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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8th, 1897.

—Apropos of the closing of the Cape Breton coal mines by the Dominion Coal Company, the Montreal *Witness* says:

"If these mines cannot be worked profitably by any company, or if no company can be found willing to work them, then the miners and their families can only bow to the inevitable; but if the Dominion Coal Company (Limited) is closing down these mines simply because they are less profitable than other mines possessed by the company, or because it wants to restrict production in order to advance the price of coal, then it is a question whether the provincial government ought not to interfere, if it is open to it to do so in order to secure the working of the mines by another company or corporation. Companies are mere figments of the law. They are understood to be created for the public good and not for its harm. If the Dominion Coal Company (Limited) has anything like a monopoly of the coal lands of Cape Breton, and is taking advantage of the monopoly to ruin small mining communities in order simply to increase its profits, it is doing what cannot be regarded as justifiable. If the company is not prevented by its contract with the government or by the mining regulations from ceasing to operate mines without abandoning them to others who may be willing to work them, then it is clothed with powers of oppression which no company should possess which is licensed by the government on certain terms and conditions to develop natural resources in which the country retains a share or partnership, as it does in mines. Mining licenses or leases should be subject to cancellation in case operations are stopped for any length of time. Otherwise the share of the country in the yield of the mines becomes nil, and the miners who are directly dependent upon the operations of the mines for their own and their families' subsistence, as well as the rest of the people of such communities indirectly dependent upon the industry, are ruined."

The fact that the company have contracted to deliver 800,000 tons of coal in Boston annually is assurance that the quantity of coal mined will be increased rather than diminished but the fear is that mining operations will be centralized and several hitherto prosperous communities ruined by the closing of mines distant from the proposed point of distribution. The company have great powers under their charter, and while the government can compel them to mine a stated quantity of coal annually, it is, we believe, powerless to stipulate as to where it shall be mined. It is to be hoped that the government is in a position to compel the company to operate all its mines, otherwise a great injustice will be done. The centralizing of production will enormously increase the prosperity at that point, but it will do so at the expense of less favored communities.

—United States Congress is now in session and President McKinley's address foreshadows business of much importance. The currency question is the first on the list, and while it is undoubtedly the most important matter to be brought before the assembled legislators, the president hopefully compares the present situation with that of 1866, when the principal of the interest bearing debt of the country amounted to nearly two and a half billions of dollars. Between 1866 and 1893 this debt was reduced to slightly over half a billion, and though the debt has increased rapidly since then, the president thinks the solution of the financial problem can be readily worked out. It is possible that his hopes may be realized, but the situation to-day is vastly different from that of thirty years ago. It was not then the difficulty of maintaining a parity between silver and gold that had depleted the treasury. But to day it is the maintaining of an arbitrary value on all paper and silver currency, keeping all at a par with gold, that forms the basis of the currency troubles. With millions of silver money and silver certificates afloat, representing a real value of not more than fifty per cent of their face, redeemable in gold, the government has been forced to borrow extensively to keep its gold reserve at a nominal figure. The treasury may now be well stocked but there is not sufficient stability in the existing financial policy to guarantee that the same trouble that occurred during the Cleveland regime will not be repeated. If the present congress is composed of expert financiers, a remedy may be provided, but the measure will have to be a heroic one. The democrats expect to fight the next presidential election on the currency battle ground.

The message expressed satisfaction with the action of the new Spanish ministry with regard to Cuban affairs and a policy of non-interference is advised till the effect of Spain's recent overtures is seen.

Hawaii is thought to be in a proper condition for annexation and the president is anxious that the United States flag shall float over the island.

Reciprocity, the sealing question, international arbitration, the navy, and the Yukon country are among the other subjects touched upon in the message.

