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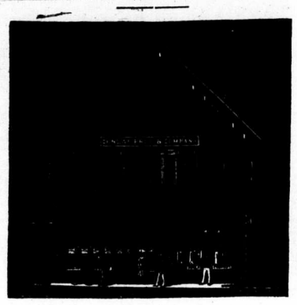

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LOCAL NEWS.

Philoderma.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY, to-day.

Philoderma cures Chapped Hands.

RACCOON.—A raccoon was captured alive last Tuesday night by Mr. Woodford Turner, and is now on exhibition.

MUSIC AND SKATING.—The Dorchester Cornet Band played at Tantramar Rink last night to a large audience.

DONATION.—The donation to Rev. D. McKeen, which was held at the parsonage of the second Baptist church last night, amounted to about one hundred dollars.

SOCIABLE.—An after-tea sociable, in aid of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, will be held at 7 o'clock this evening at the residence of Mr. Harmon Humphrey. All are invited.

CONCERT.—The concert in St. Joseph's Church, Memramcook, on Tuesday evening, was a great success. It was well attended by people from Moncton, Dorchester, and other places.

LIBERALITY.—A Sackville widow, who has a larger family than she is able to support, received substantial assistance from a number of her neighbors a few days ago. It is a pity that such generosity is not more common.

NORTH SHORE ITEMS.—Clark, third son of Bowden Chapman, Esq., is prostrated with lung fever.—There is quite a hum in the lumbering business, yards are being formed in all directions for the portable steam saw mills.

CORRECTION.—The statement made in the POST last week that Christie Bros., of Amherst, had assigned, is not correct. The firm that was meant was Christie & Co., of St. John, and the blunder was caused by the similarity of the names.

NEW CHURCH.—The new Methodist Church at Jolicure will be dedicated next Sunday, 17th inst. Rev. Mr. Phinney will preach at 11 a. m., Rev. Mr. Dobson at 3 p. m., and Rev. Mr. Fisher at 7 p. m. A collection will be taken up at each service, in aid of the building fund.

CARNIVAL.—The first carnival of the season here, took place in the Tantramar Rink on Thursday last. There were about 125 skaters and a large number of spectators. The Dorchester Cornet Band furnished the music. It is proposed to hold another carnival on Saturday evening, 23rd February.

OBITUARY.—Charles C. Barnes, Esq., a leading member of this community died on Tuesday morning in the seventy-second year of his age. —Thomas Carter, Esq., a respected inhabitant of Maccan, Cumberland, long a resident of Sackville and a J. P. of Westmorland Co., died on Friday at the advanced age of 86 years. —Mr. Samuel Fillmore, of Upper Sackville, died on the 9th ult., aged 86 years.—Mrs. Angelique Comeau, of whom mention was made in the POST a few weeks ago, died at Cape Bald on the 6th inst., at the very remarkable age of 105 years 1 month and 6 days. She was undoubtedly the oldest inhabitant of the Maritime Provinces.

SERIOUS AFFRAY.—A young man named Wood, belonging to Wood Point, was attacked last night at Sackville R. R. Station by two men named Darrah and Gillis. In trying to escape from his assailants Wood jumped through the wicket into the ladies waiting-room, where he secured a small poker and struck Gillis twice on the head, inflicting serious wounds. Darrah, who went around and entered the room by the door, was knocked down by a blow from the poker, but was not very badly hurt. The wounded men were placed in charge of Constables Ford and Bulmer, pending the arrival of Police Constable O'Rook, of Moncton, who had been sent for, and their wounds were dressed by Dr. Trueman, who was summoned for that purpose.

Death of Silas H. Morse.

Mr. Silas Hibbert Morse, one of the oldest and best-known inhabitants of Cumberland County, died at Port Philip last Friday. He was born at Amherst and was a son of the late Alpheus Morse, and a brother of the late Hon. J. S. Morse. He was married to Elizabeth Stewart, daughter of the late Judge Stewart, and was father of Lady Tupper, Mrs. W. M. Fullerton, and the late Mrs. Simonds. Mr. Morse held the office Deputy Prothonotary for his native county about forty years, and he was always a leading and consistent member of the Conservative party.

