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WEDNESDAY, Dec. 6, 1899

FIRE PROTECTION.

We have before referred to the necessity of having a good fire department in Newcastle which would have up-to-date appliances for extinguishing a fire. That people of this town have got to use every precaution in order to avert a fire which if allowed to gain any headway would probably destroy considerable property, if not the whole town. We have only to take some of our provincial towns as examples of the necessity of having a first class fire service. Windsor, Bridge-water and Digby forcibly impress the folly of insufficient fire protection, and even our own town received a bad scorching not long ago. But the average ratepayer of this town seems to prefer to take his risk, and chance the conflagration which will probably come. A bucket brigade really hindered the spreading of a fire here a short time ago. Fortunately there was scarcely any wind blowing and the sparks did not travel very far. We must remember that we are living in a progressive age. The idea of fighting a fire with buckets in a town with over three thousand inhabitants and with hundreds of buildings at stake. It is hardly safe to leave any fire unattended in a house, yet it is quite a common practice in Newcastle to stop stores and houses and leave them unattended. We do not take into consideration the possible outcome of such an action. Windsor didn't, and as a result, over a million and a half of property was destroyed. The Council's purchase of a thousand feet of hose was a step in the right direction, but what about our water supply? What use is hose without water? Luckily we are at present free from incendiarism, but the time may come when some evil person may touch a match with the hope of seeing a big blaze, and his desire would probably be granted. Then again, our store keepers are altogether too careless. You have only to look at the yards in the rear of some of our principal stores and you will see fire traps by the score. Get over this idea of piling on insurance and trusting in Providence.

### THAT TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

The prospect of a triple alliance between Great Britain, Germany and the United States has aroused considerable interest in this country. Germany is no doubt the undecided member of the thing. A large portion of her people are anxious for advancement on the lines of Great Britain and the United States. The Germans as a whole are progressive people, qualified in standing and by side with the English and Americans in the march of progress. Germany's commercial interests are similar and almost identical to those of Great Britain and the United States. Therefore they consider that such an alliance would be to their benefit and to the benefit of the whole world. But Germany's ambition has robbed some of her people of a sound common sense. They are jealous of England's power and would like nothing better than to see our motherland stripped of her vast colonies and her pride humbled. As it stands to-day it is England and the United States and France and Russia with Germany tottering on the fence. Therefore Germany's decision will be awaited with a great deal of interest. Yellow Journalism flourishes in Germany and has succeeded in misleading the people among whom it circulates. It belittles England's power and sets forth what it considers the advantages of an alliance with some of Germany's powerful neighbors. As to the United States, nobody can question her friendship to Great Britain. Mr. Chamberlain is partly responsible in bringing it about. He has steadily pursued a policy of friendship towards that country and its effect is now apparent. Mr. Chamberlain describes the situation in these words:—

"I have so many friends in the United States, almost as many as I have here, and I am conscious of no greater difficulty than to find them hostile to each other. Yet, I remember, when I last visited America, my surprise and astonishment at the evidence given by statesmen and politicians in articles in the press of constant suspicion of the objects of Great Britain, constant doubts as to her integrity and a generally unfavorable estimate of our prospects and character."

"Once, addressing a great meeting in Philadelphia, I ventured to say that what we wanted was a new Columbus to set out from America, discover the United Kingdom and return to America, and tell them something they did not know of the character of the strange inhabitants of those islands. This ill feeling was due, no doubt, to many causes; due to the fact that the United States had never been at war with any great power but England; due to their traditions, extending over a century, due to a feeling that the sympathy of Great Britain was not with them in their civil and to the general belief that the people of Great Britain would see with satisfaction any harm that might befall them."

"It appeared to me almost useless to contradict these mistaken opinions, but with the assurance of a late meeting, not do so was done by the sympathy we were able to give when the United States found itself the object of the suspicion which has so often accompanied our own transactions when engaged in a war of justice against oppression, a war in favor of civilization and good government. Our union proved to the Americans that we were indeed one people, of the same thoughts and guided by the same principles. The assurance was given them in the course of the Spanish war, I believe, never to be forgotten, and has placed our relations in an admirable position."