—Postmaster General Mulock is making many radical changes in his department, and he seems to be a fairly successful financier. A balance of a quarter of a million on the right side is a pretty good showing for a few months of the current year and is not all attributable to the skilful marketing of the jubilee stamps either. Expenses have been curtailed largely and the "pennies saved" and the "pennies earned" have figured up a comfortable surplus. But Mr. Mulock is working in the interests of a nation, and he evidently understands that a surplus in his department is evidence that the people are paying just a trifle more for their postal service than is necessary. He now announces that the rate on mail matter to the United Kingdom and British colonies is to be reduced very materially, in fact placed on a level with the rate for local service. The change will be a popular one and there is little danger that the loss entailed by the reduction will embarass the department. Mr. Mulock proposes to revolutionize the post card issue by permitting the utilization of the address side for advertisements. No doubt this happy thought will greatly increase the demand for cards, and be another money making scheme, but it will detract from the dignity of the service to thus cater to a particular class, and the project will not meet with general approval. Advertisers are not hampered by any lack of means to tell their stories to the masses, and the post office department is hardly called upon to constitute itself a general bill board to be placarded with the advertisements of business firms.

—The proposed establishment of a steam packet service between Bridgetown, Annapolis and other points and St. John is being favorably discussed in town. The business men are in favor of it because it would insure a quick and regular delivery of goods purchased in the St. John market at rates considerably less than when carried by the water and rail route. The other towns would be similarly benefitted, and there is little doubt but that such a service would pay a handsome return on the capital invested. We hope to see the enterprise established next spring; the facilities it would afford would do much to increase the trade of the western end of the valley and help along a general business revival.

Local and Special News.

—See W. E. Palfrey's list of premiums in this week's issue. 1i

—The D. A. R. is still handling very heavy freight.

—Dominion parliament will probably meet on January 20th.

—Go to H. W. Benson's for double and single tilted Axes. 1i

—Curry Bros. & Bent have had their factory lighted by electricity.

—J. E. Sancton & Son are as full of bargains as an egg is full of meat. 1i

—The D. A. R. have ordered six new engines for delivery early next year.

—The X-Ray Raisin Seeder, the one that seeds, for sale at H. W. Benson's. 1i

—Messrs. Calhoun & Gross, of Middleton, are to close out their business in that town.

—New goods arriving this week, including about 50 pairs of skates, all sizes. R. Shipley.

—The steamer "City of Monticello," formerly on the Bay route, is advertised for sale.

FOUND.—A collie dog. Owner can have same by paying expenses. Apply at this office.

—Mr. J. D. Belcher, of Toronto, takes possession of the Grand Central hotel this week.

—Mr. H. A. Fredericks killed a seven month's old pig last week that weighed 362½ lbs.—a record breaker.

—The 3 cent postage to the United Kingdom and other British posessions goes into effect January 1st, 1898.

—Just received, Sleigh Shoe Steel, Caulk Steel, Horse Shoes and Nails, Bar Iron and Hay Wire. H. W. Benson.

—A telephone message from Bear River, yesterday, announced the sudden death of George Miller, of that place.

—Mr. C. R. Pineo, of Chipman's Corner, Kings, was in Bridgetown last week, disposing of the product of his apiary.

—D. C. Gates, of Kingston, purchased, by tender, the stock of groceries held by the assignee of H. W. Ross, of Halifax.

—Don't miss the bean social to be given by the ladies of Providence Methodist Church to morrow evening. See adv.

—The Halifax *Acadian Recorder*, the oldest newspaper in Canada, has just been enlarged and furnished with a new dress.

LOST.—Red Morocco price book of no value except to the owner. Finder will confer a favor by leaving the same at MONITOR OFFICE. 1i

—John Tyler, an aged and respected colored man, died at Inglewood last Saturday and was buried on Monday. He was 64 years of age.

GOODS THAT RETAIL FROM 10C. TO A DOLLAR.—You can get a present at J. E. Sancton & Son's that will cost you little or much; step in and see. 1i

—McIntyre and Fletcher who are charged with incendiarism at the time of the Windsor fire are now being tried at Kentville, under the speedy trials act.