—No other medicine is so reliable as Ayer's Cherry Pectoral for colds, coughs and all derangements of the respiratory organs tending toward consumption. In all ordinary cases it is a certain cure, and it affords sure relief for the asthmatic and consumptive, even in advanced stages of disease.

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GENERAL NEWS.

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—Armour & Co., of Chicago, slaughtered 1,020,000 hogs and 251,000 cattle last year.

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—French newspapers are very sarcastic concerning the failure of England's policy in Egypt.

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—The contract for the Fredericton bridge has been awarded to Messrs. Simmons & Burpee.

—The Dominion Parliament has been petitioned for aid to a railway from Ontario to James Bay.

—The Orange prisoners, charged with complicity in the Newfoundland riots, have been refused bail.

—The damage to property caused by the flood near Harrisburg, Pa., is estimated at $6,000,000.

—The latest reports from the flooded districts in Kentucky and Ohio state that the water is still rising.

—The schr. "Flora B." Capt. Bentley, was seized at Parrsboro last week for infraction of the Customs law.

—It is stated there are 1,300 infected farms and 36,000 cattle suffering from foot-and-mouth disease in England.

—Two of the largest elevators in Toronto were burned last Thursday night, with about 175,000 bushels of grain.

—A hundred thousand copies of the Queen's new book, "Life in the Highlands," will be published in a day or two.

—The French Chamber of Deputies is considering the proposal to establish a system of official inspection of imported meats.

—Harry Lee, the Cincinnati bookkeeper, arrested at Toronto, is charged with fifty-eight cases of forgery and altering cheques.

—Diphtheria of a malignant type is prevailing at Port Hawkesbury, C. B., and the schools have been closed on account of the epidemic.

—A bridge on the Indianapolis Air Line broke down beneath a passenger train last Thursday, and many of the passengers were killed or wounded.

—It is stated that the Imperial Government proposes to establish a land bank empowered to loan landlords money with which to pay off encumbrances.

—A despatch from the French bishop in Tonquin, states that 1 priest, 22 catechists, and 215 Christians have been massacred, and that 108 mission houses have been destroyed.

—The Irish societies of Boston resolved to abandon the idea of a parade on St. Patrick's day; instead a lecture will be delivered, the proceeds to go for the erection of a statue of Wendell Phillips.

—Miss Lillian Welsh, a very estimable young lady, daughter of John Welsh, Esq., merchant of Digby, N. S., accidently drank a dose of strychnine in mistake for medicine one day last week and died a few minutes after.

—We will wager a year's subscription that a 25 cent package of *Sheridan's Condition Powders* contains more pure ingredients and cost more money than a bushel of any kind put up in *large* packs. Sheridan's powders are absolutely pure.

—A Dutch engineer named Von Braam has received a concession from the Portuguese Government to lay a submarine cable from Lisbon to the Azores, and thence to New York and Cuba. He thinks his cable can be made profitable at a franc and a half a word.

—The *Ayrshire Post* says:—During the storm on the night of the 23rd ult., at Troon, Scotland, the barque "Union," of Ardrossan, broke adrift from her moorings, and falling foul of the barque "Siddartha," of Sackville, N. B., did considerable damage to herself and the latter vessel.

—The Irish Agitators sympathize with the Egyptian rebels. A late issue of *United Ireland*, under the heading, "Speed the Mehdi," congratulates the False Prophet on his recent victory, and hopes neither Sinkat or Khartoum will be relieved. It trusts that Gordon will meet the same fate as Baker, and asserts that it will rejoice to hear of El Mehdi's victorious arrival at Cairo,

—No bureau of the Government exceeds in importance the United States Patent Office. From the start it has been self-sustaining, and now has an unexpended balance to its credit of about $2,500,000. This money is the result of fees paid by inventors to secure the patents which protect their inventions. This business of the Patent Office has increased with each year of its existence.

—Great destruction of property was caused by floods in the Middle States last week. Thousands of families were driven from their homes or forced to take refuge in the upper stories of their houses. The loss of life has not been large, except at Marietta, Ohio, where the falling of the river bank caused a number of people be be swept away and drowned. The waters have now subsided and no further damage is anticipated.

