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42 in. all wool FRENCH POPULIN. A very swell, fashionable weave in special fall shades of new reds, military blue, purple, black, brown, greens, etc.

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42 in. all wool Blusters & Storm Serges. An offering of high class goods far in the lead of any previous offer of this or any other season.

42 in. double width MELTONS and TWEEDS. Serviceable mixtures, the kind most asked for at this season in black, blue, brown, grey and fancy mixtures.

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We respectfully submit the following list of goods, sold at our usual low prices which make very acceptable gifts for this HOLIDAY SEASON. Do not fail to see these for to see is to buy.

- Women's Hosiery. All wool, in any size, 22, 25, 30, 35, 45, 50 and 65 cts. Children's Hosiery. All wool, ribbed and warm, 20, 22, 25, 28 and 30 cts. Infant's Plaid Stockings. Just the thing for Baby at 20 and 25 cts. Fowne's Kid Gloves. During the X'mas season we reduce all our Ladies Kid Gloves to 1.00 and \$1.25. Suspender. For men and boys. Our range embraces prices from 8c each to \$2.00 each. Mufflers. We show a nice assortment, good mufflers for 25, 35, 45 and 50 cts. Mens' Overcoats. We are leading in the price of these garments as we wish to clear all before January 1st. Ties. We guarantee the knitted silk Paris Tie at 50cts.

Satisfaction Guaranteed or Money Refunded.

THE UNION ADVOCATE ESTABLISHED 1867. Telephone 60. NEWCASTLE, N.B. WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27, 1899. Newcastle Societies.

MEET AS FOLLOWS: NEWCASTLE DIVISION No. 45 S. of T., in the Temperance Hall every Thursday evening at 8.00 o'clock.

COURT MURKIN. No. 1551. O. F. in their rooms, Masonic Hall, on the evening of the fourth Tuesday of each month at 8.00 o'clock.

CHRISTMAS. Christmas, the brightest day of the year has passed. It brought gladness to many hearts and homes.

Major Malby received the following telegram from the district officer commanding No. 21. "Black forces sent for meeting. Officers and men present. Ottawa, Dec. 29. The composition of the second Canadian contingent for service in South Africa has at last been decided upon."

THE SECOND CONTINGENT. The successive reverses of the British army in South Africa called forth from Canadians a desire to share the fate of the British in the Transvaal, where it is believed or feared that they will be successful.

DOUBLE WIDOW. Mr. F. A. Wheeler spent Christmas at his home in Montreal. Mr. Charles Fisher of Montreal and Mr. Alfred Fisher of New Mills spent Christmas at the home of their father, Rev. George Fisher.

DOUGLSTOWN SUPERIOR SCHOOL. Result of X'mas 1899. Written Examination. Grade I. G. McKnight, M. Arsenau, leaders. H. G. Bain, F. Dixon, J. Johnston, M. Bass, I. V. Woods, A. Creamer, C. U. Haman, I. V. G. H. Bass, L. Taylor, R. Brandford, J. H. Bass, L. Stewart, J. William, VI. Belle Siskels, M. Woods, M. Taylor, VI. Belle Siskels, F. Wood, K. Wood, VII. S. McKnight, F. Henderson, S. Urquhart, IX. W. McKnight.

FEMALE LABOR. Rev. S. G. Smith in an interesting thought-provoking article in the New York Herald says—"If all the wage-earning women were turned out of their jobs tomorrow, the world would be a better place. The number of wage-earners is no doubt beyond the cases of necessary self-support, yet it cannot be truthfully said that female labor is a serious social innovation. There are many occupations that are peculiarly adapted to women. There are occupations that men cannot fill. Then again there are thousands of cases where women are forced to work in order to obtain their daily bread, in fact a very large majority of women workers today are striving to hold their positions because they recognize that the loss of which means starvation or ruin, if another is not quickly secured. Very few women work for the love of work. The majority are bread-earners and in a good many cases supply the wants of a family. There are very few positions held by women that are pecuniarily profitable. He should be capable of occupying a better position. A single man, can, if he makes an effort live as cheaply as a single woman, and if he has not the ability to hold a better place than that which can be filled by a woman he should not grumble at wages which are heartily accepted by women.

