The Weekly Monitor.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH, 1896.

[illegible] is now in the throes of an [illegible]ign which will terminate seven [illegible] from yesterday, and as the date of the contest was not announced until the 23rd of April, it may be said that the great national struggle which is pretty sure to come once in about five years, will on this occasion, be fought out in about two months. To be sure both parties have been doing some preliminary skirmishing, but they were not let loose until the elections were set, so from now until June 23rd some constituencies will be the scenes of a tremendous struggle. Beyond a doubt we will feel a wave of the great fight here in Annapolis county but it will be as a mere ripple compared with the strife in some places. In the large towns and cities there is even now the greatest activity in political circles and the campaign is getting in full swing, but the excitement which always goes hand in hand with party contests will not reach its greatest heights for some weeks. The opposing forces have not come near enough to each other yet for that. The coming contest will be marked by a dogged determination on the part of both sides to create havoc in the opposite ranks. The government has been reconstructed apparently for the sole purpose of making itself as nearly impregnable as possible, and the opposition have in view the addition of Sir Oliver Mowat and other champion exponents of Liberal principles to their ranks. Eighteen years of power does not appear to have satiated the desire of the Liberal-Conservatives to rule and govern the country and the present indications are that they will make a desparate fight to retain that for which they have so successfully fought in the past. This is the first election in the Dominion in which the wily hand of Sir John A. MacDonald has not guided them, but they have for a leader one who has been a success in public life and more nearly connected with the history of our own province, and Sir Charles Tupper throws down the gauntlet with every confidence. On the other hand the hopes of the Liberals were never higher and probably with good reason. In the recent by-elections they have dealt the government some staggering blows, and if by-elections on the eve of a general election are a safe criterion by which to forecast the final results, then it would be strange indeed if their party should be despondent. In addition to the "trade question," the great bone of contention, over which both parties fight so freely and willingly, there is this time another issue which all handle with great respect. The school question is a political exotic, a foreign element, and it has divided the Canadian people into two great parties, *pro* and *con*, but they do not divide up in the same way that they do in genuine national politics, and so matters are complicated to an unusual degree.

There is another noticeable feature in connection with the present elections, and that is the aged men who are participating in them. Politics seems to be a game where experience counts very largely, but men grow old rapidly and if these are the last federal elections in the nineteenth century as we hope they will be, it is not unlikely to suppose the next ones will be marked by the absence of some of those grand old veterans who are to-day bearing the brunt of the battle. However, if Canada is proud of her old men she has also good reason to be proud of her young men, and no doubt when the time comes they will be prepared to follow whithersoever the destinies of our country may lead them.

—THE report of the Minister of Justice as to Penitentiaries in Canada for the year ending 30th June, 1895, presents some interesting yet painful features. There are five penitentiaries in the Dominion, viz., Manitoba, St. Vincent de Paul, British Columbia, Dorchester and Kingston, and their average population during the last five years has been 1226, and the cost of keeping up these institutions was $344,559 for the past year, being $269.82 per capita of prison population and 6¾ cents per capita of the population of Canada. About sixty-five per cent are Canadian, seventeen per cent English, and ten per cent from the United States, while of the remainder China contributes more than any other nation. 824 are single, 445 married and 8 widowed. Upwards of 707 are between the ages of 20 and 40, while 130 are under 20. Nearly 17% are unable to read or write, and 5% are able to read only. Facilities are afforded in each of the prisons to obtain a knowledge of the elementary branches of education.

The services of a Protestant and Roman Catholic clergyman are provided to minister to the spiritual wants of convicts.

Most convicts are classed as laborers, but now and then there is a doctor or a schoolteacher. We have looked in vain for an editor or lawyer, but such cannot be found.

From our own province there were sent to Dorchester last year 38, of whom 13 were under 20 years of age and 19 between 20 and 30, and but one more than 40. Four of these are serving second terms, and one a third term. None come from our county, except perhaps William Moses, who was sent up for a second term from Pictou for larceny. Of the 38 from this province only 4 had trades, and 31 were sent up for stealing. The total number of criminals from Nova Scotia at Dorchester on the 30th of last June was 94, and Annapolis county is responsible for only 3 of that number, while our number—according to population—would be 4; hence we have reason to congratulate ourselves that our county is not the worst in this respect; in fact we take fourth place, three other counties having but one each.

During the year 29 were pardoned out of Dorchester, of whom 20 were from Nova Scotia. The value of convict labor at Dorchester during the year was $22,207.

In addition to the 94 at Dorchester who have committed crime in Nova Scotia, there are doubtless a few others serving out short terms in the county gaols, as no person is sent to the penitentiary for less than two years, hence petty criminals are not included in the above returns.

