

-For the past four years the firm of Curry Bros. & Bent have conducted a successful business as builders and contractors, with eadquarters in Bridgetown. So successful have they been in securing contracts in the western part of the province, that the business has increased to such proportions that the members of the present firm find it im possible, with their limited capital, to handle even the present volume with the same results that could be secured from the working of a larger capital. The prospects are brigh for far greater increases than are shown in the records of the past four years. It is now considered advisable, for the future successful conduct of the business, to incorporate it as a joint stock company, with a capital of \$30,000, to be known as the Curry Bros. & Hill statice or four monthe one hundred sheep have been killed within three miles of Round conduct of the business, to incorporate it as Bent Company, Limited ; the capital to be Bent Company, Limited; the capital to be divided into 600 shares of \$50 each. The business is now thoroughly established, and all it wants is a chance to grow. The turn business is a chance to grow. The turn all it wants is a chance to grow. The turn over last year amounted to about \$75,000,

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and this will give a fair idea of the proportions it has already assumed. Bridgetown men will be asked to interest themselves in the undertaking, and, in the town's best interest, we hope they will have no hesitation in backing an industry that, under present nditio ns, puts from \$300 to \$500 in circula tion in the town every two weeks. With

an increase of capital, an increase of business

mercenary standpoint. The records of the business show that good profits have thus far been obtained, and under carcful man-agement there is no reason why they should not continue to accrue. The business is silver collection will be taken at the door. thoroughly established with a well equipped plant in good running order, and so far as is

possible in any investment, the element of speculation is eliminated. The employes of the factory stand ready to take about \$1600 of the new stock, and thus show their faith in the future of the business. Bridgetown already occupies an enviable position among provincial towns as a manufacturing centre, and our townsmen should recognize the advantages of the situation and bring a broad

public spirit to bear upon the consideration of the proposed extension of business.

-The two-cent postal rate on all letters mailed in Canada for transmission to any other part of the British empire, goes into effect next Monday, and it will constitute a most satisfactory reduction from the old five cent rate. Cheap postage will be an excellent thing, but our letter writing people are as a rule, neither so poor nor so miserly as to consider the item of postage of sufficient importance to regulate the volume of their correspondence. The new regulation is a purely patriotic institution, and as such will exercise a great influence in popularizing

ollecting subscriptions to equip a gospel wagon to travel in out of the way districts on omical management, the expenses of the department are barely met by the existing rate, there is no occasion to make further concessions, even for patriotic motives.
—The report of the business transacted at the creamery here shows that farmers are, gradually discarding the home butter and cheese making, and co-operating with the creamery to obtain a uniform product for export or for home consumption. It is only in this way that the best interests of dairy-ing can be promoted. Every butter and cheese factory in the county is doing a good work, and many thousands of dollars are an nually distributed among our farmers as the direct return from exported product, where, the aggregate returns for butter shipments from the county would not total one-tenth from the county would not total one-tenth the present result. A few years ago Ontario cheese was imported to supply the demands of our market; now our factories not only supply the country markets but are sending a high class product to the cities to compete nufacture of the upper provinwith the man ces. This change means much to our farming communities; money is kept at home by thus shutting out outside manufactures and a new channel of circulation is opened by selling our surplus product in the city marts. The history of Annapolis county is similar to that of several other counties in the prcvince where like methods prevail. The cooperative creamery depends on the patronage of our former dairymen for success, and

-The proposed increase of the capital stock of the Nova Scotia Pork Packing Company, just after the original capital had been scribed, is eliciting considerable grumbling from shareholders who think that, considering the difficulty experienced in raising the first \$25,000 of capital, the new proposition will constitute an insurmountable ob stacle to the establishment of the enterprise The directorate have been advised that while the original capital is sufficient to build and equip the factory it will not allow a margin cient to operate the concern until the returns from the first sales of manufactured products reach the treasury. In refusing to unch such an important enterprise without properly financing it, the directors have usiness is in strong hands now, and if the referse study their own interests in the mat-r they will meet the necessity of the co-ion by promptly subsoribing the neces-r capital. A New Whitney Strattantian Stra acted wisely, and we believe their action will be sustained by the vote of the shareholders. The industry should either be solidly established or not at all. The conduct of the business is in strong hands now, and if the ter they will meet the necessity of the oc-casion by promptly subscribing the necessary capital