—The number of French-speaking inhabitants in British North America is 1,298,929, of whom 1,073,820 are in the Province of Quebec, 102,743 in Ontario, 56,635 in New Brunswick, 41,219 in Nova Scotia, 10,751 in Prince Edward Island, 9,949 in Manitoba, 2,836 in the Territories, and 916 in British Columbia. The French population in the Province of Quebec increases, while the English-speaking population is decreasing.

A Young Man Beaten to Death.

A young man named Francois Bourgeois died at Moncton, on Saturday last, under suspicious circumstances. It appears that on Saturday evening, 2nd inst., he was in company with a woman named Domitilde Gautreau, in the house of a Mrs. Margaret Rouff. After leaving the house with the girl, he parted with her at the house she was living at. It is believed that subsequently to this he was set upon by some men and beaten, receiving injuries on his head and neck which were the ultimate cause of his death. Bourgeois was about until Tuesday when he took to his bed and died. During the time he was confined to his bed, no connected account of the assault on him could be obtained. All he said was "Charlie Downie and three or four others tried to beat me, but could not." The men who are suspected of being concerned in the affair are Radcliffe Little, Oscar Godsoe and Charles Downie, all of Moncton.

—Mr. A. J. Denton, of the High School in Halifax, writes to the *Christian Messenger*, an explanation of how the Didactic dispute at Wolfville was settled. He says:

It has been reported that Dr. Rand resigned his position at the meeting of the Board of Governors in December last, and that this action settled the difficulty. This is, however, not the whole truth. It is true that he did place himself unreservedly in the hands of the Governor; but the chair of Education and History could not have been established if it had not been a friend of Dr. Rand guaranteed $500 per year for five years towards the Dr.'s salary, and other friends the remainder of the salary for the present year; and it is further understood that these same or other friends will continue to support the chair for the next four years also. It is therefore expected that the new chair will not cost the denomination anything for five years. In the meantime, there will be ample opportunity for its warm and ardent admirers to endow the chair permanently.

Cumberland Items.

FROM AMHERST.

—The Amherst ladies have engaged Miss Munroe to give them lessons in the art of cooking.

—The funeral of the late Silas H. Morse took place last Monday from the residence of W. M. Fullerton, Esq., and was largely attended.

FROM OXFORD.

—The furniture factory employs about forty-five hands and is turning out some excellent work.

—It is reported that a large hotel will be erected during the coming summer near the foundry.

—The friends of the Rev. Jas. A. McKenzie, (Presbyterian), assembled in the Baptist church last week and presented him with the sum of $55.53 and a handsome book.

—The woollen mill is running full time and employs about fifty hands. The mill uses annually about 150,000 lbs. of wool, and manufactures 100,000 yards of cloth and a large quantity of yarn.

FROM RIVER HEBERT.

—The Joggins C. M. Association are working their new pit and making ready for the summer shipping. They are getting out good coal.

—Business is rather quiet, as much so this winter as usual, no new events happening. Some of the inhabitants of the Joggins have been taking things easy for the last month, but about all are at work now, and business has naturally been dull there.

—The work at the Minudie Mining Co.'s pit, River Hebert, is quite brisk. They are getting out good coal and shipping large quantities of it to Amherst by horse teams. By the way, that Joggins and Maccan railroad would be very useful to carry coal to Amherst and other places along the I. C. R.

—The Messrs. Young and Kelley Bros., of this place, are getting in a large quantity of logs for the spring and summer sawing, besides a number of other persons that own small mills are getting smaller quantities. Messrs. Prescott & Gillespie, of Shulee, are also lumbering on a pretty large scale. Mr. E. J. White, of Sand River, is getting out a good deal of timber. There will not be quite as many piling, spars, &c., got out this winter from Shulee to Downing's Cove as usual.

FROM RIVER PHILIP.

—Business has been very good all winter but money not quite so plentiful as last season.

—We had a short visit from Rev. Mr. Morton and wife, of Pugwash, a few days ago. Their friends were very delighted to see them.

—The winter has been excellent for lumbering purposes here. There will not be quite as many logs got out this winter as usual which will be more than made up by the hardwood timber being got out. Scharman & Harper will shortly have at River Philip Station, Thomson Station, and Westchester Station, in the vicinity of 500 tons of birch timber.