It would appear that the criminal class consists largely of those who have never been educated nor taught a trade. We plume ourselves upon the efficacy of our free school system and the dignity of labor, but there is something still lacking while the history of our criminal class is as it is at present. These young men now in prison for stealing, having no trade and no education, were once innocent boys, and the beginning of their misfortune was the neglect of their parents to have them receive at least a rudimentary education and then proper instruction in some trade. Such treatment might have rescued them from their present deplorable condition, but when boys are educated on the street they must possess considerable moral stamina to give their attention to those two indispensable elements of good [illegible] ship, viz.: education [illegible] how to do some[illegible]

Liberal-Conservative Convention.

The attendance at the Liberal-Conservative convention, held in the Court House in this town on Thursday last, witnessed a very large gathering of people from early in the morning till late in the afternoon, and it has been quite a long time since so many persons have assembled here. Delegates from the most remote sections were in attendance, and at two o'clock, the hour appointed for the meeting, the large building was filled to its utmost capacity, it being estimated that between four and five hundred were present.

Benj. Starratt, Esq., of Paradise, was elected to the chair and H. E. Gillis, Esq., of Annapolis, filled the office of secretary.

Upon the report of the nominating committee, which was presented by J. J. Ritchie, Q. C., of Annapolis, it was found that the former representative, J. B. Mills, Esq., was the unanimous choice of the party, when Mr. Ritchie took advantage of the occasion to address the audience, and in his usual cultured style touched upon the more important subjects now engrossing the attention of the public, and among other features clearly defining the stand taken by Mr. Mills upon the great question of temperance, his explanation proving highly gratifying to all those who may have had any doubt upon Mr. Mills' attitude in that respect and giving the utmost satisfaction.

Mr. Thos. R. Jones, of Nictaux West, was the next speaker and delivered a short but interesting address.

He was followed by the nominee, J. B. Mills, Esq., who, after thanking the delegates for the honor conferred, addressed the audience upon the general issues of the political situation, defining his own position and that of the late government in such a satisfactory and argumentative manner as to elicit the hearty endorsation of the assemblage.

Upon the retirement of Mr. Mills, T. D. Ruggles, Q. C., occupied the attention of the audience by upholding the action of the late liberal-conservative government on the political problems with which they had to deal at the session just closed, and his pointed reasonings were heartily ratified by a generous outburst of applause.

At the conclusion of the speeches a resolution was moved by Mr. Ritchie and seconded by F. L. Milner, Esq., to the effect that the meeting endorse Mr. Mills' position, which was unanimously sanctioned.

OTHER NOMINATIONS.

On Thursday last Messrs. T. E. Kenny and R. L. Borden, Q.C., were nominated by the Liberal-Conservative convention in Halifax for the coming campaign.

Likewise in St. John the old members, J. D. Hazen and John A. Chesley, were chosen as conservative standard bearers for the city and county.

Wm. R. Bill, Esq., of Billtown, received the nomination for the county of Kings at the convention held at Kentville on Friday last.

Valley Telephone Directory.

The directory of The Valley Telephone Company is now in the hands of the printer and will be issued in the course of a few days. The remarkable growth of this laudable enterprise must indeed be of a particularly pleasing nature to its stockholders. The directory will contain the names of nearly four hundred instrument holders on the line of the company, besides the names of the subscribers and the different toll offices on the lines of The Maitland and Westport and Digby circuits. So great has been the success of The Valley Telephone Company that at the present time nearly every business house in the territory covered by their wires—which extend from Hantsport to Digby and a number of outlaying places of importance—is now taking advantage of the telephonic system, together with the professional men of the country and also many private residences.

Anticipating subscribers should make a note of the publication of the directory and see that their names are handed in to the operators of their local exchange at once, in order that they may appear in the issue now about being placed before the public.

Manager Morrison is giving the welfare of the company and its patrons his closest attention, and is our authority for stating that some seven new subscribers have lately been added to the Digby circuit, while along the line the new improvements and additions to the list have necessitated the employment of extra labor.

The amalgamation of the three lines leading into one exchange at Digby has proved a great boon to the business community, and the low rate of forwarding a message as well as receiving an answer has greatly conduced to the welfare of the public at large.

Since the above was written, we learn with much pleasure, that arrangements have been about completed for the restoration of instruments in the numerous stations on the Dominion Atlantic Railway, including the freight shed on the pier at Digby. Should this prove true Superintendent Sutherland will have the united thanks of his many patrons, and add another testimony to his willingness to meet their requirements.

Arbor Day.