Editorial Notes.

Greenway or Macdonald, Laurier or Tupper.

## A GRAND SUCCESS

Was the "At Home" Given Friday Evening

By the Miramichi Social and Athletic Club.

The Town Hall, the Scene of Gay Festivity.

### AT THE DANCE.

THE DEBUTANTE. Who thinks the world all roses, Who loves at sight the first man who proposes, Believes that each admirer is sincere, And cannot bear that man at love should sever.

THE NEW YOUNG MAN. With high well-starched collar, And expectations! Ready cash, a dollar, Who dances like a well made dance machine, And wears a most depressed indifferent mien.

THE KNOWING GIRL. Who's been through several seasons, Not married yet! But then she has reasons. Who always dressed with chic that makes girls jealous; To please her partners this one is most perfection.

THE MAN OF YEARS. No longer pleased with folly, Who thinks that dancing's good, but supper's folly, Perfectly content his time in conversation, With perhaps, to sweeten it, the least flirtation.

THE CLEVER GIRL. Who's great on education, Who's talk is lofty and of long duration, Who seems frivolous, neglects her looks, Loves women's rights, and looks on men with loathing.

THE NERVOUS MAN. Who stands up in a corner, The very image of Jack Horner, The sort of man who asks "Are you fond of dancing?"

THE PRETTY GIRL. Of whom men ask, "Who is she?" And who's answer that she's far too gushy; Of whom few guess, who meet her wistful glances, She has a heart, a thing apart—from dances.

THE TAME YOUNG MAN. Who talks about the weather, And hopes your step and his will go together, Agrees every single word you utter, Can't dance a bit, and then begins to stutter.

THE ANXIOUS GIRL. "Not been out much before," But very willing to go out much more, Likes grown up men, and thinks that boys are hateful.

THE FLIRTING MAN. Who talks in attitude, Talks to each girl of love—in platitude; Looks lingering looks which seem to breathe devotion, And doesn't feel himself, the least emotion.

THE FAST YOUNG MAN. Who drops in for an hour, Who wears a most enormous large white flower, Who quotes from comic songs, and has a great propensity for joking.

THE CHAPERON. Who sits with smile so weary, To her a dance, must be a right thing sound common sense. Who beams upon young men with looks of money, For poor young men her looks are not so sunny.

THE GENERAL CROWD. The average man and maiden, With never too much brain or beauty laden; But he will see, who at these times once glances, The sort of people that one meets at dances.

The "At Home" given by the Miramichi Social and Athletic Club on Friday evening was a charming event. It was a memorable night—marked for the success of the club, the excellence of the music, the picturesque and artistic character of the ball room, and the smoothness with which the details of the management were carried out. It was notable, too, for the large number of strikingly handsome, well-gowned women, whom it brought together, and to whom the brilliant coterie of male guests found it in their hearts to pay lavish and spontaneous compliments. With scarcely ample time in which to complete the preliminary work, the general committee for the "At Home" had killed every day, and every hour to appreciable effect. The decorations, for example, were on a scale of elaborateness and beauty which has rarely been equaled in the history of similar functions in Newcastle. The beautiful figures consisted of Messrs. Frank O'Reilly, George Dalton and Allan Ferguson, and to them alone, is due the great amount of praise which was lavished on the different members of the club for the elaborate decorations. The club colors, red and green, were here, and everywhere. The orchestra stand was a regular spruce tower, white flags, burning, Chinese lanterns, pictures, etc., were placed about in the most artistic manner. The club members proved themselves charming hosts, if we may accept one young lady's opinion as a criterion. Dancing was the amusement provided, and there were just about enough present to comfortably fill the room during the square dances. A cake walk—a novelty in Newcastle—was introduced between the fourteenth and fifteenth dances. There were six couples and "Rattler" led them around and the orchestra rendered the "Georgia Camp Meeting." Of course five of the couples were young ladies. All were fresh from Coontown and some were quite bashful and ladylike. Some were shapely, some were dressed like Paul Kruger's wife, some looked like the breaking up of a hard winter, some were pretty and some were homely, but all were devoted to their male partners. The winners of the cake walk were Messrs. Dalton and Allan Ferguson, and Misses. The winners of the square dances were Messrs. Dalton and Allan Ferguson, and Misses. The supper was in the special care of a volunteer corps of lady workers. To meet the instant demand for the names of those whose thanks are due in this connection, the Advocate is authorized to announce them as the Misses Lou Harley, Gertrude Fairman, Annie Johnson, and Mamie Fleming.

