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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH, 1899.

—The Nova Scotia Electric Light Company, Limited, which is now seeking incorporation, is promoting a project which is destined to revolutionize the application of electricity, for the purposes of heat, light and power, in Hants, Kings and Annapolis counties. A brief description of the scheme is given elsewhere in this issue and it is not difficult to foresee the many changes and advantages that the working out of the problem will bring about. The company is not asking for a monopoly but merely seeking permission to furnish cheap light, principally through the towns and villages of the district which their charter has been framed to cover. It would appear to be in the interests of the common good that this plant should be established and its promoters are energetic and influential enough to guarantee the establishment if the government right of way can be obtained. Artificial light is a necessity and the cheaper it can be furnished the more it will be used and the better it will suit those who use it, so we trust our members from Annapolis will give their sanction to a scheme which is right in line with many other up-to-date improvements that are being worked out on every hand in the province. The only opposition offered to the company will probably be instigated by owners of private electric light plants, who may object to selling out at a price commensurate with the original cost of their establishments, and who know that a cheaper light will compel them to come to reasonable terms. The company now seeking incorporation are undoubtedly after the profits of legitimate business, but they will nevertheless be public benefactors if they can furnish to our people a light cheaper than the cheapest, and available at any hour of the day or night. Let us have the new system by all means.

—Kentville is seriously considering the advantages of a thorough sewage system, and an engineer has been engaged to make a survey and report upon the probable cost. All of our provincial towns must, sooner or later, be called upon to place the public health and convenience before any monetary consideration that may be involved in the establishment of a thorough system of drainage; it is only a question of how much money it is necessary to waste in half hearted measures before the folly of this extravagance and the demands for improved sanitation force the conclusion that an effective sewage system costs less in the end and affords an important safeguard for the public health. Kentville, in common with other towns, has probably spent thousands of dollars in efforts to do away with the necessity for establishing an expensive sewage system and now recognizes that the money was squandered and that the full ordinary cost of the work yet remains to be paid before its sanitation can be permanently improved. Bridgetown also needs a sewage system and it is a pertinent question whether it is not advisable to accept the inevitable and have the work done at the outset of our corporate career rather than sink money in making trivial temporary improvements. The financing can readily be accomplished and we do not think our ratepayers will shrink from bearing an interest burden contracted in so good a cause. Thus far Bridgetown has not followed in the ordinary civic rut and there is no reason why it should not profit by the experience of other corporations on the sewage question.

—The Lieutenant-Governor's speech at the opening of the present session of the provincial legislature foreshadowed legislation to provide for the betterment of the public roads of the province. A little over a year of energetic agitation has vested this question with an importance that could not well be overlooked and we hope the proposed measure of reform will be comprehensive enough to effect a radical change in the present statute labor law under which the roads system has grown steadily worse. The bad roads tax paid by the farms and businesses of Nova Scotia has never been reduced to figures, but it has been a great levy and none the less so because it has never been definitely fixed. The worst feature of the situation is that no one is benefitted by the tax; it does not go to swell the revenues of the province but is simply wasted. A projected reform carries with it the assurance that, if practically executed, it will speedily return any heavy outlay entailed in its prosecution by saving to the farmers and business men much of the loss of time labor and capital that is necessitated by the difficulty of transportation over our country roads. The government in promoting this reform legislation will add much to its popularity.

—Very many of our farmers are preparing to raise hogs on an extensive scale for the packing establishment to be operated at Middleton. They realize that in producing pork the cost is largely governed by the quantity produced and are not disheartened by the figure the man who raises five hundred pounds of pork a year fixes as the actual cost of his product. It is only by hearty co-operation with the factory and entering extensively into pork raising that our farmers can hope to secure the best results from an industry which, in other provinces of the Dominion is regarded as a money making adjunct to the ordinary farm work.

—Aginnaldo, the Filipino leader, has declared his intention to resist to the last the United States government of the Phillipines. The population of the islands is about fifteen millions and he will thus be able to muster a large army. The islanders are not easily discouraged and in spite of recent defeats they are in a position to prolong the struggle for many months.

Dominion Finances.