—Sociables for the benefit of the Mission house, seem to be the order of the day here, and if they continue as they have begun the result will exceed all expectations. The first one was held at R. L. Black's, Esq., (our respected Councillor), and notwithstanding the night was very stormy which prevented a large number from attending who otherwise would have been there, the snug little sum of $15.00 was realized. The next one (and last thus far) was at J. W. Schurman's, Esq., and was a good success in every respect. A very pleasant evening was spent and all went home fully satisfied that a sociable was a grand institution. The sum realized was $32.00. The River Philip people are noted for their generosity in giving to any good cause. There is to be another of the same sort at Mr. Rufus Johnson's, Williamsdale, on next Thursday evening, and one at Mr. Thompson Oxley's, on the Thursday evening following.

Dorchester Items.

—The total loss of the splendid new ship "S. B. Weldon," without insurance, is quite a loss to our shipping people.

—Work at the Colonial Mine is somewhat impeded by influx of water, the steam pump not being yet at work.

—Mr. James A. Hicks has graduated from the Business College at St. John and received the college diploma.

—A telegram from Calgary, N. W. T., announces the murder at that place of James Adams, son of Thomas N. Adams, of Dorchester. The object of the murder is supposed to have been robbery, and the suspected murderer, a negro cook, has been captured.

—Mr. Tait's County Boarding House is at present a very popular resort. The following visitors are sojourning there:

Thos. Nickerson, 23 years old, petty larceny, Moncton, 3 months.

Oliver Lodge, 15, petty larceny, Moncton, 3 months.

Wm. Hogan, 23, assault, for trial, Sackville.

Shepperd Wilbur, 19, petty larceny, Moncton, 3 months.

Wm. Downing, 19, petty larceny, Moncton, 3 months.

Frank Cushing, 16, petty larceny, Moncton, 3 months.

Wm. F. Gillis, 16, infringement of the Scott Act, Sackville, 1 month.

Francois Gauvain, 19, petty larceny, Moncton, 3 months.

Richard Flannagan, 19, assault, Moncton, 2 months.

Saml. McDougall, 17, petty larceny, Moncton, 3 months.

Court at Fredericton.

FREDERICTON, Feb. 11.—Anderson vs. Fawcett. Mr. Milner and Attorney-General move for new trial. Hanington, Q. C., contra; this case is now before the court.

Special paper. In the case of Anderson vs. Fawcett court considers.

Estabrooks et al, vs. Sears. Mr. Milner supported demurrer to defendant's third plea; Mr. Emmerson contra; judgment for plaintiff.

Baie Verte Items.

—Mr. Chas. Prescott is not Collector of Customs, as stated in the press.

—Messrs. Gray & Wheaton have a number of men and teams busily engaged in getting material for the construction of the Port Elgin railway bridge.

—Some of the rate payers have been and still are agitating the necessity of having a new school house erected. A meeting for that purpose will be convened the first Saturday in March next.

—The charges preferred against James Blackburn, committed for trial a short time ago, were of such a frivolous nature that the C. J., on application of Council, permitted him upon his own recognizance to again breathe the fresh air.

—Up to the present time it is estimated that over twenty tons of bass have been taken in the Tidnish River, mostly all of which have been disposed of on the ice at the rate of eight dollars per hundred weight. Mr. Chas. Prescott has invested largely,

—Owing to illness the Rev. Mr. Brewer, of Sussex, was unable to fulfil his engagement to lecture on Monday evening last. Rev. Mr. Ackman, although himself indisposed, kindly filled up the gap, and spoke extempore for over an hour to a large audience on the subject "Look out for Yourself."

—An altercation over a game of cards took place in the bar-room of Michael O'Connell, Port Elgin, a few nights ago, which resulted in one James Polley, upon refusing to pay for a treat, receiving at the hands of the bar-keeper a very serious blow on the head with a bottle, inflicting a ghastly wound. We understand that through the intercession of friends of the assailant, who have been endeavoring to settle the affair in a pecuniary way, the matter up to the present time has been kept out of the courts. Where are the friends of "Scott?"

