

Holiday Trade—Important!

Shopping will soon begin for Christmas... Special Holiday Column—1st column of columns on each (3rd) page—announcements in same type and style as usual, inserted weekly at two cents for every five words—cash to accompany order.

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

HOLIDAY ADVERTISERS will please send us copy of their announcements for next week as early as possible. They should reach this office by Monday.

ROYAL ANNUALS—The annual meeting of Miramichi Council, Royal Arcanum, No. 441, will be held in their rooms on Friday evening, 7th inst., when the election of officers for next year and other important business will be transacted.

THE STOKES factory formerly owned and run by Mr. Chas. Booket, a short distance from Jacques River Station of the C. E. R., Restigouche County, has been purchased by Messrs. Wright & Turpin, and is about commencing operations.

THE BOROMA—The barque Boroma, Chatham, loaded by Messrs. J. & T. Jardine, of Kingston, N.S., left this port on the 1st of November and arrived at Liverpool on Saturday, the 17th, a passage of 17 days, and one of the shortest of the season.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT—Wm. O'Donnell, son of Maurice O'Donnell, mail driver between Donkdown and Fredericton, was accidentally shot near Killbuck, Minn. He went west ten years ago. He leaves a widow and child. His wife belongs to Miramichi.

AFRODIS, MITTENS, and other useful and fancy articles are made or order and kept on sale by the Ladies of St. Mary's Guild, who meet every Monday afternoon, from two to five o'clock, at the Rectory, Chatham, where they always ready to receive orders for the above and similar descriptions of work.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS—To ease the Advocate's mind, we beg to assure it that we have the same opinion of the failure of the electric light project to properly light Chatham streets as the rest of the community, but as the manager is putting in new plant and preparing to give us a good financial service, we prefer to give him a chance to do so before indulging in conjectures as to his past failure to come up to public expectation in the matter.

THE MARYVILLE COTTON FACTORY—In referring to this factory, the Fredericton Globe says: "The Maryville cotton factory is running full blast, and an immense quantity of goods is being turned out daily. New machinery is arriving constantly over the bank of the river, and being placed in position in the factory. At no other time have so many machines been kept running as at present."

HYMENAEAL—The marriage of Charles Sergeant, Esq., of Chatham Head, and Miss Bertha, daughter of George Dorval, Esq., of Nelson, took place at Old Chatham, St. Louis, Missouri, U. S., on Wednesday last. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Geo. H. Sterling, brother-in-law of the bride. The many friends of the bride and groom will join in congratulating them and wish them every happiness.

DEPARTURE OF THE NORTHERN & WESTERN—In referring to this factory, the Fredericton Globe says: "Business is booming on the Northern & Western. The traffic over the line was never so great as at present and is constantly on the increase. Large quantities of oats from Prince Edward Island are being sent over the road daily for the Miramichi lumbermen. Carloads of bark, cord wood, ship-knees, telegraph poles, etc., are constantly being landed here. Three car loads of manufactured cotton went over the line from Maryville this morning."

THE "ADVOCATE" publishes the following item this week: "St. John's Progress, among its Chatham friends states that—"It is rumored that Mr. Davidson of the Bank of Montreal has purchased the mill and premises of Mr. A. Morrison and intends to carry on an extensive lumber business. It is pretty generally understood that the Chatham items in Progress are only intended to read in a Pickwickian sense, and the Advocate ought therefore to know better than to treat them seriously. Those who furnish the Progress items ought not, we think, to carry their jokes into people's business concerns, and the managers of that paper ought to confine the efforts of their correspondents' inventive genius within proper bounds. It is needless to say that no such purchase as that referred to has taken place or is even contemplated, and that there is simply an ill-bred and impertinent falsehood."

SMALL FISHING—The ice having run out of the river, save in the cove and boom, the small-fishermen cannot find sufficient areas on which to fish their nets. A strip of ice just above Lane's Basin Wharf, Chatham, through which a large number of nets were being fished Monday night, left the shore, owing to the high tide, and about fifty nets were carried down river with the tide—the ice breaking up under the strain upon it, and so it was, by the many holes cut in it. Some of the nets were recovered but about \$1,000 loss was made.

The smelt are very plentiful and large this season. When the river was frozen over a fortnight ago and the weather was entirely favorable for catching, storing and shipping smelt, the fishery was prohibited by the Department, and now, when the conditions are not so favorable, they are having gone out—a general fishery cannot be made, although fishing is allowed and fish are very plentiful. This

shows conclusively that the time for smelting is when the weather is cold enough to make the ice sufficiently strong to work the nets.