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—Canada received on consolidated fund account during the seven months of the current fiscal year which have elapsed, $25,665,000, which is $4,219,000 more than she took in during the corresponding period of the last fiscal year. There was an increase in consolidated fund expenditure of $1,167,000, but after making allowance for this there is a difference of $2,561,381 in favor of the present year. The total revenue for the seven months' period last year was $21,446,000. The revenue for January, 1899, was $3,550,000, and for January, 1898, $3,512,000, a substantial increase despite reduced customs and postage rates. The ordinary expenditure for seven months of the present year was $21,352,000, and for the corresponding period of last year $19,694,000, an increase as has been stated of $1,657,000. There was expended in January, 1899, on consolidated fund account, $6,540,000, as against $6,206,000 in January, 1898. The largest revenue increases were those of customs and excise the former being $2,441,000 and the latter $1,456,000. The post-office revenue shows a decrease of $69,000 for the month of January, during which the two cent imperial and domestic rates have been in operation, and of $199,000 for the seven months' period.

Local and Special News.

—Ash Wednesday—Lent.

—Yesterday was St. Valentine's Day.

—Everything at lowest prices at R. Shipley's.

—The Town Clerk is on duty again after a fortnight's illness.

—There are 50,105 acres of crown land in Annapolis County.

—The provincial finances show a surplus for the last fiscal year.

—Mr. H. W. Cann has purchased the business of the Bridgetown Clothing Co.

—Mr. Ernest Balcom's new saw mill at Lawrencetown is ready for business.

—Pressed hay is selling, wholesale, in Halifax for $7.00 and $7.25 per ton.

—The recent changes in the Clarence mail service are causing much dissatisfaction.

—Mr. H. F. Williams shipped a lot of beef cattle to Halifax yesterday morning.

—J. E. Burns gives away a silver watch with every suit of clothes bought at his store

—Lieut. Freeman Fitch left last Thursday for Fredericton for a course of military training.

—Price Webber, the veteran showman, is touring the province with a strong company of actors.

—Dr. DeWitt and Wm. Chipman were both elected to the Wolfville Town Council last week.

—Legislative business thus far this session has been unimportant, being confined almost entirely to private bills.

—Some of the business men of Annapolis Royal are talking of establishing a larrigan factory there in the near future.

—Last Thursday, Friday and Saturday were wintry indeed, the thermometer registering 10° below zero on Friday night.

—A bill to incorporate the Curry Bros. & Bent Company, Limited, has passed its second reading in the House of Assembly.

—The exports from the port of Annapolis for the month of January amounted to $25,565. The imports amounted to $6,131.

—The Baptist ladies of Granville Centre, will hold a social in Roney's Hall next Tuesday evening. Proceeds for church purposes.

—The receipts of the Halifax exhibition for 1898 were $17,265.73 and the expenditure $25,335.29, showing a deficit of $7,969.56.

—The Band Concert, which was to have been held last evening, was postponed on account of the storm till next Tuesday evening.

—The West Indies lumber market has dropped considerably within a few days to the disappointment of some of our lumbermen.

—The Basket Ball match to-night in the Y. M. C. A. between the Merchants and the Printers will probably be an interesting affair.

—Thirteen pairs of oxen and a sled loaded with human freight constituted one of the road breaking teams at Carleton's Corner yesterday.

—Mr. E. J. Lumsden has moved his photo car from the depot grounds to the rear of the Payson house on Granville street, near the post office.

—Just received Rabbit Wire, Lamp Wicks, "Ever Ready" Clothes Lines, Taper Files, Shoe Protectors and other things at R. Shipley's. tf

—Mr. Johnson, a government candidate in Kent county, New Brunswick, says Nova Scotia's iron bridges are made out of old ploughs and harrows.

—Drover Williams purchased two fine yokes of oxen from Messrs. William Miller and Enoch Woodworth and shipped them to Halifax yesterday.

—Mr. C. McLellan has severed his connection with the Bridgetown Clothing Co., and will start in business for himself as soon as he can secure suitable rooms.

—The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association will convene in Cottage Hall, Wolfville, on Feb. 20, and will continue three days.

—The Bridgetown station was broken into last Wednesday night and a case of liquor taken therefrom. The entrance was made by smashing in the front window.

