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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23RD, 1903

In the customs, thoughts and memories of Christmas old hearts grow young and young hearts overflow with joy and merry-making. The happy influences of this festival are potent even in our master-of-fact day to soften sentiments of hatred or enmity, lighten the burden of care, or dull the tooth of physical pain by the forgetfulness of self and the desire for the happiness of others that it engenders.

Quite a flutter has been caused by the announcement that regulations are likely to be enforced by the Customs departments of the United States and Canada which will require passengers crossing from one country to the other to make a solemn declaration that there is nothing dutiable amongst their luggage.

The need of a comfortable and properly equipped concert hall for the town must have appealed to anyone who attended the concert given in aid of the Baptist Church Organ Fund, at the Court House, Thursday evening.

In its last issue the Annapolis Spectator tells the story of a Granville farmer who sold forty-eight barrels of No. 2 apples, to a St. John dealer, marked as No. 1.

This, as a fact, is disputed, but the dealer discovered it the farmer settled with him on the value of the lower grade. The marking on the barrel, however, was not changed, and when the apples came under the notice of the St. John Apple Inspector the farmer was summoned.

Notice in the closing exercises of the Maritime Business College, Halifax, that Miss Helen G. Wright, of Middleton, was the successful winner of the first prize offered in the competition for best work on the New Century Grammar by Mr. A. Milne Fraser, of that city.

Mr. Bernard Longmire returned from St. John last week, bringing with him the diploma of the St. John Business College. Messrs. Kerr inform us that Mr. Longmire was a diligent student, and did good work at the college.

Having been appointed local agent for the C. P. H. Stearns, I am prepared to receive consignments of apples to London. Apples consigned to reliable firms will be promptly shipped. Shippers wishing to patronize these boats should notify me at 25 St. James' Temple on Jan. 4th, and fortnightly thereafter.

Dear Monitor—Your readers will be pleased in learning that we are paying the land damages for right of way M. & V. B. Ry., Bridgetown to Middleton this week. Checks are made payable at the Union Bank of Halifax, Granville Street, but by the courtesy of the officials of this bank, they will be returned at par at any one of their agencies in the county.

Yours Truly, J. B. HART.

Local and Special News.

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I wish all my Customers and friends "A bright and Happy Christmas." J. W. BECKWITH.

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