Central Clarence.

Lawyer J. Parsonr, of Halifax, spent a few days here recently.

Mr. Chas. Healy and sister spent Sunday with Mrs. E. W. Risteen.

Mrs. R. G. Chesley entertained a number of her friends on Saturday last.

Miss Hattie L. Foster, who has been sick for some few days, is recovering.

Miss Jessie Vroom, of Deep Brook, is visiting at Mrs. Alfred Marshall's.

Mrs. Lenley Young, of Brooklyn, N. S., is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. A. Rumsey.

Mrs. H. W. Durling left on Thursday last to join her husband at Temple, N. B., where they will in the future reside.

Several of the young folks have been favored with an invitation to the "At Home" of the Athenæum Society of Acadia University, through Mr. H. H. Roach of this place.

Mr. Hubert M. Marshall, who has recently secured a situation in the well known Earle Publishing House, of St. John, N. B., as shipping clerk, through Mr. S. Kerr, of the St. John Business College, left for that place on Monday.

We have been requested to correct an item under the Clarence head of the February 16th issue, concerning the party given by Miss Laura Sproul. It was reported by some one in that column that a "social dance" was given. It was untrue.

We have recently been informed of the death of Mary Helen, beloved wife of Chipman Kempton, of Maitland, N. S., and formerly of this place. Mrs. K. was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Roach. She leaves an affectionate husband and four grief stricken children to mourn their loss.

Inglisville.

Rev. Mr. Phillips, of Digby, has occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church twice quite recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Beals, of Clarence, have been recent visitors at Mr. and Mrs. John E. Beals'.

Mrs. Judson Ruggles, of Upper Clements, was a guest of her sister, Mrs. Edgar Barteaux, March 6th.

Mr. Albert Beals left Saturday for the United States, after remaining with his parents during the winter.

Mr. Ira Durland has been confined to the house for several weeks, owing to an injury on his hip. He is somewhat better.

Several of our farmers have done a good winter's work getting out logs. Veinot's mill is expected in June. Mr. Edward Dunn and son, Murdock, have got out a quantity of piling.

A party of young folk took advantage of the last of the sleighing a fortnight ago. Our two school teachers were among the number, Miss Ruperta Woodward and Miss Flo. Banks. A pleasant evening was spent at Nictaux at Mr. Woodward's.

Quite a number from this place availed themselves of the privilege and attended the donation for Pastor Wallace, March 1st. It was a pleasant affair and the exercises were exceedingly interesting, consisting of singing, speaking and instrumental music. The sum of forty dollars was presented to the pastor, chiefly in cash.

Port Lorne.

Capt. Charlie Starratt had the misfortune to have his sails burned.

Capt. Samuel Beardsley, jr., has gone to St. John to join his schooner.

Messrs. Curtis Foster and Wm. Green have gone to the States to seek their fortunes.

Mr. Silas Beardsley has shipped with Capt. Longmire, of Bridgetown, for the season.

Rev. E. P. Coldwell will preach Sunday, 27th, at Hampton, 10.30; St. Croix, 2.30.

Capt. John Brown, of Port George, was visiting some friends here on Friday and Saturday last.

Capt. F. Beardsley will take his packet, the Maudie, from her winter quarters at Granville Ferry on Monday, 28th, for St. John.

Capt. Freeman Beardsley has been to Granville Ferry to look after his schooner, which was cast adrift the night of the fire there to save her from being burned.

North Division is still prospering. Six new members were initiated last Thursday night, and an entertainment was given for neighbouring divisions. Ice cream and cake was served during the evening.

Clementsvale.

Mr. Eber Weilandt leaves for Boston this week.

Mrs. O. Filoyd led the B. Y. P. U. on Sunday evening.

Mrs. John Hicks and her daughter, Miss Marguerite, were visiting friends here on Monday.

Six have been received for baptism at Virginia, since the last report.

Miss King, of Digby, and Miss Whitman, of Upper Clements, spent a few days of last week in this place.

Quite a large party from here went to Milford last week, visiting the genial proprietor of the "Milford House." Among those who took the trip were Messrs. H. Trimper, Adna Potter, B. and N. Potter and M. Wright. The ladies of the party belonged at Princeville with the exception of Miss E. Patterson, of Caledonia, and Miss Curtis. They report a grand time.

