Local News.

The agency of the Merchants Bank of Halifax, moved into their new office on Wednesday last.

$114.00 were realized at the Tea meeting and Xmas Tree at Bass River on the 24th.

The Mission Band at Great Village held a concert about a week ago cap. turing $40.00.

The Baptists of Great Village had a Baked Bean Social on Christmas evening.

Dr. J. R. Smith, of Great Village, is progressing rapidly toward recovery.

Messrs. Forman Brothers, will open a bakery here about the 15th inst.

The Post-office at Great Villlage has changed hands. Mr. David Blackie is now postmaster.

We are sorry to inform our readers that Mr. Moreash, tailor of Great Village is confined to the house through illness.

The petition for the repeal of the Scott Act in Colchester County was forwarded to Ottawa on Tuesday of last week.

The superstructure of the new bridge is nearly ready for shipment form the shop of Stewart, New Glasgow, who has the contract.

On Christmas afternoon the band paraded the streets and played a choice selection of music, the day was fine and more like an April, than a December day.

SOCIAL AT THE PARSONAGE.—Rev. J. E. Donkin, Tuesday Evening 15th under the auspices of the Womans' Missionary Society. Eatables, Music and Money wanted.

Iron Age Division, S. of T, intend celebrating its 38th anniversary at Great Village on Thursday fortnight. They intend inviting a number of other Divisions so assist on that occasion.

George Moren, aged about 15 was seriously hurt in the Rolling Mill on Tuesday afternoon by one of the buggies up-itting which caused a large piece of iron to fall on his foot striking him just below the ankle smashing the foot badly.

The week of prayer is now in progress, meetings have been held in the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches. The Meeting was held Friday evening in the Baptist church. This evening a meeting will be in the Presbyterian church.

The ARC-LIGHT has come to stay. Special arrangements have been completed to ensure its regular issue every Friday hereafter. Look out for it. Two cents per copy. For sale at, bookstores, at office and at Jewelry shop opposite the blast furnace.

Miss McGarry, of Halifax, gave a number of Readings and Recitations in St. Bridget's Hall, on Thursday evening Dec. 27 in the presence of a large and appreciative audience. The readings and recitations were very instructive and amusing and were beautifully rendered. Miss McGarry may be sure of a crowded house it she ever visits Acadia Mines again. The music between the readings was well rendered and speaks well for the local talent of this town.

Detective Power passed through Truro on Thursday last with Brown, the Prince Edward Island bigamist. Brown recently married Miss Mary Ann Sharp at Summerside and after two weeks deserted her. He has a wife and family living at Lunenburg and claims to have been drunk while on the Island, and although he acknowledge meeting Miss Sharp, he does not recollect of any marriage ceremony being performed.

George Butler, a young man working in the Ore Room at the Blast Furnace was seriously if not fatally hurt Friday morning. It seems that the cage used for hoisting ore and coke to the top of the furnace caught on its way down and he took a crowbar and went under the cage to free it, not noticing that the rope was slack that held it. He pried it loose while in a stooping position, when the cage dropped a foot or so striking him on the back, knocking him insensible. He was carried home and the doctor sent for. It is feared he is seriously hurt, but no bones were broken. He was as well as could be expected this morning.

ROAD BLOCKED UP.

A large building is being moved from this side of the Quebec House on the road to Londonderry station. It has been on the road for over a week, it takes up the whole road and teams going to and from the station have to go into the woods to get by it. At night strangers are liable to run into the windlass as there is no light on it. If it keeps on moving at the rate it now is it will be a week or so more before it is out of the road and by that time nobody knows what damage may be caused by it.

SUICIDE AT EAST MINES.

David Totten of East Mines committed suicide in a barn at that place by hanging. He had been living with his brother and yesterday afternoon went to the barn. His brother followed him about 20 minutes after and found him lying on his stomach on the barn floor dead. He had fastened a rope to a beam about 5 feet from the floor and made a noose in the other end of the rope, placed it around his neck, laid down and died from strangulation. When found his face was not more than six inches from the floor. He was about 60 years of age and a bachelor. The verdict of suicide while temporily insane, was rendered.

