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Friday night the thermometer dropped to 29° below zero, and on Saturday night to 25° below.

The fact that the Russian and Japanese names and titles are most difficult to spell gives the average correspondent no uneasiness.

The war situation practically remains unaltered. Through the mass of conflicting reports it may be seen that Japan's predominance on the water is assured.

The thermometer of the weather bureau at present in charge of F. L. Milner, Esq., on Friday night registered 20 degrees below zero, and on the following night dropped to 25 below.

Two facts were clearly demonstrated by Sunday morning's fire—first, that the Town Council performed a wise and judicious act in providing the town with an efficient fire alarm service.

The working of the electric fire alarm on the above occasion conclusively showed that it was all that was necessary to bring the firemen on the scene, while the fact that the citizens in general were not alarmed was greatly to their advantage.

The letter of Mr. L. D. Shaffer in this issue raises the question of a paid fire department instead of the present volunteer force of firemen.

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Local and Special News.

Oranges 15c doz. at Mrs. Weir's. One case Ladies' Hair Coats opening to-day at Lockett's.

The S. S. Boston made the trip from Yarmouth to Boston recently in 14 hours, so says the Boston Post.

The Liberal-Conservative convention at Halifax, yesterday, was attended by Mr. L. D. Shaffer, who was accompanied by Mrs. Shaffer.

The St. James' Church adult sewing party will meet at Mrs. E. Mesinger's, Granville street, to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

Mr. John Walsh, section foreman of the D. A. R. at Moncton, was struck by a train on Wednesday and received serious injuries to his leg and hip.

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The Methodist congregation are contemplating some extensive repairs to their church. The south end of the church will be enlarged and rebuilt to form a chancel.

Commencing Wednesday, March 2nd, the S. S. Yarmouth of the Dominion Atlantic Railway will leave St. John for Digby on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday; returning will leave Digby same days.

The Gordon Memorial Presbyterian Church has moderated in a call to Rev. A. J. Macdonald, at present of Isaac's Harbor. Mr. Macdonald has occupied the pulpit of this church recently, and the congregation were favorably impressed.

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Graves' Vinegar Factory Badly Damaged by Fire.

At four o'clock Sunday morning, with the thermometer more than twenty degrees below zero, the recently installed fire alarm called the Bridgetown firemen from their beds to fight a blaze that had started in M. W. Graves' vinegar factory on the Bay Road near its junction with Granville Street.

The alarm was rung in from the residence of B. A. Crowe, and in less than half an hour the firemen had the water playing on the flames, notwithstanding the fact that the nearest hydrant was some distance away and the hose had to be taken through the deep snow, across lots, in order to reach the scene of the fire.

The night was calm, but intensely cold, and the water froze almost before it fell. The firemen were soon shrouded in ice, and their clothes froze as stiff as suits of armor. They had the satisfaction, however, of seeing the flames rapidly sink before their efforts and the conflagration practically stopped at where it was when they reached it.

The front of the main building was completely destroyed, together with the generators and tanks, vats and casks of cider and vinegar stored there. The rear end of the main building, and the adjoining engine room were scarcely damaged. The foundations are also intact, the fire being mainly in the upper story.

The alarm was given by Mr. Margeson, a native of Waterville, Kings Co., who was in charge of the generators, and who was spending the night in the factory, accompanied by Tom Piggett, a young boy of the town. After replenishing the steam boiler, the generators, at about twelve o'clock, they went to sleep. They were awakened by the fumes of smoke which were so thick they had difficulty in getting out of the building. In his efforts to do so, Mr. Margeson fell down the narrow stairway, sustaining a bad shaking up. He, however, found his way to the house of ex-Mayor Shaffer and succeeded in rousing the firemen, who directed him to Mr. R. A. Crowe's, where the nearest alarm was situated. Here the alarm was rung in with the result already described. Besides the injuries sustained in his fall down the stairs of the burning building, Mr. Margeson had both of his ears badly frozen and has since been completely prostrated from the injuries and exposure.

The firemen remained at the building till the last spark was extinguished, and the ruined front looked like an iceberg. During the trying three hours spent in their wet and frozen garments they were greatly sustained by hot coffee prepared for them by Mrs. L. D. Shaffer.

The loss to Mr. Graves is a heavy one, though by no means disastrous, the greater part of his vinegar stock being stored in tanks separated from the main building. His steam engine and cider press are also unharmed. The loss, which is estimated by Mr. Graves at \$7000.00, is partly covered by an insurance of \$3000. Operations in the manufacture of vinegar will, however, be delayed for a couple of weeks, while the necessary repairs are being effected.

