Monday.

Miss E. L. Marshall, of South Farmington, spent Sunday at home.

The date of the Sabbath School Christmas concert is not yet fixed.

Mr. Edgar Schaffner, of Williamston, spent Sunday with his sister.

Misses Vinnie Marshall, Ella Wilson and May Ramsey left last Wednesday for Boston for the winter.

Mrs. Croscup, of Karsdale, is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. E. M. Morse, and her grand-daughter, Mrs. F. W. Bishop.

The members of the P. L. Club are planning for a mutual literary treat at the parsonage on Tuesday next; subject, "Mrs. Hemans."

Steve Labrador and some local sports had fine fun shooting at a loon in the river one day last week. Labrador's shot was the successful one.

Mr. Ray Cole, of Brockton, Mass., has gone to Halifax on important business, in which Miss Leet, of that city, and himself are deeply concerned.

Port Lorne.

Capt. Ned Hall is home from sea.

Mr. Frank Starratt has gone to sea.

Mr. William Dalton has gone to Halifax hospital again.

Capt. Samuel Beardsley, jr., is home again for the winter.

Miss Mina Miller, who has been spending the summer in Massachusetts, is at home for the winter.

Rev. E. P. Coldwell will preach Sunday, 19th, at Havelock, 10.30; Arlington, 2 30; Port Lorne, 7.00

Mrs. Freeman Brinton and her two daughters have gone to Halifax, where they will remain till spring.

Mr. H. H. Ellis, of Cooper, Maine, has been visiting friends here. His daughter May, who accompanied him, will remain with her aunt, Mrs. W. A. Sirk, for a time.

Lower Granville.

Miss Adelia Connors, of Lynn, Mass., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Armstrong.

We noticed the familiar face of Rev. Isaiah Wallace in the neighbourhood on Monday.

His Lordship Bishop Courtney is to hold confirmation service in Christ's Church on Wednesday.

On Wednesday, 22nd, the Baptist people hold a clam supper and fancy sale at the residence of David M. Foster.

We understand the schr. Wanita will load a cargo of apples at the Island for St. John this week, to go from thence to England.

Ecclesiastical matters are the order of the day just now. The Episcopal folk held a clam supper at Mr. Joseph N. Healy's on Monday evening.

Parker's Cove.

Mr. Watson Hudson is visiting his sister, Mrs. George McGarvey, and other relatives.

Mr. Norman Rice, who has been for some months at St. Andrews, N. B., has returned home.

Mr. James Blair, of the schr. Agustus Hunt, of Boston, accompanied by his mother, who has been visiting her children across the border is at home for the winter.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 8th, a large number of friends gathered at the home of Rev. H. Achilles, and after partaking of a sumptuous repast, prepared by the ladies, and spending a pleasant evening in a social way returned to their homes leaving the aged Reverend and wife $25.51 in cash.

Belleisle.

Mr. Abram Bent left last week to stop a few weeks in the domain of Uncle Sam.

Miss A. E. Tracey, of Halifax, spent a few days last week with her friend, Miss Maude Coleman.

The Misses Maude and Lottie Parker are home, at present, from teaching—will be at home until after the Christmas holidays.

Mr. J. F. Martin and Mr. Peter Mahoney, of St. John, N. B., spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Willett.

Charles Hogan, the youthful nimrod of our place, caught in one of his traps last week a blue hawk, which, we were informed, is a very rare specie here.

Port George.

Last week was very mild for the season.

Wedding bells in the air—particulars later on.

Pastor Toole favored the League with his presence last Thursday evening.

Miss Sarah Moore has returned to Paradise, after a month's visit with her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fritz and Mrs. C. A. Elliott and daughter have joined the great army of Nova Scotians that permanently or temporarily take up their abode in the U. S.

St. Croix.

Mr. Israel Poole, of this place, killed a spring's pig a few days ago that weighed 312 lbs.

For the past two weeks our pastor has held meetings in our church every evening and his labors have not been in vain.

Capt. Ingram Sabeans has been improving the interior of his house. A coat of paint has added much to the outside appearance.

Russia is buying large quantities of army supplies in the United States.

JUBILEE RAMBLES.

To the Henley Royal Regatta Upon the Thames.

By J. Rupert Elliott.

(Continued.)