Nictaux.

Mr. Harry Beckwith and wife of Portland Oregon are visiting his parents.

The wind is drying the roads very fast. Look out for the bicycle next week.

Leander McKenzie has bought Frank Balcom's house and expects to move April 1st.

Rev. J. W. Brown, complying with the request of the W. C. T. U., preached from Prov. 20: 1 on Sunday last proving that Prohibitory laws were in accord with the great fudemental principle of the Bible that no man should injure his neighbor, and the second great commandment "Thou shall love thy neighbor as thyself."

Three persons were baptised by Rev. J. W. Brown at North Williamston on Sunday afternoon. Special services at South Williamston this week.

Outram.

Mr. W. Healy is very busy at present in his saw mill.

Mrs. P. N. Banks presented her daughter, Ethel, with an organ on her birthday last week.

Mr. Minard L. Brinton and his bride are at present visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hicks, at Berwick, Kings Co.

Mr. E. F. Miller has purchased himself a very fine farm in the vicinity of Bridgetown, where he and his family intend to reside in the future.

Mrs. Leander Grant, from Clarence, is at present quite sick at Mrs. R. Bent's. She was taken sick while visiting there. Dr. Schaffner, from Lawrencetown, is in attendance.

Hampton.

Norris Mitchell has joined the schr. Temple Bar for the season.

Mr. Parks was here on Monday last paying bounty claims to our fishermen.

Our ladies have the mat fever, and they are making them all sizes and designs.

Miss Martha Foster, who has been visiting at Nictaux Falls for a few weeks, has just returned home.

Charles Bent, Frank Messenger and Henry Chute have shipped in the schr. Swanhilda, Capt. Croscup.

The chilling winds of March are marching along. Sledding is a thing of the past. Preparing wood for future use is now the order of the day.

Round Hill.

Miss Maud Exford, of Boston, Mass., spent Sunday with Mrs. R. K. Marshall.

Hon. J. A. Bancroft returned from attending the legislature, at Halifax, last week.

Miss Florence G. Bancroft spent Sunday in Bridgetown with her sister, Mrs. H. A. Calder.

We are pleased to note that Hon. George Whitman has improved in health since last writing.

Mr. J. H. Sparrow has bought Mr. Wm. McLaughlin's farm, and will take possession in two or three weeks.

Mr. Elias Tupper, who has been engaged in the lumber business in Brooklyn, Queens Co., is spending a few days at home.

Lower Granville.

Morrison & Sons' mill is running on full time and they have a big lot of logs on hand.

Schr. Josephine, Capt. Holmes, is ready to sail for Boston.

Rev. Wm. McGregor occupied the Baptist pulpit last Sabbath.

Rev. Isa Wallace is engaged in special services at Victoria Beach.

A number of our young men leave for the states this week, seeking employment.

Rev. Mr. Giles is continuing special services at the Methodist Church, and a deep interest is being awakened.

Call at J. I. Foster's for Potter's Pink Ointment.

Springfield.

Court Forest Flower will hold its regular monthly meeting on Friday evening the 25th.

Miss Agnes Freeman, who has been staying at Lawrencetown for several months past, returned home on the 18th.

Mrs. Joseph Corkum, of Alpena, who was the guest or Mr. and Mrs. William McNayr for nearly a week, left for her home on the 17th.

Miss A. Green, of Brighton, England, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. Webb, for over a year, left on the 16th for New York, where she intends staying for a few months. Miss Green will be greatly missed as she was an active worker in the Sunday school and a member of the choir.

The funeral of the late Boyd McNayr took place on the afternoon of the 14th. The funeral service was held in the Methodist church, Rev. Mr. Tuttle presided and Revs. Downing and Webb assisted. The deceased left a widow, one son and three daughters besides a large number of other relatives to mourn their loss.

On Tuesday morning the 15th the funeral of the late Arabella, wife of Mr. Angus McGill, whose father was buried only a few weeks ago, took place. The funeral sermon was preached by Pastor Webb. The deceased was 26 years of age. She was a member of the Baptist church. A mother, a husband and two little children are left to mourn their loss.

Middleton.