—Mr. Ernest Marshall, son of the late Albert Marshall, of Upper Clarence, died at Salem, Mass, last week of pneumonia. The body was brought home for interment.

—The ladies of the Bentville Methodist Church intend holding a Bean Social at the residence of Mr. Watson Kent, on Thursday evening, Feb. 16th. Proceeds for benefit of church.

—We understand that as the result of a disagreement between the Police Committee and Policeman Quipp, he has handed in his resignation to take effect April 1st.—*Wolfville Acadian.*

—Dr. Barnaby has treated twenty-five cases of lagrippe and eight cases of pneumonia during the past few weeks and the full list of these patients have either recovered or are convalescent.

—A regular old fashioned snow storm raged on Monday and Monday night, and as a result the roads are blocked in every direction with huge drifts and travel will probably be badly impeded for days to come.

—Miss Clara Bogart, of Granville Centre, Miss Laura E. Foster, of Central Clarence, and Miss Lulu M. Phinney, of Bear River commenced work in the C class at the Provincial Normal school at Truro early this month.

—A Los Angelos, Cal., market report, quotes apples at $1.00 to $1.50 per barrel. Hay is worth from $16 to $22 per ton. Our farmers would appreciate the Los Adgelos bay market but could do better elsewhere with their apples.

—The D. A. R. steamer, Prince George, left Boston last Wednesday at midnight but did not get to her dock at Yarmouth, till Saturday morning, on account of ice. The Boston left on Friday noon and arrived at Yarmouth on time.

—Seven cars of mules, construction plant and supplies went forward to New Germany last week for contractor Wilkins, who is to commence work on the Hervey railroad at once. It looks as if the Nova Scotia Southern project were not entirely dead yet.

—The D. A. R. express from Halifax yesterday was over two hours late on account of heavy drifts along the track. The express from Yarmouth was derailed at Digby by ice, which blockaded the track after the fire, and did not reach here till late last evening.

—The annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. will be held in their rooms to-night at 8.15 o'clock. Election of officers, appointment of delegates to the convention in St. John, and other business of importance will be transacted. All members requested to be present.

—The owners of the American barque Alice Reed and the Dominion Atlantic Railway have reached a settlement out of court of the damages to be paid for injury done to the D. A. R. bridge at Weymouth last June. The owners of the barque will pay the railway $2,000

—The Whist Club has adjourned its weekly meetings until after Easter. The last meeting was held last Thursday evening at the residence of Dr. Grant. Its members have been previously entertained at the homes of E. Ruggles, Esq, O. T. Daniels, Esq, Dr. Primrose and Mrs. Ansley.

—The Farmers' association of Nova Scotia is to meet at Annapolis on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, February 22nd, 23rd 24th. A varied programme of papers on agricultural topics has been mapped out, all of which are certain to excite interesting discussions. The full programme of the session was published in last week's MONITOR.

—The business centre of Bridgetown will be considerably changed and improved in appearance next spring. Mr. C. H. Strong will move into his fine new store in the Ruggles building; Mr. Mailer will move into the store Mr. Strong vacates, and will add full lines of dry goods to his stock of gent's furnishings. Jno. Lockett & Son and J. E. Burns will both occupy remodled stores and L. D. Shafner will build a new grocery.

—Like 'shipping coals to Newcastle,' says the Boston Post, seems the shipment of haddock from this city to Nova Scotia. Yet the steamer Boston, which sailed yesterday for Yarmouth, carried a consignment of three carloads of this fish, which are to be smoked at Digby and to be distributed through Canada, as far west as Winnipeg, in the form of finan haddies. The weather has been bad for the operations of the Nova Scotia fishing fleet, and the scarcity of fish in that locality has forced the smokers there to seek a supply elsewhere.

Nova Scotia Electric Light Company.

A few months ago it was proposed to light the Valley from Kentville to Annapolis by electricity generated from a large plant to be located on the Currell Brook near this town. At the same time the project of lighting the country between Kentville and Windsor was being considered and as a result of the deliberations of the promotors of both schemes it has been decided to amalgamate them and a bill is now before the legislature to incorporate the Nova Scotia Electric Light Company Limited with a capital of $400,000. The charter they require is a broad one and may meet with some opposition from owners of private electric light plants. The objects of the company is described in the following paragraphs copied from the Middleton *Outlook.*

The incorporators are Dr. F. W. Borden, Minister of Militia, Ottawa; Dr. Allen Haley, M. P., Windsor; Mr. J. W. Beckwith, Bridgetown, and Messrs. C. O. Foss, F. W. Clarke and F. B. Wade, of Bridgewater. Messrs. Wade and Paton, Bridgewater, are solicitors for the company.