A NEW LOBSTER TRAP—Andrew Plick, of Halifax, has invented a folding lobster trap and patented it in Canada, Newfoundland and the United States. The traps are constructed of brass, iron, wood and netting. The invention promises to bring wealth to the owner. These traps present an advantage over any at present in use. A number of hooks are fitted on a rod of iron attached to the base of the trap, and it is then lowered to the bottom, where small cod and sculpin are abundant. Eighteen of the traps are sufficient for one man, by having them on two trawls, and when open cover a space of 140 square feet and weigh about 300 lbs. They can be packed in a box 3 ft. square. The traps can be brought ashore all at once in case of a storm. Persons interested should inspect Mr. Plick's invention.—Halifax Herald.

BRICKING UP WRECK—Says the Boston Herald of Thursday: "The manner in which the wrecked brigantine Algon has been broken up and carried away by wreckers is truly remarkable. Of the great vessel which drifted on the beach near Gloucester, Monday noon, was the brigantine Algon, which was wrecked on the beach and every inch of rigging standing, and with a large and valuable cargo in her hold, practically nothing now remains. Every single inch of the cargo has been carried off, the rigging has disappeared, every square inch of copper has been stripped from her bottom, and this morning the masts were cut away, chopped up and carried off. Nothing now remains of the handsome craft except her bare hull and deck. This state of affairs is one which is to be regretted, and demonstrates clearly the necessity of the appointment of a wrecking master for this locality. There are several competent men in such a position, residing in close proximity to the beach."

NATIONAL PILLS are a mild purgative, acting on the Stomach, Liver and Bowels, removing all obstructions.

The Electric Lights and Mr. Watt.—To the Editor of the "Advance."

DEAR SIR—Please allow a small space in your valuable paper to answer some accusations made by Mr. George Watt, an assessor for Chatham, against me as one of the Police and Light Committee.

I do not think it necessary to enter into a newspaper controversy with Mr. Watt, who seems to have a mania for that kind of business, as it is the only means he has to keep himself before the public. It is true that he was accidentally elected to the Municipal Council last year by a majority of one vote, while I was elected by a good majority. It was, I believe, Mr. Watt's ambition to take charge of County as well as Parish affairs, although having been elected continually for the last seven years, I took it for granted that I should have something to say regarding the latter. I treated Mr. Watt as well as I could afford to do, considering his inclination for double dealing. As a matter of fact, he did not know it was necessary for him to appoint one of the Police Committee for Chatham, before he could legally do so, as such is a matter of appointment by the Municipal Council under the By-Laws, and did not inform him of it, as I had learned by that time that good treatment was lost on him. He ought therefore, to remember that he has been a member of the Chatham Electric Light Committee by courtesy only and not by right.

I have no doubt, Mr. Watt made a great many promises which he failed to fulfil, as during the election campaign I had the pleasure of hearing him at a meeting at Black Rock, where, on the public platform, he asked if as a favor of the electors there not to elect him with Mr. Flanagan again, as I had tied his hands and, therefore, it was impossible for him to carry out his promises. It seems, by his own statement, that if I have not broken enough to make such a contract as he wishes to dictate, with Mr. Snowball, I, at least, had enough of his promises to handle Mr. Watt all right at the Council as well as elsewhere, but I admit it is not worth to boast of.