We regret to state that while most other towns in the province are now paying much attention to Arbor Day, there seems to be a painful apathy among our citizens respecting the many advantages to be derived by more fittingly observing the same. The Council of Public Instruction leave the celebration optional, and hitherto, with one or two exceptions the day has passed without following along the line of observance which is now doing so much toward the beautifying and improvement of other towns.

The day set aside for its observance this year is on the 8th instant, and it is earnestly to be hoped that steps are being taken by our schools and the public in general toward the transplanting of ornamental trees along our thoroughfares and other public and private places. Wolfville, Annapolis, Middleton, and other towns are manifesting a most commendable disposition for its observance this year, while the Town Council, School Board and Board of Trade of Lunenburg anticipate making it a day of unusual pleasure. Let there be a movement at once organized by our townspeople and schools, and though the time is but short before the day arrives, much good may be accomplished.

Prohibition Rally.

There will be held at Annapolis Royal, in the Academy of Music, at 2.30 p.m. on Friday next the annual meeting of the Annapolis County Prohibition Convention, followed by a mass meeting in the evening, to be addressed by Rev. Mr. Toole, of Lawrencetown, and Rev. Mr. Grant, the provincial organizer. An unlimited number of delegates is expected to be present. The following train privileges have been arranged:—

Delegates paying one first class fare for the going journey will be returned free on presentation of standard certificate to the station agent, provided ten or more have been in attendance; if under that number then half fare will be charged.

Delegates must provide themselves with a standard certificate, to be obtained from the station agent at starting point, and if they neglect to do so they will not be entitled to free return, but charged regular fare.

Promotions.

69th "1st Annapolis" Battalion of Infantry No. 4 Company.—Lieutenant Asahel Whitman having left the limits his name is removed from the list of officers of the active militia. To be Lieutenant: 2nd Lieutenant Charles E. Healy, *vice* Whitman retired. To be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally: Sergt. Alfred M. Healy, *vice* C. E. Healy, promoted.

72nd "2nd Annapolis" Battalion of Infantry, No. 6 Company.—Captain John M. Morse is permitted to resign his commission and to retain the rank of Captain on retirement. To be Captain: Lieutenant Herman H. Foster, *vice* Morse, retired. To be Lieutnant: 2nd Lieutenant Aubrey A. Foster, *vice* H. H. Forster, promoted. To be 2nd Lieutenant, provisionally: Sergeant Merril Neily, *vice* A. A. Foster, promoted.

Electric Light and Water Meetings.

The decease of John Lockett, Esq., a commissioner of the electric light and water systems of our town necessitated the appointment of a new man to fill the vacancy thus created, and a meeting for that purpose was held in Foster's Hall last Wednesday night, whereupon Albert Morse, Esq., barrister, was elected to fill, as is the custom, both offices.

Mr. Morse was also named a committee to draw a resolution of condolence from the commissioners to the family of Mr. Lockett.

Wedding at Torbrook.

McALONEY—CHARLTON.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Charlton a scene of a quiet wedding ceremony on Wednesday, April 29th, at 2 o'clock when Mr. James E. McAloney of Lunenburg county, was united in marriage to Lila B. Charlton of Torbrook, Rev. Jos. Gaetz, officiating the ceremony.

[illegible] day at John Lockett & Son's, [illegible] Blouses. 6 1i

Local and Special News.

—Mr. Addison LeCain, of Kentville, has removed to Windsor.

—A terrific storm prevailed at Parrsboro on Friday. The weather was extremely cold.

—We have only 44 pairs left of those Ladies' Silk and Taffeta Gloves at 10 cents per pair. John Lockett & Son. 1i

—The packet *Crusade*, Gesner, arrived from St. John on Saturday, and sailed on Monday.

—Our Lace Curtains from 65c. to $4.00 per sett are extra values. Be sure and see them. Strong & Whitman. 6 1i

—The schr. *Swanhilda*, Crosscup, arrived in port on Sunday. She will load with lumber for New York, for Mr. H. J. Crowe.

—You can get all the ingredients and different formulas for spraying apple trees and small fruits, at Crowe & Parker's. 3 tf

BIG CATTLE.—Mr. John Zwicker, of Mahone Bay, sold a pair of cattle last week to Mr. Henry, of Halifax, that weighed 5,500 lbs.

—Professor Butler, of Kings College, has been engaged to prepare plans and specifications to supply the town of North Sydney with water.

—Mr. F. C. Redding has leased Victoria Driving Park, Yarmouth, for the coming season. A race meeting will be held on the 9th of June.

—John W. Hardy, Esq, merchant, of South Brookfield, died last week of consumption. The deceased was widely known and much respected.

