WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24TH, 1900.

United States last year, according to the official report, and the record is certainly a startling one. The law of the land has been set at defiance in each community where justice has been dispensed by self-constituted judges and executioners. Public opinion is a recognized force, but if it was the decree of public opinion that sanctioned the carrival of lynching last year, then to engross it in the national statutes would be to bring the law makers to the level of barbarians in the eyes of those nations where such dispensation of justice is not tolerated. The fault must lie with the law, or, rather with the administration of the law, as it is. The elective system often throws the enforcement of the law into corrupt hands. Attempts have been made to prosecute some of those engaged in these outrages, and in some states the law has been changed to make the municipality civilly liable for damages to the heirs of the victims, but no reform has been effected. Juries have refused to convict and the law has failed. Public opinion controls the juries, and is apparently in each com-munity the supreme, though unwritten law. No one can be held responsible for an offence in which practically, the whole community participates. Race hatred and the recognition of protection due to women is the cause of this terrible resort to summary vengeance, and in its hasty judgment the mob, last year, executed three persons who were afterwards shown to be entirely innocent. Fortunately, lynchings are confined to two or three states in the west and south, and the general national opinion is highly condemnatory of the ineffective working of

High Commissioner at London, and the Mother Country has ample evidence of the loyalty of her colonial sons in the offer of Lord Stratheona to equip a troop of hundred. Lord Strathcona to equip a troop of four hundred cavalrymen for service in South Africa. The undertaking is a stupendous Africa. The undertaking is a stupendous Africa. The undertaking is a subjectious one for any one man to compass and it stamps that man with a degree of patriotism that is not often surpassed, even in these days, when the control of the surpassed, even in these days, when the control of the surpassed of the control that man with a degree of patriotism that is thousands of brave volunteers are risking their lives to uphold the British cause of freedom and justice against the oppression and tyranny of the Boers. The expense of equipping the expedition will probably reach, bleast, half a milion dollars, and it must be recognized that money counts as well as men in time of war. Barred by age from the fighting ranks, Lord Strathe placed his purse at the service of the emire, and, while there is, perhaps, no need present stage of the game, his action will not be without its influence when such a time does come. Such men are sturdy cona's Horse" will be drawn chiefly from the Northwest and will probably be similar to

ontinuous fighting since Saturday, along continuous fighting since Saturday, along the Tugela, and British troops are now well across that river, and forcing their way on to Ladysmith, every inch of the ground being hotly contested by the enemy. There day night it was raining. across that river, and forcing their way on to Ladysmith, every inch of the ground are now nearly forty thousand troops at this point under General Buller, with admirable equipment, sufficient it would seem the beleaguered garrison will surely be accomplished this week. Indeed, unofficial despatches state that Dundonald's flying column of cavalry has already entered the town. The tide has apparently fairly turned against the Boers and the British troops are pressing them backward at every point, inainly come, and the news of the next few days should preatically discover

a. Jan. 10 .- The council consider the famine situation. The official tellef work, etc., to the end of March eritory and about 27,000,000 in the native states. The viceroy, Lord Curzon of Keddeston, said the famine area had expanded, surpassing the worst fears, and they were passing a cattle, water and food scarcity of a terrible character. About 3,250,000 persons he continued, were already receiving relief.

While in 1887 thd, world shared India's anticipated. dlecton, said the famine area had expanded, sorrow and contributed hundreds of thousands of pounds toward the relief fund, the Viceroy pointed out that India would now have to struggle alone, for the thoughts of every Englishmen in the world were centred on South Africa. It would be the duty of the government to pursue the task of saving the government to pursue the task of saving ons of of lives, and it would spend its

last rupee, if necessary, to do so.

New York, Jan. 17 .- A Washington desof Michigan lumber mill owners that the Treasury Department shall declare a protive duty on Canadian lumber as a meas ure of retaliation against the act of the On day by Secretary Gage. This was done a nsition. 'The result of the discusation, but the matter may be brought by the jam.

7. B. Foster, of St. John, late of Hampton:

-House to let on Washington Street.
Apply to W. W. Chesley. 43 tf

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—We have one single and two three-seated pungs left—Bargains for some one.

JOHN HALL. —Mr. Elias Messenger has purchased Mr. Charles Piggott's meat and grocery business on Granville street. -Mr. Herbert Hicks has purchased of Geo. E. Chapman, Amherst, a very hand-some and speedy mare.

—Mr. E. L. Fisher, of Annapolis, intends re-opening a branch of his tailoring business in Bridgetown shortly. -Milton Kendall, a fourteen year-old son of Mr. A. B. Kendall, cut his foot severely, with an axe, last week.

FOR SALE—Seven horses. Will sell on easy terms, or exchange for lumber. N. H. PHINNEY, Lawrencetown.