The Middleton minstrels, gave a performance in Odd Fellows Hall last Thursday night, that might well be termed a "howling" success. The performers were greeted much the largest audience ever seen in that hall. The jokes were good and the whole performance first class for its kind. The orchestra was a much appreciated feature. The entertainment will repeated after Easter for the benefit of the Library fund.

Saturday evening, at a meeting held in Temperance Hall, the Middleton Library Association was organized with the following officers: S. Howe, president; J. E. Cox, secretary; with these Principal Goucher is associated in the management of the enterprise. The Association has a membership fee of $1.00 and with one exception, every person present paid a dollar and became a member. The Library Association offers many advantages to those whose means for acquiring wholesome reading matter are limited, and will fill a long felt want.

The streets are passable now but the memory of the recent wetness has caused an agitation for a sewerage system and we hope that object will be attained in the near future.

East Dalhousie.

Mr. Geo. A. Taylor spent last week visiting relatives at Kingston.

Mr. Bramford Keddy is purchasing new machinery for his saw-mill.

Mrs. Freeman West, of Lake Paul, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wright, on the 19th and 20th.

A new postoffice is to be opened shortly. It will be known as the "Dale" office. The postmaster is Mr. Martin Franey.

The ladies of the Church of England held a basket social on the 17th inst. The proceeds went toward the building fund.

Mrs. Elton H. Saunders and Miss Annis Saunders visited friends and relatives at Springfield and Falkland Ridge quite recently.

Mr. Harding Burgoyne and Miss Mary Deamond, both of Cherryfield, were married quite recently. The bride and groom appeared out at the Baptist church on Sunday morning.

A Handsome Wedding.

SPURR—ROBINSON.

The wedding of Frederick E. Spurr of Boston, and Miss Florence Eugena, daughter of Austin B. Robinson of Everett, was solemnized at their future residence, 11 Corey street, by Rev. A. P. Greenleaf, rector of Grace Episcopal church, last Tuesday evening. It was one of the prettiest weddings that has taken place in this city for many a day. The groom, Mr. Spurr, is a successful provision dealer in the Eastern market, Boston and has a host of friends. The house was prettily trimmed with ferns, potted plants and cut flowers. The bride was handsomely gowned in pale blue silk, with pearl trimmings, and the bridesmaid, in ashes of roses, with pearl trimmings. The maid of honor looked charming in pale blue silk covered with lace. The best man was Frank Tupper of Boston, the bridesmaid, Mrs. Clara Philips, sister of the bride, and the maid of honor, Grace Robinson, a younger sister of the bride. The ceremony took place at 7 o'clock, after which a reception was held from 8 to 10 o'clock, during which a wedding supper was served.

The presents were numerous, costly, and of a substantial nature. From the Everett *Republican*.

[Mr. Spurr is a son of C. E. Spurr, Esq., of Round Hill.]

Foreman on Bram Jury an Annapolis County Boy.

The Boston *Globe* of the 18th, in describing the jury elected for the Bram trial gives particular prominence to the foreman, Chas. B. Balcomb, who is an Annapolis county man, a son of John G. Balcom, formerly of Clementsport, now of Salem, Mass. The *Globe* says:—The jury seems to be a more than ordinarily intelligent one. The judges when they returned to court at 4 o'clock appointed Charles B. Balcomb of Salem foreman of the jury. By a somewhat strange coincidence three of the jurors hail from the city of witches.

Mr. Balcomb is a great, big, good natured looking man, who bears a marked resemblance to the foreman of the last jury which tried Bram, Mr. Jack of East Boston. When Judge Colt informed Mr. Balcomb that he had been appointed foreman he said that he would like to be excused from the duty, but the court said that it was its wish that he should serve, so he took his seat near the witness stand.

Anglo-American Alliance.

London, March 18.—Rear-Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, member of parliament for York city, in an interview to-day, warmly advocated an Anglo-American alliance as "a move in the direction of peace and calculated to immensely develop trade." He added: "Such an alliance is natural, and I believe the mere fact of its conclusions would deter others from attacking any adequately defended interests of either country. Now is the time to accomplish it, when the advantages are apparent to both countries. A decade hence, when, if she desires, the United States can have become a first-class naval power, and will, perhaps, have adopted the policy of free trade, it might not be worth her while to undertake the responsibilities of an alliance with Great Britain. When America has built her navy she will be in a position to enforce her demands which will not take her long now with her enormous latent resources and mechanical and engineering facilities. An Anglo American alliance would be the most powerful factor in the world for peace and the development of commerce."

