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BEER BROS

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

ALL the Island Senators and Commons have left for Ottawa.

At Calgary, N. W. T., on Friday night last, the thermometer registered 3° below zero.

SIR WILLIAM HINGSTON, of Montreal, has been appointed a Senator for the district of Rougemont.

An order was issued on Friday last for the transfer of Shortis, the Valleyfield murderer, to the St. Vincent Penitentiary.

A telegram received by the Steam Navigation Co. a few days ago reported the safe arrival at Nassau of the Northumberland.

F. W. HYNDMAN, Esq., agent for the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, has our thanks for a handsome calendar.

This writ for the election in Charlottetown, has been issued. Nominations is fixed for the 20th inst., polling on the 27th.

Mr. J. J. JOHNSON, Barrister, of this city, has opened a branch office at Alberton. Mr. R. E. JOHNSON has charge of the new office.

Owing to a snow storm, the Stanley did not return from Picton yesterday afternoon. She was to leave there this morning at six o'clock.

The estate of the late Senator Murphy of Montreal, is valued at \$300,000 and is divided equally amongst his widow and five children, with \$20,000 for charities.

The committee in charge of the arrangements for the Burns Concert are progressing favorably with their work, and a first-class programme will soon be complete and published.

BETWEEN Saturday night and Sunday morning last, the thermometer here fell to three degrees below zero. Between Sunday night and Monday morning the lowest point reached was six degrees below.

BUTTERBROS were picked on Warren Farm on Friday and a few days previously mayflowers were picked at Fairville, N. B. Some of the shrubs on our lawns were also budding. The late frosts, needless to say, have changed all this.

The case of Sheriff Robertson vs John McDonald, for interfering with the sheriff in the discharge of his duty, was concluded on Friday afternoon, and Magistrate Palmer sent McDonald up to the Supreme Court for trial.

The St. John Globe says it is announced that the Boston Journal has lately changed hands. Mr. Stephen O'Meara, formerly of Charlottetown, is to resume the position of editor-in-chief, which he resigned some months ago.

It is reported that Speaker Reed, of the United States House of Representatives, in answer to a question the other day said the most important problem now before the United States public was "how to dodge a bicycle."

The Montreal Times says: A brilliant flash of lightning was witnessed in the Southwestern sky about six o'clock on Friday evening. It was accompanied by a clap of distant thunder, a dull rumble continuing for about five seconds.

The bark Charles E. Lafargue, proprietor whose safety fears were entertained arrived at Barbadoes on Tuesday of last week, 21 days from Ganso. It is said that several of the crew were frost-bitten during the run, and the sails were badly torn.

Says the St. John Sun: Mr. James McShane, three times reported before the courts for bribery, writes to the Register, "I have had a terrible struggle against open and flagrant corruption." Mr. McShane is something of a humorist.

The report of the committee appointed to look into the affairs of Banque de Peuple, Montreal, was made public on Friday last, and is bad enough. The capital, \$1,200,000, and the rest, \$600,000, were found to be all gone, and there is a deficit of \$388,000.

PREMIER WHITEWAY, of Newfoundland, was in conference with Sir McKensie Bowell at Ottawa, on Friday last, when the question of the smuggling and seizure of the Newfoundland vessel off the Labrador coast was discussed. The confederation question also cropped up.

On Monday last, Feast of the Epiphany, Solemn Pontifical Mass was celebrated by His Lordship the Bishop, assisted by Rev. Father Curran, as arch-priest, Rev. A. J. McDougall, as deacon, and Rev. Dr. Morrison as sub-deacon. The sermon was preached by Father Anselmi.

The Governor-General, exercising his own prerogative, independent of the Government, has announced that he has appointed Sir John Sparrow Dillibough, of the Valleyfield murderer. (This is the first time in Canadian history that a Governor-General has assumed personal responsibility in a matter of this kind.)

A LATE despatch from St. John's, Nfld., says: The small steamer reports much destruction at White's Bay and the people are subsisting on sea birds and seals, while others are eating the seal potatoes reserved for next spring's crop. The government is urged to take measures to relieve them or death may result in many cases.

NEW YEAR'S DAY was very quietly observed in this city. The weather was very fine; but the absence of snow rendered it less lively than it otherwise would have been. High Mass was celebrated in St. Dunstan's Cathedral. His Lordship the Bishop presided. He made a strong appeal to the congregation to contribute liberally to the building fund of the new Cathedral. In the afternoon "calling" was indulged in. There was a small turnout of "horribles."

By telegram from St. John's, Nfld., on 9th, to Jas. E. Macdonald, Esq., Carleton Place, the safe arrival of the brig, James H., is announced. We regret, however, to learn that Capt. William Graham, its officer, was drowned on the passage. No particulars of the accident have been received, as the telegram says the particulars are being forwarded by mail. Captain Graham was for some years master of the sloop, Carleton, and was a most worthy citizen and capable seaman. He was about forty years of age and leaves a wife and two children to mourn.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

The British cruiser Pallas has been put in commission at Portsmouth, and is ordered to join the North American station.