We saunter by the towing path to a delightful cool spot in the shade of lofty trees, where we find an easy seat. We are just by a Remenham farmhouse, and but a few rods away is the Remenham church and rectory, nestled 'mid a thicket of trees and rich shrubbery. Just beside us is a tent, in which are domiciled for the regatta season, an aged country woman and what appears a granddaughter. We wonder if the old woman has not some business, such as fortune telling, or something of that sort, to profit by while here. The little girl is having a happy time. She supplies us with fresh water from a spring near by and in other ways displays a genuine hospitality. The couple have been here since the first of the Henley gathering, and consequently feel the importance of old settlers.

The crowd, which is dense at the bridge, has not reached up this far yet. This gives us a greater opportunity to witness the scenes upon the river. For more than an hour we keep to our pleasant quarters. Opposite us, by the other shore, is the great line of house boats, in number more than fifty. There they are, in all their exquisite beauty of ornamentation, moored stem to stern, close up to the banks of the river, with here and there the thick foliage of trees overhanging, and the consequent shadows and dancing light playing upon these fairy like homes. Behind are the rich grazing meadows, with here and there a stray from a herd feeding as busily as though everything was perfectly to its liking. The boats are gorgeously decked with most beautiful flowers, in foliage and bloom, and each tip and corner has its gay little flag. We see the flags flutter, and hats and handkerchiefs wave; the flowers are blooming, and beneath and around and through the open parts may be seen charming ladies dressed in their white duck gowns and colored sashes; some gracefully and gleefully moving to and fro, others reclining upon the rich chairs, dreaming to the sound of the perpetual music or chatting to a devoted friend, while others, with extended hands, are giving a welcome to the new arrivals by the "last train." What a picture! These boats are costly affairs. Five pounds is the minimum yearly charge to a boat for the privilege of a home upon the Thames.

The races are on. The bells are ringing to clear the course. A steam launch appears, securing attention to this necessity. A gun fires, the race is started. Up they come; it is a contest between the Delft Student's Rowing Club and the Kingston Rowing Club. They are lustily cheered by the occupants of house boats as they pass. What matters which has the load, the cheering is all the same. On they go, the umpire's launch following. The course is one mile and five hundred and fifty yards. Another gun! The race is over. The umpire's launch is returning. Which club has won? The launch upon its bulletin board announces that the Kingston Rowing Club has won by a length.

Another and another race is run, but our interest is in that of which the contestants are the new college Oxford Club, and the Winnipeg Rowing Club. We have to wait but a little longer and it is on and our Canadian club is beaten. It was a fine race however.

The people are getting too numerous by the river bank and are cutting off our view. We move on towards Temple Island and take a look at the arrangements at the starting stage. Then we ramble over the Remenham meadow, and gather wild flowers from among the long grasses. It is getting hot and the hundreds have taken themselves to the cool shades of the hedgerows. We do likewise, and here we can in comfort watch something of the collateral proceedings of a Henley Regatta day. The vendors of iced drinks, fruit, fried fish, cakes and other refreshments have reached up this way, but they keep well by the towing path. There are thousands here to-day who care not a fig for the races, but they come with their bags and their baskets and their paper parcels, and here at the top of the field away from the sports they open their bags and uncork their bottles and smoke their pipes and chatter and lay upon the grass and dream away the time. We shall not forget these hedgerows nor the Remenham meadow.

The day is wearing on, and the races are over. We move up towards the bridge again. The river is now alive with row boats and steam launches moving in all sorts of conceivable ways. And yet there are hundreds of boats at the yards idle, because the owners are not willing to accept a reasonable sum for their use.

All along against the river bank boats are drawn up, lounging on which, are fair girls and bright hopeful young men, laughing, happy, joyous. Here and there the group has its gipsey fortune teller whispering in the ears of the fair ones the possibilities of conquest. We see many of these here today plying their trade just as we have read of them in the tales of long ago.

We have not told a half of what we have seen and enjoyed at Henley. Indeed we cannot tell it all. We leave, regretting that such enjoyment cannot follow us all our days.

Mr. Clement Scott fittingly says of this meeting: "The Henley of 1897 will long be remembered as one of the most glorious in the annals of this popular meeting. There has been no fault to find with the weather, the sport, or the company. We have enjoyed well-contested races, close and brilliant finishes, bright sunshine, blue skies and congenial companions. They who came for the sport alone have obtained more than their money's worth, while the yet larger contingent, to whom Royal Henley serves as an excuse for a picnic on a huge scale, will return home to-night or to-morrow more fully satisfied with the result of an outing equal if not superior to anything of the kind to be found the wide world over."