PROVINCIAL.

Pictou harbor was free of ice Dec. 31st, the latest known for many years.

Incorporation was carried at Springhill Dec. 31st, by a majority of 15. The vote stood 114 for, 99 against.

The city marshal of Charlottetown has been suspended, pending an investigation into a charge of drunkenness against him.

A beacon light has been placed on the pier at Bellivean's Cove, N. S, by the Dominion government. Capt Brannigan will have charge of it.

Public meetings are being held in Hants county to discuss the repeal of the Scott Act and the substitution of Provincial License Act.

Mr. Dickie, M. P., was again elected for Cumberland by a majority of 1657. Capt. Elderkin narrowly escaped losing his deposit.

Work on the short line is being closed down for the winter. The stations along the eastern division have all been completed.

Iron mines near Middleton, N. S., are to be developed. The ore will be shipped by way of Port George by line of steamers to Great Village, thence by rail to Londonderry Iron works.

The election at Antigonish Dec. 31th to decide whether or not the town shall be incorporated resulted in a majority of three for incorporation, the vote standing 88 for, 85 against.

The Stanley arrived at Pictou from Georgetown, Dec. 31st, making the trip in a little over two hours. She is giving even better satisfaction than was anticipated.

Work on the breakwater and at Cape Tormentine, N. B., is suspended, owing, it is said, to the stone quarry at Coburg having given out. A new quarry is being located on Charters' property.

Capt. Smith, chairman of the board of examiners of masters and mates, at St. John, on Monday awarded a captain's certificate to John James Warwick, of New South Wales, and mates' certificates to Charles Lockhart, of Rockport, N. B., and Elias Rawlings, of Nova Scotia.

As soon as snow comes and the swamps freeze up the lumber camps will be full, and between Stewiacke and Riversdale there will be about 400 men, between Musquodoboit and Sheet Harbor about 1000 men and about the same number between DeBert and Economy.

Wm Hickman of Dorchester, managing owner of the Hickman fleet, has received a cablegram stating that the barque W. K. Chapman has been run into Dec. 29th, by the steamer Bedlorm in going up the English channel and sunk. The crew was saved and taken to London. Capt. John Smith was master. The William K, Chapman was built at Dorchester in 1878, and was of 1,077 tons register.

An accident, and one that might have been very disastrous, occurred at River John, N. S., a few days since. The Hamilton Bridge Co., who have the contract for building the bridge on the Oxford and New Glasgow Railway across the river had the false works completed and the steel bridge well under way. An ice jam occurred and the false work for the largest span, 200 feet was almost carried away. It settled over three feet, but has since been repaired. This bridge will be 350 feet in length.

A most melancholy accident occured at McDonald's point, Queens Co., on Saturday the 29th. Two bright little fellows, Earnest Wright and Earnest McDonald, aged respectively eight and nine years went skating on the river. There was a stretch of open water in the stream, and the boys, over confident in the strength of the ice along the edge, skated gayly along quite close to the margin. The ice suddenly gave way and they were plunged into the chilling waters, C. B. Lewis, Geo. R. Belyea and Wm. Reylea saw the danger and hurried with all speed to the rescue. But before they reach the place young Wright had disappeared for the last time. Their efforts to save McDonald were equally vain, and he too went down. His body was recovered but up to Monday last the body of Wright had not been found. Intense sympathy is felt for the friends of the two unfortunate lads.

A serious accident occurred at Sand River Cumerland, on Saturday Dec. 29th. James Dunbar (who had been laid up for some time with a sore hand from the effects of falling on a stub) was going to the woods for his axe which he had left there, carrying a gun on his shoulder heavily loaded with slugs, seeing a dinner kettle by the roadside, and supposing it to be one that had previously been lost by one of the men, he stopped to examine it, when the gun slipped off his shoulder, the hammer, as is supposed, catching in his clothing, which caused it to go off lodging the contents in the top of his foot. He hobbled back to the boarding house Dr. Ayer, of River Herbert, was sent for who found it necessary to amputate it at the instep. He is doing as well as can be expected.