It is in contemplation to create an office of Deputy Adjutant General, and the name of Major Bliss, of the Ottawa field battery, is mentioned.

The St. John Globe gives currency to the rumor that the general offices of the Dominion Atlantic Railway will be moved from Kentville to St. John.

Colonel Powell, the father of the Canadian militia force, has decided to ask for his retirement. He will probably be succeeded by Lieut. Colonel Almer, at present Adjutant General.

A sad double-drowning accident occurred at Grant's Lake, Guysboro, Co. N. S., on New Year's evening. Two young men, Dan McLean and Alex. McLone, while skating on the lake, broke through the ice and were both drowned.

Colonel Lake, Quarter-Master General, left Ottawa for England via New York, on the 3rd, in connection with the proposed strengthening of British defenses. It is believed an order has been placed for twenty thousand Lee-Metfords, and that it has been decided to increase the field batteries from four to six guns each.

A fire early Thursday morning burned out the Kandy Kitchen run by A. M. Hodge, on Barrington St. Halifax. It was insured for \$4,000, which will cover the loss. The surrounding buildings escaped. Ross, photographer in the Kodak building, loses nearly everything. Schultz, jeweler, was flooded by water. His loss is heavy. Scovil and Page's clothing store was damaged by smoke to the extent of over a thousand dollars.

People passing along one of the main streets of Springfield, Mass., the other day were treated to a surprise of a novel sort. A druggist's messenger dropped a gallon jug of concentrated ammonia, and the powerful liquid spread out all over the sidewalk, and its odor spread all over the neighborhood. People coming upon the scene clapped their hands upon their noses, hurriedly crossed the street and walked on, wiping the tears from their eyes, without stopping to investigate the circumstances.

Though excitement has been at fever heat in London respecting the Transvaal war, it was also aroused on the 2nd, by the statement in the Canadian speech from the throne, that the militia defenses of Canada are to be strengthened. The Government has also realized Canada's grave peril from invasion if war were declared by the United States, and it is quite prepared to co-operate in putting the Canadian militia and defenses on a first-class peace footing if Canada seeks British aid. The highest authorities in London applaud Canada's calm attitude under the great provocation of abuse, and note the solidity of the Canadian front to the Atlantic to the Pacific, on the side of Great Britain.

Immediately after President Cleveland had issued his war message, and when excitement was at fever heat, Joseph Pulitzer, proprietor of the New York World, sent telegrams to the leading public men in England and America asking for an expression of opinion on the situation. Among those to whom telegrams were sent and from whom replies were received, were the Prince of Wales, who replied through Sir Francis Knollys, private secretary, counselling peace. Mr. Pulitzer, in consequence of the pleasure he felt at the message of His Royal Highness, or at least seem to think, for purposes of notoriety, or perhaps both combined, sent the following acknowledgement:

New York, Dec. 30, 1895.
His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, Sandringham, England.
Your Christmas message of peace and good will was deeply appreciated and had important effect. The reaction is almost complete; conscience has obtained mastery over impetuosity. The World thanks you for the wise and bold words spoken at so critical a time. It is also becoming to acknowledge with profound respect the eloquent message of concord and amity received by the World from Cardinal Logue, Primate of Ireland, (who cabled from Rome,) Cardinal Vaughan, Archbishop of Westminster, Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin; Lord Plunket, Archbishop of Armagh; the Bishops of London, Liverpool, Manchester and Chester; Mr. Gladstone and Lord Rosebery. It is hoped here that the logic of this unprecedented expression of kindness of the greatest dignitaries of church and state may lead to the arbitration of a dispute so trivial that it could remain unsettled for seventy years. Surely among all the scholars, statesmen and rulers of the world, there is no one who is arbitrator; will meet the suggestion of Lord Salisbury that he should be "compensated and free from bias." The surest hope of lasting peace rests upon the enlightened moral sentiment which you have voiced, and which we feel sure is the course of government in England not less than in America and continues the progress of civilization.

(Signed) JOSEPH PULITZER, For the World.

The Montreal Star London cable of the 3rd. says: Attention has been called to the fact that as the north Atlantic Squadron is now leaving Bermuda for its regular West Indian cruise, lasting till April, any outbreak with the United States vessels in the Canadian waters and trans-Atlantic commerce at the mercy of the United States cruisers. There being no British galle to the West Indies, the British Government would be unable to recall the squadron. This situation furnishes a strong reason for Canadian and imperial support to the extension of the Halifax cable from Bermuda to the West Indies. The question is being strongly urged upon the Canadian Government. The decision of the Canadian government to send Quarter Master General Lake to England in connection with the defenses of Canada is commended here, and it is believed that he will find Mr. Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, ready to co-operate in a reasonable manner towards protection. Mr. Chamberlain says: "The Canadians have shown such

quiet, good sense during the crisis that we will not suppose that they now mean to imperil the chances of a friendly agreement with the United States, by rushing headlong into an epitome of Jingoism."

