Co, general.

Des 12—Coastwise—Schs Beatrice, 9, Benson, from Grand Harbor; Exchia, 18, Barry, from Beaver Harbor.

Dec 13—Sch Kolon, 142, Clark, from Machias, F and L Tufts, bal.

Coastwise—Barge No 4, 433, McLeod, from Parisboro; sch Harry Morris, 78, McLean, from Quaco; stx Westport, 48, Powell, from Westport, and cld for return.

Dec 16—Str Oriana, 2,882, Anderson, from Aiverpool, Wm Thomson and Co, bal.

Str Lake Champlain, 4,685, Stewart, from Liverpool, Troop and Son, pass, and general carge. carge.
Coastwise—Schs Rowena, 96, Hall, from Parrsboro; Emily, 59, Morris, from Advocate Harbor; Garfield White, 39, Tufts, from Point Wolfe; Annie Blanche, 68, Rowe, from Parrsboro; Levuka, 75, Graham, from Parrs-

Dec 12-Sch H B Homan, Atkinson, for Philadelphia.

Sch Norman, Gayton, for City Island, for Constwise—Schs Kedron, 21, Belding, for Musquash; Union, Fullerton, for River Hebert; Isma, Hicks, for Westport.

Dea 13—Str Corinthian, Nunan, for Liverpool via Halifax.

Str Lake Megantic, Taylor, for Avonmouth. Bark Carlo, Trapane, for Santa Cruz, Sch Demozelle, Morris, from Parrsboro for New York. New York. Coastwise—Sche Silver Wave, McLean, for Quaco: Harry Morris, McLean, for Quaco; Augusta Evelyn, Scovil, for North Head.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

Arrived HALIFAX, Dec 11—Ard, strs Ocamo, from St John; John Sanderson, from Bordeaux for New York (short of coal).

At Quaco, Dec 12, schs Earnest Fisher, Gough, from St John; Wood Bros, Golding, from River Hebert, NS; G, Walter Scott, McDonald, from St John; Eva Stewart, Moore from Parrishoro, NS

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BRITISH PORTS

Araved. bivishpool, Dec 11—Sid, str Parisian, for Halifax and St John via Moville.

Liverpool, Dec 11—Ard, str Celtic, from New York via Queenstown.

QUEENSTOWN, Dec 11—Ard, str Beigenland, from Philadelphia for Liverpool (and GREENOCK, Dec 11—Ard, strs Himera, nom St John, NB; Nyanza, from Mobile via Sydney, CB, and Amsterdam.

Avonmouth, Dec 11—Ard, str Monterey, from Montreal. LIVERPOOL, Dec 14-Ard,

LIVERPOOL, Dec 11—Pased, str Sagamore, from Boston.

KINSALE, Dec 11—Pased, strs Belfast, from Montreal via Sydney, CB, for Cardiff. At flingston, Ja, Nov 25, str Beta, Hopkins, from Halifax via Bermuda and Turks Island, (and sailed 25th on return).

At Glasgow, Dec 10, strs Auracania, Yorkstan, from Boston via Horton Bluff, NS; Manina, Taylor, from Montreal.

At Greenock, Dec 9, str Ayrgal, Roe, from Bangor via Sydney, CB.

At Barbados, Nov 21, sch Harold J Parks, Wambach, from La Have (and sailed 25th for Turks Island); Nov 21, str Orinco, Seety, from Halifax, and sailed for Demerara; 25th, bark Nicanor, Hammett, from Bahia; 20th, str Orincco, Bale, from St Vincent, WI; sch Maple Leat, Arenburg, from Maceid.

At Port Spain, Nov 11, sch Terence C Lockwood, Morash, from Lockport, NS (and sailed 5th for Turks Island).

At Demerara, Nov 18, brig W E Stowe, Mc-Kenzie, from Lunenburg, NS.

At Barbados, Dec 2, barks Nile, Symons, from Samarang, with sugar for orders; Paquita, Facks, from Cape Town.