The object of the company is to distribute electricity by means of a main wire for light, power and heating purposes, from a central station, operated by water power to all points in the Valley from Windsor to Annapolis, with branches to Canning, Kingsport, Granville Ferry and other outlying centres.

The source of power will be the headwaters of the Gaspereau river where an effective head of water of 375 feet with constant flow the year around of not less than 8000 cubic feet of water per minute can be secured. This will generate 5000 horse power which will be carried to some point near Port Williams railway station for distribution. Converting stations will be placed in the very centres throughout the valley.

It is the intention to install electric lighting plants in all the towns and villages not already supplied, to purchase those already established which can be secured at a reasonable figure and to supply the electricity to local electric light companies that desire it.

The company will not ask for any monopoly clause in their charter as they believe that by dispensing with the fuel bill and the economy of management through centralization that they will be able to provide light, power and heat at prices far below those now existing and yet pay satisfactory dividends to the stockholders. Indeed the promoters believe that when the system is established they will be able to supply the houses and barns on the principal farms, with light and power, and also to light churches in country places.

This scheme is calculated to give an impetus to local enterprise by greatly cheapening the cost of power, and is expected to place our valley towns on as favorable footing regarding power as towns situated close beside a coal mine.

Montreal capitalists are being interested in the enterprise, but a portion of the $400,000 capital required will be placed on the local market in small shares.

The Haliburton Lecture Course.

The Rev. Dr. Keirstead, of Acadia College, delivered the second lecture of the Haliburton course on Friday evening of the 10 inst., in the Assembly Hall of the new Windsor Academy.

The inclemency of the weather kept many at home who would otherwise have been present to welcome the lecturer, yet, when at 8 p.m. Prof. deMille, of Kings College, the president of the Haliburton Society, introduced the lecturer, there was a fairly large and representative audience in the hall. Mr. Chas. Hensley, the vice-president of the Haliburton, was also on the platform.

Professor deMille then introduced Dr. Keirstead in a few well chosen words, and stated the subject—"The Elements of National Greatness."

In entering upon his subject Dr. Keirstead said he would ask four questions, the answers to which would form the lecture. These questions were:—

(1) What is a nation?

(2) What are the elements of national greatness?

(3) In how far does Canada possess these elements?

(4) What can we do to promote the greatness of Canada?

In answering the second of these, he considered land, minerals, fisheries, capital, skilled labor, education, morality and religion to be the elements required. He dealt fully with each of these and argued logically and eloquently to sustain his position.

He said that Canada possesses these elements, but that they are as yet only elements undeveloped. Each one of us can promote Canada's greatness by assuming individual responsibility, taking an interest in things Canadian, and being optimistic instead of pessimistic. Each point the lecturer brought out was illustrated in an exceedingly apt manner, at times humorous.

At the conclusion of the lecture, the Rev. Canon Vroom voiced the sentiments of all present by moving a vote of thanks to Dr. Keirstead, which was seconded by Mr. Davies, senior student, and presented by Prof. deMille.

The audience then dispersed, feeling well repaid for their boldness in venturing out through the storm.

The Haliburton Society consist chiefly of the students and graduates of Kings College, but it has many influential members among the men already in the literary world, notably Prof. C. G. D. Roberts, I. Allan Jack and Hon. J. W. Longley. Mr. Longley gave the first lecture of this course, the subject being "Love."—COR.

Valley Telephone Company.

The annual meeting of the Valley Telephone Company was held at Middleton last Wednesday, Judge Savary presiding. 3,814 of the 5,500 shares of the company were represented.

75 new instruments were put in during the year and 30 taken out.

Bridgetown and Canning had been repoled with cedar; two miles of line added at Port Williams and the line extended from Clarence to Port Lorne.

