The Gossips Say That

The temperance element is strong in St. John.

This will be a hotly contested fight for ̶ ̶or.

The fight will be between Thorne, Barker and Quigley.

The Government is sustained by a good working majority.

Tweedie is the acknowledged wit of the House of Assembly.

The street railway will give St. John a lively business aspect.

Dowd, the skater, is en-dowed with wonderful staying powers.

Hon. Edward Blake will retire from the leadership of the opposition.

You should renew your subscription for the JURY at one dollar a year.

Maritime Bank bills are taken at the face for fines in the police office.

The Legislative Coun ̶ ̶ ̶ ̶ ̶ ̶ postage stamp—if you lick it it is sure to stick.

Advertising in the JURY will be found beneficial to business men on account of its large city circulation.

Had Mr. Temple been unseated Hon. A. G. Blair would have run as the Conservative candidate for York.

A. A. Stockton, M. P. P., is to be made Solicitor General of New Brunswick, on account of a little political ruffle among the party.

Dr. A. A. Stockton, on behalf of the St. John hairdressers, hopes to run the Barbers' Bill through the House next session, if he can grease it sufficiently with Moncton oil.

The Commercial Travellers Association are to place before the Dominion Parliament next session a bill to abolish the heavy "tariff rate" levied by Woodward on "drummers" consigned to Fredericton, N. B.

A Needed Industry.

A representative of JURY paid a visit to the spacious store on King street occupied by Wm. J. Fraser, the leading ready-made clothier of St. John. The genial proprietor and his three salesmen were very busy opening large cases of new goods, just arrived, for spring and summer wear. Mr. Fraser, after showing some of his leading lines of fine suits, invited our representative up-stairs. The second floor of the building is used as a store room for surplus stock and on the tables were spread large stacks of clothing, men's suits, boys' suits, children's suits, single pants, etc. The shelves were heavily loaded also with all grades of clothing. On enquiry as to the prices of clothing this season we were informed that you can buy a nice men's blue serge suit for $3.60; Canadian tweed suits from $4 upwards; men's cottonade suits at $2.50; heavy Canada tweed pantaloons $1.25; English tweed pants $2 and upwards. Mr. Fraser makes a specialty of children's clothing in all grades, fine and cheap. His stock of furnishing goods is second to none in the city for neatness of selection. All persons wishing anything in the clothing line will do well by giving him a call. ROYAL CLOTHING STORE, No. 47 King street, one door above Royal Hotel.

"DOING THE ROUNDS."

NOTHING TO SAY.

A maiden never should be seen
   To smoke a cigarette,
For kisses mixed with nicotine
   Are n. g., you can bet.
      —*Merchant Traveler.*

It's very nice for you to talk
   About the proper way:
But, young man with the cigarette,
   What has the girl to say.
      —*Washington Critic.*

'Tis true she flouts at cigarettes.
   But (so we've often heard).
She's busy just about that time,
   And isn't sayin' a word.
      —*Merchant Traveler.*

Our girl, when we do kiss her, thinks
   Your talk is only fudge:
She dearly loves the cigarette,
   And says she is a *Judge*.

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MUCH WORSE.

Of all sad words for MSS. unsalable,
The saddest are these, "Not available."
      —*Detroit Free Press.*

It must be admitted to be more sad.
To be frankly told. "It is very bad"
      —*New York World.*

But saddest of all, a case of expire.
When writer and MSS. are given the fire.

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KEEP UP APPEARANCES.

When spring's bright sunlit banner floats
   Where erst hung winter's pall.
We'll gayly don the overcoats
   We wore with pride last fall.
They're new spring overcoats, you know,
And purchased just a week ago.
      —*Boston Courier.*

We'll have reblocked the ancient plug
   That doth our brow adorn.
With scissors clip the jagged heel
   Of pantaloons well worn,
Then with coat buttoned up
   And the repolished tile.
We are, you observe,
   In the latest of style.