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lowing observations made by the Maritime Merchant, in an article on The VICTORIA DINK

the risk were better avoided.

ST. JOHN STAR, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1902

the Telegraph, which had two repre-sentatives present in the role of prose-cutors, is either stating what is false or is guilty of a gross breach of faith. The conduct of the Telegraph in this affair has been unworthy of a spaper

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ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 13, 1902.

SEASONABLE THOUGHTS.

property values such as the west

The outlook for the winter is good. lespite the fact that fuel is so expen-

"I wish there were only one Christ-

mas in ten years," sighed a citizen yesterday. But he was not in earnest.

The problem of Christmas presents loomed large before him, and like the

maiden of the Moated Grange, he was a-weary. But he had once been a lit-

RASH SPECULATION.

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speculation, which, however,

Really; a journal which is response ible for so much of the public morals, the public welfare and the public edu-Coal is high and the weather is cold, cation as the exalted Telegraph, should but the people of New Brunswick may neverthelest regard the approach of Christmas with a degree of satisfaction more careful with its quotations Surely there must have been one of the editors who knew that the line and thankfulness. The province has "Heaven lies about us in our infancy," eccived no important accessio..s to its so deficately quoted by the erudite and population, nor has there been a boom all seeing "Chatterer" today, was not "according to Tennyson." Surely has experienced, but the year has Lieber M." hasn't forgotten his been a busy one, with labor well em-Wordsworth.

> Portland, Me, Cannot Get Coal at Any Price

Any Prios (Portland Press, Thursday.) A conservative estimate of the situa-tion is that not more than one family in haif a dozen has a supply of hard coal. There is not a pound of it that can be bought in the city and the deal-ers have been driven nearly frantic this week in explaining to their customers these conditions. Streams of people have been calling at the offices of the dealers this week and offering high prices for coal while the telephones to these offices have been ringing all of the time. But nothing can be done as the dealers are not able at any price to upply the demana.

maiden of the Moated Grange, he was a-weary. But he had once been a lit-tle boy, wide-eyed and eager, longing for the coming of Christmas, with its gifts and good cheer, and when the day comes round again and the faces of other little children glow with hap-piness the wish of yesterday will be discounted at least when years. There are certain our littles of New Year's gifts which the citizens as a whole would appreciate, but which are likely to be delayed. There is a new assessment law, for example, for which the stocking has been hung up a long time. Then there is the manual train-ing school, which has come down the chimney of many smaller civic houses than ours. There is also the abatioir, which appears at present to be a childed mat proposition. Following the ex-ample of children, who invariably in their letters to Santa Claus ask for much more than they get, the citizens might mention an improved ferry ser-vice or bridge to Carleton, a dry dock, some new wharves on the west side, a dredge, and, perhaps, an occasional victory for the city in a lawsuit or ar-bitration case. But perhaps there is no gift the individual citizen would so much appreciate as a license to tell the new telephone what he thinks of it.

prices, for coal while the telephones to these offices have been ringsing all of the time. But nothing can be done as the dealers are not able at any price to supply the demand. Today the bargs Robesonia is ex-pected to arrive at this port with 1500 tons of coal for the the A. R. Wright Co. The Randall & McAllister Co. also expect a cargo of 1500 tons today. These lots of coal, however, will be dis-posed of in quick order and will not come anywhere near being able to satisfy the demands of the Portland people. This lot that will come for the Randall & McAllister company was contracted for as long ago as last April. One of the Portland dealers in speak-ing of the situation yesterday after-noon said that the trouble was that almost all of the coal at the mines is being sent across the lakes and is go-ing to the west. All of the dealers stated that it was simply impossible to get any anthracite and that this criti-cal condition of affairs was likely to continue for the greater part of the winter. Think that it will be at least March before we get coal in large enough quantities," said the manager of one of the largest concerns. There is a limited supply of soft coal in the market and this will ide over the situation in a measure. This kind of coal is selling for \$8 a ton, at least 25 higher than it has ever been before. Some of the grades of this soft coal are not fit for domestic use. Hard wood is selling in the city for \$10 a cord. There is probably enough of this last for a time but for the last two years it has been scarce com-pared with former years. The price this winter is the same as it was years ago but two years ago it was selling for \$8 a cord. Because of the inability to get any more coal the Forest Fibre Co, of Yarmouth yesterday was colling to shut down. One of the leading state officials telephoned to one of the large Portland dealers yesterday asking if coal in some way, could not sag secured for him. This official was willing to pay any price for anthracite. But the anewer was sen thack tha The despatches tell of another sharp decline in stocks, with margins wiped out and heavy losses sustained in Toronto and Montreal. It is the old story Men not accustomed to speculation get the notion in their heads that they can make money faster by a lucky purchase of stock than in ordinary commercial operations. Clerks or men in offices, having a balance to their credit, are bitten by the speculative mania and begin to put up margins on "a sure thing." Professional men make a purfrozen up.