RENNES AND SERVIA. While the eyes of the world were turned towards Dreyfus and France a few months ago, there was being enacted in Servia a masterpiece of world's injustice and crime, yet it was received with silence by the European and American press. The public was absorbed in Dreyfus and anything else no matter how cruel or barbarous it could be considered for any length of time. The story of the false revolt used by King Milan as an excuse for torturing and killing some of his enemies, and the Dreyfus trial furnish considerable evidence that the press of Europe and America control public sentiment to a large degree in international affairs. The famous soldier prisoner of France was pampered and pitied by the American press day after day. The public thought nothing but Dreyfus for a while, and knew little about the sufferings of innocent men in Servia. The story of Milan's cruelty reads like a chapter of the history of middle ages. When the false revolt failed, King Milan's obscure tramp to fire a tank shot at him. Captured, the assassin confessed a plot, involving all the more honest statesmen of the Liberal party. Then the fellow mysteriously escaped. His testimony remained, however, and on it and some alleged

Social Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. James Falconer left Saturday evening for Montreal. While in the metropolis Mr. Falconer will consult a specialist on his eyes.

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Only 25c. a bottle. If you have loss of appetite and you are run down get a bottle of our Sarsaparilla Co.

Newcastle Drug Store, E. LEE STREET.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES.

Appropriate Sermons Preached in Newcastle On Sunday last and on Christmas.

Choirs Render Special Music.

The Xmas festival is ever celebrated in the Catholic Church as one of the most important throughout the year, commemorating as it does, the birth of our Redeemer. On Xmas day the Catholic priest, offers the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass before the altar of the Virgin Mary, the triple birth of Christ, the first, by which He proceeds from His Father before all ages; the second, from the blessed Virgin Mary; the third, by which He is spirited into our souls by faith and charity. This practice of saying three masses on Xmas Day is a very ancient custom. Pope St. Gregory the Great, thirteen hundred years ago, in one of his homilies says that this act is his having celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on this festival. On Monday this custom was observed by the Catholic congregation at Newcastle. Father Dixon offered the first mass at the convent, 7 a. m.; the second, at Longtown, 8.30 a. m.; the last or third, in St. Mary's Church, at 11 a. m. At Longtown and Newcastle, he preached from St. Luke, giving as the text of his discourse, "Let us go over to Bethleem, and see this wonder that is come to pass." The choir at Douglastown and Newcastle honored the occasion by elaborate musical performances, rendered as only experts can. The G. W. B. band played some special pieces at mass and vespers. The rendering of the "Adeste Fideles" was much appreciated. The Vesper service at 7 p. m. at Newcastle was conducted by the choir. The anthem "No. 10. Consecration" was a pleasing feature. The hymns were 28, 29 and 66.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Will Consider the Subject of Steamship Facilities Between Great Britain and a Provincial Port.

Premier Emmerston Asks That Speedy Steps Be Taken.

The following letter from the Chairman of the Canadian Branch of the Red Cross Society to W. C. T. U. lady, will be of interest to the people of Northumberland and will answer the many enquiries as to Red Cross work and the disposition of funds.

DEAR MADAM,—I have received your favor of the 31st and in answer wish to say that this society raised a considerable amount of money by public subscription which has been used, in part, to purchase personal comforts in the way of food, articles of clothing and amusement, 2nd, cash has been handed Colonel Otter for the purchase of extra supplies of vegetables, etc., in South Africa. 3rd, medical comforts for the officers and men to the value of \$1,500 have been purchased and shipped with the contingent, \$1,800, in cash was given to Col. Otter for the exclusive use of the sick and wounded, \$th \$300 was given for the nurses outfit. We are still receiving money daily and will continue to do so while the war lasts. The money so collected will be forwarded to the troops in the commissions of the Central Society in London, so that it will reach its object. These commissions are now at the seat of war. There is no use of sending anything but money to South Africa owing to the great cost of transport, with money, supplies can be purchased there.

Your faithfully, Mrs. Alonso H. Thurber, Freeport, N.S.

DE WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP. CURES COUGHS AND COLDS.

LAXATIVE PILLS.

Work while you sleep without a grip or gripe, curing Sick Headache, Dyspepsia and Constipation, make you feel better in the morning.

MR. TARTE WILL NOT RESIGN. Minister is Preparing for By-Elections.

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—There is no truth in the story which comes from Montreal, (traditionally that Hon. Mr. Tarte is going to resign from the cabinet and take Commissioner Fabre's place in Paris. Mr. Tarte has now engaged in making arrangements for carrying the by-elections in the province, and he expects to succeed Mr. Tarte has no intention of resigning.