At Port Spain, previous to Dec 6, bark Peerless, Burns, from Hantsport, discharging.

From Clode Sound, Dec 10, str Mantinea, Pearce, for Cardiff.
From Demerars, New 14, sch Cartagena, Cahoon, for Cartagena, USC.
From Barbados, Dec 2, str Orinoco, Bale, for St Lucia; sch Maple Leaf, Arenburg, for Macoris; 3rd, bark Nicanor, Hammett, for Savana-la-Mar, 4a.
From St Lucia, Dec 14, str. Pydna, Crossley, for Baltimore.

FORFIGN PORTS Arrived

BOSTON, Dec 11—Ard, sch Clayola, from lerigonish, NS, via Halifax, Sid, str Merion, for Liverpool; bark E A Brien (of Windsor), for Rosario.
SALEM, Mass, Dec 11—Ard, sch Susia rescott, from St John, NB; Ella M Jenney, rom Boston for Grand Manan, NB. from Boston for Grand Manan, NB.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec 11—Ard, sch BrookJine, from Windsor, NS.

DUTCH ISLAND HARBOR, RI. Dec 11—
Ard and sid, sch Georgia, from New York
for Halifax, NS.

Ard, sch Laura C, from Providence for
New London.

VINSYARD HAVEN, Dec 11—Ard, schs
Nimrod, from Port Reading for Boston:
Harry W Lewis, from Bathurst, NB, for
Philadelphia; Wentworth, from St John, NB,
for do: Newburg, from New York for Windsor, NS. Sor, NS.

Sid, schs Winnie Lawry, from St. John, NB, for New Haven; F B Spear, from St. John, NB, for City Island; Ruth Robinsos, from Bangor for New York; Sebago, from St. John, NB, for do.

Passed, sch Hope Haynes, from Bangor for New York, FORTLAND, Me. Dec 11—Ard, strs Universe, from Pictou; Cervona, from London, Cid, strs Norge, for New York; Egda, for Sydney, CB; sch Urbain B, for Parrsboro, NS.

Ard and sld, sch Cygnet, from Parrsboro or Stonington.
At New York, Dec 10, bark Athena, Coffill, from Rosario.
At Apalachicola, Dec 11, sch Fred H Gibson, Read, from Surlnam. A Aphilachicola, Dec II, Sch Fred H Gibson, Read, from Surinam.

At Jonesport, Dec 9, Schs Clifford I White, Trom Lynn; Forest Belle, from Bar Harber; Leo, from Parrsboro for Boston

At Lynn, Mass, Dec 10, Sch B B Hardwick, from Digby, NS.

At Las Palmas, Nov 20, bark Teutonia, Las Palmas, Nov 20, bark Teutonia, Las Palmas, Nov 20, bark Teutonia, Las Palmas, From Chatham, NB.

At Philadelphia, Dec 10, Schs A P Bomerson, Maxwell, from St John; Tyree, Ross, From Assana-la-Mar.

At Carthagena, USC, Oct 21, Sch Rhoda, Day, from New York (and sailed 28th for coast and New York).

At Buenos Ayres, Dec 9, ship Glooscap, Locihart, from Boston

At Santa Cruz, Dec 10, bark Antigua, Parker, from Burbados (to load for New York).

At Dutch Island Harbor, Dec 11, sea Georgia, from New York for Hallfax.

At 'Philadelphia, Dec 11, seb Brookline, Anderson, from Windsor.

At New York, Dec 11, seb Potance, Page, from San Blas.

At Nassau, Dec 12, seh Evadne, Collins, from Philadelphia for Tampice.

At New York, Dec 13, brigt Aldine, Dakin, from Bherbrooke; seh Biemiden, Schmitts, From Chatham. from Sherbrooke, sch Blomffon, Schmitte, from Chatham.

At Delagoa Bay, Dec 9, bark Low Wood, Wyman, from Buenos Ayres.

At Delaware Breakwater, Del, Dec 11, bark Dunstninge, from Philadelphia for Hioge.