Quite a number of the Lawrenceston enthusiasts accompanied the Alerts, and greatly encouraged the players by their enthusiastic cheering.

On Thursday night the Bankers and Clerks teams will go to Lawrenceston to play the two teams there. If the Alerts win the fine they will probably be a large number to go.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. Chas. Bishop, of Truro, has been spending the week with his cousin, Miss Maud Kinney.

Mr. E. L. Thorne, General Manager of the Union Bank of Halifax, spent Sunday in town.

Dr. J. W. Crosskill is still confined to his room, after a severe illness of several weeks.

Miss Jennie Foster has returned from a visit of several months with friends in the eastern part of the province.

Mr. L. B. Elliot, of Dartmouth, arrived yesterday on a visit to his brother, Mr. R. W. Elliot, of the Union Bank of Halifax.

Mr. F. G. Langley, of the Grand Central Hotel, left last week for Sussex, N. B., to visit Mrs. Fairweather, who has been seriously ill.

Mr. L. D. Payant, of the Bank of Nova Scotia staff, enjoyed a flying visit from his father, F. Payant, Esq., of Locketport, on the 1st inst.

Mr. Margeson, of Waterville, who was injured in the fire at Graves' vinegar factory, Sunday morning, left for his home in Waterville, on Monday.

Miss Margaret Spurr and her friend, Miss Chipman, teachers in the Consolidated School at Middleton, were guests at Mrs. Lockett's over Thursday night of last week.

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NOTICE

All persons having any legal demands against the estate of ROBERT H. HUPP, late of the Inglewille County of Annapolis, farmer, deceased, will render the same duly attested within three months from date, and all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment to:

GEORGE A. WHITMAN, Trustee East Inglewille, January 18th, 1904.

Write us. W. E. REED, Bridgetown, N. S.

BARGAINS!

We have on hand a few OVERCOATS, RAGLANNETTES, ULSTERS, REEFERS.

Sooner than to carry these over, we will make a big discount for cash.

A. D. BROWN Bridgetown, Feb. 17th, 1904.

You can fool some people all the time, You can fool all the people sometimes, But you cannot fool all the people all the time."

Call on SANCTON and see his \$3.00 gold-filled glasses, and stop fooling with pedlars that sell you any Old Trash.

TENDERS

Tenders will be received by the undersigned at 11 o'clock noon, for the following supplies: (1) 100 lbs. "No. 1" coal, (2) 100 lbs. "No. 2" coal, (3) 100 lbs. "No. 3" coal, (4) 100 lbs. "No. 4" coal, (5) 100 lbs. "No. 5" coal, (6) 100 lbs. "No. 6" coal, (7) 100 lbs. "No. 7" coal, (8) 100 lbs. "No. 8" coal, (9) 100 lbs. "No. 9" coal, (10) 100 lbs. "No. 10" coal.

BARGAINS

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week the balance of my Winter Hats will be sold at and below cost.

MISS ANNIE CHUTE. A new lot of FOOD CHOPPERS, NICKLED SADD IRONS, BUCK SAWS, CHAIN TRACES, etc.

W. R. CALDER'S INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY TENDER FOR CAR REPAIR SHOP.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside "Tender for Car Repair Shop," will be received up to and including THURSDAY, the 18th day of MARCH, 1904, for the construction of a Car Repair Shop at the station of the Intercolonial Railway, at Sydney, N. S., and at the office of the Chief Engineer, Montreal, N. B. All the conditions of tender may be obtained by applying to the undersigned.

D. POTTINGER, General Manager. Montreal, N. B., 16th February, 1904.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY Tender for Station and Dwelling.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside "Tender for Station and Dwelling," will be received up to and including THURSDAY, the 17th day of MARCH, 1904, for the construction of a Passenger Station and Dwelling at Argent, P. Q. Plans and specifications may be seen at the Station Master's office at Argent, P. Q., and at the Chief Engineer's Office, Montreal, N. B. All the conditions of tender may be obtained by applying to the undersigned.

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FOR SALE BY WEARE, The Druggist.

BARGAINS!

