### BUYING VOTES

Nice Plump Franchises on the Market Last Week.

Bearing the Stamp of Magna Charta -Business Brisk at \$2 to \$15.

else. The contents will no doubt be of interest to a whole lot of people at this time.

Dear George—I am told that if you can raise six thousand dollars you can elect your men in that county, even if the other side spend an equal amount. That is what a man from up there told me this week. He had it all figured out and talked as cheerfully about buying youtes as he would about buying poultry or pigs. It's the same here.

"I told the committee," said one of the workers on one side here, "that it I went into the ward election day they'd have to put up the stuff, and plenty of it, because I know the gang and what it'll cost. The last time I worked there I had to send twice for more money—and, even then, we got licked. The other fellows swamped us. They had a bar'l."

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And this man was perfectly sincere. He would not turn one dollar into his own pocket, but is himself a contributor to the funds of his party. It's a case of buy, buy—buy. I am told that in a recent election in one constituency, toward the close of the polls, when the running appeared to be very nearly even between the parties, the price of votes advanced to thirty dollars.

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ward the close of the polls, when the running appeared to be very nearly even between the parties, the price of votes advanced to thirty dollars. I had quite an argument with a man the other night on this subject. He is a mechanic, and what you would call a fairly intelligent man, in a general way. He said he had made up his mind to take all the money offered him by either or both parties. "Because," he said, "if I refuse it, somebody clse will take it. I might as well have my share of what's going. And I can vote as I like in the end." He stoutly denied that he would be selling himself or doing anything wrong. "They take it out of us," he said, alluding to the politicians. "They make their pile, and we might as well take whatever we can get." I asked him if he thought that was a good way to get honest government, and if a man who had to spend thousands of dollars buying men before he got into power wouldn't be apt to regard them with contempt and be the more ready to enrich himself at their expense when he did get a chance. My acquaintance admitted that such would probably be the case. "Then." I said, "the reform must begin down here. You understand that from the respense when he did get a chance. My acquaintance admitted that such would probably be the case. "Then." I said, "the reform must begin down here. You understand that from of them allows himself to be bought, and that if one of them allows himself to be bought and in reply, "but it won't work out. And in the meantime we may as well get our share of what's going."

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I do not know whether the commercial agencies will take note of the fact or not, but trade in votes, traffic in the sacred rights of the individual, about which we hear so much from platform and pulpit, is extremely active this week in the province of New Brunswick. While there is absolute uniformity in the quality of the goods, the price varies according to locality and circunstances. In some places you can get a nice plump franchise, bearing the stamp of Magna Charta and the emblems of human rights and liberty of conscience for two dollars. In some places it will cost you ten or fifteen. Let us rejoice that we live in an age of progress and reform.

FIRE AT TORRYBURN.

Mrs. Jones' Potting Shed Burned Down Destroyed.

Fire broke out in one of the flower buildings owned by Mrs. W. Jones at Torryburn about 10.30 last night. Mrs. Jones said early this morning that one and a two story potting shed was completely burned down. Eight men em-ployed about the premises were on hand soon after the alarm was made, and, with the assistance of neighbors, did what they could with pails and buckets of water to quench the flames. The hose which is used to water the

mider control.

Mrs. Jones did not know what the citual damages were. She said the fire would not interfere with her Easter

BEEBE PLAIN, Que, March 6.— John McIntosh, manager of the Stan-stead granite quarry, was scriously in-jured by being caught in a belt he was adjusting. His right arm was wrench-ed from the socket and his side ter-

SELLS HIS HEAD.

1889, there was only a small force of Boers near Kimberley at the time, and till Cronje came south not estimated at more than 4,000 or 5,000. Sir Redvers Buller gave an account of his operations in Ntal from the landing there to the crossing into the Transval. He stated his reasons for making the direct attack at Colenso on December 15, 1899, and not adopting other alternatives.

YOUNG STRIKE LEADER.

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QUEBEC, March 6.—Col. McNaughton of New York and W. W. Melville of Boston today purchased the Montfort and Gatineau railway. The line will be operated in connection with the Great Northern Railway of Canada, of which the two gentlemen named are directors and large sharesholders. It is their intention to extend the road fifty miles this summer.

CORNWALL, Ont., March 6.— John Stewart of Roxborough, who died a few weeks ago, left \$7,000 to the Presbyterian Church, \$5,000 to Queen's University, Kingston, \$10,000 to relatives, and the balance of the estate, about \$34,000, to founding and maintaining a home for aged or indigent Protestant people in Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

TORONTO, March 6.— The Tele-gram's special cable from London says: The C. P. R. will probably make its payment for the Beaver line in C. P. R, stock.