-Mr. Andrew Robb will address a meeting for men only next Sunday afternoon at 3 30 in the Y. M. C. A. hall. —The western counties are drawing large supplies of baled hay from every station along the D. A. R. in this county. COAL! COAL!-Old Mine Sydney, \$4 60 Springhill, \$4.60; Acadia Lump, \$4.50; Joggin Mine, \$4.50. W. A. KINNEY.

-Attractive discounts will be given on Boots and Shoes and general stock for the next thirty days. MRS. J. E. BURNS. 11 -Captain C. A. Hensley, of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, a Halifax lad, was killed in the fighting at the Tugela river last week. —The Bank of Nova Scotia are paying $3\frac{1}{2}$ interest on Deposit Receipts and on amounts deposited in Savings Bank accounts. 42 4i

The many friends of Mr. Mark Curry, will be glad to learn that he has secured a lucrative position with the Dominion Iron & -The friends of pastor Webb of the Bap-tist Church at Kingston, met at the parson-age recently, and donated him a purse of nearly \$80.00.

-Leonard Hannam, of Dalhousie, had his leg badly gashed in the calf by an axe falling from his shoulder, last Thursday. Dr. Armstrong dressed the wound.

-It is stated that the case of Messenge against the Town of Bridgetown, which was recently decided by the Chief Justice in favor of the town, is to be appealed.

-Mr. James M. Marshall of Clarence has

Division, Sons of Temperance, visited Belle-isle Division last Wednesday evening on the occasion of the opening of the new hall at

The South African war situation is now at its most interesting stage since the opening of hostilities. There has been almost for South Africa.

.—The miniature gun boat in R. Shipley's window, built by Mr. E. A. Dodge, is attracting considerable attention. The materials used in construction represent a few of the many lines of hardware in stock.

week.

—In the report of the County Council published last week, an error appeared in the last two names of Revisors for Revisal Section No. 7. The names should read Jas. E. Oakes instead of Jas. E. Baker, and Benj. Jarvis instead of Benj. Whitman. President B. L. Whitman, of Columbia University, Washington, has tendered his resignation and has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Calvary Baptist church, Philadelphia. Dr. Whitman was born at Wilmot, and has many relatives in this

—A.-literary society was organized last Monday evening by a few of the young peo-ple, at the residence of H. R. Shaw. The Rev. H. S. Davison was elected President, and Miss Vidito, Secretary. The society will read some of Shakespeare's plays during

- For the embarkation of Canada's Mount-ed Contingent in second troopship, the Dominion Atlantic Railway will issue tickets to Halifax at the following low fares. Yarmouth to Middleton \$3.00, Wilmot to Coldbrook \$2.00, Kentville to Falmouth \$1.50, Windsor \$1.00. Tickets issued Jan. 24th and 25th good to return until Jan. 26th. —The thaw last week broke up the ice in the river, and on Sunday there was an ice jam a mile long in the river here. At one time it looked as if the old road bridge was doomed, but the jam started in the after-noon and the flood subsided. The marshes bers was not favorable to the scheme of with the overflow from the river occasioned

by the jam.

J. W. Beckwith's annual cash sale is now on in full force. Ladies' Whitewear Jackets, Kid Gloves, Silks, Prints, Dress Goods, Mens' and Boy's Suits, Overcoats and Refers, Hats and Cape, Carpets and Lader's Jackets reduced to \$100. He had not time, this week, to advertize the different lines with their prices.

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—After over two months pleasantly spent with her children, Mrs. F. O. Feller of Everett, Mass. and Messrs. D. W. and D. K. Cummings, of Manchester, N. H., Mrs. D. R. Cummings has returned home. She broops they fran most are the septions and colonial mounted eld, the days of front at victories will be at an end. The mounted she had colonial mounted eld, the days of front at victories will be at an end.

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Letter from the Front. The following letter is from a son of John

Dear Mother and Father:

I thought I would answer your letter which I got this morning. Was very glad to hear from home. We arrived in Cape Town Nov. 13th, camped two days there, and then went to DeAar; were there four days, and from there went to Orange River and from there to Belmont. We have been here a week and are doing out-post duty, that is guarding small towns. We sleep in a trench. Last night there were dead Boers and horses lying all around. We have not

a trench. Last night there were dead Boers and horses lying all around. We have not seen the front yet. There was a big fight at Modder River yesterday. One company of the Black Watch was all broken up and two companies of Scaforth Highlanders were all shot. The Boers are surrounded by British their water supplies are cut off, and they are getting short of food.

I wish you could send me a clean bite in a letter. We get very poor food, but are contented with it. I had one good square meal in Cape Town—the best I have had since I left home.