At Pascagoula, Dec 10, sch Helen E Kenny.

Miller, for Havana.

At New York, Dec 10, sch McClure, Weston, for Sydney, CB.

At Philadelphia, Dec 10, bark Calcium, Blackwood, for Cay Francis Carbarion.

At Savannah. Dec 10, sch Charlevolk, "I expect I shall Rowe, Cor Frayal. At Pascagoula, Dec 11, sch Vers B Roberts, Roberts, for Havana,
At Philadelphia, Dec 11, strs Siggen,
Smedsvig, for Sydney, CB; Urania, Jenseo,
for North Sydney, CB, via New York (reclearance or North Sydney, CB, via New York (re-learance.

At New York, Dec 11, son Preference, Gale, the first remark had been addressed for St John.
At New York, Dec 13, brig Curacot, Olsen. Came to the rescue with the suggestor Curacoa; seks Atrato, Matheson, for tion that it looked like rain.

Townsend.
From City Island, Dec 10, schs Georgia, for Halifex; Nimrod. for Boston.
From City Island, Dec 11, sch Pardon G Thompson, for St John.
From Charleston, Dec 11, sch Advent.
Lent, for Bridgetown, Barbados.
From Savannah, Dec 11, sch Charlevoix, Rowe, for Fayal.
From City Island, Dec 12, sch McClure, Weston, for Sydney.

MEMORANDA In port at Barbados, Dec 2, bark Carrie 1. Smith, Irving, from Preston, repairing.
Passed out at Cape Henry, Dec 10, str Salacia, Mitchell, from Baltimore for Glas-

Passed out at Cape Henry, Dec 10, str Salacia, Mitchell, from Baltimore for Glasgow
In port at Port Spain, Nov 21, sch Annie M Parker, Carter, from Fernandina,
Passed down at Reedy Island, Del, Dec 11, barks Alkaline, Frisble, from Philadelphia for Havana; Calcium, Blackwood, from do for Cay Francis:
Passed down at Delaware Breakwater, Dec 11, ship Dunstafinage, Forbes, from Philadelphia for Hiogo.
Passed Anjer, Nov 4, ship Macduff, Huelin, from Sourabaya, for Philadelphia; 10th, bark Hamburg, Caldwell, from Hong Kong for New York.
Passed down at Reedy Island, Del, Dec 12, strs Almora, Fairley, from Philadelphia for Newyort News; Urania, Jensen, from do for North Sydney, CB, via New York.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Dec 11—Sch Wentworth, from St John, NB, for Philadelphia, reports losing about forty thousand laths from the deck yesterday during a heavy southwest gale.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Dec 11—Sch Harry W Lewis, from Baihurst, NB, for Philadelphia, experienced a heavy northeast gale veering to northwest with heavy snow, the 7th inst, about 15 miles east of Highland light, Cape Cod, during which the vessel was hove to. About 400,000 laths were washed overboard from the deck. The vessel's cutwater was also started by the heavy sea.

NOTICE TO MARINERS WASHINGTON, DC, Dec 10—Notice is given by the Lighthouse Board that on or about Jan 5, 1903, the charcteristic of the fog signal at Orient Point light station, located on the outer end of Oyster Pond Reef, New York, making off from Orient Point, and on the southwesterly side of Plum Gut, connecting Gardiner's Bay and the easterly end of Long Island Sound, will be changed from a continuous blast to blasts of 3 seconds duration, separated by silent intervals of 7 seconds.

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BOSTON, Mass, Dec 8—Notice is given by the Lighthouse Board that High Pine Ledge buoy, No 6, a red spar, off Duxbury pier, Mass, has disappeared from its station, being either broken off or adrift. This buoy will be replaced as soon as practicable.

19th—Capt Baker of steamer H M Whitney, from New York, reports buoy 5A, located on Stone Horse Shoel, Vineyard Sound, has dragged to the southwest of its proper position; also, that Pollock Rip bell buoy is about an elghth of a mile south of its proper moorings, and the gas buoy in Pollock Rip Siue is not lighted.