In reference to Mr. Watt being one of the electric light Committee, I had a him once to him was rejected on the first Tuesday in October last, and ever since that time I have treated him with as much courtesy as possible in public matters, until I learned that he intended to revenge his spite on Mr. Snowball for not supporting him at the last Municipal Election, at the expense of the taxpayers. He was determined to make no contract with Mr. Snowball until it was too late in the season to put up the poles and therefore we would be obliged to drop back to the old system of gas-lighting. If I want to meet Mr. Snowball or anyone else I am not afraid to do so in my own way, on my private account, but not at the public expense. It was not until I failed to do Mr. Watt to come to terms with Mr. Snowball that I told the latter to go ahead with the work of putting up the Electric Light poles, numbering in all the town forty-four lights, he, Mr. Snowball, to light the Station Road, besides, and I had broken enough to take the responsibility, I expect for the incandescent lights will give us good satisfaction, although it is a long time coming. I may say that I shared in the feeling of dissatisfaction with the are lights, and having had a little private difficulty with Mr. Snowball, thought that as I had allowed Mr. Watt to lead in arranging electric light matters, he would make an effort to secure an improvement of the service during the summer months. He did not do so, however, as he wished to carry forward that gentleman in view of the election and, soon after that, I was obliged to sign him to action and induce him to write a letter to the Manager of the electric lighting, Mr. MacDougall Snowball, requiring an improvement. Very suddenly, after that, he became unusually anxious and very anxious—not to say unreasonable—in the matter with Mr. Snowball, as I suppose, he thought he could afford to be when the election was over and the shipping season closed. Finding him determined to act the part of obstructionist I felt that if we were to have the improved electric lights I must ignore him, which I have determined to do, in the public interest. He will, no doubt, continue to advertise himself over the matter—as he has done at the expense of our fishermen, with the unfortunate results they are now realizing. He seems to be a practical misfortune to everyone who depends upon him to do anything for them, simply because his vanity causes him to forget everything but the duty of advertising Mr. George Watt. The promise which we allowed him to give in Chatham as the agent of a political candidate some two years ago has led

him to turn the position to his own personal account, but it has taught a good many of us that it will not do to repeat the blunder, for we have heard far too much ever since of "his and uncle Peter."

I remain respectfully yours,  
ROBERT FLANAGAN,  
Electric Light Committee.

Probable Murder.—A train on the Bay Chaleur railway was the scene of a tragic occurrence on Wednesday last, which will probably result in the death of the injured man. A number of Italians have been working during the summer on this railway, which extends eastward along the north of Bay Chaleur from Metapedia, the next station on the I. C. R. north of Campbellton. The Italians were recently paid off and a number of them were coming down the new road Wednesday afternoon in a box car. Among them was a man of about 55 years and his son, a bright young fellow of 16 or 17, and also another man of about the age of the former. The story told by the boy is that the other man drew a revolver from his pocket bag, knowing that he had been paid off and had some \$100 in his possession. His father did not show any disposition to accede to the demand, whereupon the man drew a revolver from his pocket bag and the men could interfere and fired two shots at the boy's father, one of which missed its mark, but the other took effect in the abdomen of the elderly Italian.

This occurred but a few miles from Metapedia and on arrival at the latter place the injured man was sent on a special to Campbellton, arriving there about 7 o'clock. Dr. Verner made an examination of his wounds at the station and the man was afterwards taken to Desmond's Hotel, where the doctor did all that was possible for him under the circumstances. The bullet could not be extracted, however, and the man was suffering a great deal of pain and bleeding profusely. It was feared his injuries would prove fatal.

A Campbellton despatch of Saturday last says: The man who shot the Italian at Metapedia was captured this afternoon by Daniel Desmond and Driver Cameron. He is at once confined and is now in custody. He was colly walking past the house in which his victim was lying. No hopes are entertained of the recovery of the man. The son immediately recognized his father as the intended murderer of his father.

To Investigate both the body had the body, the reliable tonic, Miller's Aromatic Quinine Wine.

The World's Greatest Waterfall.—Labadur is said to possess a waterfall that makes Niagara Falls insignificant in comparison. E. E. Holmes, who recently made a tour of Labrador, locates this fall on the Grand River, which connects Lakes Petukappon with Goose-Bay, at the head of Hamilton Inlet. Up this river 150 miles to the Wainikopok Lake, and 30 miles further up the river is located the Grand Falls, in the break of a plateau, the Labrador Tableland, 2,000 to 2,300 feet above the lake. Mr. Holmes says the Grand River is 1,500 feet wide at the fall, and the height of the fall is estimated to be nearly 2,000 feet.

Plus! Plus! Reeking Pills.—Swarrows—Moisture, intense itching and stinging; most at night; worse by scratching. If allowed to continue tumors, which often bleed and oozing, becoming very sore. Swarrows' Ointment stops the itching and clearing, heals ulceration, and in most cases removes the tumors. At druggists, or by mail, for 50 cents. Dr. Swarrows & Son, Philadelphia.