I have had four letters since I have been here. Saw Thomas Danlop in Cape Town. He was more than surprised to see me out here. We had a long talk; he got a paper from St. John and saw all our names in it. One of our men died on Monday; his name was Chappell, and he was from Moneton,

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There are eight of our men in jail in Cape Town for deserting. They got from 14 to 22 months at hard labor.

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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—
We have been requested to again offer our services the content of the months of the content of the months of the content of the months of the months

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Cape Town is a very nice city. The Canadians got a grand reception, the town went wild over us. They seem to think more of Canadians than any other regiment. The dead Boers are lying about the hills everywhere by the dozens not buried — just a few rocks on top of them—and the stench is terrible in some places.

Give my love to all of the family and all inquiring friends.

Your loving son,

Your loving son,
MINARD G. FOSTER.
G Company, 1st Canadian Contingent.
South Africa.

Cresent Lodge Officers. The installation of cfficers for Cresent Lodge, No. 63, I. O. O. F., took place Mon-day evening, Jan. 22nd, 1900, the following officere being installed by D. D. G. M., A.

ade:
S. Porter, N. G.
N. E. Chute, V. G.
H. Hicks, R. Sect.
A. Wade, P. Sect.
Loring Hall, Treas.
Rev. F. M. Young, Chap.
W. Reed, Cond.
A. Walker, R. S. N. G.
H. Layton, L. S. N. G.
B. D. Neily, R. S. V. G.
A. Messenger. L. S. V. G.
L. Phinney, R. S. S.
G. Goodwin, L. S. S.
G. Gibson, O. G.
G. D. Covert, I. C.

Miss Winnifred Morse spent Sunday with Attorney General Longley, was in town Mrs. (Rev.) J. B. Giles is dangerously ill

Mrs. L. R. Miller and son Warren are Miss Elinor Spurr, of Central Clarence has gone to Edgehill to study music. Councillor E. H. Porter of Lower Grar-ville, leaves today on a trip to New York.

Yarmouth Co., to resume her school duties Maritime Province Shipping. The total registered tonnage of Nova Scotis at the close of 1899 was in 2,564 vessels of 259,055, a decrease of 213 vessels and 15,198 tons as compared with the previous year.

The grand total of registered tonnage for the Maritime Provinces 31st December, 1899, was 369,849, as follows: New Brunswick. 86,134
Prince Edward Island. 14,660
St. John is the largest ship-owning port,
with 67,773 tons; Windsor is a close second,
with 64,833 tons, and Yarmouth is next,

with 31,767. MY DEAR SIR, - Please allow me through MY DEAR SIE,—Please allow me through the columns of your paper to thank the kind people of St. Andrew's congregation, Lawrencetown, for the very nice and useful gift of a fur cap, which I found on my vestry table on Sunday last.

I thank them very, very heartily. By one deed of kindness after another, I am brought greatly into their debt; but it is very comforting to know that they overlook my shortcomings.

shortcomings. Believe me, Faithfully Yours, Holy Trinity Rectory, Middleton, Jan. 22nd, 1900.

Ottawa, Jan. 20.—The Customs Department makes public today its statement of foreign trade for the six months of the fiscal year up to the end of Dec. For half the year the exports and imports taken together totalled \$203,491,615, and exceed the figures for the same period of 1898 by \$25,627,297. With any other year than 1898 the showing would be even more fayorable, as the returns for that year far surpassed all earlier records. The improvement in imports was \$10,890,772. The revenue has expanded in the same period by \$2,174,464.

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will repeat their premium scheme during 1900; a key will be placed in every pound package of Union Blend Tea and \$400.00 in cash given to holders of the lucky Keys. New Advertisements.

SALE OF Household Effects! To be sold at Public Auction on Thurs-

day, Feb. 8th, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, on the premises of E. C. Schaffner, Lawrencetown,

Sale Positive.
43i MRS. JULIA LEONARD. MOTICE

COAL

New Advertisements.

STRAY SHEEP

A. BENSON

UNDERTAKES

Cabinet Work also attended to.

Warerooms at J. H. HICKS &

united Stock, Ottawa. Dispute Superstraints Stock, A., and United Works, Ottawa. Dispute Stock S

epartment of Public Works, Ottawa, January 3rd, 1900. 2 ins.

SON'S factory.

JOHN ERVIN, To the Ratepayers of Bridgetown

To the Ratepayers of Bridgetown

We have been requested to accept nominations for the office of Councillor for the town to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of Councillors Curry and Lockett and have consented to accept.

WANTED

I will be at LAWRENCETOWN from

New Milch Cows and Calves Will take Calves from seven days old up

FOR SALE

HAY AT AUCTION

Marsh and Upland for Sale in

Centreville.

We have a

stock of

which is being

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added

to.