A pension appropriation bill was adopted by the United States House of Representa tive last week, calling for the appropriation of \$145,000,009.

its every success is shared with them.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

The Halifax police have begun a crusade against cigarette smoking boys. 112 applications for liquor licenses for next year have been filed in Halifax. Rev. J. W. Brown, of Nictaux, is expect. ed home on Thursday. Mr. R. J. Messenger is home from Dal-housie College for the holidays. Mr. And Mrs. J. Marshall will spend the holidays in Roxbury, Mass. Mr. Fred Bath, of Granville, left to-day for Boston, on a fortinghr's vacation. Miss Angie James returned home last week after an extended and pleasant visit in Halifax. Mr. Harry P. Ruffee, of the W. U. staff, Halifax, Mr. Harry P. Ruffee, of the W. U. staff, Halifax, Mr. Harry P. Ruffee, of the W. U. staff, Halifax, Mr. Farnje Troop is visiting her aunt, Miss Fannie Troop is visiting her aunt, Rev. J. W. Brown, of Nictaux, is expect-

The Nova Scotia Carriage Co. has ordered a 50 horse power engine and boiler from the Robb Eng. Co. for the new factory they are building at Kentville.

Piper. Mrs. B. Hovey Calkin, of Kentville, who The civic taxation of Halifax this year will be \$321,000, which is \$7,000 more than last year. The city schools are to cost \$3,000about \$4,000 more than last year. has been visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. H. E. Cann, left last Monday for Yar-

A new Whitney Syndicate. A syndicate head-d by William C. Whit-ney has secured on rol of the electric light, heat and power fac lities of New York city. In the history of America few monopolies of such immensity have been known. Mr. Whitney becomes a new king of finance, a rival in power to Rockefeller--another poe-sible billionaire. For six months the syndi-cate-has been working, securing the more important electric companies with motors for illumination and power, and all the subways and conduits of Manhattan Island. Two-months ago a company was incorporated at Albany with a capital of \$25,000,000 - the New York Gas and Electric Light, Heat and Power Company. Band Concert.

F. W. BISHOP, Paradise, or Band Concert. The Bridgetown Band gave a most enjoy-file concert in the Court House last evening, inder the instruction of their new band-master, Mr. Woollard, who proved bimself partiette, composed of Paradise gentlemen, optimised and the second second second partiette, composed of Paradise gentlemen, optimised and the second second second partiette, composed of Paradise gentlemen, optimised and the second second second partiette, composed of Paradise second partiette, composed of Paradise gentlemen, optimised second second second partiette, composed of Paradise in a second partiette, concert, we bespeak for them a bamper house. 40 3i E. RICKETSON, Bridgetown BOWKER'S Animal Meal! Bone and Meat Scraps.

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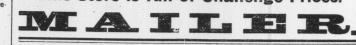
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Jackets, \$5.00; Challenge Price,	-	3.75	2 Ladies' Jackets, \$12.50; Challenge Price,	-	7.50
Jackets, \$6.75; Challenge Price,	-	5.00	2 Ladies' Jackets, \$13.00; Challenge Price,	-	7.00
Jackets, \$8.00; Challenge Price,	-		T Ladies' Jacket, \$14.00; Challenge Price,	-	8.00

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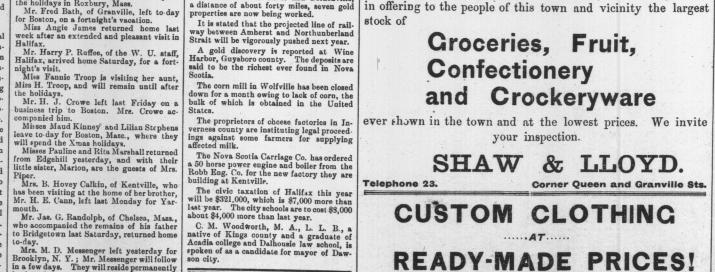
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