A Thousand Dollar Competition.—There is excitement over the announcement of a reward of one thousand dollars by the publishers for the best letter of eulogy for a Christmas Sovereign to extend the coming Christmas Number of the Montreal Star. Last year the publishers paid four hundred dollars for the best children's criticisms. This year's Christmas Sovereign is wonderfully pretty, just the very pink of perfection for a Christmas souvenir or present to absent friends. The orders received for copies to send to friends in England, Scotland and Ireland in the largest quantities. Those who cannot procure them at a newsdealer's may get them direct from the publisher, Montreal, by sending the small amount of 40 cents, the small price at which the CHRISTMAS STAR is published. Postage stamps of one or three cents will be accepted.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became a Man, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

News and Notes.—A most daring robbery took place at Montreal on Tuesday evening, 27th, at the jewelry store of Mr. Henry Grant, Bayville Hall, B. A young man of gentlemanly appearance came into the store about 7 o'clock and said he was going to be married. He said he would like something nice for his betrothed, and had a couple of hundred rings. Mr. Grant took a couple of rings valued at \$1,400 from the window and showed them to his likely customer, but before Mr. Grant could speak he was out of the shop with the tray of rings. Mr. Grant saw he was betrayed and at once followed. The thief ran; Mr. Grant following, fired three shots from his revolver, which, as far as recovered, but the thief escaped.

Expel the Worms by using the safe and reliable anthelmintic Freeman's Worm Powders.

What Am I to do?—The symptoms of Biliousness are unpleasantly too much to bear. They differ in different individuals to some extent. A Bilious man is seldom a breakfast eater. Too frequently, also, he has an excellent appetite for liquids but none for solids of a morning. His tongue will hardly bear to be touched at any time if it is not white and furred, it is raw, h, at all events.

The digestive system is wholly out of order and Diarrhoea or Constipation may be symptoms or the two may alternate. There are often Hemorrhoids or even loss of blood. There may be giddiness and often headache and acidity or flatulence and tenderness in the pit of the stomach. To correct all this if not effect a cure try Green's August Flower.

Scams, Ticks, Scaly, Skin Torture.—The simple application of "SWARROW'S OINTMENT," without any internal medicine, will cure any case of Tetter, Salt Rheum, Ringworm, Piles, Itch, Scald, Ringworm, Eczema, all Scaly, Itchy Skin Eruptions, no matter how obstinate or

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

long standing. It is potent, effective, and costs but a trifle.

"When Canada comes in." The New York World of 1st inst. publishes a map of North America illustrating what it calls "the future great Republic" and including Canada in the form of twenty-eight States and territories of the American Union. It shows how the World deals with the great subject we reproduce its article accompanying the map, so that our readers may have an idea of the aspect in which the proposed union of the peoples of this continent presents itself to some of those who advocate it. It is well, we think, that all phases of the question should be understood. The World's article is as follows:

The World presents herewith a new map of what the United States might look like after Canada is admitted to the Union. Prominent Canadian feeling is carried up into twenty-eight new provinces and Territories. If the seven provinces of Canada were admitted as so many States, there would be fourteen new Senators and fifty-two new Representatives in Congress, and the newly made citizens would probably obtain representation in the Cabinet.

The Canadian discussion has progressed far enough to justify speaking of the annexation of Canada, with every eye on the annexation of the British possessions in North America would make in the eyes of the world, and this World-to-day lays before its readers a comprehensive and graphic outline of political subdivisions that may be made in the not altogether distant future.

The partition of an empire is an unenviable task, and the more the fall of the lot of newspaper writers, but it is an entertaining amusement. Here is a great continent infinitely varied in its productions, the bulk of its enjoying perfect freedom of trade, and its products, and manifestly enjoy its boundless prosperity to that system. But on the northern edge of the continent, a territory separated from each other by wide spaces or great physical barriers, having their own natural resources, and at the same time shut out by a customs wall from free commercial intercourse with the continent at large. Each of the blocks has natural resources—minerals, timber, fish, and other special firm products—which by reason of its isolation, remain but half developed. Is it possible that such a state of things can be so long that it can last? Looking at the case from the American point of view, it is possible that the people of the continent at large should be content forever to exclude these northern blocks of territory from the commercial life and forego the additional wealth with their resources, if developed with the aid of American appliances of labor, fish, and other special firm products, which by reason of its isolation, remain but half developed. Is it possible that such a state of things can be so long that it can last? Looking at the case from the American point of view, it is possible that the people of the continent at large should be content forever to exclude these northern blocks of territory from the commercial life and forego the additional wealth with their resources, if developed with the aid of American appliances of labor, fish, and other special firm products, which by reason of its isolation, remain but half developed. Is it possible that such a state of things can be so long that it can last? 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