### GROWING TIMES INDEED

There are certainly growing times for the "Family Herald and Weekly Star" of Montreal, and no wonder, for every where one goes one hears more and more of that great paper this year. It is a serious question for the publishers whether they will be able to meet the demand for their handsome premium pictures. The people of Canada certainly never had such a dollar's worth offered them. Quite a number of copies of "Alma" and "Pussy Willow" have been received by the publisher, and are now five dollars of any man's money. We notice both pictures are sent to every yearly subscriber to the "Family Herald and Weekly Star."

### DANCE PROGRAMME.

1. Grand March and Circle.
2. Lancers.
3. Waltz.
4. Military.
5. Polka.
6. Quadrille.
7. Waltz.
8. Schottische.
9. Lancers.
10. Berlin.
11. Gallip.
12. Lancers.
13. Dan Tacker.
14. Waltz.
15. Box Ton.
16. Quadrille.
17. Military.
18. Lancers.
19. Waltz.
20. Schottische.
21. Lancers.

It was late when Newcastle awoke Saturday morning. But if we had memories of a merry, merry night, and unstinted congratulations and praise for the general management committee.

## ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Accurately Moving in a Cautious Manner.

Will Secure Options on Properties First.

And then will call for Tenders for Lighting the Town.

The Mayor and Alds. Fish, Croaghan, Street, Lawlor and Randle were present at the regular weekly meeting of the Town Council last Wednesday evening. Minutes read and approved. Ald. Fish moved that a committee of two be appointed to check the rules of order as put down in the minutes. Carried. Ald. Randle—I hereby give notice that I will, at the next night of meeting, move to repeal Rule No. 12 of the Rules of Order and substitute therefor the following:— "The Mayor shall preserve order and subject to an appeal to the Council, and in the absence of the Mayor, the chairman shall have the same authority while presiding at the meeting, as the Mayor would have." The clerk read communications from two safe makers, viz. J. J. Taylor and the clerk was instructed to secure further information in the meantime. Ald. Street asked if any tenders had been received for the lighting of the town. He thought the tenders had closed. The clerk stated that he had not received any. On motion the council adjourned for committee work. The Mayor called the council to order. That in view of the fact that we have not yet acquired the Mill Stream property, all tenders be returned, and that the time for receiving new tenders for electric lighting be announced, and that as necessary information can be obtained. Also that those who have already tendered or who are prepared to tender, be sent new specifications by the Treasurer as soon as ready. Ald. Lawlor—I moved that a committee of three be appointed to obtain options on the properties comprising "Rome's" Latest Concession. "Why should any Intelligent Woman Starve to death in the 'v's' by Amelia Southard Byrd. "Must a poor always be informed of impending death by 'Phyllis,' by Dr. George L. Shady. "How Should a Juror Qualify himself for his duty," by Judge Daly. "The Mistletoe Bough," by the paper early.

### HARRY IRVINE

Returns to St. John—Entertained by Chatham Friends.