### THE WINTER PORT

February Trade Not up to Expectations--Lots of Grain and Cattle.

would be a much busier month in win-ter port work than any other part of the season have not been realized, although the business done compares very favorably with the corresponding

very favorably with the corresponding month in any previous year. The month started out well, and during the first ten days Sand Point was lively enough for anything, but during the last two weeks things were comparatively quiet.

In the same manner the present season, although a good one in many respects, and in some ways the best in the history of the winter port, is not proving so successful as the outlook in November seemed to warrant. Shipments of grain have been good, and cattle have also shown up well, but in package freight there has been a falling off. The following statements show the business done and the actual sailings up to and including February 28th.

The sailings in February and for the whole season to February 28th are as follows:—

Jan. 31 In Feb. Total Totals . . . . . 37

The import and export tonnage car ried by each line in February, exclus ive of all cattle shipments, is as under

| Line.          | Import. | Export |
|----------------|---------|--------|
| Allan          |         | 41,587 |
| Donaldson      | 9,384   | 23,238 |
| Elder-Dempster | 6,139   | 41,238 |
| Furness        | 2,244   | 5,379  |
| Head           |         | 3,680  |
| Manchester     | 1,094   | 12,371 |
| Battle         |         | 5,555  |

| been as follows: | _       | Brann   | nave   |
|------------------|---------|---------|--------|
| Line.            | Wheat.  | Oats.   | Peas.  |
| Allan            | 823,331 | 9,662   | 17,077 |
| Donaldson        | 314,001 | 132,175 | 25,330 |
| E-D              | 717,663 | 74,604  | 24,997 |
| Manchester       | 206,212 | 57,528  |        |
| Furness          | 69,624  | 44,837  |        |
| Battle           | 185,180 |         | ••••   |
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Totals to Feb.

Cattle . . . 11,260 11,750 Sheep . . . 12,113 6,869 Horses . . 209 100 23,582 18,719

Statements of the Business for This Season.

|                | Import. | Export |
|----------------|---------|--------|
| Allan          | 2.877   | 7,48   |
| Donaldson      | 2,032   | 6,00   |
| Elder-Dempster | 1,306   | 14,93  |
| Furness        | 733     | 1,04   |
| Manchester     |         | 3,27   |
| Head           |         | 2,67   |
| Battle         |         | 5,55   |
| Total for Dah  | 7 400   |        |

year.
Grain has been coming along pretty
freely this season, but it as well as
other things promised better at the beginning of the season.
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| Totals     | 9 916 011 | 210 000 | 67 904 |

In addition to these shipments the Donaldson line took 33,989 Jushels rye and 22,590 bushels of corn, and the Elder-Dempster line 1,927 bushels of

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This brings the total grain shipments to the end of February to 2,769,-528 bushels of all kinds of grain. On February 28th there was stored in the Sand Point elevator 537,484 bushels, and there had been delivered to ships which were almost ready to sail, 182,522 bushels more, so that the grain handled to the end of the month amounted to 3,540,534 bushels, or 1,395,537 bushels more than the total of last season's shipments and within a million bushels of 1899-1900, the banner year.

Live stock has been shipped as follows:—

To January 31st.

Line Cattle. Sheep, Horses.

Allan ... 2,552 989

The comparison of cattle shipment during the present and two past sea sons is shown in this table:

Liverpool and Manchester, hitherto d rivals in trade, have entered into a par ship in order to bring about cction gro within the British empire.

Laxative Bromo Quinine & M. Loron on every Gures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days G. M. Loron box. 230

Life is a quarry, out of whick we mould and chisel and complete a character.—Goethe.

In a quarry of marble or granite or any other stone lie untoid riches and unlimited possibilities. But these inust be worked out, otherwise they lie idle, and so valueless, for all time. Every block out out from the quarries must be hewn and chiseled into shape and form of beauty, or it will remain always in its primal state of roughness, devoid of aught which can be admired except as containing, perhaps, great capabilities.

Even so is every human life, for in a certain sense each one of us may be said to be the builder of his own character, and must chisel and carve out the likeness to his ideal from the material that is given him to begin with, in the same manner that the artist evolves from the shapeless stone the grace and strength that lie in his model. A virtuous deed, an act of self-sacrifice, a victory over temptation of what kind soever is a blow of the chisel, which gradually, stroke by stroke, removes the imperfections and smoothes down the roughnesses, completing that noblest of all achievements a fair and strong character.

And while it is sonly at the skilful touch of a master hand that the sleeping soul within the marble shall waken to life and beauty, yet on the other hand every man may help to make his own life, worth living by his services to mankind, and his character something worthy to endure.