A correspondent of the Halifax *Herald* says: The coal discovery made by Mr. McCarthy (mining engineer) November last is in close proximinity to the Oxford short line and I. C. R. railway junction. For several years back Mr. McCarthy has been favorably impressed with the idea that an abundance of coal existed in the vicinity of his discovery—his first intimation being obtained when exploring with Mr. Scott Barlow, government engineer, in the year 1876, at which time a beautiful outcrop of coal was seen. Mr. McCarthy being desirous of obtaining a further knowledge as to what extent of coal might be there, sought the aid of several citizens to assist him in taking out government leases covering a concession of 12,800 acres. The company immediately began operations by boring 300 feet from the place of the outcrop, striking a seam at an angle of about 15 degrees, previously passing through a complete roofing of sand stone and slate to the extent of 9 feet. Beneath this formation lay a seam of coal eight feet ten inches in thickness. Sufficient of the coal has been taken from the outcropping to prove that it is of superior quality.

CANADIAN NEWS

Elections for the Quebec assembly took place in L'Assompton and Megantic counties on Dec. 27th. In the former, Forget, Liberal, was re-elected by 184 majority. His majority two years ago was 145. Reports from Megantic stuff that Col. Rhodes, Liberal, is elected by 100 majority. At the general election Johnson, Tory, was returned by 180 majority.

A farmer named A. Hatfield, living near Norquay, Manitoba, was arrested Dec. 26, for the murder of his wife. The day before he came home drunk. His wife and three children ran away. He drove on to the village and next morning returned to find the body of his wife frozen forty feet from the house, with her face fearfully mutilated. He then remembered that he struck her, but only with his hand.

Last week Champion O'Connor was presented by St. Alphonsus' Young Men's Catholic association, of Toronto, of which he is a member, with a handgold headed cane and an illuminated address. O'connor was in New York during the week and called at Fox's office to get the challenge cup, which he holds, packed up ready to take with him to San Francisco. He will start for that place with George W. Lee in two weeks to row Jake Gaudaur for the cup, $2,000 and the championship of the world. O'Connor said that he would leave for Australia on March 1 to row Searle, the champion of the world, for $5,000 a side and the cup.

UNITED STATES.

The steamer Belge, at San Francisco, from Hong Kong, Dec. 23rd, reports in Sirgon November 20th fire destroyed 700 of 1,000 houses in the town. The flames had been extinguished only half an hour when the river, swelled by the flood, swept away its embankments, broke bridges and did great damage to crops. The double visitation caused great misery.

Advice from Greeville, Miss., Dec. 31, says: "Two weeks ago Col. Paxton's residence near Arcala was totally destroyed by fire. Seven colored servants, five men and two women, were arrested. They confessed that the cook drugged the coffee, and but for the fact that two members of the family were absent the whole household might have perished. The prisoners also confessed that one stood at each door with an axe or a gun to kill any member of the family who tried to escape, but the nearness of the fire alarmed them and they fled. The seven prisoners disappeared last night somewhat mysteriously.

The White Caps have been running rampant at Hopedale, Harrison county. On the night of Dec. 26th, they visited Dr. John Parkhill, the leading physician there, and gave him a terrible thrashing. His chore boy got drunk on cider and the White Caps accused the doctor of drugging him. They posted a notice on his office window telling him to leave Hopedale inside of fifteen hours. Recently they posted a notice on John W. Fogle's butcher shop. He served in the Rebellion and said he would kill the first one who touched him. Charles Gambell a merchant, hearing they contemplated regulating him, met two of them on the street and threatened to shoot them. There is great excitement and the White Caps will probably be regulated,

One of the leading spirits in the recent railroad engineers meeting at Chicago is said to have reported that the organization has undoubtedly information that all the great roads of the country, with the exception of three, which run out of Chicago, have been assisting the C. B. and Q. road financially and boycotting all "Q" striking engineers who applied for work. The brotherhood, the speaker said, are greatly incensed at this action and threaten, unless the financial support and boycott by these roads is discontinued soon to inaugurate the greatest strike which has ever taken place. The railway transportation of the country will be paralyzed by it, as it will be a fight to the death between organized labor and organized capital.