Mr. W. H. Irvine, who is about to return to his home in St. John where he has accepted a business engagement, was entertained by his friends at the Town Hall on Tuesday evening and presented with an address and a letter from Mr. Leggie which stated that the town since the Colby map was made and advised the council to mark the changes and then to meet the demand for their handsome premium pictures. The council thought the plans would not be required at present. Ald. Lawlor—I wish to report a conversation between Mr. McMurtry and myself. He gave me to understand that he would be ready and willing to act as school trustee, but he had written to the head teacher to the bank in which he is employed and the reply was that the directors did not wish him to act, so he could not do so. Mr. A. A. Davidson was appointed in his place. After some minor matters were discussed the council adjourned.

### THE SITUATION.

Canadian Contingent at the Front.

Severest Engagement of the Campaign.

Fought on the Banks of the Modder River.

MONTREAL, Nov. 29.—The Star's special cable from London says: News was received this afternoon of the safe arrival at Cape Town to-day of the Allan liner Sardinian, with the Canadian contingent in board, all well.

CAPE TOWN, Friday, Dec. 1.—Gen. Gatacre reports no change in the situation. Gen. Buller has made a reconnaissance from Naampos to Rosmead. The troops returned to-day.

Gen. Buller's flesh wound is slight. He is remaining at Modder River for the reconstruction of the bridge. An reinforcing him with Highlanders and a cavalry corps. Horse artillery, the Canadian regiment, Australian contingent and three battalions of infantry moved up to the Aar and Belmont line.

OTTAWA, Dec. 1.—The following cable has been received by the governor general from Sir Alfred Milner, governor of British South Africa.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 1.—Just said good-bye to the Canadian contingent. All well and lighted to be going to the front. People here showed in unmistakable manner appreciation of sympathy and help of Canada in their hour of trial. (Signed).

CAPE TOWN, Nov. 1.—The severest engagement our column has yet had, and probably the severest of the whole campaign, was fought yesterday on the banks of the Modder river. The battle was fought between the British and the Boers. The enemy occupied a strong entrenched position, their front extending five miles along the bank of the stream. They were well supplied with artillery and fought desperately. The infantry brigade was dreadfully cut up. The Boers retreated at night, taking their guns with them, and we are now occupying their positions.

### More.

At Reading, Mass., Nov. 27th, to the wife of James R. Robertson, a son.

## OUR XMAS NUMBER

Will Be Published Next Wednesday

Several Articles And Stories by Well Known Writers

Over Fifty Cuts, and you get It All For Five Cents

On Wednesday next the publishers of the Advocate will endeavor to place before the people of the town a paper which we are confident will excel all our previous efforts. It will be a twenty four page Christmas number, containing interesting articles and stories by well known writers and over fifty cuts. The price of the paper will be five cents. Here are some of the articles and stories which we have secured:—"The Art of Listening to a Sermon," "Biographies of Six Prominent Americans," "How to Work Your way through college," "The Automobile," illustrated, "How to make life enjoyable," "The Pretty Girl in the Car," a Christmas Story, illustrated, by Franklin Price, with a large photo of Colonel Otter; "Dublin's Lord Mayor," the great Irishman who is raising funds for the Parnell monument; "The Devil's House," by Mark Morris, cut of the home which has been so much talked about lately; "The Golden Triangle," with ten illustrations, including the Robinson mine, the Banto warrior, Boring house where the quartz and waste rock are separated, a mammoth gold washer, Stamp battery, where the ore is crushed, the famous Transvaal mine, etc. Maria McCulloch Williams, contributes an illustrated story, "The Little Christmas Soldier," a poem by Neil Macdonald. "Forty long years ago," by Osborn Spencer, a boy's first Christmas in the hills of the Keystone State. Several substantial Xmas messages, including "The Future of the Philippines," by Colonel Charles Denby, member of the Philippine commission, "Rome's Latest Concession," "Why should any Intelligent Woman Starve to death in the 'v's' by Amelia Southard Byrd. "Must a poor always be informed of impending death by 'Phyllis,' by Dr. George L. Shady. "How Should a Juror Qualify himself for his duty," by Judge Daly. "The Mistletoe Bough," by the paper early.