We have a few bargains to offer in CLOTHING

3 Men's Overcoats, reduced to \$3.50

3 Men's Reefers, reduced to \$3.00

1 Men's Reefers, from \$6.00 to \$4.50

3 Men's Ulsters, reduced to \$3.50

3 Boys' Ulsters, reduced to 2.75

We are opening quantities of NEW GOODS. Do you realize the Cotton situation? Raw Cotton selling around 16 cents per pound, and every possibility of it going to 20 cents per pound. Our Spring Cotton purchases were made when Cotton was selling around 12 cents per pound; therefore we feel we are in a position to offer our customers as good value as can be found in America. New Sheetings, New Prints, New Pillow Cottons, New Zephyrs and Gingham, New White Cottons, New Grey Cottons, Beautiful Cotton Waists in Fancy Stripes, Cheviots, Damasks, Matte and Hopsack Weaves. Make up your mind what you think you will want in Cottons for spring sewing and buy now. We think we can save you some money. We know we can give you extra value, as all repeats will cost us from 15 to 20 per cent. more. SEE OUR NEW DRESS GOODS, CARPETS AND CURTAINS. J. W. BECKWITH.

CASH CLEARANCE SALE FOR Two Weeks Only 20 per cent Discount. Heavy Colored Dress Goods, Ladies' and Children's Underwear (Vests, Drawers and Combination Suits), Wool and Cashmere Hose and Gloves, Knitted Goods, Fancy Flannelettes, Flannelette Underwear, Ladies' Umbrellas, Ladies' Fur Ruffs, Collars, Muffs, Children's Fur Collars, Ruffs and Sets, Fur-lined Capes, Quits and Wool Blankets, Walking Skirts, Men's Cardigans and two best grades Winter Underwear, Men's Fur Coats, and Robes. Ladies' Wrappers, Blouses and Whitewear, Ladies' Dogskin Jackets, Men's Dogskin Jackets, Men's and Boys' Underwear, Sweaters, Gloves, Men's and Boys' Winter Caps, Children's Suits ages 4 to 13. 30 per cent Discount. 50 per cent Discount. All Ladies' Jackets and Capes, Misses' Jackets and Reefers.

JOHN LOCKETT & SON FRUIT AND CONFECTIONERY. We give our customers the best value at the most reasonable prices. We use only the best trimmings. We pay special attention to fit, style and workmanship on all garments made by us, and we guarantee satisfaction. TO PROVE IT IS TO TRY US. I. M. OTTERSON, Merchant Tailor Murdoch's Block, Granville Street. Mrs. A. J. WEIR Post Office Building, Bridgetown, Nov. 10th, 1903.—3m. SPECIALTIES THIS WEEK AT THE Central Book Store "The Delineator," "Belcher's Almanac." B. J. ELDERKIN WOOD WANTED. Tenders will be received up to the 1st day of March next by the International Rice & Tea Co., Ltd., at their office in Bridgetown, for the supply of 200 cords of wood for this year, to be delivered in cars at the siding of the P. & N. R. Co. at the rate of \$1.00 per cord, plus 50 cents per cord delivered as above at the siding of the P. & N. R. Co. at the rate of \$1.50 per cord. Tenders will also be received for the supply of 200 cords of wood for this year, to be delivered in cars at the siding of the P. & N. R. Co. at the rate of \$1.00 per cord, plus 50 cents per cord delivered as above at the siding of the P. & N. R. Co. at the rate of \$1.50 per cord. Tenders will also be received for the supply of 200 cords of wood for this year, to be delivered in cars at the siding of the P. & N. R. Co. at the rate of \$1.00 per cord, plus 50 cents per cord delivered as above at the siding of the P. & N. R. Co. at the rate of \$1.50 per cord. JOHN LOCKETT & SON.

The British and Foreign Bible Society. The citizens of Bridgetown are cordially invited to unite in the world-wide celebration of the one hundredth birthday of the British and Foreign Bible Society, by attending a continental service to be held in the Methodist Church, next Sunday evening, March 6th, at the close of the usual services of the churches. Each of the pastors will give brief addresses, and an offering will be taken to enable the Society to extend its beneficent work.

Card of Thanks. I desire to express my gratitude to the Bridgetown Fire Department and the firemen who so nobly fought the fire and did, I am sure, all they could to save my property during the recent fire at my factory. I feel this all the more owing to the very severe weather at the time and knowing what the firemen and the total proceeds of the entertainment amounted to the net sum of \$25.00.

That's fair \$5.00 for that Chair! Why? because the joints may become loosened or the woodwork defaced, and anyway, it does not look as fashionable as the more modern chairs that are finished to perfection, and are really an ornament to any room. If you have a chair like the above one, let me know its condition and kind of wood. In full order, \$5.00 will be paid. Address: W. A. KAIN, 116 Gormans St., St. John, N. B.

JOSEPH I. FOSTER. Groceries. To this store when you are in quest of Groceries of the better sort. Your money will go as far here as anywhere for the same class of goods, and prompt and courteous attention to your orders characterizes our entire service. It will benefit you in many ways to deal with us, as one buying will probably show.