Inglisville.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Whitman were recent visitors at Port George.

Mrs. A. Duncan visited her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Balcom, at Paradise, last week.

Mr. H. O. Whitman raised from 2 bushels of potatoes of Peach Blossom variety 95 bushels.

Rev. Isa Wallace has recently visited friends here and has assisted in several of the services.

Mrs. Asa Whitman has been visiting for several weeks, her daughters, Mrs. J. R. Cunningham and Mrs. A. Taylor, of Bridgetown.

Mr. Albert Beals has returned from U. S. and intends to remain for an indefinite period with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Beals.

Our Union meetings have closed after a series of three weeks. Seventeen in all have decided "to follow Jesus all the way." During these services the utmost harmony has prevailed between the two churches. Probably there will be baptism next Sabbath.

The Situation in Cuba.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The *Daily Chronicle* publishes a letter from a correspondent in Havana, who says: "Sagasta's efforts are too late. Under Weyler's vile regime half the Cuban population disappeared and the remaining half has been converted into the implacable enemies of Spain, enemies who will absolutely refuse to accept Spain's word. The central provinces are a desert waste. The sugar industry can only be re-started by the infusion of English and American capital. Few dare to invest. The island is lost to Spain and it is clearly the duty of the United States to intervene in the interests of humanity and civilization and to end this fearful inferno."

United States Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Among the bills introduced to the senate yesterday was one by Mr. Hale, to increase the navy establishment by the addition of a first class sea-going coast line battle ship, at a cost not exceeding $3,750,000; six sea going torpedo boats of 150 tons displacement, at a cost of $1,125,000; 3 torpedo boats of greater speed, $900,000. It is provided that the battle ship shall be primarily for coast defence, and that it shall carry the heaviest armor and the most powerful ordnance, and that it shall have a displacement of 11,500 tons.

Great Exports from Portland.

The amount of grain which is being exported this winter vis. Portland, the Grand Trunk terminus for ocean traffic, is enormous, contracts being made already for more than 10,000,000 bushels, of wheat, compared with about 2,000,000 bushels for the same period a year ago. The new elevator, with a storage capacity of 4,000,000 bushels, is full at present. Over a thousand cars, it is said, are awaiting shipment, and are at present stored at various places along the system.—*Portland Press.*

Lobster Fishermen Agitated.

The new regulations proposed to be enacted by the department of marine and fisheries prohibiting taking lobsters in the Bay of of Fundy under 10½ inches in length, is producing considerable excitement in Yarmouth and outports. The regulation is to go into effect January 1st. The boundaries of its operation are said to be Port La Tour and Grand Manan.

The Yarmouth *Times* says:—"The effect of the proposed regulation would be to close every canning establishment on the Bay of Fundy shore and give a monopoly of the canning business to the eastern part of the province and P. E. Island. Large lobsters are shipped fresh to Boston and New York market while the smaller ones are sold to the canning establishments, which could not do business if they had to pay the price large lobsters command. The canning proprietors are practically the outfitters for all the fishermen. From them the fisherman obtain traps, lines, etc., and pay for them in small lobsters used for canning purposes. When they are unable to furnish lobsters enough to pay for their outfits the charge usually remains against them till the next season. Now there has already been invested in this district fully $25,000 in outfits, cans made and other preparations for carrying on business, practically all of which would simply be thrown away if the proposed regulation were put in force at the beginning of the fishing season next month. To some people this will mean absolute ruin, while others are fortunately better able to stand the loss. The parties whom the *Times* has interviewed on the subject, representing people from all parts of the district, say that if the fisheries department believed in changing the size limit to 10½ inches, sufficient notice should have been given, so that no preparations would have been made for canning. They complain bitterly of the announcement only coming a couple of weeks before the opening of the fishing season when they had all invested in outfits, bought their tin, made up cans, etc. Indeed so widespread is the feeling of indignation and so strong have been the protests sent in from Yarmouth and Shelburne counties that it is not believed the regulations will be enforced this season, so as to enable the canning people to wind up their business.

End of the Six Days Bicycle Race.