—On Thursday last one of the fishery wardens discovered a purse net of illegal dimensions sunk across the channel of the Tidnish River, which he at once took possession of and had conveyed to the premises of one Mr. Strang. The owner of the net on discovering his loss, in company with others, hastened to the premises and with force, &c., retook the property, and bidding defiance to the officer, who by the way is not an official of the sister province, took their departure, and on reaching the river deposited it in the same place. Mr. Rogers, of Amherst, was immediately made acquainted with the facts and has had the offenders arrested. The trial takes place on Thursday.

Temperance News.

—The Rev. T. Hardy, agent for the United Kingdom Temperance Alliance, is lecturing in the Upper Provinces.

—The election held in Prince Co., P. E. I., last week, on the petition for the repeal of the Scott Act, resulted in the Act being sustained by a majority of 1,646, the vote standing 936 for the petition and 2,582 against it.

—In Shediac, within a fortnight, the following have been prosecuted for violation of the Scott Act: Maximilien Poirier, Martin McDonald, Malcolm McKinnon, J. Farrell, and John McDonald. The following will be prosecuted for the same offence: Joseph Gallant, Stephen Nickerson, James Weldon, Narcisse Hebert, and Aime Bourque.

—The meeting of the Council of the Dominion Temperance Alliance, which has just been held at Ottawa, was the most important ever held by that body. The reports received seemed to indicate that the country is ripe for prohibition and an advance was ordered all along the line. There is to be an effort to get all the counties to make a simultaneous movement in favor of the Scott Act. Professor Foster, Member for Kings, has been selected to move a resolution during the session in favor of the principle of national prohibition, and Mr. Fisher, Member for Brome, has been asked to second the motion. Hon. Mr. Vidal was chosen as president of the Alliance for the ensuing year, and Mr. Spence, of Toronto, was appointed secretary.

The Fight at Sinkat.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The *Standard's* correspondent at Suakim telegraphs as follows:—At last the heroic garrison of Sinkat has been butchered. For a fortnight they had eaten roots and tree leaves. It was an enfeebled band indeed which sortied to die amidst the rebel hordes. Tewfik Bey had harangued the men, saying that by fighting they might save themselves, but by remaining they must die from hunger in a few days. Flight was impossible. The men, thus animated with Tewfik Bay's spirit, destroyed the military stores, exploded the magazine, filled their pouches to the utmost with cartridges, and issued forth 600 strong against the rebels. Osman Digma's hordes rushed to the attack. Tewfik Bey and his men fought nobly. For a long time they repulsed every attempt to break their ranks; finally superior numbers prevailed and with a rush the rebels burst through one of the sides of the Egyptian square. A general massacre ensued, and not a soul escaped. According to the latest reports only four sick men, unable to take part in the sortie, the Cadi of Sinkat and 30 women were spared by the rebels. Before the sortie a rebel sheikh approached Sinkat, and summoned Tewfik Bey to surrender, saying his life would be spared. The garrison answered defiantly, reviling the rebels. During the sortie women and children followed in rear of the soldiers. Large numbers of the rebels were killed.

The rebels are now massing in the vicinity of Suakim, the Sinkat contingent having joined the main body. An attack on Suakim is believed imminent.

Donation Visit.

DEAR EDITOR:—A few weeks since your readers saw in your columns that some of my friends called on me, leaving about 25 cords of wood in my yard. On Thursday afternoon last more than 50 able-bodied men with saws and axes attacked those piles, and such slaughter I have never seen, nor do I expect to see the like again till this time next year. In the evening the ladies came with their baskets and the gentlemen with their parcels and purses until the parsonage was filled to over-flowing. After a most enjoyable evening, sociably spent, they retired at a reasonable hour, leaving us the richer by $244, including gifts received prior to the night above mentioned—this inclusive of the wood mentioned above. Our free-will offering system of support, which has been inaugurated at the commencement of our work as a new organization, has resulted even in the first year in giving the pastor about seventy-five per cent. more remuneration than the two churches in their separate capacity were in the habit of contributing.

D. G. MACDONALD.

A Card.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send a recipe that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the REV. JOSEPH T. INMAN, *Station D, New York City.*

In Dixie's Land.

J. Kennedy, dealer in drugs, &c., Dixie, Ontario, recommends Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam to his customers, it having cured his wife of a bad cough. It is the safest and surest remedy for all Throat and Lung troubles, such as Asthma, Bronchitis, Whooping Cough and most pectoral complaints.