Capt Schenk of cable steamer Mackay-Bennett, at Halifax, reports that according to soundings made by himself at Sable Island, he thinks that the position of an unobarted rock or of a shoal recently discovered there is incorrect. Capt Schenk reports be sailed over position (given as lat 44.19, lon 60.25) and he found % fathoms of water.

WASHINGTON, DC, Dec 13—Notice is given by the Lighthouse Board that on or about Ian 1, 1993, gas lighted buoys as follows will be established to mark the entrance to New York lower bay, in case of the accidental extinguishment of the Gederey Channel or Bayside Range Channel electric buoys:

Gedney Channel Gas buoy, G G-I, painted

trance to New York lower bay, in case of the accidental extinguishment of the Gedney Channel or Bayside Range Channel electric buoys:

Gedney Channel Gas buoy, G. G. I, painted black, with "G. I" in white on opposite sides and showing a fixed white light during periods of 5 seconds, separated by eclipses of 5 seconds' duration, will be moored in 31 feet of water, about 100 feet ESEE from Gedney Channel electric buoy, E. I. North Hook beacon lighthouse, W.S.; Romer Shoal lighthouse, N.W. W. Gentennial Tower, Coney Island, N.W. Gentennial Tower, Coney Island, N. W. Gentennial Tower, Coney Island, N. Genter, Coney Island, N. Gentennial Tower, Coney Island, N. Genter, Genter, Coney Island, N. Genter, Genter, Coney Island, N. Genter, Genter, Genter, Coney Island, N. Genter, Genter, Coney Island, N. Genter, Genter, Coney Island, N. Genter, Genter, Genter, Coney Island, N. Genter, Genter, Coney Island, N. Genter, Genter, Genter, Coney Island, N. Genter, Ge

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WASHINGTON, DC, Dec 12—Notice given by the Lighthouse Board that on cabout Jan 10, 1993, the characteristic of the fog bell at Ram Island light station, locate on the northerly side of Ram Island, southerly side of the Fisherman Island Passage entrance to Boothbay, Mc, from the east ward, will be changed to sound during this or foggy weather a single blow every seconds, instead of a single blow and double blow alternately, as at present.

"DOC" BROWN'S COURTSHIP.

(Argonaut.) The "Hon. Doc" Brown of Morgansfield, Ky., who represents his district in the state legislature, is one of Ken-tucky's unique characters. To illus-trate a point in a recent speech, he gave the following account of his

courtship "Take my sovice and never give woman anything she can't eat, and never make love to her out of an ink bottle. Why, when I courted my wife I just grabbed hold of her and said: "Sally, you are the sweetest thing on earth, and your beauty baffles the skill of man and subdues his feroclous nature," and I got her."

HER SMALL BROTHER.

(Christian at Work.) "I expect I shall be frightfully tanned," she said. "I'm going on a sea voyage." "I was frightfully tanned yesterday," broke in her small brother. "I was called upstairs by father." Then there was an embarrassing

MONROE DEAD.

His Doctrine Does Not Apply in South America

So Diplomatic Representatives Calling at the White House Are Informed in Polite Terms.

LONDON, Dec. 15—The under foreign secretary, Lord Cranbonne, denied in the house of commons today that the British commander was responsible for the sinking of the Venezuelan ships, ARGENTINA MAY HELP CASTRO

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.-The Herald prespondent in Caracas says he has earned on reliable authority that the that the report was not the unanimous Buenos Ayres as early as possible what appears to be the attitude of the United States and what view that government is likely to take of its obliga-tions under the Monroe doctrine in the face of the aggressive action of Great Britain and Germany. Should the United States decide to remain impassive on the ground that its interpretation of the Munroe doctrine does not inter fere with foreign powers resorting drastic measures for the collection claims, the correspondent says he is in formed that the government of Argen tina, feeling that the autonomy of all South American states is jeopordized is prepared to take a decided stand by the side of Venezuela and to offer he assistance to President Castro. Argentina is not anxious to declare attitude, and will only do so, it is said, in the event of the United States maintaining a complacent attlude. It is be lieved that Chili entertains simila views and that many messages have been exchanged between the officials of the Chilian republic in Valparaiso as