New York, Dec. 12.—Charles W. Miller, of Chicago, is the winner of the greatest six-day race on the wheel ever held. He has beaten the world's record by 182½ miles, and has travelled the marvellous distance of 2,093½ miles in 142 hours. Of the fifteen men who actually finished the race Miller was the leader by many miles and toward the end he was able to take things somewhat leisurely. Joe Rice, the Wilkesbarre miner, occupied the same relative position to-night that he had in the great race one year ago. He was second man, but more than half a hundred miles separated him from the winner. Schinner was third, just having passed the two-thousand mark, and Hale, last year's champion, was fourth, having made ten miles more than when he won the championship. The great endurance of the men is shown by the following table, a record of their sleeping hours and the hours they spent off the wheel during the 142 hours:

	Off track.	*Sleep.*
Miller	10 hours	4 hours
Rice	12 "	7 "
Schinneer	12 "	7 "
Hale	28 "	6 "
Walker	15 "	5 "
Golden	27 "	15 "
Pierce	17 "	12 "
Cannon	12 "	10 "
Enterman	27 "	8 "
Elkes	48 "	32 "
Kintz	22 "	20 "
Julius	25 "	15 "
Beacom	48 "	32 "
Johnson	72 "	70 "

The first prize offered by the management is $1,800; second, 800; third, $500; fourth, $350; fifth, $300; sixth, $200; seventh, $150; eighth, $125; ninth, $100; tenth, $100; eleventh, $75. An additional $250 will be given to the winner for lowering Hale's record.

Ontario Lumbermen.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—An influential deputation of Canadian lumbermen waited upon the Ontario Government yesterday and presented their view of the question which favors the imposition of such a restriction on limit-holders as will compel the manufacture of logs in this country. There was not absolute unanimity among the members of the deputation, but a compromise statement was presented. It was urged that if a duty of two dollars is charged on lumber entering the United States an equal export duty should be charged on logs, but as the retaliatory clause of the Dingley act has made it difficult for the Dominion Government, without grave hardship and dislocation of trade being threatened, to place an export duty on logs, the only remedy is to prohibit the exportation of logs. This suggestion was qualified by the proviso that whenever conditions are equalized as between Canadian and United States lumbermen the government should remove the embargo. It was proposed that in any legislation adopted the government should reserve power to do this without resorting to parliament. At the conclusion of the interview Mr. Hardy thanked the lumbermen for the information which they had imparted and promised that the representations made would be considered. He added that it was the United States tariff which had placed Canadian lumber at a disadvantage and that it was so intended.

British Military Policy.

London, Dec. 10.—The Marquis of Lansdowne, secretary of state for war, speaking last night at Edinburgh, outlined the military policy of the government. Lord Lansdowne, after remarking that the country had been confronted during the past few months with difficulties in every part of the globe, not of her own seeking, especially mentioning Behring Sea, and Venezuelan controversies, said that three army corps were required, adding that two must be available for offensive purposes abroad. He asserted that he was still of the opinion that a moderate service with the colors was expedient, but he hoped to be able to increase the establishment of each home battalion, thus securing a larger margin of seasoned soldiers by contracting with small numbers of reservists, who, for extra payment, would agree, if necessary, to rejoin the colors during the first year of reserve.

In summing up the policy of the government, Lord Lansdowne said: "Our intention is to maintain what is good for the present system, and to supplement it where deficient."

Unrest in Russia.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 9. — Throughout Russian Asia there is general unrest among the Moslems. It is is attributed to the exaggerated report of the Turkish victory over the great Greek Empire, which has spread through the length and breadth of the continent. The authorities even fear the revival of the brigandage recently noticed in the Caucasus is almost solely against the government officials and the unprecedented phenomenon of Georgians displaying hostility toward Armenians, has become manifest. The danger is so serious that a conference of Caucasian government has been envoked to concoct measures of pacification. Travellers in Central Asia report an extraordinary fervor among the Moslems of different races. They are sinking their mutual animosities and declaring that they are first of all Mohammedans, with the Sultan as their common chief. It is evident that the slightest pretext would suffice to bring about an uprising and to plunge Russia into the same sea of troubles as India.

Apple Famine in Ottawa.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Canadian fruit dealers are shipping to the old country their best fruit when the same cannot be obtained for love or money in the domestic market. It is at present a sheer impossibility to buy good Snow apples. There is not a barrel to be bought in Ottawa such as would be looked upon as first class for table use in other years. Prices are high, too, and many families would give even an exorbitant figure to get what they want. Mr. Robertson, Agricultural Commissioner, said in explanation that prices are even higher for apples at present in Great Britain than they are in Canada. Seven dollars a barrel is a good average price in the British market this fall, and as long as this holds out it will pay Canadian apple dealers better to ship to the old country than to sell in Canada.