—Arrived this morning a carload of Yellow Rose corn meal. Will be sold $2.36 from car. Spot cash. Lawrencetown, May 9th. N. H. Phinney. 6 1i

—The house of Mrs. Oscar Elliott, postmistress of New Ross, was burned to the ground on Monday, 27th ult. The barn was saved, insurance $500.

—A new paper, to be called the *Western World*, is to be issued about the 6th of May at Bridgewater, by Mr. Howard Hall. It will be Liberal in politics.

—Dr. Robinson, of Annapolis, has been appointed returning officer for this county in the Dominion election, and Sheriff Van-Blarcom for the county of Digby.

—The farm of Mr. George E. Anthony, at St. Croix Cove, has been purchased by S. B. Slocomb, of Port Lorne. Mr. Anthony has charge until the first of September.

—The parlor cars of the Dominion Atlantic railway began the season's service yesterday, leaving Halifax at 6.30 a. m., and Yarmouth at 9.30 a. m. daily (Sunday excepted).

—The tea and fancy sale at Round Hill last Wednesday evening was a great success. Besides a generous local patronage many were present from Annapolis. Nearly $60 was realized.

—The first straw hat of the season put in an appearance last week, and gave many the impression that the warm weather had arrived. Mr. Arthur Marshall, of Clarence, was the wearer.

—Sir John Carling and Thomas Temple, a New Brunswick M.P., have been called to the Senate. There is now but one vacancy in that body, namely, the seat held by the late Senator Kaulbach.

—Mr. Andrew Nickerson, of Bear Point, Shelburne Co., who has been in ill health for some time past, committed suicide by hanging himself last Wednesday morning. He leaves a widow and several children.

—Salmon are reported to be quite plentiful at Port Medway. More were taken last month than in any April for years past. They are mostly of medium size. The price has ruled low, being now 12 cts. per lb.

—We are sorry to announce the death of Mr. James Sanford, of North Williamston, which took place on Tuesday last. The deceased was widely known and highly respected. He leaves a large family to mourn their loss.

—The hardware establishment of Mr. H. R. Shaw, on Queen street, which has been receiving the attention of carpenters and painters for several days past, has been further improved by the addition of a plate glass window.

—At Ottawa, on Monday last, the son born to the wife of Sir Hibbert Tupper on the day that Sir Charles was elected for Cape Breton county, was baptized at St. George's church. He was named Victor. Lady Aberdeen officiated as godmother.

Yarmouth Herald: Mr. James B. Bain, of Chegoggin, called at our office on Saturday and paid his 64th subscription to the *Herald* in advance, having been a continuous subscriber since its establishment in 1833. He is in his 85th year, and is hearty and vigorous.

—Several schools of whales are disporting themselves in the vicinity of Cape Cod, following up the herring. Steamers have gone in pursuit of them, one the A. B. Nickerson having killed four on Wednesday. Two were humpbacks, one measuring 60 feet in length.

—Just received: Orange Shellac, Japan, Oil Finish, White Glue, Chrome Yellow, Umbers, Sienna, Indian Red, Patent Dryer, Drop Black, Gold Paint, Artist's Tube Paints, Sandpaper, from 0 to 3, and Manhattan Coach Colors, all at lowest prices. R. Shipley. 6 1i

THE INTERNATIONAL LINE.—The summer arrangements on this line take effect on June 29th. A steamer will leave Boston for St. John every week day at 8 a. m., and will leave St. John for Boston five days per week at 2 p. m. Every Tuesday (completing a daily service) a steamer will leave at 6 p. m.

—W. C. Pineo, Esq., of "The Woodlands," Wilmot, one of the leading agriculturists of that vicinity, and a gentleman who is an ardent admirer of the equine race, has placed in the hands of Mr. Gibbons, the caretaker of the Bridgetown driving track, a very handsome three-year-old Wilkes colt for training.

—A new game called the "Editor's Delight," is played this way: Take a sheet of ordinary writing paper, fold it carefully, and enclose a bank note sufficiently large to pay up all arrearages and one year in advance. Keep an eye on the editor, and if a smile adorns his face, the trick works like a charm. Now is the time to play the joke.

—With the exception of light showers one night two weeks ago no rain fell during the month of April in this vicinity. As a consequence the water in the streams is exceedingly low for this season of the year, causing a serious inconvenience to our lumber operators. The warm heavy rains of spring are much needed for the advancement of vegetation and the farming interests in general.