—There has been good skating for several days past on the pond at Carleton's corner and many skaters have enjoyed the sport on the first ice of the season.

—Mr. C. W. Rose of Acadia College preached in the Baptist church Sunday morning and conducted the service in the same church in the evening.

WE ARE OUT TO WIN.—The holidays are upon us and we are in the swim to have our share of the trade. Superb goods at right prices at J. E. Sancton & Son's. 1i

—J. Herbert Sancton, of J. E. Sancton & Son, leaves Thursday for west as far as Bear River to hustle trade. Buy your Xmas presents of him and save money. 1i

—Mr. Beckwith says that at present the reduction on shop and office lights to two cents per light per night applies only where more than three lights are used.

—On Sunday evening next, Rev. J. Strothard will deliver a temperance sermon in the Methodist church, Bridgetown, dealing chiefly with the question of Prohibition.

—The American schr. Stephen J. Watts being loaded with piling at the wharf here by Mr. H. J. Crowe. It looks like cold work loading the timber from the water.

—The schr. Swallow brought a cargo of about 35,000 feet of white and black ash here last week for Messrs. Curry Bros. & Bent. The lumber came from up the St. John river.

FACTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES.—In watches, chains and charms we have a full line and the Xmas buyers will do well to call upon J. E. Sancton & Son to make their purchases. 1i

—The venturesome Capt. Josh Slocomb, who is circumnavigating the globe in his yacht, the Spray, expects to arrive in Boston early in next spring. He was last heard from in Mauritius.

—The beauties of Lawrencetown are properly extolled in a neat little folder sent us by Mr. J. W. Whitman. Lawrencetown is a bright little town and can stand a lot of just such advertising.

—The regular meeting of Rothsay Lodge No. 41 R. N. S. A. F. & A. M., will be held at Masonic Hall, Bridgetown, Thursday evening at 7.30. A full attendance of the brethren is requested.

—Mr. E. A. Craig's Jersey cow averages two pounds of butter per *day*—not two pounds per *week* as stated last week. As a butter producer she has probably few equals in the dairies of Canada.

—The merchants report a brisk trade for the opening week in December. Money seems to be circulating more freely than for some months past and the local business outlook is brighter than for years.

—Mr. and Mrs. Foster Woodbury, the parents of Mrs. S. Dennison of this town, will, if they live until the 15th of February next, have the pleasure of celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of their marriage.

USED THE WORLD OVER.—Simpson Hall & Miller's quadruple silver plated goods. We have a larger and more beautiful stock than ever, and will sell at a big reduction during Xmas for cash. J. E. Sancton & Son.

—Messrs. L. D. Shafner and W. D. Lockett will load the schr. Nugget with 150 tons of baled hay for the West Indies. The shipment is an experiment, and if it finds a good market will likely be followed by larger ones.

—Mr. Harry Snow, manufacturer of the Canadian Jersey Churn, reports very satisfactory sales among the farmers. One day last week he started out with a load of twelve churns and sold one of them at each of twelve contiguous farm houses.

—Mr. F. W. McLeod, of Middleton, will occupy Mr. J. W. DeWitt's farm, a short distance out of town, this winter. Mr. McLeod will bring Abbott Wilkes, 2.11, and several other fast horses along and will no doubt help along the sport on the snow path this winter.

—Thousands of bushels of P. E. I. potatoes are being brought into the province at different points and meet with a ready sale at 35 cents per bushel wholesale. An effort was made at Halifax last week to put the price up to 40 cents, but heavy arrivals kept the price down.

—Mrs. Mary Roop, widow of the late Elijah Roop, formerly of Middleton, died at Greenwich, Kings county, last Sunday, aged 84 years. She married twice, her first husband being Hugh Pudsey, of Greenwich. Three sons and two daughters by this first marriage survive her.

—The policeman has been doing his duty as inspector under the Canada Temperance Act. One conviction has been secured and information laid in another, but a difficulty has been experienced in securing a trial, as Stipendiary Cox claims he is not qualified to try the case in question.