A Large Insurance Policy.

New York, Dec. 8.—Before Mr. George W. Vanderbilt, the youngest son of Mr. William K. Vanderbilt, sailed for Europe and the Orient to-day, he took out a life insurance policy calling for a million dollars. This is the largest policy ever written by one company. The policy is what is known as a twenty payment life contract, and provides for a premium of about thirty-five thousand dollars. After Mr. Vanderbilt has paid that sum yearly for twenty years the payments cease and the principal becomes due at his death.

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

According to a recent census Egypt has a population of 9,000,000.

The final treaty of peace between Turkey and Greece was signed on Saturday, December 4th.

The Dominion revenue for five months shows a decrease of $80,000 compared with last year.

Great Britain and Venezuela are reconciled after a rupture of diplomatic relations for two years.

At Havana, 609 deaths occurred last week, which is at the annual ratio of 158 per thousand.

Germany's new naval bill involves an additional expense of about $33,000,000 for the next seven years.

The Hon. David Laird is mentioned as a probable successor to Lieutenant-Governor Mackintosh, of Regina.

Mrs. McKinley, mother of the president of the United States, died at her home in Canton, Ohio, last Sunday.

Japan is now building a larger number of ships of war than any other country with the exception of Great Britain.

A sea turtle weighing 500 pounds was fished out of the lake at the foot of Randolph street, Chicago, one day lately.

Quebec public accounts show the total receipts, exclusive of loans, $3,923,239 and total disbursements $6,634,934.

The total exports of cattle from Manitoba and the Territories for the season, foot up about 45,000 head in round numbers.

It is again reported that the Peterson Tate Co., has found it impossible to form a company to carry out the East Mail contract.

An organization of Chinese in Chicago has been formed to demand the right of suffrage and the repeal of the Chinese exclusive law.

Alex. Cameron, M. D., of Huntingdon, Quebec, is dead, aged 63. He was born in Pictou, N. S., and had been a Quebec M. P. P.

A fearful riot occurred among members of the Reichstrath in Vienna last week; black eyes, bloody noses, and two men dangerously hurt.

On General Weyler's arrival at Barcelona, Spain, he was greeted by a monster demonstration in which over 200,000 people took part.

Official estimates show that 201,638 workmen were affected by strikes in Great Britain during the last year, and that the loss thereby was $75,000,000.

The United States is now regarded as the leading dairy country of the world. In 1889 the annual value of dairy products was estimated to exceed $400,000,000.

Extensive deposits of coal have been discovered at Dominion City, thirty miles from Winnipeg, at a depth of one hundred feet. The coal is of good bituminous quality.

The Fall River, Mass., cotton manufacturers voted last week to make a ten per cent. reduction in the wages of their operatives. The cut will affect about 28,000 employes.

The Cubans scored a decisive victory over the Spanish troops recently. They captured the town of Guisa and the entire garrison of 800 soldiers were either killed or made prisoners.

Last week the Newfoundland government relieved of their position twelve magistrates, twenty-three customs officers and numerous minor officers, affecting a saving of $15,000 a year.

The Boston Fish Bureau is petitioning Congress asking for the appointment of a joint commission of the United States and Canada to investigate fisheries and trade relations.

Several of the large gas companies of Boston were purchased by the New England Gas and Coke company last week. The price paid for these companies was $10,000,000.

John Walsh, charged with the murder of John Meahan, at St. John, has been found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to seven years imprisonment in the penitentiary at Dorchester.

The Eddystone Manufacturing Company, of Philadelphia, has been fined $1,000 for violating the alien contract labor law in bringing from Germany, under contract, a calico engraver.

The Montreal Harbor Commissioners have finally accepted the plan of harbor improvements proposed by the department of Public Works. The government will do the work, which cost $3,000,000.

The English Sewing Cotton Company, a combination of fifteen thread concerns in opposition to the Coates, was brought out on Thursday last, with a capital of $2,750,000, which was twice subscribed in Glasgow.

Germany and Spain are now connected by a submarine cable 1250 miles long, the ends of which are at Emden and Vigo. It is not the first link in a series of lines to be extended to Brazil and to the United States by way of the Azores.