—J. W. Beckwith & Son's final installment of Ladies' Hose for the spring trade is now complete, the principal leaders consisting of the celebrated Hermsdorf—which are guaranteed absolutely fast and stainless—and the Onyx, both of which they have been handling for the last four or five years, and are consequently fully prepared to recommend those which they have proven to be the best value. 1i

A BIG PURCHASE.—Mr. Harry J. Crowe, of this town, who is rapidly coming into notoriety as a lumber magnate and dealer, made the purchase of a million feet at Hantsport last week. It is the intention of the purchaser to have the lumber sawn and shipped from that place. Mr. Crowe has engaged in the lumber business to a large extent this spring, having bought from different parties in this vicinity some two million feet in addition to the above.

—The launch of the new schooner belonging to Mr. L. D. Shaffner, which came off at Clementsport on Wednesday last, attracted a large number of persons to that locality. The launch took place at one o'clock and was a pretty one, the handsome vessel gliding into the water from her ways without a mishap or hindrance of any kind whatever. The dimensions are: length of keel 81 ft., beam 27½ ft., depth of hold 8 ft. 5 inches, length over all 100 ft. She will bear the name of "Nugget," and will be commanded by Capt. Alfred Mailman, of Bridgewater. The vessel was constructed by the veteran builder Mr. John Wagstaff.

—The Wolfville *Orchardist* states "that our respected citizen, William Chipman, Esq., has purchased an orchard on Prospect street in that town from Dr. Dewitt, and that he will probably commence building operations upon the premises in a short time." Referring to the above, we may announce that it is the intention of Mr. Chipman and family to take up their residence in Wolfville, the former home of Mrs. Chipman, in the near future, and that Messrs. Curry Bros. & Bent will be the contractors for the construction of his new residence. Mr. Albert Curry, one of the members of the firm, having purchased his property in th[illegible]

Local and Special News.

—The alms house at Bathurst, N. B., was destroyed by fire on Monday.

—Mass will be celebrated in St Alphonso's church on Sunday next at 11 o'clock a.m.

—Timothy, Clover and Garden Seeds, at John Lockett & Son's. 6 1i

—Adjutant Galt, of the Salvation Army, will conduct the services in this town next Saturday evening and Sunday.

—Dr. Coleman, of Granville Ferry, surprised his friends one day last week by dressing himself and appearing on the street.

—Glencoe Division, Clarence Centre, intend holding a pie sociable on Friday evening next, May 8th, in M. C, Marshall's hall.

—Mr. John H. Hicks bought last week, from Mr. Moses Harris of Yarmouth, a very handsome thoroughbred Jersey cow and calf.

—We have still a nice assortment of Ladies' Cloth Capes and Straw Sailor Hats in latest styles. Strong & Whitman. 6 1i

—Victoria Hall will be open every Saturday evening from now till June 23rd, and all liberal-conservatives are cordially invited to attend.

—Just received: Wrenches, 8, 10, 12 and 15 inches, a large lot of Spades and Shovels, at reduced prices, and several dozen Whip Lashes. R. Shipley. 6 1i

—Stmr. *Lake Ontario*, Campbell, which arrived at Liverpool, April 26, from St John, N. B., will be placed in dry dock for repairs, she having sustained serious damage by grounding at St John. She has been withdrawn from the service

—The McLaughlin Carriage Co., of Oshawa, Ont., have the reputation of being the best makers in the Dominion and the Bridgetown Foundry Co. are to be congratulated on securing the agency for this county.

—Morley B. Lewis, of Yarmouth, son of T. M. Lewis, the late well known representative of the grand division of Nova Scotia, graduated as an M.D. at the Baltimore medical college last week. He passed his "finals" with 108 others out of a class of 124.

—The great pacers Robert J. and Joe Patchen have been entered for the September Rigby meet, at Portland, Me., and will run for a big purse, without fail. This will be an event of great importance to the horse world, as it is the first time these two horses have met.

—The Foundry Company report that they have been too busy to get an ad. ready for this week's issue but promise it faithfully for next week. They say, and those who have examined their stock agree with them, that they have the finest line of carriages ever shown in the valley. 6 1i

—The Dominion Artillery Association will send a team to England this summer to take part in the National competitions at Shoeburyness. The last Shoeburyness team from Canada, which went across in 1886, was very successful, having won no less than twelve silver cups and a certificate of merit.

—We are glad to be able to call the attention of our readers to the prompt payment of another life insurance claim in our town. The late Mr. John Lockett had his insurance in The Standard Life Assurance Company. This well-known and honorable old company has a world wide reputation for generous and straightforward dealing.

—Wm. R. Calder, Esq., of Tupperville, received a despatch last Saturday from his brother Frank, of Pictou, informing him that his mother had received a paralytic stroke. As Mrs. Calder is more than ninety years of age and this is a second attack, it is feared that her recovery is out of the question. Mr. Calder left for Pictou on Monday.