CALL AND SEE

T. A. FOSTER Valuable Farm at Centre Clarence Has just received

10 half-bbls. of No. 1 Herring They are of excellent quality ROBT. S. MARSHALL, BUSINESS STAND FOR SALE!

Owing to ill health I have decided to offer GO TO THE DADGAIN' BOOT AND SHOE STORE Horses for Sale.

(Opposite the Post Office.) I have three Horses that I wish to sell ound and kind, weigh between 1000 and full line of Boots, Shoes and Rubbers, Women's, Misses' and Children's Fine and Coarse Boots. Hall to Let over Store Boots and Shoes made and T. A. FOSTER.

Special attention given to Repairing D. R. CUMMINGS, Agent.

I am closing out a few lines of Clothing at a

GREAT SACRIFICE!

TERMS OF SALE FOR THE LAND.—Five pe ent of the purchase money at the time of sale ne half of the purchase money on delivery of eed; the remainder can remain on mortgage Man's Reefer, price \$5.00, Man's Ulster, price \$9.00, Reduced to AMBROSE BENT.
Paradise, Jan. 10th, 1900.—43 2i Young Men's Ulsters, price \$5.50, 4 00 4 Boys' Ulsters, price \$4.00, Reduced to..... 20 Men's Vests, \$1.15 and \$1.25, large & varied

Sale of Fancy Goods, Toys, Games, etc. Up = to = Date 100

Celluloid Photo Albums, \$1.25, Reduced to..... Glove and Hdkf. Boxes, 60c Reduced to..... 3 Necktie Boxes, 30c Reduced to... Moon Mirrors, 25c Reduced to Balky Mules, Mechanical Toys, 45c Reduced to..... Crawling Beetles, 45c Reduced to... Flying Birds, 25c Reduced to...

Dolls and other things reduced at the same rate. Don't forget that we always have a large stock of Flour, Meal and Feed. JOSEPH I. FOSTER

N. H. PHINNEY.

R. SHIPLEY N. H. PHINNEY___

PIANOS, Flour, Feed! ORGANS

> -AND-Always in stock, a full line of Flour, Feed SEWING MACHINES at St. John prices. I will sell in 5 or 10 bbl. lots ON EASY TERMS,

We have left a few Rober large stock of Work, Express Horse Rugs and Sleigh Bells which will be sold very low to N. H. PHINNEY, Manager.

HARDWARE

To make room for Spring Importations we offer SPECIAL BARGAINS in

Cut Nails, Spikes, Floor Nails, Steel Axles, White Lead, Cement, and Horse Rugs.

Besides the usual stock of Class, Putty, Nails, Paints, Oils and Varnishes.

WE DON'T DECRY OTHER MERCHANTS

ELWOOD MILBURY, Hampton EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

> We are Out-talked Often, Out-done Never.

OUR BARGAIN SALE OF

Carpets, Curtains,

Men & Boys Suits & Overcoats

Ladies' Jackets

is now on and will continue until present stock is

We are paying the highest prices of the day for Eggs, Butter and Dried Apples.

We invite inspection of our immense stock on both floors.

W. BECKWITH

At this season of the year we are anxious to close out many lines of Winter Goods at and below cost (but for cash only.) We mention a few lines this week.

LADIES' JACKETS Men's Overcoats,

We have 15 Ladies' Jackets (all black) that ill close out at exactly half price. \$2 75 8 00

10 00 We have another lot of Jackets (all new goods) which we will close out at this sale at

25 per cent Discount.

Ulsters, Reefers, etc. In this line we offer THE BEST VALUES in

the county. \$3 50 Men's Ulster's, dark brown, dark grey, 4 50 5 00 6 00 dark brown, 5 only Men's Dark Blue Beaver 10 Men's Overcoats, assorted patterns, your choice only Men's Heavy Frieze Reefers, large storm collars,

Men's heavy, Blue Nap Reefers large storm collars,

of the Season

To all our Patrons!

We take this opportunity to thank our friends and customers for their support during the past year, and would solicit a continuance of the same.

The past year has been one of activity for us. We are planing for an increase in trade, and intend to obtain the same by attentian to business. Our aim will be to supply good material and work at reasonable prices. We solicit correspondence from new customers, and orders all along the line will receive our careful attention.

Faithfully yours, J. H. HICKS & SONS. Wood-Working and Planing Fac tory.

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McLAUGHLIN SLEIGHS

as we find that they are giving the best satisfaction of any that we can got.

McLaughlin Cutters a and most durable

While they will cost you more than those of some of our make, you must renthat "a gold \$ cannot be bought for 75c." Neither can be bought for less money than we ask.

COD LIVER

A Whole Barrel

Absolutely Pure Norwegian Cod Liver Oil 25 cents a pint. BRING YOUR BOTTLE.

S. N. WEARE, Proprietor. The Farm

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