It is the intention of the Dominion government to organize a Mountain Rifle Corps in southern British Columbia as branches of the active militia. At present the mining camps in Kootenay are without any armed force to quell disorder should it arise.

A letter has been found which purports to have been left by Jos. E Planther, who committed suicide in the Meridian jail at Morgan, Texas, confessing that he murdered Mrs. Langfell at that place and also Minnie Williams and Blanche Lamont at San Francisco.

According to a despatch to the Lawson *Daily Mail*, from Cairo, six hundred British troops will take part in the advance of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition in the Soudan, which was postponed after the capture of Berber last September, in order to avoid the hot season.

RHEUMATISM CURED.

Jas. McKee,	Linwood, Ont.
Lachlin McNiel,	Mabou, C. B.
John A. McDonald,	Arnprior, Ont.
C. B. Billing,	Markham, Ont.
John Mader,	Mahone Bay, N. S.
Lewis S. Butler,	Burin, Nfld.

These well known gentlemen all assert that they were cured by MINARD'S LINIMENT.

Births.

BOWLBY.—At Spa Springs, Dec. 3rd, to Mr. and Mrs. Milledge Bowlby, a daughter.

REED.—At Middleton, Dec. 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Reed, a son.

GATES.—At Melvern Square, Dec. 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Gates, a son.

BANKS.—At Port Lorne, Nov. 12th, to Mr. and Mrs. Israel Banks, a daughter.

Deaths.

ELLIOTT—At Everett, Nov. 7th, Ralph D., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Loring Elliott, aged 2 years, 11 months.

Asleep in Jesus, soon to rise,
When the last trump shall rend the skies;
Then burst the fetters of the tomb,
And make in full immortal bloom.

Church Services, Sunday, December 19th.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—Rev. F. P. Greatorex, Rector. In St. James', Bridgetown: Service with celebration of Holy Communion at 11; Sunday-School at 2; Evening Service at 7. Communicants' class on Friday evening at 7. In St. Mary's, Belleisle: Service at 2.30. All seats free.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. F. M. Young, Pastor. Bridgetown: Bible Class and Sabbath-school, 10 a.m.; Preaching Service at 11 a.m.; Evangelistic service 7.00 p.m. B.Y.P.U. Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. General social service Friday evening at 7.30. Service at Granville Centre on Sunday afternoon.

GORDON MEMORIAL CHURCH.—Rev. R. S. Whidden, Pastor. Preaching service at Bridgetown at 3.15 p. m.; Bible-class and Sunday-school at 2 p.m. Prayer Meeting Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. Preaching service at Annapolis at 11 a.m.; Bible-class and Sabbath-school at 2 p.m.; General prayer meeting at 7.30 p. m. Seats free in both churches. All are cordially invited.

PROVIDENCE METHODIST CHURCH.—Rev. J. Strothard, pastor; A. S. Tuttle, assistant pastor. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday-school at 2 p.m. General Class every Monday evening at 7.30; Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 7.30; Epworth League every Friday evening at 7.30. All are cordially invited.

Granville: Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., alternately. Prayer meeting every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.

Bentville: Preaching every Sabbath at 2 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., alternately. Epworth League on Tuesday and prayer meeting on Thursday at 7.30 p. m.

Mountain Mission: Preaching fortnightly, Durling's Lake at 10.30 a.m., Hill at 2.30 p.m.

ROUND HILL.—G. J. Coulter White, pastor. Preaching service on the 1st Sunday of the month at 11 a.m., and on other Sundays at 7 p.m. Prayer-meeting Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday-school after morning service, other Sundays at 2.30 p.m.

PARADISE AND CLARENCE CIRCUIT.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. E. L. Steeves, pastor. Preaching service next Lord's Day at Paradise at 11 a. m.; Clarence at 3 p. m. Young People's meetings at both Clarence and Paradise at 7.30 Sunday evening. Bible class and Sacred Literature Course at Paradise on Monday night at 7; Upper Clarence, Tuesday evening; Centre Clarence, Thursday evening. All are welcome.

LAWRENCETOWN CIRCUIT.

METHODIST CHURCH.—Rev. J. H. TOOLE, Pastor. Preaching service at Lawrencetown at 11 a.m.; Brooklyn at 3 p.m.; Port George at 7 p.m. Epworth League at Port George on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock, and at Lawrencetown on Friday evening at the same hour. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

New Advertisements.