The question of installing a metallic circuit to connect with the Nova Scotia Telephone Co.'s wires was considered. To do this, it will be necessary to raise the rental from $15.00 to $20.00 on all instruments in business places and subscribers' tolls from 10 cents to 15 cents.

The usual dividend of 7 per cent was declared.

Directors were elected as follows:

Hon. A. W. Savary, L. S. Morse, Dr. J. A. Sponagle, S. W. W. Pickup, W. H. Weatherspoon, A. E. Calkin, C. H. R. Starr, A. J. Morrison and A. B. Gates.

Messrs. H. A. Beldon and G. C. Miller were re-elected auditors.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors Hon. A. W. Savary was appointed president; J. A. Sponagle, vice president; A. B. Gates, secretary; A. J. Morrison, manager and treasurer, and Mrs. H. A. Tate, chief operator.

The meeting was adjourned to Friday, Feb. 24th.

Basket Ball.

The game of "Basket Ball" last Wednesday evening, between the Bankers and Clerks, was a very close and exciting game. It showed that both teams are making improvements in their team work. The result was 2 to 0 in favor of the Clerks. Next Wednesday evening's game will be between the Business Men and the MONITOR teams. The line up will be as follows:

Louis Phelan,	1st Forwards	B. D. Neily.
Fred. Young,	2nd Forwards	H. J. Crowe.
Ernest Howse,	Centres	H. Calder.
Wm. Hill,	2nd Defences	J. Dearness.
Harold Troop,	1st Defences	Mark Curry.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. B. H. Calkin was in Bridgetown last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. C. N. S. Strickland, accountant of the Union Bank, was in town last Saturday.

Messrs. J. B. Mills, J. J. Ritchie and J. H. Lombard, of Annapolis, were in town last Saturday.

Rev. J. L. M. Young, whom we reported as dangerously ill at his home in Somerset, is recovering slowly.

Miss Blanche Burns has entered the Baptist Hospital at Parker Hill ave., Roxbury, Mass., to qualify for a trained nurse.

Mr. J. W. Beckwith went to Halifax, last Saturday in connection with the Nova Scotia Electric Light Company bill which is now before the legislature.

The many friends of our aged and respected townsman, Mr. George Hoyt, regret to hear of his impaired state of health, following a slight paralytic stroke sustained a fortnight ago.

Anti-Ritualistic War.

London, Feb. 11.—The English National Protestant Union has forwarded to the Queen a memorial setting forth the views of the anti-ritualists, and praying Her Majesty to adopt measures to preserve the nation from a reimposition of the sacredotal yoke which was cast aside in the sixteenth century. The memorial is signed by nearly 4,000 influential clergymen, including 31 peers, 50 members of parliament, 2,000 magistrates and 1,300 clergymen.

Big Fire at Digby.

Digby was visited by a disastrous fire last Monday night, which destroyed about twenty-five buildings on Water street. The night was the wildest of the season, and the firemen were badly handicapped by the blinding snow storm. The fire caught in the rear of Letteny's store, and the principal buildings burned are:

Jenner's drug store; C. F. Stone's dry goods and hardware establishment; Letteney and Bros., dry goods and general merchandise establishment; Burnham, grocery block; Waverley house; Lindstrom's jewellery store; Shreve block, including law offices of T. C. Shreve, town office, and Short's boot and shoe store; the Turnbull block, including the post office and a dozen other buildings and restaurants, small confectionery stores, etc. Stalling's stables were burned and the depot caught fire, but the blaze was extinguished before much damage was done. At the time of writing the amount of damage is estimated at about $150,000, but the amount of insurance cannot be obtained.

Heavy Apple Shipments.

Halifax Herald.

Up to last week when the steamer St. John City sailed, the shipment of apples from the port of Halifax for the London market amounted to 164,500 barrels. It is estimated that there are still 85,000 barrels to go forward. Apples have netted to shippers in the Annapolis Valley from $2.50 to $2.75 per barrel. Taking the net profit at the lower figure, it means that the horticulturists there have received this season $410,000 or more. If the prices keep up, as they doubtless will, they will get $212,000 for the balance of their crop, a total of $622,000 for the season. This is for the London market alone, so that Mr. Mitchell's estimate made in the House of Assembly yesterday, of three-quarters of a million dollars for the Annapolis Valley apple growers, is not beyond the mark.