—H. S. Reed's furniture warerooms present an unusually attractive appearance just now. They are literally packed with every line to be found in a first class furniture store. Many new and beautiful lines were added especially for the holiday trade. Bargain hunters can find abundance of game there.

—The artists who "charge nothing for enlarging pictures" have been doing Bridgetown recently. They are anxious to advertise their business by doing enlarging *gratis*, but the housewife who trusts them with an order for a picture is expected to pay for a frame. It is an old dodge but an effective one still.

—The Robinson Concert Co'y are billed for the Court House, Friday evening, Dec. 10th. The Boston *Globe* says of the elocutionist, Mrs. Anna E. Norris-Robinson:—"One moment her audience is made sad by her pathos and in the twinkling of an eye the whole house can be convulsed with laughter. This lady has few equals."

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Dr. Borden, Minister of Militia, left for England yesterday.

J. H. Feare, of Halifax, has made a rich discovery of gold in Georgia.

Typhoid and scarlet fever are very prevalent at Clare, Digby county.

A rich vein of copper has been discovered at Lansdowne, Pictou County.

Lyman Dartt is on trial, at Truro, for the murder of an Armenian pedlar.

Over 200 I. C. R., railway employes have been dismissed by the present government.

Parrsboro has voted to borrow $21,500 for school, water and electric lighting purposes.

The People's Heat and Light works at Halifax were partly destroyed by fire on Thursday last.

John McDonald, an I. C. R. conductor, was killed at Stellarton on the 30th ult by being run over by a car.

The Plant line steamers will run only one round trip per week between Boston and Halifax during the winter.

The *Telephone* says the Bear River lumber cut will be an average one, and will probably aggregate four million feet.

The Department of Marine has been notified there are only 13 American fishermen off the cost of Nova Scotia at present.

Dr. McKeen, of Nova Scotia, registered at the Canadian government offices, Paris, in the week ended November 20th.

Mr. H. Gardner Smith, the new engineer of the D. A. R. steamer Prince Edward, has arrived from England and entered upon his duties.

It is reported that the site for a new $20,000 post office for Kentville has been selected and that the building will be erected next spring.

The Kerr Evaporating Company at Canning, Kings county, are busily engaged evaporating large quantities of vegetables for the Yukon district.

The Furness steamship people claim they cannot get freight enough at Halifax to load their steamers and they will run them to St. John during the winter.

D. A. Gidney, Digby Neck, is building a large factory for fish canning and packing, to be finished during the winter. Mr. Gidney will can haddies and lobsters.

Spurgeon Bishop, of Auburn, Kings county, shipped a car load of cranberries to Toronto last week. He also with others sent a car load to Montreal a short time ago.

Canned lobsters valued at $1,407,636 were shipped from the port of Halifax last yeary. During twenty one years the total lobster shipments from that port were valued at $18,477,656.

A fatal accident occured at the Drummond mine, Pictou county, last Thursday. Michael Breen was working on the night shaft when suddenly a lump of coal struck him on the head killing him instantly. He leaves a large family.

Capt. John McKinnon, Cheboque Point, Yarmouth, while endeavoring to float a wrecked schooner at Emerald Island recently, was knocked overboard and drowned. He was about 65 years of age and leaves a widow and several children.

Obituary.

ALFRED A. HOYT.

Deep regret was expressed by our citizens and residents generally, yesterday, when the sad death of an esteemed and respected fellow townsman, Alfred A. Hoyt, became known. His disease, which was dropsy, has been of several months duration, and the end came as a merciful release from suffering which for weeks past has been painful in the extreme.

Mr. Hoyt was the junior member of the firm of Hoyt Bros., marble and stone cutters. He was the second son of our venerable citizen, George Hoyt, Esq., and is survived by his parents, one brother, Mr. Jesse Hoyt, and two sisters, Misses Hattie and Fannie. He also leaves a wife, three daughters and four sons. Of the daughters two are married, one, Mrs. James Godard, residing in Montana, the other, a bride of a few months, Mrs. F. L Davison, of Toronto.

