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The Bridgetown Board of Trade is making a strong effort to induce the D. A. R. to institute an early train service, on certain days in the week, from Middleton, west to Digby, to connect with the steamer for St. John. Petitions are being circulated in Lawrencetown, Paradise, Round Hill and other places along the route to strengthen the hands of the Board of Trade in working for the establishment of this convenience.

The finding of the commission appointed by the United States government to inquire into the cause of the disaster to the warship "Maine," will likely be made known this week, and its publication will mark a crisis in the relations between Spain and the United States.

The annual term of the High Sheriff's Court for reviewing the voter's lists of the county, met at the Court House, Annapolis, yesterday, March 21, in its regular quarterly session.

There is evidence of the growth of a hearty sentiment in favor of an Anglo-American alliance in the United States. Mr. Olney's recent utterances on the subject have perhaps had stronger effect than even he calculated, or he may not be responsible in any degree for the outbreak of enthusiasm in the New York theatres where "God Save the Queen" is sung and the Union Jack observed.

The Anglo-Egyptian advance on Khartoum has probably met its first real check by this time. Monday's cable news announced that the despatch under the signature of the British Dignitary was marching to meet the Egyptian force, and it is not unlikely that news of a battle will reach us this week.

Local and Special News.

Last Thursday was St. Patrick's Day. Middleton is about to have a circulating library. Wheat Coffee, a substitute for coffee, at H. R. Shaw's.

Salmon have already put in an appearance at Round Hill. Counterfeit Newfoundland fifty cent pieces are in circulation.

Another invoice of Paint received at \$1.20 per gallon. H. Shipley. Mr. C. H. Eason has purchased Mr. John Brook's new house on Church road.

Mr. W. F. Gibbons has the timber ready for a fine new stable for his livery business. Middlings, Cotton Seed Meal and Corn Meal to arrive to day at H. R. Shaw's.

Canning and Annapolis played a draw game of hockey last week in the Annapolis rink. Tomorrow is the last day for discounting town taxes. After that the full rate will be charged.

Two more cases English goods arrived this week per S. S. Roumanian for J. W. Beckwith. Mr. J. V. Bickwith is having the top and front of his Bank building put in shape for a hall.

A girl to the general house work was sought for by Mrs. A. W. Savary, Annapolis. The date for the sheriff's sale, Willett vs. Messinger, has been changed to Thursday, April 7th.

I have a few Banquet lamps and one Hall lamp, which I will sell at cost to clear. H. R. Shaw. The epidemic of measles that has visited many Bridgetown homes since the first of the year is rapidly dying out.

The New York Tribune is republishing summaries of Mrs. J. M. Owen's ghost stories from the Halifax Herald. Just received, Horse Nails, full line of Paint Brushes, Ox Balls, Shoe Nails and Pruning Saws. H. Shipley.

Mr. A. A. Taylor is laying the foundation for a new building on the lot just north of where he now lives, on South street. The Middleton "boys," who gave such a successful amateur show in this town last Thursday evening, intend to visit Bridgetown, for the past few months, have taken a drop to 15c.

To the Editor of the Monitor.

I find that some misunderstanding among the ratepayers of the Town as to the rate of taxation of \$1.25 on the hundred dollars, fixed by the Town Council for the ensuing year.

I would ask those ratepayers who think their taxes higher under incorporation than formerly, to take into consideration, in the first place, that for expenses the first year are considerably higher than they will be in subsequent years.

For instance, the first year of purchasing a set of town books and seals is considerable, and would not be incurred again for some time. The expenses of two or more elections, in addition to the other extra items of expenditure; and so there are a number of small items which come into the estimate for this year which will not have to be provided for again.

They must also remember that the Council in this year's estimates had to tax the ratepayers for school purposes for eighteen months instead of twelve. The school year, as fixed by statute, is from July until July, and the town year is from January to January. In order to save comparison in book-keeping, the Council thought it wise to make the school year and the town year the same, and instead of leaving a rate for school purposes for the year ending in July, the rate was put on the year ending in January.

Mr. J. M. C. A. "At Home." The initiatory entertainment given by the members of the Y. M. C. A. in their hall on Thursday evening last was an encouraging success, both socially and financially. Notwithstanding the very disagreeable weather and bad state of the roads the hall was filled to overflowing.

The next session of Annapolis Co., District Division, will be held with New York Division, Stoney Beach Gravelly, on Monday April 4th at 2 p. m. Every Division should be represented.

The Legislature has confirmed the action taken by the Council relative to the taking by the Mayor and Council of the three Councilors by refusing to sign the Act in relation to the Municipal Council by the Mayor and Councilors for the Town of Bridgetown.

The new act provides for holding an election for Mayor and three Councilors on Tuesday 25th instant, and authorized a voter's list upon which election can be held, and also provides how said election is to be conducted.

Mr. J. L. Gordon, gave a short address congratulating the association upon its favorable prospects. The programme was nicely rendered and the audience was most appreciative, many thanks being tendered to the speakers.