The sculptor must needs be exceedingly careful in his treatment of the block before him, for a single false and imperfect stroke will sometimes have disastrous effects, irretrievably marring the perfection of his masterplece. And the character builder must be coqually vigilant, for in his case the sins and mistakes of his life cannot but have a blighting effect upon his completed work. Then shall we not, ever striving upward, learn to make the most of our advantages and develop the best that is in us, endeavoring to, as far as it is given us to do so, hew out a character that shall be straight and true and upright,

SYMPTOMS OF FIRST LOVE.

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LATE SHIP NEWS.

Domestic Ports.

HALIFAX, NS, March 6—Ard, str Lady
Laurier, from Sable Island; sch Elector,
Morrissey, from Gloucester via Fubnico for
Banks; put in for balt, and cld.
Sld, str Numidian, Main, for St John.
Cld, sch Wanola, for Ingram-River, to load
for Bridgeport, Conn.

HALIFAX, NS, March 6—Ard, strs Canada,
from Boston, and sld for Queenstown and
Liverpool; Manchester Commerce, from Manhaster for Nt. John.

British Ports.

LIVERPOOL, March 6-Ard, str Manchester City, from 8t John, NB, for Manchester MOVILLE, March 6-Sid, str Parisian (from Liverpool), for Halifax and St John NB.

NB.
HONG KONG, March 6-Ard, ship Howard
D Troop, Corning, from New York.
LIVERPOOL, March 6-Sid, str Georgic,
for New York.
Proceedings of the Ports.

BOSTON, March 6—Ard, strs Inchmarle, from Shields; Saxonia, from Liverpool via Queenstown; Anglian, from London; Uni-verse, from Louisburg, CB; St Croix, from St John, NB, via Eastport and Portland; sch

Queenstown: Anglian, from London; Universe, from Louisburg, CB; St Croix, from St John, NB, via Eastport and Portland; sch Ann Louisa Lockwood, Gld, strs Boston, for Yarmouth, NS; Terle Viken, for Louisburg, CB.

NEW YORK, March 6-Ard, sch Wm Marshall, from Perth Amboy for Lynn.

NEW YORK, March 6-Ard, sch Rebecca W Huddell, from Perth Amboy for St John, NB.

Republic, from Boston for do.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass, March 6-Sld, sch CR Ebecca W Huddell, from Perth Amboy for St John, NB.

VINEYARD HAVEN, March 6-Ard, sch Greta, from Bermud for St John, MB.

VINEYARD HAVEN, March 6-Ard, sch Greta, from Bermud for St John, HUELVA, March 5-Ard, str Kentigern, Parker, from Lisbon

ROCKLAND, Ne, March 5-The British barkentine Cuba, from Parrsboro, NS, Feb 12, with 800 tons of soft coal for Bath, was aground just inside Marshall Point at Port Clyde today, but at high tide was taken of by the revenue cutter Woodbury and proceeded uniquired to Bath. The Cuba dropped anchor in Clyde harbor during the night, and this forenoon as sail was holsted to proceed a sudden squall took the barkentine a quarter of a mile and cast her on shore. The Burat Isiand Hie saving crew stood by, but their sovices were not required.

MARINE MARTERS.

WINTER PORT MATTERS.

The Allan mail str. Parisian sailed yester-day from Moville for Halifax and St. John. Str. Manchester City, from this port for Manchester, reached Liverpool yesterday. Str. Manchester Comerce, from Manchester for this port, reached Halifax last night. The mail str. Numidian lett Halifax at £3.9 The mail sir. Numidian left Hallfax a yesterday morning for this port. She probably dock here about noon today. The Furness liner St. John City, London via Hallfax, docked at the Pett pler at an early hour yesterday mor. She has a lot of general goods for dei here.

# Don't Miss It.

Take advantage now of my Rubber Sale. The sizes you, want are being rapidly sold out, and they cannot be replaced at the prices I am asking.

# REVERDY STEEVES, 44 BrusselStreet.

## **NEWSPAPERS** AND PRINTING OFFICES.

Owing to the purchase and installation of new plant, the undersigned will, in a few weeks, have the following articles for sale

- 5 Imposing Stones with Stands.
- Staple Binder.
- Card Cutter.
- 2 Job Presses.
- 1 Counter, with 6 drawers, walnut top, 91 feet long.

SUN PRINTING COMPANY St. John, N. B.

HARMONY HALL.

Fellow Robertson Creates Quite a Sensation Among the Faithful.

"Fellows," said the President, "you will all be glad to hear that Fellow Robertson dealres to deliver an address."

