

Cotton and Linen Sale.

This sale was unavoidably delayed a few weeks this season by the improvements made in the department by the carpenters. It is now, however, in full swing. Special prices for this sale in

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Trust the people—the wise and the ignorant, the good and the bad—with the gravest questions, and in the end you educate the race.

HALIFAX W. C. T. U. ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual public meeting of Halifax W. C. T. U. was held the first of this month, Mrs. Whiston, who has been president for the past eight years, presided.

An effort to have a police matron and a patrol wagon has not as yet met with success. Work among the boys has been prosecuted vigorously.

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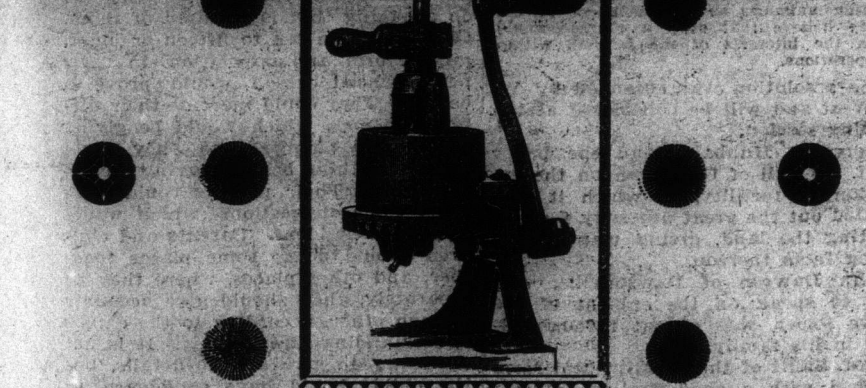
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Latest news in THE WEEKLY SUN.

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Are certainly a very necessary article with owners of poultry. When hens are fed on GREEN CUT BONE they lay from 200% to 400% more than without it.

- No. 1. With Crank Handle.....\$7.50.
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Hundreds of people are using these Machines, and find them a PERFECT SUCCESS. Will send to any address upon receipt of price.

W. H. THORNE & CO. (Limited), MARKET SQUARE.

THE ORANGEMEN.

Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick at Woodstock.

Over One Hundred Delegates in Attendance.—Grand Master Pitts' Address.

Woodstock, Feb. 15.—There are upwards of one hundred delegates now present at the annual meeting of the Grand Orange lodge, and more are expected tomorrow.

Grand Master Pitts delivered his annual address. He congratulated the lodge on the fact that the Orange men had to fight for a foot-hold and after a struggle broke down the bitter antagonism.

During the year the domain general elections took place, an event which had been looked forward to for many months by members of the association, expressed at its various sessions and by the most worshipful grand lodge, have been nobly sustained.

The quarterly convention of the St. John W. C. T. U. will be held March 5th in the W. C. T. U. hall, north end. Business will be attended to from 8:30 until 5:30 in the afternoon, and in the evening there will be a public meeting. A good programme should draw a good audience.

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Coveney was ninety-two years old. Twenty years ago he had erected in the cemetery at Buchanan a handsome monument, costing \$3,000. On this monument he had inscribed some of the most sacrilegious statements ever uttered by mankind.

The monument was defaced by stones being thrown against it, and it is now stoned with tobacco juice, and its beauty is sadly marred.

Coveney just before his death had his house filled with beautiful paintings of Satan, and in contrast were hideous pictures of the Lord. He was a free-thinker and hated God and the Bible. He characterized preachers as hypocrites.

MAJORIBANKS MARRIED.

Lady Aberdeen's Brother United in Matrimony at Nashville.

Nashville, Feb. 17.—Tonight in the First Presbyterian church, Rev. J. Vance, D. D., officiating, Miss Elizabeth Brown and Hon. Archibald Majoribanks of England were married.

The officers were installed by P. G. M. Taylor, F. O'Brien, W. H. Fairall, Treasurer, J. M. Taylor, Solicitor.—Dr. A. Stockton.

THE N. E. S. P. C. A.

What the Society Has Done During the Past Year.—Election of Officers for 1897.

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick S. P. C. A. was held in the board of trade rooms on the 15th inst., the president, J. V. Ellis, M. P., in the chair.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder. ABSOLUTELY PURE.

AGAINST CANADIANS.

United States Immigration Bill Has Passed the Senate.

No Canadian Can, After July Next, do Any Work Across the Border.

The Measure Only Passed the Senate by a Majority of Three.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The immigration bill now goes to the president, the last legislative step having been taken in the senate today by an agreement to the conference report on the bill.

Strong opposition was made to the report, but on the final vote the friends of the measure rallied a small majority, the vote being: Yeas 34; nays 31.

The bill as passed extends the immigration restrictions against "all persons physically capable and over sixteen years of age, who cannot read and write the English language, or some other language, but a person not so able to read and write who is the parent or grandparent of a qualified immigrant."

For the purpose of testing the immigrant's ability, he is compelled to read and write from twenty to twenty-five words of the United States constitution. Aside from these extensions of the present law, the bill inaugurates a new system of restricting immigration from border countries and designed to apply principally to immigration from Canada.

The provisions are as follows: Section 4.—That it shall hereafter be unlawful for any male alien who has not in good faith made his declaration before the proper court of his intention to become a citizen of the United States to be employed on any public works of the United States or to come regularly or habitually into the United States by land or water, for the purpose of engaging in any mechanical trade or manual labor for wages or salary, returning from time to time to a foreign country.