Merit Talks

"Merit talks" the intrinsic value of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Merit in medicine means the power to cure. Hood's Sarsaparilla possesses actual and unequalled curative power and therefore it has true merit. When you buy Hood's Sarsaparilla, and take it according to directions, to purify your blood, or cure any of the many blood diseases, you are morally certain to receive benefit. The power to cure is there. You are not trying an experiment. It will make your blood pure, rich and nourishing, and thus drive out the germs of disease, strengthen the nerves and build up the whole system.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best, in fact—the One True Blood Purifier. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills Do not purge, pain or gripe. All druggists. 25c

NOTICE

Any persons wanting Spruce or Pine Lumber, from car load down, apply to

J. R. KINNEY,
37 4i Bridgetown.

LEWIS A. DICKIE,
Licensed Auctioneer

All work promptly attended to in the town or any part of the county.
Bridgetown, Nov. 9th, 1897. 33 2m

DON'T FORGET

to give MISS LECAIN a call before purchasing elsewhere, as her goods will be marked down to suit the times.

TRIMMED HATS, former price $1.50, now selling at **$1.10.**
$2.50 now selling at **$2.10.**
$6.00 now selling at **$4.97.**

Special BARGAINS every Monday from now until after Xmas.

Medical Hall Block, Bridgetown.

NOTICE!

The business known as THE HICKS & SANCTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY has this day terminated by Harry S. Sancton selling out his interest to John H. Hicks, who will now carry on the business in his own name.

JOHN H. HICKS,
HARRY S. SANCTON.

Bridgetown, N. S., Sept. 3rd, 1897.

Furniture! Furniture!

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GRAND Mark Down Sale!

BARGAINS! BARGAINS!

I am offering one of the finest stocks of Furniture to be found in the valley at Cut Prices for December only. Stock selected especially for the Holiday trade and complete in every department.

Parlor, Dining Room, Hall, Bedroom and Kitchen Furniture in great variety.

It will pay you to see this stock. We will not be undersold. No trouble to show goods.

H. S. REED.

N. B.—Have one Sewing Machine in stock which will be sold at a great bargain.

FLOUR
Meal & Feed

On hand and for sale at **bottom prices,** the following well-known brands of Flour:—

"Ogilvie's Hungarian,"
"Hornet,"
"Five Roses,"
"Dictator,"
"Snowdrift,"
"Goldie's Best,"
"Goldie's Sun,"
"Crown of Gold,"
"Victoria,"
"Chancellor."

Cornmeal in barrels and bags, Goldie's Best Middlings, Stephen's Middlings, Goldie's Feed Flour, Cotton Seed Meal and Bran.

Xmas Goods

We are opening this week a line of FANCY GOODS for the Christmas trade. Call and inspect before buying.

Fancy Slippers!

We have a few pairs of Fancy Slippers that we will close out very low for cash.

J. I. FOSTER.

Bridgetown, Dec. 6th, 1897.

New Advertisements.

Premiums!
W. E. PALFREY

Will offer this year as Premiums

One Banquet Lamp,
One Large Picture and Easel,
One Lady's Ostrich Feather Collar.

Anyone purchasing **for cash** one dollars worth of goods during December will be entitled to a ticket. The premium will be numbered by a party in St. John, Jan. 1st, and numbers sent to our Postmaster who will deliver same to parties holding right ticket.

See our WINTER STOCK

A LARGE DIRECT IMPORTATION OF

Winter Overcoatings, Suitings & Trouserings.

THE NEWEST GOODS AT FINEST PRICES.

Meltons, Beavers, Whitneys, Freizes, Tyke and Blenheim Serges, Imported and Domestic Suitings, etc

☞ Order a pair of our $3 00 Custom Pants.

BRIDGETOWN CUSTOM CLOTHING CO.

C. McLELLAN, Manager.

Prices ✦ Lowered

BUT NOT QUALITY

FOR CASH - - We will not be undersold.

FOR QUALITY We will meet all comers.

Our motto has always been "best quality at lowest prices." Our customers are finding out that we are still as low as the lowest.

In Tea, Molasses, Sugar, Oil, Canned Goods, etc., we are meeting cut prices for cash, and other lines below cut prices.