The Plebiscite.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Dominion Alliance held at Toronto last Thursday reports were presented showing the work in preparation of carrying on a plebiscite campaign. There are already prepared and ready for broadcast distribution, over two million pages of red hot temperance literature. A general prohibition Convention will be held at Toronto on the 5th and 6th July next.

The morality of the Yukon district was not forgotten, and the announcement was made that a large deputation of women was to wait on the Hon. Clifford Sifton to urge upon him the advisability of keeping the Yukon district perfectly clear of the liquor traffic.

A C. P. R. Project.

In an interview at Montreal on Tuesday, Sir William Van Horne said: "The Canadian Pacific expects at an early date to build three big ocean liners about the size of the Teutonic, and place them on the route between Vancouver and Yokohama when they are ready. It is their intention to utilize the boats now running between Vancouver and Australia. When this is done, a fast line will be established between Quebec and Halifax and Liverpool, reducing the time of passage to three and a half days. The Canadian Pacific will then be able to take a passenger at London and land him at Yokohama without transferring him to any other line."

Reduction in Postage.

LONDON, March 21.—At the request of Sir. Charles Dilke and other members a meeting of the parlimentary colonial party has been convened for to morrow (Tuesday) to consider the action of the government in bringing pressure upon Canada for the withdrawal of a Canadian proposal to reduce the postage from 2½d. to 1½d. per letter.

Correspondence.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of correspondents.

Prohibition Scriptural.

To the Editor of the Monitor:

DEAR SIR,—Your correspondent "Jus" has made another attempt in your issue of the 16th inst., to put the Bible on the side of the liquor traffic in such a way as to make it plead for its continuance. If the liquor traffic does not stand condemned by the Bible, and if we are not thereby directed to prohibit it, then the Bible condones it, and the position which "Jus" has taken is correct. But his argument is vitiated by a fallacy into which he has fallen which must be plain to all your readers. He assumes that the wine and liquor drinking of Bible times is the same as the liquor traffic of to day.

The liquor traffic, as it exists to day, did not exist in Bible times. The opium traffic as it is known to-day, was not known in Bible times. Is it reasonable to suppose that we should find in the Bible specific legislation against evils which then had no existence. We are not concerned about the drinking habits of a people who lived six thousand miles from our shores, in a climate and an age very different from ours, of which faint glimpses are given in the Bible. Neither are we concerned about the drinking customs of some European countries said to be so harmless. They do not exist with us, and have no relation with the present discussion except to point to a suggestive contrast. If we succeed in uprooting our present diabolical drinking customs, it will then be time to raise the question whether the drinking habits of other ages or of other countries could be wisely transferred to this country. Our present object is to determine whether we have scriptural warrant to prohibit the liquor traffic of to day. In a former article I sought to show that the Bible condemns and *prohibits* that course chosen by an individual or body of people that will interfere with the rights of others. To prove this I chose a law (Exod. xxi: 28, 30) based on that principle. I did not make that law the sole support for that principle, but stated in effect that it was involved in all the restrictive laws given by God through Moses to Israel. "Jus" undertakes to turn aside my argument by denying that there is any analogy between "a mad bull and the liquor traffic." Ah! he has given the liquor traffic a bad blow by that hit. Who can't see the analogy between a mad bull and the liquor traffic? How many mad bulls roaming at large and unrestrained, would it require to do the damage that is being done in our land by this nefarious traffic. This hoary monster, the liquor traffic, stands arraigned at the bar of public conscience, charged with a countless number of murders, rapes, suicides and riots, and he has unblushing effrontry who will stand up before the intelligence of to-day and plead the cause of such a monster. Is there one single law of God that this traffic has not violated?

If "Jus" wishes us to believe that the Bible does not prohibit the liquor traffic, he must show by cold facts that those who are engaged in it do not interfere with the rights of others. To expose strong drink for sale is a seed sowing for a harvest of drunkards that may be depended upon with certainty, and may be estimated with a good degree of accuracy from the character of the soil, and the amount of skill and labor to be employed in its cultivation.