Mr Hoyt was a faithful and valued member of St. James' church, where his death leaves a sad vacancy. He has at various times and for long periods efficiently filled the office of warden, and was deeply interested in everything pertaining to the welfare of the church. The MONITOR extends sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

The funeral takes place place to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Missionary Meeting at Clarence.

An excellent missionary meeting was held at Clarence, Sunday night, when the following program was carried out:

MUSIC	Choir
SCRIPTURE	Mrs. S. N. Jackson
PRAYER	Rev. E. L. Steeves
ROLL CALL	Secretary
MUSIC	Congregation
RECITATION	Miss Clara Roach
PAPER, "Dust thou art"	Miss Emma Jackson
RECITATION	Viola Batton
MUSIC	Choir
RECITATION	Pearl Marshall
PAPER, "Sheltering Rock"	Mrs. L. W. Elliott
RECITATION	Hulda Rumsey
PAPER, "Prayer"	Annie Chesley
MUSIC	Choir
MISSIONARY CATECHISM	
ADDRESS	Rev. E. L. Steeves
ADDRESS	E. J. Elliott
ADDRESS	S. N. Jackson

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. B. H. Calkin, of Kentville, was in town last week.

Rev. F. M. Young and family returned from St. George, N. B., yesterday.

Mrs. I Parker who has been nursing a sick grandson at Clarence is home again.

Mr. Herbert Hicks who lately arrived home from Sydney, C. B., left Saturday last on a trip to Boston.

Mr. F. L. Milner goes to Halifax this afternoon to argue some Annapolis county appeals before the full bench of the Supreme Court.

Oats for England.

Advices from Prince Edward Island under date of Nov. 29, state that the bquetn. Albatross was expected to sail from Charlottetown Monday evening with 32,000 bushels of oats for the English market. Steamship Hoxton was to have completed loading by Wednesday. She will take upwards of 100,000 bushels of oats for the English markets. Bquetn. Bonita cleared from Summerside on Friday last for King's Road, G. B., with 34,000 bushels of oats. Bqetn. Cosmo, loaded at Summerside, cleared on Saturday for Great Britain with 30,000 bushels of white and 7,000 bushels of black oats.

Massachusetts Benefit Society

Toronto, Nov. 30.—The Master-in-Ordinary, Mr Thomas Hodgins, who returned to-day from Boston, states that the Canadian policy-holders of the defunct Massachusetts Benefit Life Insurance Company, will receive about eighty per cent on their claims. The receiver at Boston is willing to submit to the court judgment here as to the disposition to be made of the thirty thousand dollars of assets over and above the deposits at Ottawa. The amount consists of investments made here, the securities of which are held by the company's head office at Boston.

Another Trotter for Nova Scotia.

M. D. Messenger, of Brooklyn, New York, purchased at one of the recent New York sales the brown horse Ferron, Foaled 1894. 15.2½ hands high, record 2,24¾, made as a four-year-old, with two months' handling, since which time he has been in stud. Mr. Messenger will ship Ferron to his farm at Torbrook, Annapolis county. Ferron was sired by the celebrated Allerton, 2,09¼, dam Directorine, by Director, second dam Geraldine, by Mambrino Patchen.—*Wolfville Acadian.*

English Apple Markets.

The present state of the English apple market is given briefly. There are more common apples there at present than has been the case hitherto this year and really good fruit is exceptionally scarce; the former quality is a drug in the market, whereas good apples are keenly competed for and fancy prices are obtainable. Total arrivals to date, 196,372 barrels. Same date last year: 767,859 barrels.