Last year the total export to London was only 77,000 barrels, compared with 259,500 which will be shown at the end of this season. The prices last year were about the same as are prevailing this season. In 1896 when the export of London reached 370,000 barrels, the producers netted less than $1 per barrel.

The following table, showing our export of apples to London for the past twelve years, and the quantity forwarded so far this season, will be of interest to others than the exporters:

Year.	Barrels.
1886–7	113,000
1887–8	57,000
1888–9	102,000
1889–90	120,009
1890–1	92,200
1891–2	83,750
1892–3	175,500
1893–4	36,000
1894–5	252,100
1895–6	140,500
1896–7	370,000
1897–8	77,000
1898–9 (so far)	164,500

The first Nova Scotia apples sent across the ocean, for exhibition purposes, was in 1862. Later they were exported in I. H. Mathers' deal vessels. Then sailing vessels were loaded for London direct. After this the Anchor line boats, running fortnightly between Boston and London, took over apples, freight being about $1.25 per barrel. To-day the freight is 90 cents. A part of last year it was 90 cents but dropped to 80.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Liverpool has decided to instal a water system.

There are 1,575,252 acres of crown lands in this province.

The Midland Railway has engaged two locomotives from the D. A. R. for use on their construction trains.

Alexander McDonald, the Pictou millionaire, who is known as the King of the Klondyke, was married last week at London, Eng.

Mr. C. L. Johnson, son of ex-Mayor Johnson, of Yarmouth, is one of the chief assistants of Aguinaldo—the Philippine insurgent leader.

Mr. Foster B. Card, a native of Hantsport, but for several years a resident of Boston, Mass., met with a sudden death in that city by a fall, on the 5th inst.

Sterns Jones, Esq., one of the best known and highly esteemed residents of Weymouth, died on Tuesday last, in the 85th year of his age. He was a son of the late Cereno U. Jones, who was one of the Loyalists who first settled in that place.

New Advertisements.

Bridgetown Driving Park Co., LIMITED.

Pursuant to article 7 of the By-Laws, the annual meeting of the Bridgetown Driving Park Company, Ltd., will be held at the office of their Secretary, O. S. Miller, Esq., on Tuesday, March 7th, 1899, at 7.30 p. m. A full attendance of the shareholders is requested as business of importance is to be transacted.

H. RUGGLES, *President.*

Band Concert

IN THE

COURT HOUSE,

Tuesday Evening, Feb. 21st.

PROGRAM WILL CONSIST OF

SOLOS by Mrs. H. Ruggles and Mrs. H. J. Crowe.

QUARTETTES by the Paradise Male Quartette.

INSTRUMENTAL SOLOS AND DUETTS by Miss Weare, Prof. Woollard and Mr. John Sutherland.

READINGS by Mrs D. G. Harlow and Mr. J. G. H. Parker.

SELECTIONS by the Band.

Admission 25c. Reserved seats 35c.
Doors open at 7.30. Concert to begin at 8.

Overtaxed France.

New York, Feb. 8.—A London despatch to an afternoon paper says: In France the question of taxes is becoming serious and the increasing amount levied on everything is one reason for the unrest and discontent there. France supports a fifth part of the entire military expenses of Europe, though she is only the tenth part of Europe. She staggers under the weight of $200,000,000 annually, in the interest of her debt. Between that and the army she must pay $400,000,000 before she can apply a cent to the vital interests of the state. The French colonial enterprises are immensely costly, being in outlandish and inaccessible regions, as productive of rebellion as they are unproductive of revenue. The civil service is overloaded with functionaries and government contracts are frequently but arrangements for corruption. A company which supplies the army ran the price of its shares up from 128 to 164 in a few months. The navy is claimed to be unduly costly and through mismanagement ships are so long in building that they are often obsolete when launched. The country districts form the only political group which consistently agitate for internal reforms.

Yukon News.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 7.—In a report to the State Department from Dawson City, Consul McCook says platinum has been found recently in large quantities in most of the creeks, and if the results are as good as reported, the Yukon district will have a new product of value.