There was great applause as Fellow Robertson mounted the platform. He threw back his shoulders, strode twice up and down the rostrum, gazed majestically at the Fellows.—You know me. I am no stranger here. I sang a little song when I heard that my friend Lantalum was actually elected."

"Was it the Dear Little Shamrock or Boyne Water?" yelled a back-bencher. Fellow Robertson ignored the interruption.

"As one of your representatives," he went on, "I desire to speak to you tonight about something that very closely touches the honor of dear old St. John, which lies so close to my heart. I allude to the present ballot law. It must be amended. Whether we get a dry dock or not, we must have this measure of reform. Why, I am told that one of the wealthiest men in St. John was actually paying out money on Saturday to secure my election. I am further informed that a well known employer of labor threatened a man with loss of his position unless he voted for me. In fact it appears that an enormous amount of money was spent to secure my election. Of course I with loss of his position unless he voted for me. In fact it appears that an mormous amount of money was spent to secure my election. Of course I know I would have been elected in any case. St. John could not be so blind to her own interests as to leave me at home. But there may be another election and I may again be a candidate. It is might even be that in such case the number indicating my majority would be less than the number of votes actually secured by purchase or intimidation. In that case I would not be the member for Three Thousand Dollars, or whatever amount it was that elected me. Imagine my feelings in such a case. You know that as cheerfully as I sang a little song of joy for Fellow Lantalum, would I reject an office which I felt was the result of base bargaining. Therefore the ballot law must be reformed. I am sure the Telegraph will uphold me. I am sure the T

peals were dismissed by the court of appeals this morning. In South Oxford, Donald Sutherland, and in Lennox, T. G. Carscallen, both conservatives, are thus confirmed in their seats. In each case the appeal was taken on points on which the two trial judges disagreed. The standing of the parties in the Ontario legislature is still 52 to 44, with two vacancies.

SYDNEY, C. B.

house. The dam was complained of, and the town asked the company to remove it, but the company paid no attention, and as a result the town council ordered its removal, which order has been carried into effect.

Some persons the inopportune,
Pray what can one be gainin
By taking pains to hail a king
When he is busy reigning?

When he is busy reigning?

ROME, March 6.—All the sensational reports circulated regarding the health of the Pope are unfounded. Although he is not yet restored to his normal condition, he is better today than he was yesterday, so much so that he gave his uvual audience to Cardinal Rampolia, and later had a conference with the sub-secretary of state.

NORPOLK, Va., March 6.—The official trial trip of the torpedo boat destroyer Worden over the Cape Henry course today resulted in the craft exceeding by a very good margin the 20 knots required of her in the building contract.

"A Stitch in time Saves Nine" AND THE USE OF PARK'S

PERFECT **EMULSION** 

Price 50c. a bottle. Large bottle \$1.00

## SPORTING NEWS.

wehters of an experience of the provincial legislature is over and you will see the bridge started. There is money back of the scheme as a business investment."

RECENT DEATHS,

Mrs. Jane Giggey, of North End, aged 74 years, died at the home of her son, Geo. Giggey, in Roxbury, Mass, early Thursday morning, after an illness of about six weeks. The deceased lady left St. John less than two months age to visit her son, as was her as a custom, but during the trip she contracted a heavy cold from which she failed to raily. The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon from the house of James Magee, corner of Adelaide street and Millidgeville road. The deceased was the daughter of the late Charles Curless and sister of the late Charles Curless Henry Harper was her first husband and by that union there were three children—Charles Harper, Adelaide street, Mrs. Jarvis Watters, Victoria street, and Mrs. Geo. A. Whelpley, Lower Metcaif street, Mrs. Jas. Magee, Adelaide street, and George Giggey, of Roxbury, are children of the second marriage.

Daniel McGregor, a well known railroad contractor and builder, died in New Glasgow yesterday. RECENT DEATHS.

A well attended entertainment was held in Orange Hall, Simonds street, last night under the auspices of Portland lodge, Sons of England. The följowing programme was carried out; Mr. Whitney, song; Leaman brothers, buck and wing dance; dialogue; Miss Oakleaf, cornet solo; Mr. Salmon, reading; Mr. McGorman, monologue; Mr. Green, phonographic selection; Master Bond, bone specialty; Mr. Wetmore, song; Ramsay Martin, song; John Upton, recitation; Frank Leaman, song.

TORONTO, March 6.—At the annual meeting of the Sharehousers of the Crows' Nest Bass Coal Mining Co, here today Elias Rogers retired from the position of managing director. The work in future will be performed by the local manager at Fernie.