Our Fancy Groceries for the Christmas season are now arriving, including Mince Meat by the pail or pound, Fresh Biscuits, Fine Confectionery, new Nuts, Figs, Dates, Cooking and Table Raisins, Citron, Lemon and Orange Peels, Jams, Jellies and Marmalades, Fruits, etc., and a full line of all kinds of FRESH, SEASONABLE GROCERIES.

Also Manitoba and Ontario Flour, Cornmeal, Rolled Oats, Chop Feed, Middlings, Bran, Oats, Graham Flour, Gluten Flour, Arlington Wheat Meal, Gold Dust, Cornmeal, Gritz in barrels or bulk.

American Oil, Sugars, Tea, Tobacco, Dried Fruits, Canned Goods and Confectionery.

Wholesale or Retail at lowest prices obtainable.

☞ We guarantee satisfaction to our customers, and have the goods we advertise.

CROWE & PARKER.

LOOK AND READ

☞ Something of interest to the people of Bridgetown and vicinity.

Shafner & Piggott

Have come to do business with you in the stand lately purchased from F. G. PALFREY on Queen Street, where they intend carrying a

First-Class Stock of Light and Heavy Groceries, Crockeryware, Fruit, Confectionery, Patent Medicines and Toilet Articles.

ALSO FLOUR AND FEED

at prices that will compare with any in the town.

By strict attention to business and keeping OUR STOCK FRESH AND CLEAN, which is so essential to a grocery store, we hope to have a fair share of your custom. We shall try to do all in our power to make our business relation satisfactory.

☞ All kinds of produce taken in exchange for goods. COME AND TRY US.

SHAFNER & PIGGOTT.

BRIDGETOWN
Boot & Shoe Store

Has now a complete stock of Fall and Winter Goods.

MEN'S DEPARTMENT

MEN'S AMHERST LEG BOOTS in Kip, Grain, Cow Hide and Split; all Amherst manufacture; with a full line of Men's Fine Goods of the Ames, Holden & Co. manufacture. These goods are the best goods manufactured in Canada to-day.

LADIES' DEPARTMENT

Full up with all the LEADING STYLES of Common and Fine Footwear. LADIES GAITERS, six different styles of high cut and low cut finish, very stylish.

☞ Anyone in want of Infant's Boots should see my line of Baby Boots. All colors.

Laces and Buttons, all colors. **Dressing and Blacking,** all best quality, **Wool Insoles** for Men, Women and Children. **Cork Soles and Leather Soles.**

MURDOCH'S BLOCK, GRANVILLE STREET. **H. A. COCHRAN.**

Important Notice!

I have completed arrangements with the celebrated cutter,

MR. A. McPHEE,

who will be at my Bridgetown store from this date.

FISHER, the Tailor.

Stores: Bridgetown and Annapolis Royal.

LOOK
—AND—
READ!

I do not fix a price on Goods I do not have in stock, and sell an inferior article at a higher price; but I do keep as good a selection of

Flour, Feed, Fine Groceries, Fresh and Salt Meat, Fish, etc., etc.

as the market will afford and I sell the same at as low a price as it is possible when the quality of the goods is taken into consideration.

☞ **Satisfaction Guaranteed or money refunded.**

W. M. FORSYTH.

Granville St., Bridgetown, N. S.
November 23rd, 1897.

ALLAN LINE

ST. JOHN, N. B., To LONDON.

1897 - Proposed Winter Sailing Dates - 1898

STEAMERS.		From St. John.
MANTINEA	Thursday,	Dec. 16, 1897
CHERONEA	"	Dec. 30, 1897
LIVONIAN	"	Jan. 13, 1898

and fortnightly thereafter.

Sailings from London and further sailings from St. John will be announced in due course.

For rates, space, etc., apply to

H. A. ALLAN, Montreal.
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ALLAN BROS. & CO., London.
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December 1st, 1897. 6m

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WINTER CLOTHING

.....AT.....

Runciman, Randolph & Co.'s

Corner Store, QUEEN and GRANVILLE STS.

Men's Heavy Ulsters,
Men's Overcoats,
Men's Reefers,
Men's Hunting Coats,
Boys' Overcoats and Ulsters,
Men's Black & Colored Suits,
Boys' Suits,
Men's Heavy Winter Pants.

UNDER-CLOTHING,

Shirts, Drawers and Top Shirts.

Long Leggins,
Wool and Kid Mittens and Gloves,
Domestic, Canadian and Scotch Hosiery,
Boys' Knickerbocker Hose,
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