A Good Cosmetic.

The best cosmetics are good soap and water, to obtain purity of the skin; while for boils, blotches, obstinate humors and impurities of the blood, Burdock Blood Bitters is the best of all purifiers.

Ye Liberal-Conservatives.

Ye Liberal-Conservatives
Who in the Commons sit,
Whose flag hath braved a score of years
The Yankee and the Grit,
Your glorious banner still uphold
And let the voters know
Our honor yet remains unsold,
Though boisterous Grits do blow,
Though Yankees strive by us to thrive,
And boisterous Grits do blow.

We wish not that "jug-handled trade"
For which the Liberals weep;
That cry was in its coffin laid
And buried in the deep.
With products from the native mill
Full well the people know
We can Canadian markets fill,
Though boisterous Grits do blow,
Though Yankees strive by us to thrive,
And boisterous Grits do blow.

And members to your colors true
Shall win in every place
Where voters seek the polls anew
Grit triumphs to efface.
Where Smith and mighty Pickard fell
Your followers shall go
To aid the work begun so well,
Though boisterous Grits do blow,
Though Yankees strive by us to thrive,
And boisterous Grits do blow.

Your meteor flag of progress
Shall still triumphant rise
'Till other nations shall express
Their infinite surprise
That infant industries of ours
To such dimensions grow,
When, yielding to a mightier power,
The Grits have ceased to blow;
When Yankees find we are not blind,
And Grits have ceased to blow.

C. J. T.

—The power of the newspaper press in controlling public opinion has long been recognized, but a current statement resting on what is said to be good authority well illustrates its possibilities in that direction. It is said that twenty of the Liberal papers of England, including one London daily, are owned and run in unison by a Syndicate headed by an American millionaire. Birmingham is the headquarters of the concern and its constituency of readers is said to number two millions. It is plain, however, that secrecy is indispensable for the successful working of a combination like this, for no newspaper reader of any degree of intelligence would allow his opinions to be at all moulded by utterances known to emanate from such a source. The suspicion that Jay Gould controls the management of the two great New York dailies, the *World* and the *Tribune*, very materially diminishes the influence they should properly exert, and similar results are sure to follow, whenever the utterances of a paper are regarded as reflecting anything else than the honest and unbought opinions of its editorial staff.

—The proposal to celebrate in 1892 the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus, is favorably received, but the suggestion of the King of Spain that the celebration should be held in that country is not relished by Americans. From some recent letters on the subject we learn that Admiral Porter thinks the proper place is New York city, and Mark Hopkins agrees with him, but is not sure that any celebration is essential; while Thomas Wentworth Higginson favors a procession of ships from the landing place of Columbus, if it can be identified, to New York harbor. Charles Dudley Warner is not enthusiastic about glorifying a man who "never saw America and never believed he had found it," but would like to have his remains removed to America, and S. Irenæus Prime advocates a world's convention in the interests of universal peace as a fitting celebration. At any rate the service performed by Columbus seems to be in a fair way to obtain recognition at last, but it is not likely to do him much good.

—While the hog, vulgar animal though he is, has always played an honorable part in commerce, he has not until this year made his appearance in international politics. Some time ago, however, the German Government, probably with the view of protecting the Teutonic porker from foreign competition, put an embargo on American pork on the plea that it was diseased. This action caused great excitement in the United States. Congress took the matter up and for a time it seemed likely that a retaliatory embargo would be placed on imports from Germany. Calmer counsels, however, have prevailed. The President has appointed a commission for the purpose of thoroughly investigating the condition of American pork products, and, in case their wholesomeness is established, he will proceed to remonstrate with the German authorities. If his remonstrances prove to be of no effect, he will then remit the whole matter to Congress to be dealt with as it may seem good to that body.

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—The creditors of Morris Ranger, the bankrupt Liverpool cotton broker, have accepted ninepence on the pound.

—Miss Helen Gladstone, the Premier's daughter, is at the head of one of the halls of Newnham College near Cambridge.

—Bismarck is said to hate the press. Over thirty years ago he declared that the art of printing was the "choice weapon of Antichrist."

—A new violinist from Prague named Ondrizck is creating a sensation in Vienna. He is said to approach Paganini nearer than any other violinist that has appeared.