FOREIGN.

The report that the body of a mudered boy has also been found at Keighley is untrue.

Advice from London, Dec. 26, says: The steamer Storm Queen has founded in the Bay of Biscay. The captain and five persons were drowned.

A bomb which had been deposited in the hall of the conservative and republican club, Madrid, by some unknown person exploded Dec. 30th, but [illegible] ly do serious damage.

A dense fog prevailed in London Dec. 31st. A railway collision, due to the fog, occurred at Loughboro Junction. It is reported that many persons are injured. Every kind of traffic was delayed or suspended.

A Greek arrived at Suakim, Dec. 31st, from Khartoum whence he started two months ago, coming by the way of Kesala. He says nothing has been heard at Khartoum of the government of the Equatorial provinces or of the capture of Emin Bey. On the contrary, he says the forces of the Mahdi have been twice defeated in Bahigasel.

One of the special messengers sent into the interior in October in the hope of obtaining news of Emin and Stanley from caravans has sent a despatch announcing that he met Arab traders from Wadelai who positively affirm that Stanley met Emin there about January 20. Stanley, the traders said, had 330 men and plenty of stores. He had endured great privations, but he and all his party were well, although extremely exhausted.

The work on the Panama canal continues, but on some sections labor has been reduced. Some 2,000 men have been discharged the past two months owing to disputes between the canal company and the contractors. It is not expected more workmen will be dispensed with. The highest authorities consider total suspension improbable, and such could only be occasioned by the complete failure of the reorganization scheme now under consideration in Paris. About 9,000 laborers are actually engaged.

ONE of the reasons why *Scott's Emulsion* has such a large sale is, because it is the best. Dr. W. H. Cameron, Halifax, N. S., says: "I have prescribed *Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil, with Hypophosphosphites*, for the past two years, and found it more agreeable to the stomach and have better results from its use than any other preparation of the kind I have ever used." Sold by all Druggists, 50c. and $1.00 and Thos. E. Akins, Acadia Mines.

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DENNIS MURPHY,
Truro, N. S., Dec. 20, 88.

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About the 1st of December Mr. Bowser went downcellar one evening after a scuttle of coal. On coming up one ear of the bail gave way and upset the scuttle, and Mr. Bowser was thrown off his balance and went to the foot of the stairs. I was in the second story and knew nothing of the mishap until he came limping up-stairs and shouted:

'Why didn't you tell me that ear was loose?'

'Because I didn't know it.'

'No, you didn't know it because you havn't the least interest in what goes on about the house! Here I've gone and almost killed myself on account of your carelessness!'

'I'm sorry.'

'O yes, I presume so, but that won't count. Don't you expect any Christmas gift from me, Mrs. Bowser—not a one—for you won't even get a shoestring.

A week before Christmas Mr. Bowser suddenly flung down his paper one evening and ran to the back door to count the strokes of a fire alarm. He was in a rush and there was ice on the steps, and the result was he got a tumble which tore his coat, emptied his pockets, and skinned his shins. He didn't say a word, much to my surprise, until he got back into the house and looked to see if all the doors were closed. Then he stood before me and sternly said:

'I believe that was a plot to kill me off.'

'Pshaw, Mr. Bowser!'

'O, you can say, pshaw, and pshaw, until doomsday, but I know what I know. You knew that ice was there and you knew I would meet with a fall.'

'Did I ring the fire bell!'

'Did you try to stop me as I went out? I had looked around a little to see about a watch for a Christmas gift, but this settles it. Don't expect anything from me. Mrs. Bowser.'

And yet Santa Claus brought me lots of nice gifts, and Mr. Bowser was as happy as any one in the house over the fact. Indeed, he put his arm around me and said:

'I'd like to have bought a lot of other things, but money is tight just now, you know.'

The dear old soul! but I wonder what sort of a club he is going to hold overme from now to the Fourth of July!

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