Section 5.—That it shall be unlawful for any person, partnership, company, or corporation knowingly to employ any alien coming into the United States in violation of the next preceding section of this act; provided, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to the employment of sailors, deck hands, or other employees of vessels, or railroad train hands, such as conductors, engineers, brakemen, firemen or baggage men whose duties require them to pass over the frontier to reach the terminal of the line, or to boatmen or guides on the lakes and rivers of the northern borders of the United States.

A violation of these sections is made a misdemeanor punishable by a fine up to \$500 or imprisonment up to one year, or both. An special provision exempts from the operation of the law persons arriving from Cuba during the continuance of the present disorder there. The law is to take effect July 1, next.

The debate brought out speeches in opposition to the bill from Senators Palmer, Carter, Caffery, of Louisiana, Gibson of Maryland, Blanchard, of Louisiana and Gray of Delaware, and in support of the bill by Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts.

MINING MATTERS.

The prospectus of the New Gold Fields of British Columbia, Ltd., has been issued in London, England. Sir Charles Tupper is the chairman. The capital is \$2,500,000.

Mr. Ashworth, the late London manager of the Bank of Montreal, is another director. Rufus H. Pope, M. P. for Compton, is the Canadian adviser. No properties have yet been purchased. The whole capital is to be available as the working capital of the company.

Seattle, Jan. 30.—The Grant-Govan syndicate have bought the Bobbie Burns and Ingersoll mines from the Chassee company for \$15,000. These properties are on Phillips Arm, on the mainland, about 200 miles north of Vancouver, and are directly on salt water.

Some extensive copper and gold discoveries are being made on Skeena river, about eighty miles above the mouth of the stream. The lodes are from twenty to sixty feet in width and traceable for a long distance, the ore assaying 120 in copper, gold and silver.

At Comox the coal companies are adding to their coking ovens, and increasing their capacity to supply the demands of the Trail creek and Nelson smelters. British Columbia coals will in time take the place of foreign material.

Rose quartz has been found in the Golden Drip mine, a neighbor to the O. K., and the ore is now being taken out and sacked for shipment to Great Falls, Mont. It is estimated that the ore will go for \$15.00 to \$25.00 a ton, and that one shipment just made of three tons will net about \$75,000.

On the 500 level of the Le Roi a strike has been made in ore that assays \$40 in gold, and well up in copper. The width of the ore body is four feet, entirely solid and free from gangue ore.

The Bruce company have also made a good strike in the Norway claim at a depth of sixty feet, the ore being pure white quartz. The assays go over \$60 in gold, free milling.

The Montezuma in Kaslo district has struck it on the 100 level. The strike is a solid body of clear galena, carrying from 112 to 140 ounces of silver.

On the Silver Nugget, in the same district, a double shaft is working on a tunnel, now in 200 feet, showing a ledge five feet in width with a ten-inch pay streak. This ledge has been stripped nearly the entire length of the claim.

The Stocan Star is making daily shipments of about forty tons high class ore.

The Van Ards mine on Texada island made another shipment of fifty tons of copper ore this week to the smelter at Everett, Wash.

IN THE GOLD FIELDS.

St. John Men Who are to Invest in the Kootenay Country.

Names of the Gentlemen Who Compose the Maritime Exploration Company.

A number of the leading business men of the maritime provinces, impressed with the idea that investments judiciously made in British Columbia are carefully guarded by reliable persons on the ground, promise good results, are organizing a strong company for the purchase, development and operation of gold and silver mines.

Application for incorporation under the laws of British Columbia has been made for a company to bear the name of "The Maritime Exploration Company of British Columbia." The following gentlemen are associated for this purpose: James Manchester, St. John, retired merchant.

Samuel Hayward, St. John, merchant. W. H. Thorne, St. John, merchant. Geo. H. McAvity, St. John, merchant. George F. Baird, ex-M. P., St. John, ship owner.

Jan. F. Robertson, St. John, merchant. Joseph Allison, St. John, merchant. John D. Chipman, St. Stephen, merchant. G. W. Ganong, M. P., St. Stephen, manufacturer. J. E. Shannon, St. Stephen, manufacturer. James C. Macintosh, Halifax, banker. B. F. Pearson, Halifax, barrister. Hon. Josiah Wood, Sackville, senator.

Fred. H. Hale, M. P., Woodstock, lumber merchant. G. E. Whittier, Boston, coal mine and street railway owner. Hon. Redford Proctor, Washington, D. C., U. S. senator. Alexander Dick, Roseland, mining engineer. Frank A. Baird, Roseland.

The above list of names of successful and prudent business men is the best guarantee that the syndicate which they have formed is embracing in this enterprise on genuine business principles, and not with the purpose of promoting wildcat schemes.

The proposed capital of the company is \$1,000,000, and the intention is to offer a portion of the stock to the public.

Alexander Dick, who spent a portion of last season in the Kootenay country and acquired the mining property in the Stocan district, and Frank A. Baird, a son of George F. Baird, who is now in business at Roseland, will be resident representatives of the company. It is proposed to purchase undeveloped properties which give good promise, and to explore and develop the same as the prospects warrant. In this way the prospectors hope to avoid the risks and losses which result from the careless purchases at high prices of properties that have no value. They have the impression that investments in gold mining properties, if made as carefully and handled in the same business way that they handle their more mercantile concerns, are as safe as other lines of business.

THE LUMBER INTEREST.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 18.—A meeting was held here today of many American lumbermen, who have invested in Canadian timber, for the object of preventing the \$3 per 1,000 tariff from going through congress, as decided upon by the house ways and means committee. A committee of a dozen leading lumbermen were appointed to write the Washington and endeavor to influence the house to refuse to adopt the recommendation of the ways and means committee and enact instead the McKinley rate of \$1 per thousand.

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