If the traffic is legitimate business, then those who are engaged in it have a perfect right to induce all whom they can influence to buy of them, and thus constantly to enlarge their business. If it is not legitimate business, then it should be summarily prohibited. The fact is, the traffic is projected upon a shrewd calculation of human weakness, upon the overmastering powers of appetite and passion, upon the sure support and co operation of all the vices that infest society, and is in its deepest thought and secret purpose criminal and murderous. It cannot exist without interfering with the rights of others. And furthermore, if it interferes with the rights of others, we have shown that we have scripture warrant to prohibit it. Upon that solid rock we take our stand. We are to be invited by the coming plebiscite to decide whether this monster that we have described is to be led forth to execution or be released to continue its deadly work.

We do not much wonder that the Bible should be misunderstood on this matter, as it has been misunderstood in the past by many when great reforms have been projected by the light of its teachings. It was misunderstood by many on the subject of slavery, when that evil was a live issue. Many who believed in slavery and who owned slaves, quoted scripture to prove the righteousness of their cause. I suppose slave owners defied the friends of liberty to turn up the particular passage, as "Jus" defies prohibitionists now, that would prohibit the owning and purchase of slaves. The same principle that we have set forth as prohibiting the liquor traffic, prohibited slavery as well. Let the Bible speak on this subject, and let us with a zeal that will admit of no compromise follow its teaching.

I have noticed the statements of "Jus" concerning Maine. I have also carefully noted the statements of such men as Neal Dow, who certainly ought to know something of the effect that a prohibitory law has had on their own state; and as I am not prepared to go to Maine and find out for myself just now, I may be pardoned for accepting the conclusions of the latter.

By the way "Jus" I sign your name next time and let us know just who you are.

J. W. BROWN.

Nictaux, March 17.

The War Preparations.

Washington, March 17.—Secretary Alger has made requisitions on the President for two large allotments from the appropriation of $50,000,000. One is for $5,000,000 for the use of the engineer department of the army in the completion of certain fortification works along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts now in progress, and the other is for $2,225,000 for the use of the ordnance department of the army in the acquisition of arms and ammunition. Pretty much all of this money is needed to cover contracts already made by the military establishment.

Governor Russell, of North Carolina, on Wednesday received a message from President McKinley asking how many troops the state could furnish in case of hostilities. The reply of the governor gave 245,000 as the number.

Spain's Merchant Navy.

New York, March 19.—A cable despatch from Madrid contains a pertinent paragraph giving the marine minister's official statistics of the Spanish merchant navy vessels: Steamers, 161 of more than 1,000 tons; 107 of from 500 to 1,000 tons; 254 of from 50 to 500 tons; aggregate tonnage, 499,230. Sailing vessels, 215 of more than 500 tons; 910 of from 50 to 500 tons; aggregate tonnage, 158,693. Both the steam and the sailing fleets decreased in 1897.

Spain has, in addition, 373 steamers and 69,957 sailing craft of less than fifty tons each engaged in the coasting trade and fishing. The crews, all told, number more than 200,000.

Important to Widows.

Toronto, March 18.—Chief Justice Sir George Burton, in the name of the Court of Appeals, has given judgment in favor of Mrs. Fisher (widow) who sued her brother-in-law for a thousand dollars, the amount of an insurance policy carried by her husband but for which a transfer was produced by his brother, Robert Fisher. In the lower court the transfer had been held valid but the Court of Appeals holds that such policies are exclusively for the benefit of the widow. "If this sort of condition were allowed," said the Chief Justice, "thousands of widows would be destitute." The policy in question was in the Commercial Travellers Mutual Benefit Association.

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NEWS OF THE WORLD.

Queen Victoria is in France.

The Manitoba Legislature opened on the 10th inst.

The Bram trial, at Boston, commenced on the 15th.

The Yukon railway bill is now before the Dominion Senate.

Australians have defeated the crack English cricket team four games to one.

The United States government has purchased two modern war ships from Brazil.

Twelve persons were killed at a fire on the World's Fair grounds, Chicago, on the 16th.

Lord Strathcona, High Commissioner for Canada, has returned from his mission to Berlin.

Western Ontario has suffered much damage by the overflow of the rivers caused by recent heavy rains.

In 1897 The National Trotting Association caught 31 ringers; 23 were expelled and 8 suspended.