Two men were killed, four were badly injured, and a score or more of persons had narrow escapes from death on Saturday last at a fire in a combined store, hall and tenement house, at the corner of Third and Gaskill streets, Philadelphia. The victims are all Polish Jews. The fire is supposed to have originated from a lighted match being carelessly thrown among oil barrels in the cellar. Four were hurt and received injuries by jumping. Harris Levy was afraid to jump and fell back into the flames and was suffocated. Macks Froenbergh hung from a window sill until the heat caused him to release his hold. The fire loss is small.

Ten men were caught in a cave at the Anna Lee mine at Victor, Colorado Springs, on Saturday last, and it is not possible any have escaped death. President James Barnes, of Colorado Springs, had inspection in the mine on a tour of the surface when Assistant Superintendent Snelson, accompanied by nine miners, entered a cage and were being lowered. They descended about 230 feet when the engineer in charge of the hoisting machinery received a signal to draw up the cage rapidly. The signal was too late. A great mass of rock had begun to settle, crushing the cage and its occupants. Eight men were working in the bottom of the shaft, and a level towards an ore shanty, and they probably crushed to death. Rescue gangs are working and great excitement prevails.

The shareholders of the Gowans Hise Dairying Co. will hold their annual meeting in Souris on the 14th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. T. J. DILLON, dairy superintendent crossed to the mainland on the Stanley on Monday. He goes on a visit to Ontario and will be absent a couple of weeks.

Mr. JOHN A. McDONALD, formerly of Orwell, now of Oakland Cal., returned to the island a couple of weeks ago. He intends to spend the winter here.

One of the Greatest Clothing and Fur Goods sale ever started in this city is now on at Prowse Bros. Fur Robes \$4.25; Fur Caps \$1.00; Fur Caps all prices. A visit to our store will save you money.

The Stanley left here for Picton at the usual hour on Monday morning. She returned to Georgetown in the afternoon, and the mails and passengers were brought to this city by special train, arriving here about 7.45. The special left again for Georgetown at nine o'clock, and will continue to do so until further notice.

A LADIES and enthusiastic dairy meeting was held in the school room at Prowse's Station, on Thursday last. Rev. M. J. McLaughlin presided. The meeting was with a practical address. Speeches were then made by Mr. J. T. McDonald of the Central Creamery and Mr. Coffin representing the Mount Stewart cheese factory.

CHTOWN PRICES, DEC. 17.

Beef (quarter) per lb.	\$2.05 to \$2.07
Beef (small) per lb.	0.95 to 1.10
Butter, (fresh)	0.20 to 0.21
Butter, (salt)	0.18 to 0.19
Beats,	0.03 to 0.05
Cheese, (lb)	0.14 to 0.15
Celery, per bunch.	0.03 to 0.07
Chickens	0.35 to 0.00
Cabbage, per head.	0.04 to 0.06
Callaloo (trimmed)	0.07 to 0.09
Ducks, per pair.	0.50 to 0.60
Eggs, per doz.	0.30 to 0.32
Flour, per cwt.	0.00 to 2.00
Fowls, per pair.	0.40 to 0.45
Geese,	0.50 to 0.70
Ham, per lb.	0.15 to 0.16
Hay, per 100 lbs.	0.35 to 0.38
Hides,	0.04 to 0.05
Lard,	0.14 to 0.16
Lamb skins	0.20 to 0.25
Mutton, per lb.	0.08 to 0.09
Mutton, carcass.	0.05 to 0.05
Mangles	0.12 to 0.14
Mutton, (black) per cwt.	2.75 to 3.00
Oatmeal (white) per cwt.	3.00 to 0.00
Pork carcass	0.00 to 0.28
Pork, (salt)	0.04 to 0.41
Potatoes	0.16 to 0.18
Shoulder	0.55 to 0.60
Straw (per load)	1.50 to 2.00
Turnips	0.10 to 0.12
Turkeys	0.80 to 1.50



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Boys' Overcoats, Boys' Reefers, Men's Ulsters, Men's Overcoats, Men's Reefers, Men's Suits.

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Fur Robes worth \$5.75 for \$4.25. Fur Robes worth \$7.75 for \$6.00, and Fur Coats worth \$16.00 for \$12.00. Ulsters worth \$7.50 for \$5.00, and many such bargains will be found in our tremendous Stock.

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FANCY GOODS. Dressing Cases, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Neckties Boxes, Photo Albums, Manicure Sets, Odor Stands, etc., in Leather, Plush and Celluloid Goods.

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By the Thousand. Plain and Fancy Cards, Calendars, Booklets, etc. Best variety, cheapest in city.

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