—Several persons have been very sick, with symptoms of poisoning, from the New Brunswick potatoes called the Beauty of Hebron, purchased from St. John dealers a few weeks ago.—*Digby Courier.*

—J. M. Hurd, of Grafton, had 84 bbls. of cranberries on his bog this season. Some sent to England netted $6.25 a bbl. Nova Scotia cranberries are worth $8.00 in the Montreal market.—*Orchardist.*

—Mr. S. B. Chute has received an order for nursery stock to be sent to Kent, England. The order is for a number of apple trees of the Banks Red Gravenstein variety. —*Berwick Register.*

A MOVE FOR THE BETTER.—We will give you as good discount for your money on anything in our line as you can get at any store in the county. Try J. E. Sancton & Son and see. 1i

New Advertisements

NOTICE

Any persons wanting Spruce or Pine Lumber, from car load down, apply to

J. R. KINNEY,
37 4i Bridgetown.

For Sale!

One yoke of Oxen, six years old; good workers.

JOHN HALL,
1i Lawrencetown.

WANTED

at once, proposals of prices and accommodations for boarding for one year from Dec. 15th, 1897, from two to five Mares. (Mares supposed to be with foal.) Address all correspondence at once to

A. BYRON McLEOD,
237½ Congress St.,
BOSTON, MASS.

December 6th, 1897.—37 2i

STRAYED OR STOLEN!

FROM the pasture of the subscriber, two yearling Jersey Heifers, each marked with swallow-tail in left ear and square crop off left ear, with notch in under side; one of light color, the other red or brown color. Information which will enable the subscriber to recover them will be suitably rewarded with not less than five dollars.

T. W. CHESLEY.

Granville, December 6th, 1897.—37 tf

BRIDGETOWN CHEESE & BUTTER CO., Ltd.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the above company will be held on

Thursday, December 16th, at 2 p.m., in Victoria Hall, Bridgetown.

37 2i A. OWEN PRICE, Sect'y.

Bean Social!

The ladies of the Providence (Methodist) Church intend holding a Bean Social at the residence of Mrs. David Bath, on

To-morrow (Thursday) Evening, Décember 9th, 1897.

A pleasant time is promised. Tea served at 4 o'clock. Tickets, 25c.

XMAS . . . . STOCK

about complete

—AT—

Central Book Store.

Call and see the NOVELTIES—prettier and cheaper than ever.

PUBLIC AUCTION!

To be sold by Public Auction at the premises now occupied by DAVID J. MORSE, near Bridgetown, in the County of Annapolis, on

Tuesday, 28th of December, 1897, at 2 p. m,

All the interest of the subscriber in the farm on which David J. Morse, of Bridgetown, in the County of Annapolis, now resides, the said premises having been conveyed to the subscriber by Indenture bearing date the 4th day of October, A. D. 1897, upon certain trusts created and set forth in the said Indenture.

An abstract of the subscriber's title to the said premises, together with a full description thereof, and a list of the incumbrances against the same, may be seen and inspected at the law office of F. L. Milner, Esq., on Queen Street, in Bridgetown, aforesaid, from whom any information in respect thereto may be obtained.

Terms of Sale—Cash.

Dated at Bridgetown, in the County of Annapolis, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1897.

37 3i A. D. BROWN, Trustee.

Furniture! Furniture!

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GRAND Mark Down Sale!

BARGAINS! BARGAINS!

I am offering one of the finest stocks of Furniture to be found in the valley at Cut Prices for December only. Stock selected especially for the Holiday trade and complete in every department.

Parlor, Dining Room, Hall, Bedroom and Kitchen Furniture in great variety.

It will pay you to see this stock. We will not be undersold. No trouble to show goods.

H. S. REED.

N. B.—Have one Sewing Machine in stock which will be sold at a great bargain.

Premiums!

W. E. PALFREY

Will offer this year as Premiums

One Banquet Lamp,
One Large Picture and Easel,
One Lady's Ostrich Feather Collar.

Anyone purchasing **for cash** one dollars worth of goods during December will be entitled to a ticket. The premium will be numbered by a party in St. John, Jan. 1st, and numbers sent to our Postmaster who will deliver same to parties holding right ticket.