The Interior Department at Ottawa has received $110,000 in revenue for licenses to dredge for gold.

The Manitoba Street Railway Company will build 20 motor cars for the Kingston, Jamaica railway.

The United States war department estimates the number of elegible men for use in war to be 10,000,000.

The Irish local government bill has passed its second reading without a division in the British house of commons.

Election in Russell county, Ontario, last Friday resulted in the Liberal candidate being elected by a majority of about 800.

James J. Corbett has sued the Kinetoscope company for the payment of a note for $2,000 and for unpaid royalties amounting to $5,800.

Steamship Canada, running from Liverpool to Boston, is credited with bringing 25 per cent. of all the immigrants arriving in Boston.

Festivities Sunday night at the Tacon Theatre, Havana, in aid of the Spanish navy, realized between $30,000 and $40,000 in gold.

During the past fortnight the heaviest through passenger traffic in the history of the Canadian Pacific Railway has been experienced.

The San Jose scale has about disappeared from Ontario and it is expected that within two weeks there will be no trace of the scourge left.

A lad named Oscar Beach, living near Kentville, while wrestling with a companion fell on a jackknife which the latter had in his hand and the blade penetrated his heart. He lived only a few minutes.

A Milwaukee despatch says fifty cars of rails to be used in constructing the first railway to the Klondyke gold fields were shipped on Friday last from Bayview to the MacKenzie & Mann Company.

James Payn, the novelist and journalist, is dying. He was born at Rodney Lodge, Cheltenham, on February 28, 1830, and has been constantly before the public as a writer of fiction for nearly forty years.

The New England Gas and Coke Co., Henry M. Whitney, president, has purchased 250 acres of land in Everett, Mass, near the Mystic River. The coke ovens when finished will give employment to 1000 men.

A Lubec, Me, despatch says: Mr. Allaton Cushing has an order for $50,000 worth of lumber, with which the Electrolytic Maine Salts Company will build a dam to increase their plant for getting gold out of the ocean.

Reports have reached Berber, the southern base of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition in the Soudan, that Mahmoud Pasha and Osman Digna, the principal generals of the Khalifa, have advanced 30 miles northward along the Nile from Shendy, with their united forces. A big battle is imminent.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The Lunenburg Marine slip will be completed by April 1st.

New machinery is being put in the Yarmouth cotton duck factory.

2311 marriages took place in Nova Scotia in the year ending Sept. 30, 1897.

Fader Bros. butcher business in Halifax has closed and a bailiff is in charge of the premises.

It is believed Fraser, M. P., of Guysboro, will be appointed Chief Justice of British Columbia.

The following post offices have been closed in Nova Scotia: Eastdale, Queen's Co., Lower Greenville, Cumberland county.

Mr. C. A. McLennan, of Truro, has been appointed sheriff of Colchester county, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of sheriff Crowe.

A deal is reported to have gone through in New York last week by which a group of Nova Scotia gold mines was sold for over a million dollars.

Herbert M. Coates, formerly of Amherst, has been sentenced, in the Middlesex, Mass., superior court, to five years solitary confinement for bigamy.

Hundreds of schooner loads of hard and soft wood are awaiting shipment to Boston and Rockland, Maine, from the different ports on Digby Baisin and St. Mary's Bay.

Mr Justice Graham, Mr. Arthur Drysdale, Q. C., and Frederick T. Congdon, Esq., barrister at law, are commissioners to revise and consolidate the statutes of Nova Scotia.

F. C. Parker, of Napanee, Ont., has purchased two farms at New Germany. He brought with him farm implements and five horses, five Durham cows, one bull, pigs, poultry, etc.

The storm drums for the new signal station on Brier Island have arrived at that place. The signal station has been in operation for some time, and is a great convenience to Bay of Fundy shipping.

The Goold Bicycle Company, of Brantford, Ont., have presented Mr. Ralph E. Smith, of Windsor, with a brick of gold valued at $250 00 for winning nine of a possible eleven of the 1897 amateur championships on a "Red Bird."

