

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

The Standard recently won the Georgetown-Pictorial race on Friday night.

See T. L. Chapman's ad in another column. He offers a special arrangement of the Standard-Pictorial.

This ice boat made a quick run on Monday. They left Cape Tormentine at 6.30 a. m. and arrived at Cape Tormentine at 8.30 a. m.

This lottery which was to have taken place at St. John's on the 2nd. Feb. has been postponed until 2nd. Aug. 1891. J. H. Casey.

At St. Daniel's Cathedral on Sunday, it was announced that all wishing to contribute to the St. Daniel's fund may do so by calling at the Palace, where a list has been opened.

The Steam Navigation Co's New Steamer was launched on Thursday from the yard of Messrs. Wigham, Richardson & Co. Newcastle on Tyne. She is called "Northumberland."

A new Steamer called the Fastnet, to take the place of the Princess Beatrice, has been secured for the Eastern Shore route. She is advertised to leave Halifax for this city and intermediate ports on April 30th.

J. T. Maloney will deliver a lecture under the auspices of the League of the Cross, in St. Patrick's Hall, on Friday evening. The lecture, "A Visit to Scotland" is an interesting one and Mr. Maloney will, doubtless, be greeted with a full house.

Friday night's rain almost completely obliterated every vestige of snow from the streets, thereby facilitating the calling into service of many wheeled vehicles. Daily their number is augmented; and it looks as if they have come to stay. Everything points to an early spring.

At St. John's on Thursday evening, fire broke out in a building on Main St. occupied by Mr. Wallace McCormack as a general merchant. It originated through a lighted match being dropped upon the floor, while someone else was being drawn from the case. Mr. McCormack received a severe scorching, and barely escaped with his life. The building, with its contents, was destroyed, as were also several other adjoining ones.

The unusually mild weather of the past week has played havoc with the ice and many of the approaches to the city have become very dangerous. In several places, on the various routes traversing the river, dangerous holes are reported. No less than eight teams broke through on Thursday. Two of the teams, belonging to a man named Flanagan, bound for the city with brick, plunged through but a short distance of Pictorial wharf. The horses were rescued with difficulty; but one of them was found to be broken a leg, and had to be destroyed. The brick was lost. In many places a second layer of ice, separated from the outer covering by four feet or so of water, is reported.

This annual report of the Halifax School for the blind has been received. The number of pupils registered at the end of the year was 31, of whom 22 were males, and 9 females. (Of whom to Nova Scotia, 9 to New Brunswick, 2 to Newfoundland, and 1 to P. E. I. Six pupils graduated. The school was engaged as planned for the year by the well known musical dealer, W. H. Johnson & Co. A magnificent new wing costing \$10,000, has been added to the building, and was opened for inspection on Friday.

Paul Bevan, who was sentenced to seven years in Dorchester Penitentiary, at the last session of the Supreme Court, and at present serving a six months' sentence, prior to removal to that institution made a valiant attempt to suicide by hanging himself on the gallows. A prison official, confined in the cell adjoining Bevan's, hearing a noise issuing from the apartment gave the alarm, which brought Assistant Governor McLeod to the scene. On entering Bevan's cell he found him suspended from the bars in the cell door, by means of a couple of towels, which he had converted into a rope. When taken down he was unconscious. The good physician, Dr. B. Jenkins, was summoned and by the application of restorative quickly revived, and would-be suicide. Bevan seems greatly chastened over his failure, as since, he converses with great reluctance.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

The third race of the series between Lullah and Lullah, the latter refusing to skate through illness.

All Right, 2:57, and Black Pilot, 2:50, will both make the season of 1891 at Kentville, N. S., under the management of Mr. Newton. Black Pilot will make only a short season, as it is intended to put him in training to lower his record.

Thomas Arnold of Dorchester, N. S., has the old mare Kitty, with a record of 2:30. She obtained this record on the 24th of March, 1890, at Kentville, N. S., against the trotting horse, George R. McLeod. The old mare is hale and hearty, and will be 41 years old this evening.

Miss Russell, dam of Mand S. and Nettie, is now at Warren Park, Toronto, Ont., to be bred to Lord Nelson, whom she has just given birth to. A few of her records are: 2:25, 2:28, 2:30, 2:32, 2:34, 2:36, 2:38, 2:40, 2:42, 2:44, 2:46, 2:48, 2:50, 2:52, 2:54, 2:56, 2:58, 3:00, 3:02, 3:04, 3:06, 3:08, 3:10, 3:12, 3:14, 3:16, 3:18, 3:20, 3:22, 3:24, 3:26, 3:28, 3:30, 3:32, 3:34, 3:36, 3:38, 3:40, 3:42, 3:44, 3:46, 3:48, 3:50, 3:52, 3:54, 3:56, 3:58, 4:00, 4:02, 4:04, 4:06, 4:08, 4:10, 4:12, 4:14, 4:16, 4:18, 4:20, 4:22, 4:24, 4:26, 4:28, 4:30, 4:32, 4:34, 4:36, 4:38, 4:40, 4:42, 4:44, 4:46, 4:48, 4:50, 4:52, 4:54, 4:56, 4:58, 5:00, 5:02, 5:04, 5:06, 5:08, 5:10, 5:12, 5:14, 5:16, 5:18, 5:20, 5:22, 5:24, 5:26, 5:28, 5:30, 5:32, 5:34, 5:36, 5:38, 5:40, 5:42, 5:44, 5:46, 5:48, 5:50, 5:52, 5:54, 5:56, 5:58, 6:00, 6:02, 6:04, 6:06, 6:08, 6:10, 6:12, 6:14, 6:16, 6:18, 6:20, 6:22, 6:24, 6:26, 6:28, 6:30, 6:32, 6:34, 6:36, 6:38, 6:40, 6:42, 6:44, 6:46, 6:48, 6:50, 6:52, 6:54, 6:56, 6:58, 7:00, 7:02, 7:04, 7:06, 7:08, 7:10, 7:12, 7:14, 7:16, 7:18, 7:20, 7:22, 7:24, 7:26, 7:28, 7:30, 7:32, 7:34, 7:36, 7:38, 7:40, 7:42, 7:44, 7:46, 7:48, 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