See our WINTER STOCK

A LARGE DIRECT IMPORTATION OF

Winter Overcoatings, Suitings & Trouserings.

THE NEWEST GOODS AT FINEST PRICES.

Meltons, Beavers, Whitneys, Freizes, Tyke and Blenheim Serges, Imported and Domestic Suitings, etc

Order a pair of our $3.00 Custom Pants.

BRIDGETOWN CUSTOM CLOTHING CO.

C. McLELLAN, Manager.

New Advertisements.

FOR SALE!

One Yoke of Working Oxen.

37 1i S. S. RUGGLES.

We are Not

Dry Goods people

But we have

in our Clothing Department (which is upstairs)

A Full Line of MEN'S AND BOYS' Ready-made CLOTHING

which we must dispose of by the first of the New Year.

To induce you to buy we have decided to offer for THIRTY DAYS a

Discount of 20 per cent.

THIS IS FOR CASH ONLY.

This is no humbug. We have got the goods and will do just as we say.

E. & E. SCHAFFNER.

P. S.—Fresh Eggs wanted at 24c. per dozen, Butter at 18c., and all other kinds of produce at highest market price.

Lawrencetown, December 1st, 1897.

They Are Coming!

WHO ARE COMING? WHY

ROBINSON'S GRAND STAR CONCERT CO.

of Boston, of national fame and name, are coming to Bridgetown, and will make their first appearance in the

COURT HOUSE, Friday Evening, December 10th

giving a first-class and amusing entertainment. The Programme will consist of

ELOCUTION—Dramatic, Humorous and Pathetic.

MUSIC—Vocal and Instrumental.

Laughable Songs and Speeches by one of the Funniest Comedians of the Race.

MRS. ANNA E. NORRIS-ROBINSON, leading Star Elocutionist of the Negro Race in America, having traveled more miles and entertained more distinguished audiences than any other reader of her race. She will be supported by

MR. GEO. BROWN, Comedian.

MISS MABEL D. BARROWS, Mezzo-Soprano.

And the FAMOUS EUREKA JUBILEE TRIO, of Halifax, N. S.

With MRS. BESSIE HOWELL-PRICE as Accompanist.

General Admission, 25c. Reserved Seats, 35c.

J. FRANCIS ROBINSON, Manager.

FLOUR Meal & Feed

On hand and for sale at **bottom prices,** the following well-known brands of Flour:—

"Ogilvie's Hungarian,"
"Hornet,"
"Five Roses,"
"Dictator,"
"Snowdrift,"
"Goldie's Best,"
"Goldie's Sun,"
"Crown of Gold,"
"Victoria,"
"Chancellor."

Cornmeal in barrels and bags, Goldie's Best Middlings, Stephen's Middlings, Goldie's Feed Flour, Cotton Seed Meal and Bran.

Xmas Goods

We are opening this week a line of FANCY GOODS for the Christmas trade Call and inspect before buying.

Fancy Slippers!

We have a few pairs of Fancy Slippers that we will close out very low for cash.

J. I. FOSTER.

Bridgetown, Dec. 6th, 1897.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BRIDGETOWN · IMPORTING · HOUSE!

FALL, 1897.

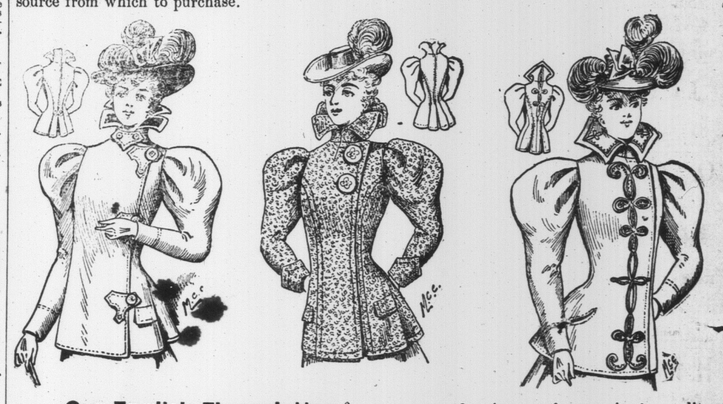
We Import Direct!