chase now and then, become gradually Saturday purchases should include a backage of Red Rose tea. It's good interested, and go in deeper. Sometime gains are made, but oftener, in the case

of inexperienced speculators, the end is

oss. The chance to "get rich quick" GOLD KING AND BEAR GULCH JOINED LIVINGETON, Dec. 4.— The directors of the Gold King Mining Company held a meeting today in the law office of A. P. Hurk, and took steps towards cosmolida-ity, he Gold King and the Bear Guich pro-perites, in pursuance of the recent, agree-ment, A. J. Campbell of Builte was elected presider of the company, and a meeting of the storcholders was called for Jan. 2. is a great temptation, but the bait is so often only an artful allurement that The fol



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SATURDAY SERMONETTE. "He wins who laughs."

The doctors tell us that a hearty laugh is as good as a medicine; that it aus the digestive organs in their func-lions; has a be eficial effect upon the hungs, and in divers and sundry other ways is a healthy exercise, besides hav-ing the merit of being a cheap one. And the doctors ought to know some-thus about 0.

ing the merit of being a cheap one. And the doctors ought to know some-thing about it. But not only are the physical results of laughter worthy of mention, for mentally as well it sometimes acts as a tonic to the worn-out nerves and thred mind. Sometimes a laugh will do more than anything else to drive the sob-webs from the brain and set things right. How many times when it is a toss up whether to laugh or cry, and a slight thing turns the scales in the favor of the laughter, do we find that though the laughter, do we find that though the laughter, do we find that drive away a touch of ill humor. If we give the laughter a chance, it will, even though it may not be altogether spontaneous, after a moment be joined in by the other party to the disagree-ment—or whatever it may be—and by it ment-or whatever it may be-and by i we will usually find that all traces o

mont-or whatever it may be-and by it we will usually find that all traces of the annoyance are swept away. It is always better to laugh at a foke, even though it is as stale as a last year's calendar, for that is what jokes are for, and their mission is not ac-complished if they are not appreciated. But more than that is it wise-even though harder-to laugh when the joke is aimed at oneself. The person who looks on the best side of life, and can always see something to tickle the risibles, even in misfor-tune, usually gets along a little better than the individual who never laughs except when forced into it, and then under protest, so to speak. It helps life along amasingly to be brave and bright, even when facing difficulties; helps not only one's self but others who see us daily; and he who is blessed with the disposition to give a joke and take it, to pass the laugh along, thereby giving occasion for a dose of laughter-medicine, is a real benefactor to the human race.

A DIGBY SCHEMIS To Get a Short Line Via That Port From Sydney to Hoston.

Bydney to Honton. OTTAWA, Dec. 12.— Application will be made at the next session for an act to in-corporate a company to be called the Dirby & Sydney Rallway, commencing from a point near the town of Dirby, thence to a point ac or near Windsor Jupetion, pass-ing through the counties of Dirby, Anna-point, Queens, Lunenburg and Halifax, thence in an easterly direction to Mulgrave through the counties of Guysboro and Anti-gonish, thence in an easterly direction to Sydney, C. B., with power to construct, own and operate whereas, docks, to equip, ea-the state the state of the to the state of the top of a state state reference in the state of the state of state of the state the state of the state and operate whereas from Digby to East. The to have fast statemers from Digby to East. Com-munication with the United States.

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TO LAUNCH NEW SCHOONER.

F. W. Sumner of Moncion, went to Mait-land, N. S., on Thursday where his new schoner, the Marjorle J., is about ready to be launched. It is expected the launch will take place about Monday.

FEMININE FINANCIER

Grocer-"Well little girl what can 1 do or you this morning". Little Girl-"Mother sent me to get chaffed or a doling had said to tell you she would live you the dollar tomorrow."-Chicago

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 12.—Post Of-fice Inspector Fielcher has received word that two mail carriers who left Lyn Nov. 28 for Log Cabin with two dog teams, were drowned at Taku Arm.



MRINGED DAMASK TRAY CLOTHS, 25 PLAIN HEMSTITCHED LINEN TRAY CLOTHS, 55c. HEMSTITCHED DAMASK AFTERNOON TEA CLOTHS, 75e., 80e., 90e., \$1.10, \$1.15, \$1.40, \$1.90, \$2.20, \$2.30, \$2.40. HEMSTITCHED DAMASK BUREAU COVERS, 306, 556, 756, 206, \$1.50. COVERS, \$1,00, \$1.10, \$1.15, \$1.35, COVERS, \$1,00, \$1.10, \$1.15, \$1.35,

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PRINCED DAMASK D'OYLIES, oval, Te., BMSTITCHED DAMASK D'OYLIES, square, 15c., 18c., 22c., 30c., 37c each. PITINGED DAMASK D'OYLIES, square, \$1, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.30, \$1.50, \$1.70, \$1.80, \$2.50, \$2.65, \$3.40, \$3.70 per dog. WASH CLOTHS, in two sizes, se. and se.

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