—Mr. Hervey, who by this time is well-known in western Nova Scotia as the president of the Nova Scotia Southern Railway Company, has been in the province the past week, and we understand that he is now prepared to push the work on the road along without further delay. If such proves to be the case—and we trust it will—no one will be sorry.—*Shelburne Budget.*

—The new Tremont Temple, Boston, one of the most beautiful churches belonging to the Baptists in the United States, was dedicated to worship on Sunday last by services of a notable character. During the day it is estimated that 12,000 people attended the services, and the pastor and congregation are to be congratulated on such a happy termination of their noble efforts.

—A number of our citizens visited Lawrencetown on Saturday evening last for the purpose of listening to the public address delivered in Whitman's Hall by the Hon. Atty.-General. The meeting was liberally attended, and the remarks of the eloquent speaker elicited the heartiest applause. At the conclusion of Mr. Longley's address several other gentlemen present delivered short speeches. Councillor Fitch, of Clarence, occupied the chair.

—We are sorry to learn that Mr. Alton Messenger was violently thrown from his wagon on Friday last while driving along the highway below Annapolis. The accident was caused by his horse becoming frightened, and the injuries sustained were of such a severe nature as to cause great alarm among those who went to his assistance. Although his recovery is not at all doubted, it will be some time before he is about again, as his collar-bone was fractured and he was otherwise badly used up.

—Our postmaster, Mr. Enoch Dodge, is having his residence on Granville st. much improved in appearance by the addition of a pediment to the front part. Messrs. Curry Bros. & Bent are doing the work in their usual artistic manner. Mr. E. A. Craig is also having his residence thoroughly overhauled, and the improvements will greatly enhance the appearance of his cozy home. Mr. N. E. Chute has enclosed his handsome residence, on the corner of Church and Granville streets, by a neat and attractive fence.

—The *Journal of Education* for April was mailed to the secretaries of the various Boards of Trustees this week. This number of the *Journal* is of special importance to teachers and trustees and should receive a careful perusal. Candidates for the Provincial Examinations in July will notice a change in the time-table of said examinations. It will also be seen that in consequence of a recent regulation of the C. P. I. the summer vacation this year will be of seven weeks' duration instead of six as formerly. This will occur once in every five or six years. The Provincial examinations will be held this year during the first week of the summer vacation.

—The meetings of the Teachers' Institute for the Inspectoral District No. 4 will be held at Bear River on the 14th and 15th inst. An interesting programme has been prepared and it is expected that a large attendance of teachers will be secured. Special rates of travel has been obtained as follows: Those going by the D. A. R. must obtain from the agent at the station from which they start a standard certificate which on being countersigned by the Secretary of the Institute and on presentation to the agent at Bear River Station will entitle the holder to a return ticket free of cost. Teachers travelling by the N. S. Central will be returned for one-third fare. Half fare rates have also been obtained between Bear River Station and the Village. Board at reasonable rates can be obtained at the Hotels and at private houses.

Personals.

Miss Piggott, of Granville Ferry, is visiting Mrs. John Lockett.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Harris, of Wolfville, spent last Sabbath at the home of her parents at Middleton.

Mrs. Jas. S. McGivern and child, of St. John, arrived on Thursday, and are at present the guests of Mrs. M. K. Piper.

F. B. Wade, Esq., of Bridgewater, who has been enjoying an outing on the Port Medway river, in quest of salmon, returned to Bridgewater last week, much improved in health.

Mrs. Andrews, wife of Dr. A. R. Andrews, Middleton, returned from Bermuda on Wednesday last, where she had been spending the winter. Her many friends will be pleased to learn that she is much improved in health.

Truro News: Mr. Inglis C. Craig, Inspector of Schools, was at the Stirling Hotel, Tatamagouche, on the 23rd ult. He has visited the schools in that town, and has found everything satisfactory, and the schools working well.

Mr. H. H. Sutherland, representing Schofield Bros., of St. John, well known paper dealers, was in town on Saturday, en route to Lunenburg. The firm of Schofield Bros. are reliable and pushing dealers, and are working into a large share of provincial trade.

Councillor MacLean left on Monday for Cape Breton, to be absent a week or ten days, during which time he will act as one of the arbitrators, appointed by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, on a suit pending between Mr. Penn Hussey, a railway constructor, and the Broad Cove Coal company.

—Don't forget our Onyx Fast-Black Hose from 20c. to 60c. per pair. Strong & Whitman. 6 1i

New Advertisements.