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Church Services, Sunday, March 27th.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.—Rev. F. P. Greatorex, Rector. In St. James', Bridgetown: Service with celebration of Holy Communion at 11; Sunday-School at 2; Evening Service at 7.30. Sewing Circle on Monday evening. Bible Class on Tuesday evening at 7.30. On Wednesday: Services at 4 and 7.30. Young People's Circle on Friday. In St. Mary's, Belleisle: Service at 2.30. All seats free.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. F. M. Young, Pastor, Bridgetown: Bible Class and Sabbath-school, 10 a.m.; Preaching Service at 11 a.m.; Evangelistic service 7.00 p.m. B.Y.P.U. Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. General social service Friday evening at 7.30. Service at Granville Centre on Sunday afternoon.

GORDON MEMORIAL CHURCH.—Rev. R. S Whidden, Pastor. Preaching service at Bridgetown at 3.15 p. m.; Bible-class and Sunday-school at 2 p.m. Prayer Meeting Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. Preaching service at Annapolis at 11 a.m.; Bible-class and Sabbath-school at 2 p.m.; General prayer meeting at 7.30 p.m. Seats free in both churches. All are cordially invited.

PROVIDENCE METHODIST CHURCH.—Rev. J. Strothard, pastor; A. S. Tuttle, assistant pastor. Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; Sunday-school at 2 p.m. General Class every Monday evening at 7.30; Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 7.30; Epworth League every Friday evening at 7.30. All are cordially invited.

Granville: Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., alternately. Prayer meeting every Tuesday at 7.30 p.m.

Bentville: Preaching every Sabbath at 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., alternately. Epworth League on Tuesday and prayer meeting on Thursday at 7.30 p. m.

Mountain Mission: Preaching fortnightly, Durling's Lake at 10.30 a.m., Hill at 2.30 p.m.

ROUND HILL.—G. J. Coulter White, pastor. Preaching service on the 1st Sunday of the month at 11 a.m., and on other Sundays at 7 p.m. Prayer-meeting Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday-school after morning service, other Sundays at 2.30 p.m.

LAWRENCETOWN CIRCUIT.

METHODIST CHURCH.—REV. J. H. TOOLE, Pastor. Preaching service at Port George at 11 a.m.: Brooklyn at 3 p.m.; Lawrencetown at 7 p.m. Epworth League at Port George on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock, and at Lawrencetown on Friday evening at the same hour. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

SPRINGFIELD CIRCUIT.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. J. Webb, Pastor. Preaching service at Springfield at 11 a. m., Lake Pleasant at 2.30 p. m., Falkland Ridge at 7.30 p. m. Conference meeting at Springfield on Saturday afternoon. Visitors are cordially invited.

Births.

FASH.—At 31 Compton Ave., Halifax, N. S., March 18th, to Rev. and Mrs. Z. L. Fash, a daughter.

Deaths.

HALL.—At Bescoonsfield, on Feb. 21st, 1898, Effie Gladys Hall, age 11 months and 7 days, only child of Lansdale and Edith Hall.

To Search for Andree.

Washington, D. C., March 18.—The State Department has received from the government of Sweden and Norway, King Oscar's conditional acceptance of the offer made through the United States Government by Walter Wellman to carry free of charge upon his North Polar expedition steamer "Laura," which is to sail from Tromsoe, Norway, on June 20, a party of Swedes to search for their countryman, Prof. Andree, in Franz Josef Land. The government of the king does not expect to send out a search expedition, says the Minister of Foreign Affairs at Stockholm, but if no news of Andree is received by July, gratitude would be felt if Mr. Wellman would permit several persons familiar with the Arctic regions to accompany his expedition for that purpose. The government of the king has learned with deep gratitude of the courteous and generous offer made by Mr. Wellman.

Manila was recently visited by a fire that damaged the city to the extent of $3,000,000.

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The subscriber offers for sale the well-known place lately occupied by the late

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The house and outbuildings are in good repair and the land in a high state of cultivation.

Anyone wanting a place at the most pleasant port on the Bay of Fundy shore will do well to inspect.

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ELMIRA LANDERS, Executrix.

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We are through Taking Stock . . .

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BARGAIN COUNTER . .

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February 9th, 1898.