well as with Buenos Ayres. THE GERMAN EXPLANATION. BERLIN, Dec. 15 .- In official circles ere it is stated that the Venezu sels sunk off La Guayara were old and worthless cutters and unfit to go to sea, and that the other ships captured have been sent to a certain West Indian Port to be refitted to cruise during the blockade. The destruction of the Venezuelan craft, it is added, was necessary in order to prevent them from falling into the hands of the Venezuelans, as the German

essels have to leave La Guayara. Venezuela's proposition has nov been received here. The foreign office says that this will not delay measures previously decided upon by Germany and Great Britain. The officials here do not indicate what will be the final decision on the arbitration proposibut apparently it was made too late to affect the general situation.

LATEST REPORT LONDON, Dec. 15 .- An expression of desire for a peaceful settlement of the difficulty has been received in on from the Venezuelan govern

ROME, Dec. 15.—In the chamber of deputies today Foreign Minister Pri-netti, replying to an interpellation, ent on the subject of Italy's attitude towards Venezuela. He reviewed the causes leading up to the Anglo-German action, and said:

"Italy on her side claims damages for her citizens who sustained losses during the insurrection which has disturbed the republic since last April. The Italian minister at Caracas having exhausted all efforts to bring about a friendly adjustment, presented a list of claims reduced to a minimum of 2,816,256 bolivars."

The chamber was animated in view of the pre-announcement of Signor Prinetti's statement, during which United States Ambassador Meyer oc cupled a seat in the diplomatic box.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- The South and Central American diplomatic presentatives here are in a state inxlety that finds expression in frejuent calls at the state department for nformation. No less than six ministers were among Secretary Hay's visitors today, although this was not diploma

BIRTHS. Wife of W. J. Brown, a son.

MARRIAGES.

CONDON-THORNE At the Free Bap Victoria street, on Dec. 8th. MURPHY MIDDLETON On Dec. 10th, a the Methodist parsonage, Belleisle Creek Springfield, N. B., by the Rev. R. W. I Clements, Charles Murphy of Norton, N. B., and Miss Lauss Middleton of Spring field.

RITCHIE-EVANS-At Hammon, day evening, Dec. 11th y the Rev. W. Lodge, Stephen G. Stehle, D. M. D. Halifax to Miss Lillian Carrie Ev. daughter of Rev. E. Evans of Hampton PRAGUE-PERKINS. SPRAGUE-PERKINS—At St. Maries church Dorchester, Mass., Nov. 26, by Rev. Hen Martyn Saville, Walter Partridge Sprag to Ella May Perkins.

WALSH-COCHRAN—At the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Joshua Cheeseman Prospect street, Fairville, Dec. 11th, by Rev. W. J. Kirby, James Domville Walsh of Public Landing, Kings Co., to Miss Minnle May Cochran, of Olinville, Queems Co.

DEATHS.

COWAN—In this city, on Dec. 14th, Eliza J. second daughter of Susan E. and the late Moses E. Cowan.

DYMOND—At his late residence 241 Brittain street, James Dymond, in his 74th year. He has been suffering a number of years from palsy. He leaves a widow, one son, two daughters and an adopted daughter.

HARDING—Suddenly, in this city, on Dec. 12th, William Stenning Harding, M. D., aged 88.

McKENZIE—At Nassala Shallon.

aged 88.

McKENZIE—At Nerepis Station, Kings Co.,
N. B., Dec. 12th, 1902, Norma Aldine, infant daughter of D. W. and Amelia Mc
Kenzie, aged 3 months and 11 days.

MACMICHAEL—Suddenly, Dec. 14, Jennie
H., beloved wife of Charles E. Macmichael.