Mr. J. L. Gordon, opened a short series of evangelistic services under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. a large number were assembled to hear him, and the local committee of the Baptist church last Sabbath evening. Mr. Gordon conveys the ideal of an evangelist of any who has ever visited our town. The message he delivers is simple but comes with wonderful pathos and power.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

G. T. Bohaker, of Annapolis, was in town yesterday. Mr. A. M. Hour, of Halifax, was in town on Saturday. A. Miles Fraser, of Halifax, was in Bridgetown last Thursday.

Mr. M. A. Davidson, of Windsor, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. S. Today. Mr. George Curry, book keeper for Carry Bros. & Burt, spent Sunday in Windsor. Mr. Jack McCormick, from Moloune, is visiting relatives and friends in town.

Miss Angie James, who has been spending the winter with friends in Boston, returned home on Monday. Miss May Mills, of Granville Ferry, has been spending a few days in town, the guest of her friend Mrs. L. D. Shaffer.

On Tuesday afternoon, on Gravelly or Queen streets, or in the vicinity of Bridge padlock attached. The finder will be rewarded on returning it to this office. WANTED!

MODERATE-SIZED FARM with good buildings, situated within a mile of town of Bridgetown. Apply to HARRY S. SANCTON, PAINTING, Graining, Kalsomining, Coloring, etc. Estimates promptly attended to.

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New Advertisements.

WANTED! Old blue and red stamps used before 1870, worth more on the market, also old coins and old gold. R. A. N. Address 116 & 120 (former) St. John, N.B.

For Sale! THEAT' phantasmically situated on South Street, near railway depot, consisting of well stocked with choice fruit trees. Also a building lot on the premises. For further particulars apply to MRS. G. V. KNIGHT, Bridgetown, March 21st, 1898.

Can You Afford to Save? A small sum each month from your earnings! A sure way to provide for a start in life. Take shares for your children. \$2 per month, if kept up until maturity, will yield \$500. This takes from eight to nine years. The Equitable Savings, Loan & Building Association.

We Want Reliable Men in every locality, local or traveling. We introduce a new discovery and look after our interests. Steady employment, money or commission. Monthly \$100.00 and \$200.00 a day expense. Money deposited in our bank at 4% interest. World Medical Co., London, Ontario.

BY-LAW! Passed March 1st, 1898. Approved March 12th, 1898. "Every person who keeps a livery stable in the Town of Bridgetown shall pay annually a livery fee of eight dollars in addition to a truckman's license as provided in chapter 20, sec. 3, of the laws of the Town of Bridgetown."

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT! Notice is hereby given that John E. Sancton and James Herbert Sancton of Bridgetown formerly doing business under the name of J. E. Sancton & Son, have by deed of assignment bearing date February 17th 1898, conveyed all their book debts and personal property to me JN TRUST to pay the expenses in connection with the preparation and execution of said deed; certain preferential claims; and lastly all the other claims against the said firm and individuals. Said deed of assignment is now filed in the Registry Office, Bridgetown, N. S.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BRIDGETOWN IMPORTING HOUSE!

NEW ARRIVALS OF ENGLISH GOODS

FOR THE SPRING TRADE.

13 cases and bales of English Goods per S. S. "Assyrian" & S.S. "Halifax City" opened this week.

To arrive this week: 2 more cases of those 10c. Print Cottons. Choice Patterns.

Our New Clothing is here.

J. W. BECKWITH.

STRONG & WHITMAN'S

New Spring Stock

Will soon be complete in all lines. We are opening New Goods daily.

WE ARE NOW SHOWING Sheetings, Pillow Cottons & Tiekings.

See our 4-4 Unbleached Sheetting at 16c. per yard. See our full yard width White Cottons at 6c., 7c., 8c., 9c. & 10c. per yard. All special values. The best ever shown.

GINGHAMS & PRINTS from 6c. per yard up.

READY-MADE CLOTHING! Full stock of Ready-made Clothing opened this week, in Men's, Youths' and Children's.

NEW HATS & CAPS! Just opened, one of the largest and best assorted stocks ever shown in the town.

BOYS' GALATEA SUITS! Special Line of Boys' Galatea Washing Suits at 90c. each, only opened this week and nearly sold out already. Also some better ones at \$1.00, \$1.15, \$1.20 and \$1.25. Call early as these are being "snapped up" at sight.

12 - Ladies' Flannelette Wrappers - 12 left, which we are bound to clear out at less than cost. Sizes 32 and 34, only. Former prices \$1.45 and \$1.55. Now you may have your choice for Only \$1.10

ALL GOOD PATTERNS. STRONG & WHITMAN.

Your... FLOOR... Kitchen or Bedroom, wants painting!

Important Notice... WE ARE GIVING SPECIAL LOW PRICES AND EXTRA TERMS... Sewing Machines... Goldie's... Flour... R. SHIPLEY.

JUST ARRIVED - AT THE - Masonic Store Granville Street, One Carload of Goldie's... Flour... bought before the recent advance, which I will sell at the old prices for cash. N. H. PHINNEY, W. M. FORSYTH, Managers. Bridgetown, Feb. 23rd, 1898.