Consul McCook says one week of severe weather prevailed in November, the thermometer ranging from forty to to fifty degrees below zero from the 8th to the 15th. Since that time the weather has been quite moderate, the thermometer ranging from ten to twenty degress below zero, which is considered fine weather there. The report ends as follows: "It is estimated that five thousand persons will have to go out over the ice this winter. What is most need here is a fund to take care of the sick. Mortality is on the increase, ten bodies waiting for interment to-day. I fear an epidemic will occur in the spring. No sanitary arrangements have been made as yet."

Canada as a Gold Producing Country.

Washington, Feb. 4.—According to Consul Brush, at Clifton, Canada, the output of gold from the Klondike and British Columbia has raised Canada to the fifth place in the list of gold-producing countries. While the United States shows an increased output for 1898, it is still second to the Transvaal. According to the latest figures, the five leading gold-producing countries for 1898 are as follows:—Transvaal, $73,476,600; United States, $64,300,000; Australia, $61,480,763; Russia, $25,136,994; Canada, $14,900,000.

At the Canada club banquet at London, Admiral Field urged Canada to follow the example of the Cape and make a money contribution to the navy. General Laurier urged the creation of effective military reserves out of the Canadian militia and fishermen. Edward Blake said he hoped to return to Canada shortly to remain.

NOTICE

THE subscriber is instructed to sell at private sale the Spinney house, property and wharf on Water Street, in Bridgetown. This splendidly well built house and the wharf privileges make this a very desirable property. Terms on application.

Also a house to rent. Good location.

O. T. DANIELS.

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Confectionery a Specialty.

Also we offer this estate and stock for sale at fine figures.

Call or write.

SAMUEL McCLASKEY & CO.

Paradise, Feb. 8th, 1899. 47 1y

TENDERS WANTED!

TENDERS addressed to the undersigned will be received by the Directors of

The Lawrencetown Butter and Cheese Mfg. Co., Limited,

up to the 1st day of March next, at 3 o'clock, p. m., for carrying milk for the coming season to the factory at Lawrencetown from Brooklyn, Clarence, North Williamston, South Williamston, Paradise (north side of river), Paradise (south side of river), Inglisville, and from any other point from which milk may be contributed as may be arranged.

Tenders to be marked "Tenders," and to state the rate per 100 lbs. for carrying, which shall include the returning of skim milk or whey to patrons. The Directors do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

JAMES H. WHITMAN, *Secretary.*

February 6th, 1899. 47 2i

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NEW GOODS

For the Early Spring Sewing.

No such Value ever before shown by Us.

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(Not a yard of old stock left.)

NEW WHITE COTTONS,
NEW GREY COTTONS,
NEW PILLOW COTTONS,
NEW SHEETINGS.

Lots of other New Goods opening daily.

Do not overlook our Extra Discount on Dress Goods. Must be cleared out to make room for our immense new stock soon to arrive.

Kindly review our great discount on balance of Winter Overcoats and Suits, Ladies' Sacques, etc. Balance of WHITEWEAR will be sold at prices named in last issue.

1 LADIES' FUR COLLAR,	$18.50.	"	$10.00
1 " " "	$10.00.	"	$6.00
1 " " "	$6.50.	"	$4.00

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JOHN LOCKETT & SON

MURDOCH'S BLOCK.

We have several thousand dollars worth of Winter Goods which we will clear out at prices which will astonish you. Many lines must go, and no reasonable cash offer will be refused.

JOHN LOCKETT & SON.

February 15th, 1899.

This Space Reserved for McLELLAN, the Tailor,

who will have an important announcement to make in a few days.

Crosse & Blackwell's MARMALADE

We have just received our second importation of Crosse & Blackwell's Marmalade for this season, and we are offering it for sale at the following low prices:

1 lb Glass Jars, 16c. 2 lb Glass Jars, 25c. 6 lb Tins for 70c.

We are also offering the following fine line of

Pickles & Sauces

at low figures: Crosse & Blackwell's Mixed Pickles, quarts and pints; Pickled Walnut, Chow Chow and "Soho" Sweet Pickles; Lazenby's Maconochie's, Heaton's and Heinz's Pickles in quarts and pints. Sauces in great variety. We are offering a fine value in Arlington Sauce for 15c per bottle.