—Frederick Douglass, the celebrated colored orator, has recently married a white woman, and it is said that the event has not given satisfaction to the friends of either party. As the woman in this case is old enough to decide for herself, the marriage does not seem to particularly concern anyone but the contracting parties; and it must be remembered that Fred. is half white, anyway.

—A Philadelphia hotel-keeper seeks to scare the rural visitor into turning gas off with notices, thus: "The relatives and friends of guests who blow out the gas will have to pay for the amount of gas wasted before the body will be delivered."

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MARRIAGES.

At Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 22nd of Jan., Mr. Charles Spurgeon Wells, of Albert Co., to Miss Belle Eliza Brecken.

At Jolicure, on 7th inst., by Rev. T. Marshall, Mr. E. Albert Oulton to Miss Annie G. Hicks, both of Jolicure.

At Maitland, Hants County, on Thursday, 7th inst., by Rev. J. C. Jack, Mr. Alfred G. Morrison, Barrister, of Halifax, and son of Hon. Thos. Morrison, to Ruby F., sixth daughter of Isaac Douglas, Esq.

At Truro, Monday, Jan. 21st, by the Rev. J. A. Kaulback, Mr. William Augustus Sancton, Train Despatcher, to Miss Frances Gertrude Hallett.

DEATHS.

At Fox Creek, on Sunday, 10th inst., Mrs. Joseph P. LeBlanc, aged 82 years.

At Dorchester, on Saturday, 9th inst., Mrs. J. B. Tingley, aged 43 years.

At Truro, on the 5th inst., W. A. Sancton, of St. John, N. B., aged 28 years.

At Moncton, on the 10th inst., Elizabeth V., aged 33 years, wife of Rev. Aaron Kinney, leaving a husband and nine children and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss.

At Charleston, Mass., on Jan., 31st., Emma F., in the 33rd year of her age, wife of E. C. Wilkins and daughter of N. F. Ward, of Charleston.

At Cape Bald, on the 6th inst., Mrs. Angelique Comeau, aged 105 years.

At Moncton, on 7th inst., of diphtheria croup, Hattie, daughter Charles and Sophia Ferguson, aged 2 years and 5 months.

At St. Mary's, Buctouche, on 29th ult., M. Beloni Girouard. The deceased leaves a wife and 9 children.

At Little River, Buctouche, on the 23rd Jan., after a lengthy illness borne with resignation, Beloni Cormier, aged 38 years and 8 months.

At Moncton, on the 7th inst., of consumption, Mrs. Kate A. Wilson.

At the North Shore, on the 4th inst., after twelve years' affliction, the wife of Mr. James Allen, in the 50th year of her age. Her remains were interred in the Wesleyan burying-ground, Bayfield. She leaves a large circle of relatives to mourn the loss of a kind friend and indulgent parent.

At British Settlement, on January 6th., James W., aged 8 years and 3 months, son of William and Mary Babcock.

At Dorchester Road, on February 8th, Jane Casey, aged 79 years.

At Cookville, on 31st January, Angus McPhee, aged 92 years.

Suddenly, at Amherst Head, on 16th ult., Margaret E., aged 22 years, wife of Mr. Wm. Barrett.

At Kent Junction, on the 28th inst., Isabella, wife of Robert Swetman, aged 55 years, a native of Yorkshire, England.

SHIPPING NEWS.

FOREIGN PORTS.

ARRIVED.

At Paramaribo, Dec 31st, brig'nt Alice Ada, Packham, from Troon.

At Porto Cabello, 26th ult, brig'nt Matilda Buck, Buck, from New York.

At New York, 8th inst, bark Charlie Hickman, Thompson, from Hamburg.

At Port Eads, 8th inst, bark E Chapman, Wyman, from Liverpool.

At Vineyard Haven, 3rd inst, schr C U Chandler, Buck, from Weehawken.

At New York, 4th inst, bark Harriet Hickman, Bishop, from Hamburg.

At Buenos Ayres, 26th ult, bark Lillie Soullard, Dennis, from Quebec.

SAILED.

From Fortress Monroe, 7th inst, bark Harriet Campbell, Grafton, for Baltimore.

From Boothbay, 8th inst, schr Maggie Willett, Willand, for New York.

From New York