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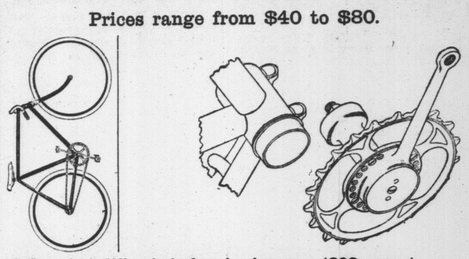

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Try this TEA and you are sure to be pleased with it. Prices in ½-lb. lead packets 40c and 50c per lb.

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MAYOR — Latest New York Styles.
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Taxes for the ensuing year — 25 per cent less than last.
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Groceries, Bread and Cake kept in stock.

By the way DON'T FORGET when in need of Flour and Meal that we keep it.

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TRY US when you want anything first-class in the Grocery, Fruit and Confectionery lines. Also a choice lot of Crockeryware and Patent "The proof of the Pudding is in the eating."

is this advertisement. We are right side up and our goods are right in prices and quality.

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Men's Rubber Boots,
Ladies' Rubber Boots,
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Misses Rubber Boots,
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(ALL SIZES)

OVERSHOES for Men, Women, Misses' and Children.
(ALL SIZES.)

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We manufacture Church, School and Office Furniture, Wood Mantels, Bank and Store Fittings and building materials generally, and have a large and well assorted stock of Fancy Woods such as Cypress, Whitewood, Quartered Oak, Ash, Walnut, B. C. Cedar, Douglas Fir, etc.

Having two large Dry Houses, we can guarantee delivering Dry Stock.

CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED.

FOR SALE

THE subscriber offers for sale the premises, also the

Livery and Trucking Business

formerly owned by the Late William C Bath.

This property is situated in the centre of the town and is one of the best stands for the carrying on of the above business, and will be sold low in order to wind up the said estate.

For further information apply to

MRS. AGNES MURDOCH, Administratrix,

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FARM FOR SALE!

That valuable and well-known farm near Paradise, at present occupied by Mrs. Charles F. Ruggles

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H. RUGGLES,
Executors.

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To Our Customers:

We have decided to make a radical change in our business, beginning with the 1st day of November, 1897. Hitherto we have kept long-standing accounts on our books, and some have become bad debts, and are consequently lost. Merchants who do a credit business have to add a sufficient profit to their prices to cover all such losses.

We propose on and after the 1st of November to sell all our goods for the prices marked opposite them in our circulars, which we will place in the hands of our customers at once. These circulars will be replaced from time to time as prices change.

We also wish to state that we are desirous of purchasing all kinds of farm produce, for which we are paying highest prices. All produce will be paid for either in goods or cash at the time it is delivered, so that there will be no balance standing over either one way or the other.

In return for this we require you not to ask us for credit. By doing this you will get your

GROCERIES FOR MUCH LESS THAN EVER BEFORE.

and you will have a sure market for all your farm produce.

On the other hand we will have no bad bills and no large profits. Such an arrangement we think will give satisfaction to all concerned.

In regard to our boot and shoe department, we wish to state that the same system will apply; that is

A Discount of 15 per cent on present prices.

In conclusion we ask you to look carefully through our circular, which will be in your hands in a few days, and estimate how much you will save in a month's bill of goods if you purchase at our reduced prices. We think there is money in it for you.

Yours faithfully,

KINNEY & SHAFNER.

Blacksmiths' Supplies . . .

Bar Iron, Sleigh Shoe and Caulk Steel, Horse Shoes and Nails, Coil Chain, Hand and Farrier's Hammers.

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Full Nickel-Plated, No. 10 quality, 1.50 per pair. Genuine Acme Skates 50c. per pair.

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Back straps and Shaft Gongs.

The X-Ray Raisin Seeder

The one that seeds.

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Single and Double bitted.

SCISSORS and SHEARS

Of the Celebrated "Clauss" make. Every pair warranted.

Also a full line of

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AT BOTTOM PRICES.

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I have a large line of

Men's Heavy Grain Long Boots,
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Men's Dongola Kid Congress Boots,
Men's Buff Bal. Boots,
Men's Slippers in Carpet and Leather.

Boy's Grain B. T. Boots,
Boys' Grain Bal. Boots,
Boys' Buff Bal. Boots.

Ladies' & Misses' Dongola Kid Boots in Button and Lace,
Ladies' Dongola Kid Oxford Shoes,
Ladies' Felt Slippers,
Ladies' Pebbled Boots in Button and Lace.

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