Our Fall Stock is now about complete in every department, and we have much pleasure in stating—which we do with confidence, that it is exceedingly attractive. The values are right, the assortment is large, and for general excellence it is second to none in the Province, and we extend a cordial invitation to call and examine.

While we are well aware of the keen competition now existing in business, we start the Fall Trade fully equipped and ready to meet the active competition of the present day, and more than ever determined to give our customers the best possible service and satisfaction.

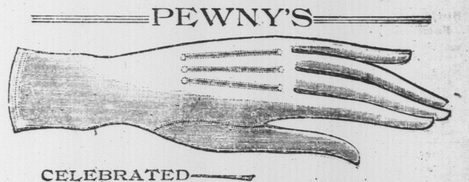
We do not believe in the policy of cutting a few lines to cover overselling everything else, but we believe in giving our customers goods at the very lowest prices possible, and it is the experience of those who deal with us that our prices, as a whole, are right, and our stock generally one of the very best in the Province.

Our Mantles are direct from Berlin, Germany, and from the leading Mantle manufacturies of Canada. Having had years of experience in the Mantle business we have learned the best source from which to purchase.



Our English Flannelettes for wrappers and waists are far superior in quality, and pattern to any of our previous importations.

PEWNY'S



We have been selling the celebrated Pewny Kid Gloves for a long time, and now find (by the expressions of our customers) that they have established a good reputation.

CELEBRATED KID GLOVES

To those friends who have in the past so liberally favored us with their patronage we tender our most hearty thanks, and we assure them that no effort shall be wanting on our part to make all future transactions mutually satisfactory.

Our best services are at the command of our customers. We solicit your trade.

J. W. BECKWITH.

Grand Cash Clearance Sale

—OF—

Ladies' Jackets & Pattern Dress Goods!

		Former Price.	Sale Price.			Former Price.	Sale Price.
3	Jackets,	$3.75	$2 75	2	Dress Patterns	45c	35c
2	"	4.50	3.85	6	" "	55c	40c
3	"	8.00	6.00	3	" "	78c	55c
6	"	8.75	6.75	5	" "	98c	75c
2	"	9.75	7.00				
2	"	11.25	8.50				

XMAS GIFTS FREE.

We have an elegant assortment of Xmas Goods in a variety of useful articles, which we propose giving away with cash purchases of $1, $2, $3, $4, and $5.

Don't think that these are cheap, trashy goods, but we have gone to considerable expense in importing these goods, any one of which would make a beautiful Xmas present which would retail from 50 cents to $2.00. Remember we don't charge you any more for the goods (of which we have a large stock,) and in this way you get a handsome Xmas gift free.

JOHN LOCKETT & SON.

DON'T FORGET

to give MISS LECAIN a call before purchasing elsewhere, as her goods will be marked down to suit the times.

TRIMMED HATS, former price $1.50, now selling at $1.10.
$3.50 now selling at $2.10.
$8.00 now selling at $4.97.

Special BARGAINS every Monday from now until after Xmas.

Medical Hall Block, Bridgetown.

NOTICE!

The business known as THE HICKS & SANCTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY has this day terminated by Harry S. Sancton selling out his interest to John H. Hicks, who will now carry on the business in his own name.

JOHN H. HICKS,
HARRY S. SANCTON.

Bridgetown, N. S., Sept. 3rd, 1897.

You will get the **Largest Discount** on Trimmed and Untrimmed **HATS AND BONNETS**

—AT—

MISS LOCKETT'S.

LEWIS A. DICKIE, Licensed Auctioneer

All work promptly attended to in the town or any part of the county.

Bridgetown, Nov. 9th, 1897. 33 2m