John Ervin.....Change in date of Sale
Capt. John Longmire.....Cedar Shingles
Standard Assurance Co.....Acknowledgement
Bridgetown Driving Park.....Grand Opening
Neily & Kinney.....Field and Garden Seeds

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Copy for Changes to secure insertion must be in our hands not later than Tuesday morning at 10 a.m.

New Advertisements.

CEDAR SHINGLES!

FOR SALE at an extremely low figure, 100,000 Superior No. 1 Cedar Shingles.
CAPT. JOHN LONGMIRE.
Bridgetown, May 5th, 1896. 6 tf

Change in Date
—OF—
PUBLIC AUCTION.

The sale advertised in last MONITOR to take place on Saturday, 9th, at the corner of Granville and Court Sts., Bridgetown, is changed to

Friday next, May 8th,

at 2 o'clock p.m., when the following will be sold by Fred C. Harris, auctioneer:

One Black Horse, one Double-seated Express Waggon, one Set Harness, one single Horse Mowing Machine, one Horse Rake, ten bushels good black Oats.

Also at the same time and place one child's Iron Sleeping Cot with brass tops, one bedstead and several pictures.

Terms—Sums under $10 cash: over that amount approved notes.

JOHN ERVIN,
Solicitor for Assignee.
Bridgetown, April 28th, 1896.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

BRIDGETOWN, April 29th, 1896.

MR. ALBERT MORSE, Agent The Standard Life Assurance Co., Bridgetown:

Dear Sir,—Accept my sincere thanks for the very prompt payment by your Company of the claim against it, owing to the death of my husband, Mr. John Lockett.

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Low Prices.
STOCK GUARANTEED.

GRAND OPENING OF
BRIDGETOWN DRIVING PARK!
MONDAY, MAY 25th, 1896.

Gentlemens' Driving Race.
Open to Green Horses only; owners to drive. By a green horse is meant a horse that has never trotted for money. Entrance fee $5. Purse $50. Purse divided 50, 30 and 20 per cent. Seven to enter; five to start; race to be mile heats; best three in five to harness. (National Trotting Association Rules to govern.)

Bicycle Races.
One-half mile, best two in three; entrance fee 50c.; prize, Silver Medal. One Mile Dash; entrance fee 50c.; prize, Silver Medal.

SOMETHING NEW AND INTERESTING.
FOUR-MINUTE TROT. Open to all horses and drivers; purse $15; entrance fee $2: purse divided into two monies, $10 and $5. Five to enter, four to start. Conditions—Race to be one mile heat. The horse trotting the mile the nearest to four minutes to be entitled to second money. Entries for Trotting Races close Monday, May 18th. Entries for Bicycle Races close at noon, May 25th. Usual weather clause. Races to begin at 2 p. m. sharp. Music will be provided by the 69th Battalion Band.

☞The first payment for the Guaranteed Three-Minute stake race, to be trotted at the Mid-Summer meeting, August 9, 1896, is due May 15, 1896.

For further information and particulars address H. RUGGLES, Secretary.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SPRING GREETING.

Our Spring Greeting for 1896 is issued under particularly favorable auspices.

The business situation is much brighter, and goods and prices favor the purchaser in a way not equalled for years. So buoyant are all the prospects, that we have prepared to meet our large and growing custom, by purchasing the

Largest, Choicest and Most Representative Stock of Goods

we have yet had the pleasure of placing before the public. In selecting which, we have been guided by the unvarying principle—"to secure the very best." Where style was the consideration we have insisted on goods faultlessly fashioned; and in all classes of goods we demanded those that

Look Best, Wear Best, Sell Best,

and were, in fact, the best and newest procurable. These we purchased carefully and methodically, buying close and figuring a narrow margin of profit, so that we can offer the same for much less than the ordinary cost.

Our patrons form a community possessed of good taste, and endowed with a discriminating sense of harmony and appropriateness, and we ask for a test of our resources and ability to meet the needs of every patron, feeling that we were never so well equipped to supply their wants.

We can convince the most sceptical that it is unprofitable and unfair to send their money away to firms, they know little or nothing about, giving them the opportunity of sending in return anything they may see fit, when they can buy

BETTER GOODS AT JUST AS FINE PRICES

and from just as good people right in their own community.

Our store is as heretofore a place where all are cordially welcome, a place where goods, prices and courteous treatment are just right.

Thanking you one and all for your valued patronage during the past seventeen years, trusting you will continue to show your appreciation of our efforts in your behalf, and promising to guard well your interests this spring of 1896, as the champion of low prices, superior goods and honest treatment,

We remain faithfully yours,

J. W. BECKWITH & SON.

☞Good Butter, Eggs and Wool always in demand.

NEW SPRING AND SUMMER STOCK
of English, Canadian and American
DRY GOODS!