### There's a Style about Them.

Our Dress Goods Stock is large, and selected

There's a style about them. We have some of the very best things to be had in the lines to which they belong. There's going to be a big reduction in the price of some lines. A large range of beautiful gaily figured fabrics were good values at \$3.00 and \$3.50. A nice range of better goods, prettier patterns sold at \$2.00 to \$2.50. Heavy warm melton suitings great value at \$3.00 and \$3.50. Better quality 48 in wide 45. All our newest and best dress goods in the latest shades and patterns at 10 per cent. discount. All our fancy Black Goods—and we have a range second to none in this town. Fancy crepons, silk crepons, beautiful and elegant, 100 per cent. off. This is a rare opportunity to secure an elegant dress at a low price. We reserve the right to hold plain serges at the regular price, but we can give you the very best serge for the money to be found anywhere.

### Clothing

We are heavily stocked with men's all the kinds that are wanted. Good warm RIGBY ULSTERS at \$4.50 HEAVY RIGBY WATERPROOF ULSTERS at \$5.00. Cheap cuts in the trade only \$6.00. These are cokers look like \$10 coats. Better coats just as good as the most of men wear 7 to 8 dollars usually sell at \$10. Why pay 17 to 20 dollars for an overcoat? Why pay 15 dollars for a store? When we can give you one as good as good for \$10. We have the best, the slickest, cleanest, best made, best cloth overcoats for the money that can be had. We reserve our privilege to place before the public, only \$10. If you want a \$15 overcoat for \$10 come right in we have it. If you want a SUIT come, big reduction on the price of suits during this month.

### SUITS FROM 3.25 UP TO 8.50 FOR \$10.00

Pants dress pants \$3.50 for \$5.00

Pattern, cheaper ones too. Heavy strong working pants from \$1.25 to all wool homespun and unshrinkable. 100%.

### Jumpers

We have about a hundred \$3.00. Right waterproof. 100%.

### Underwear

Don't forget to ask to see our stockings. We have the best line of LADIES STOCKINGS we have ever shown, thick, soft, warm, from Bee Hive Wool we are selling them at 65c, during this sale 50c per pair. We have a plain all wool stocking good value at 25c, during this sale 20c, or 4 pairs for 90c. Heavy Ribbed stockings all sizes. The large sizes are worth 25c, during the sale 21c per pair or 5 pairs for 1.00. Some people can't wear loose stockings, for those we have Fleeced Lined Cotton, thick, warm and soft, just the thing for comfort 25 and 35c per pair. MEN'S WOOL SOCKS 2 p. for 35c. Better ones if you want them.

### Mens Wool and Fur lined Gloves.

Fur lined at 2.25. Real Genuine Mocha 1.50, a real good wool lined kid glove at 50c. Large variety, Dog skin gloves, Austrian black gloves, Kid Mitts, working gloves and mitts, wool mitts leather covered 50c. Leather palms for mitts 20c per pair.

### Ladies Gloves and Mitts

Wool and Kid, FUR lined at 2.50. Remember these prices.

### Ladies Fur Ruffs

at 50c and 1.00. Large size Thibet 2.50

2.00, 3.00 and \$5.00. Don't forget our prices when you are going to buy a collar.

WHITE LAMB BODAS for children 25c each. We have prepared for the Christmas trade in Handkerchiefs, Laces and S. S. Plain, Hemstitched, Embroidered, Initialed, Lace edged, Lace and Insertion, handkerchiefs, gloves, silk Initialed, lawn Initialed all prices.

We have also a nice line of novelties in the way of celluloid frames, Mirrors, Hand Bags etc. All useful as well as pretty! We keep nothing trashy, we sell them at low prices.

## CLARKE & CO.,

Newcastle, Dec. 4th, 1899.

## Holiday Goods

IN ENDLESS VARIETY.

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at PARK'S store.