Flour, Meal and Feed at lowest figures.

SHAW & LLOYD.

CUSTOM CLOTHING

.....AT.....

READY-MADE PRICES!

Give us your order for a

Fall Suit or Overcoat.

We guarantee entire satisfaction.

Our prices range from $12.00 up.
New, Stylish Cloths.
Trousers for $3.00 and up.
Most stylish cut. Thoroughly made.
Fit guaranteed.
Get our prices and see our stock.

BRIDGETOWN CUSTOM CLOTHING CO.

A few of the things You can buy for 25c.

.....AT.....

SHAFNER & PIGGOTT'S

10 lbs. Onions, 10 lbs. Buckwheat Flour,
3 lbs. Raisins, 3 lbs. Currants,
3 lbs. Pulverized Sugar,
3 lbs. best Soda Biscuits,
1 lb. good Tea, and other goods in proportion.

WANTED—Any quantity of FRESH EGGS at 22c. per dozen.

War Declared

On high prices of Men's Clothing and Furnishings. Mailer, the orinal price man, has split prices in two. Competition will be like a voice in the wilderness while this grand removal sale is going on. Remember this is no ordinary sale where only a few articles are marked down to tempt and deceive the public, but a general all round slaughter of every article in my store. I am determined to lead; let others follow who can. Call and I will convince you by SOLID FACTS that I am still leading in my line of business. Here is where you find the purchasing power of a DOLLAR.

MAILER.

JUST ARRIVED

—AT THE—

Masonic Store

BRIDGETOWN,

per S.S. London City from Cross & Blackwell, London, Great Britain,

A DIRECT IMPORTATION OF

Pickles, Sauces, Jams, Orange Marmalade, etc.,

which with my usual stock of

Flour, Feed, Fine Groceries, etc.,

gives me the best assorted stock of the kind in the town.

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED

W. M. FORSYTH.

November 29th, 1898.

BARGAINS!

We have a small lot of Fancy goods left over from the holiday trade that we will close out below cost.

1 Photo Album, price 80c.	Reduced to 35c
4 Photo Albums, price 50c.	Reduced to 35c
1 Toy Lamp, price 90c.	Reduced to 60c
1 Porridge Sett, price 65c.	Reduced to 45c
2 Shaving Setts, $1.60.	Reduced to 1.00
1 Necktie Box, price 75c.	Reduced to 45c
1 Fat Man Target, 45c.	Reduced to 25c
2 Flying Birds, price 25c.	Reduced to 18c
1 Baggage Truck, 40c.	Reduced to 25c
3 Children's Setts, Knife, Fork and Spoon, price 30c., 35c.	Reduced to 20c

and other goods at same rate.

BOOTS

16 pairs Ladies' Kid Boots, price $1.45,	Reduced to $1.00
21 pairs Men's Long Boots, price $3.00,	Reduced to $2.00

CLOTHING

3 Men's Reefers, price $6.00,	Reduced to $4 25
5 Men's Reefers, price $4 50,	Reduced to $3 25
1 Man's Ulster, price $10.00,	Reduced to $6.50
1 Man's Ulster, price $6.00,	Reduced to $4.50
4 Youth's Ulsters, (age 7 to 9) price $4.00,	Reduced to $2.75
2 Boys' Ulsters, (size 29 and 30) price $4 85,	Reduced to $3.25
4 Young Men's Ulsters, price $6.00,	Reduced to $4.25

Also Men's Winter Suits at Cost.

J. I. FOSTER.

Arriving this week

—AT—

E & E SCHAFFNER'S

for XMAS TRADE,
A LARGE IMPORTATION OF

CROCKERY,

—COMPRISING—

Dinner, Tea and Toilet Setts.

Fresh Groceries arriving all the time.

Also one car FLOUR & FEED, comprising "Hornet," "Splendid," "Vulcan," Cornmeal, Middlings, Feed Flour, etc., which will be sold right for cash.

Wishing all our friends the compliments of the season, We remain,

Yours very truly,

E. & E. SCHAFFNER.

Lawrencetown, Dec. 13th, 1898.

WANTED—Any quantity of spruce [illegible] delivered along the river bank. Call, write telephone for prices. E. & E. S.