McDADE—In this city, Dec. 14, James MeDade, native of Donegal, Ireland, aged 83
years.

years.
equiem mass at Church of St. John the
Baptist at nine o'clock Tuesday morning.
Funeral at 9.30 o'clock.
The 13. Bayard TERRIS—In this city, on Dec. 13, Bayard beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ter-ris, aged 1 year and 8 months. (Beston papers please copy).

tic reception day. Secretary Hay was in conference at the White House for a short time with the president today regarding Venezuelan affairs. Senator Cullom and Representative Hitt, the heads of the two committees on foreign affairs of congress, also saw the president, but it was stated that little attention was given to Venezuela.

Among senators and representatives who have discussed the Venezuelan matter with President Roosevelt, the situation is regarded as serious, but it is not generally believed to be likely that the United States will become involved in the controversy.

The senate committee on foreign re lations made a declaration of the Monroe doctrine when the agitation over the Schomburgk line in Venezuela was intense. On Jan. 20, 1896, the late Senator Davis reported the declaratory resolution from this committee. Senator Gray, chairman of the anthracite strike commission, announced

from Buenos Ayres, has instructed its consular representative to report to reports. Senator Davis said the action of the committee was a notice to foreign na-tions and was sufficiently effective

without any vote of the senate. The situation in Venezuela is caus ing considerable comment among senators, and there are indications that a resolution of inquiry may be introduced at an early day.

PARIS, Dec. 15 .- Senor Maubourguet the diplomatic agent of Venezuela, to-day gave out the text of President. Castro's speech delivered to the people before the palace at Caracas vesterday, urging them not to resort to reprisals against the British and Germans, and appealing to the people to preserve calm while the two great powers of Europe "placed themselves in the attitude of pirates." Otherwise the official version follows

the despatch of the Associated Press of yesterday from Caracas giving the text of the president's speech. The Venezuelan situation continues to absorb the attention of the public

The French government keeps advised from Caracas, but has not given out any additional developments. The Temps today at the conclus of a lengthy review of the situation "The time has arrived when the United States should exercise its legitimate moral influence in the west ern hemisphere by offering mediation which Venezuela will gladly accept and Germany and Great Britain con not with good grace reject."

BRITISH POLITICS.

Bishop of Manchester's Amendment to Educational Bill.

-Ancient Limits Ignored.

for if the managers are not liable to the local authority in this the peers have added to the public burden.

Ever since 1671 both houses have accepted the principle, then laid down by the commons, that "the right of granting aid and supplies to the crown is in the commons alone as an essential part of their constitution and the

tial part of their constitution, and the limitation of all such grants as to matter, manner, measure or time is Although this resolution applies in its terms to taxes and not to rates, successive speakers, including the late speaker, now Lord Peel, have held, as regarded the privilege of the commons, that there is no difference between

that there is no difference between rate and tax. Both are charges upon the people, and though rates are not directly imposed by parliament, the power of imposing them can be derived

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any other institution shall be maintained from public or private funds. It needs hardly be said that every proposal from the liberal benches in the lords was voted down by overwhelming majorities

Not even the commons are more thoroughly saturated with party spirit than this aristocratic assembly, which has no constituents and represents Stock Show Commission C. A. Lusby, only itself.

must sometimes strike the thoughtful observer as strange that the peers do not occasionally, just for the look of the thing, accept a small sug-gestion from an insignificant liberal, Houses May Join Issue-Lower Has but even when liberal-unionists such as Lord Camperdown and Lord Northbrook tried to mitigate the rigor of the bill they fared no better than if they Raising Supplies from the People had been tarred with the brush of home rule.

MARINE MATTERS.

COF. N. Y. Herald.)