We beg to announce to the public that our Spring and Summer Stock is now complete in every line, and having purchased more largely than usual in order to meet the demands of the public generally, we feel assured when asking you to inspect same that you will find one of the largest and newest stocks shown in the county. REMEMBER we deem it a pleasure to show you goods.

Dress Goods!
In this line we have always made it a point to excel, and a look through our fine stock will convince you of our statement. We beg that you will examine same thoroughly, and we feel sure that you will not be disappointed, as we have all the leading shades and trimmings to match.

Black Dress Goods a Specialty!
We have an immense stock of these goods in plain and fancy. Also for Fancy Waists a large lot of patterns in Silk and Wool, China Silks, Surah Silks, Batavias, Kakia Fast-Color Washing Silks from 35c per yard up.

FANCY COTTON GOODS!
We can show you one of the largest assortments in this line to be found in the place, comprising French and Canadian Muslins, Cashmerettes, Crepones, Zephyrs, German and Canadian Crinkles, Crepe Cottons, Fancy Lawns, Piques, Gismonda Silks, La Belle Crepones, etc.

HOUSE FURNISHINGS!
Carpets, Lace Curtains, Chenille Portiers, Table Covers, Table Linens, Napkins, Sheetings (white and grey), Pillow Cottons (circular and plain), Tickings, Cretonnes. Also a large assortment of
Wall Paper, Curtain Poles, Roller Blinds, etc.

Parasols in plain, fancy and shot effects, Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Ready-made Wrappers, Waists and White Wear.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS!
In this line we are second to none, having one of the largest stocks and the latest styles in Hats, Caps, Underwear, Men's, Youth's and Children's Ready-made Clothing.
Men's Suits from $3.50 up.
Children's Suits from 95c up.
Also Shirts and Ties in great variety.

This Hose has given universal satisfaction in the past and will continue to do so in the future.
FOR SALE BY
STRONG & WHITMAN.

We have the sole control of this unequalled line for the town.
STRONG & WHITMAN.
Ask for Onyx Hose and take no other for a substitute, as they are the best.

Wanted in exchange for all goods, lots of Cash, quantities of choice Butter, Fresh Eggs, and tons of Good Washed Wool at 25c.

STRONG & WHITMAN.

EXTRAORDINARY INDUCEMENTS
held out to anyone in need of a
WHITEWASH BRUSH
Large Assortment
—WITH—
Prices Away Down.
RICHARD SHIPLEY.

FARM FOR SALE
For sale that desirable property, situate in Clarence, and formerly known as the W. R. Dodge farm. This property is one of the finest in that thriving section of Annapolis county, yields a large quantity of hay, has an orchard capable of yielding several hundred barrels of apples, is well wooded, and has water privileges of an excellent nature and quality. To the right party this valuable farm holds out many exceptional inducements. Part of the purchase money may remain on mortgage. For further information apply to
MRS. ELIZABETH WHITE, On the Property, or to
ALBERT MORSE, Barrister, Bridgetown.

Property for Sale!
Any party wishing to purchase that small and convenient property lately occupied by the late STEPHEN PHINNEY, will do well to confer with me at once, as I have been authorized to offer the same for sale at a reasonable price.
The said property consists of about eight acres of splendid land situate in the centre of the thriving village of Hampton, in the County of Annapolis, with suitable buildings thereon.
OLIVER S. MILLER.
Bridgetown, April 22nd, 1896. 4 tf

BRIDGETOWN
Boot & Shoe Store
JUST RECEIVED:
60 pairs LADIES' KID BUTTON BOOTS with a very nobby toe, selling for - - - - - - **$1.35**
☞DON'T FORGET TO SEE THEM.
60 pair LADIES' KID OXFORD SHOES, selling for - **$1.00**
These goods look as well as what sold for $2.00 and $1.50.
60 pair LADIES' TAN OXFORD, selling for - - - **$1.35**
Best vaue I have ever yet offered.
Misses' and Children's Boots and Shoes in all lines.
A new lot of SHOE DRESSING just received.
Good Fresh Eggs and Butter taken in exchange for goods.
☞*DON'T FORGET THE PLACE.*
GRANVILLE STREET. H. A. COCHRAN.

SCOTT & CROZIER,
MERCHANT TAILORS
BRIDGETOWN, N. S.,
.....ARE OFFERING THE GREATEST.....
Bargains in Clothing
THAT CAN BE HAD IN THE COUNTY.
All Goods marked down to the very lowest price satisfaction guaranteed to all who favor us with their orders.
☞Call and inspect goods and you will be convinced that you can get better GAINS from us than you can elsewhere.