LONDON, Dec. M.—The amendments in made by the House of Lords in committee on the education bill are not numerous. Very few of them are in mittee on the education bill are not numerous. Very few of them are in mittee on the education bill are not numerous. Very few of them are in mittee on the education bill are not numerous. Very few of them are in mittee on the education bill are not numerous. Very few of them are not numerous. Very few of them are not mumerous. Very few of them are not the mittee of the did not not numerous. Very few of them are not the mittee of the did not not have been an education bill are not the did n

KINGSTON, Island of St. Vincent, Dec. 1 Premonitory symptoms of another vol-canid eruption have been experienced here. The Soutriere was disturbed vesterday and there, were peculiar electrical discharges and detonations from that volcano last night. The agitation is apparently increasing, and extraordinary heat prevails.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—It is reported that Count YonBuelov, the imperial chancellor, will be elevated to the rank of prince by Emperor William after the successful completion of the commercial treaties. The emperor raised the former imperial chanceller, Caprivi, to the rank of count for his services in securing reductions in the tariff.

from no other source.

COMMONS CLAIM SOLE POWER.

At all events the commons never yet admitted that they have not the sole right to determine whether a school or

THE WINTER FAIR. The Winter Fair at Amherst opened Tesday at half-past two c'clock. The railway offers excursion rates to the fair which lasts three days. To-

day's programme will be Address-President Presentation of Building by the Fat Esq., chairman Reply-F. W. Hodson, Dominion live

stock commissioner. Formal Opening-Hon. W. S. Field-Addresses-Prof. Robertson, Hon. B. Rogers, P. E. I.; Hon. L. P. Farris, N. B.; Hon. T. R. Black, N. S.

Immediately following the opening ceremonies, judging of live stock in the ring will commence. 8 p. m., public meeting, Hen. W. P. Pipes, charman, when address welcome will be delivered by Mayor Curry, Town of Amherst; Warden Sea-man, County of Cumberland; H. J. Logan, M. P. Replies will be made by Hon. W. S. Fielding, finance minister, of Canada; R. L. Borden, M. P.; Hon. L. J. Tweedie, premier of New Brunswick; Hon. Arthur Petters, premier of Prince Edward Island; Hon. Geo. H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia; Prof. Robertson, Dominion commission of agriculture; Avelibald editor of Scottish Farm, Glasgow,

Scotland. HAVERHILL, Mass., Dec. 14.—A fire in the shoe making district today was followed by another in a remote section of the city and the two made a combined loss of \$30,000. The more serious fire was in the Nichols building in Phoenix row, and five firms were burned out. The other fire was in a two tenement wooden block on Water street owned by Miss S. S. Edward.

OLD FOGY KNEW. Experience Teaches People.

"My parents considered coffee simply a harmless beverage for old and nenged to drink it, and when I reached womanhood, found myself troubled with nervousness, headache and an irritable temper and to obtain relief, I drank more and more coffee, thus adding fuel to the fire.

I grew worse until life was one black night of pain. My nerves were shattered, body wrecked with suffering, my stomach gave out and atterly refused to digest the most simple foods, and finally I lay for weeks starving and longing for food, but unable to eat

While in this state my next door neighbor brought in a fragrant cup that I supposed was some new grade of coffee, and although I suffered so terribly from its effects, the temptation was too strong to resist, and I a rich agreeable taste and I drank it without distress. She repeated the kindness two or three mornings.

I began to congratulate myself that it was not coffee that hurt me after all. I was assuring my friend of this

ne day when she astonished me by ing that I was not drinking coffee, but offee, made from neurishing Ft od offee, made from neurishing gra in for building up the system and nerv is instead of tearing them down. I then began to drink Postum regu-I then began to drink Postum regularly, and to get we'l slowly but surely. To day I am a strong, hearty woman; n y nervous system to entirely rebuilt and with a reserve torce of trength in time of need; I sleep well id awake retreshed and feet bright each day's task, and with no indi-

ion or stomach trouble, and a good, ig. active brain, ready for any al strain or toil. There is no on earth that coffee nearly killed me. nd of mine was obliged to re position as school teacher, be extreme nervousness caused drinking. I induced her to in place of coffee, and at four months she began

in, her nervousness gone and looking ten years teaching aga and feeling younger; her a beautiful healthy having become bloom." Name i Battle Creek, 10 tiven by Postum Co.,

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