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-With the present issue THE WEEK LY MONITOR enters on its twenty-fifth volume. A quarter of a century of the ups and downs of a newspaper's existence still finds the MONITOR with a firm grip on the pstronage of a large list of reliable advertisers, and a circulation right at the 1700 mark. Advertisers recognize the fact that circulation, and our mailing list is always at their service; its pages contain names enough to place it well up among the country week lies of the province. As to appearance and nothing to say beyond the fact that their many expressions of satisfaction are a constant source of pleasure to the management in endeavoring to keep up to the standard of a clean and reliable newspaper. The years that have passed have been very satisfactory ones in a business way, and the outlook is still a cheerful one. May the years that are to come, witness a continuance of the pleas ant relations that have always existed between the Monitor and its patrons. Twenty-four years of honorable service in upholding the interests of Annapolis county, and particularly the interests of Bridgetown, have, we trust, been well spent, and it is the intention to pursue the same course in the future in harmony with the motto: Salus

-A war cloud has again appeared on the horizon of Great Britain's South African ssions, and at time of writing it almost looks as if Boer and Briton were again to meet in such a struggle as 1881 witnessed. Notwithstanding the fact that the Transvaal Boers have been accorded every liberty of self-government since that time, they seem to chafe under a British suzerainty and the measure of their discontent has been filled to overflowing by the recent Jamieson raid. President Kruger evidently no longer intends to rely on the forces under his imme diate control, with which to combat a second attempt, on similar lines, so by a rare stroke nacy he has prevailed on the Orange Free State to enter into an offensive and deensive alliance with the Transvaal. As it is now, there is a federated Dutch South Africa opposed to the spread of British influence in that section of the Dark Continent. Despatches from London last week, ced that the federation had been car ried out in spite of the protests of the British government, who, by virtue of her suzerainty, had a perfect right to interfere. Fellowing this report are the more serious ones of a rapid increase of the British force and armament in South Africa. As the Transvaal has been a troublesome spot, and relations now appear to be exceedingly strained, the situation is attracting attention even from the crisis in the far east.

-Canada's parliament has now settled down to the routine business of a session important one. The address from the ises considerable new legislation. The tariff is to be re-arranged; the existing franchise act is to be abolished, and the chises of the several provinces, adopted dection of the members of the House a plebiscite is to be tuken to

A plebiscite is to be taken to ascertain the mind of the Canadian people on the subject of prohibition; and cold storage for perishable food products is to receive government aid to enable the farmer to successfully place his products in the English market. Touching the estimates, regret is expressed that the receipts from ordinary sources continues to be inadequate to meet the charges against the consolidated revenue; the proposed remedy lies in the new tariff and in the application of strict economy in the administration of government. The session is expected to be a long one as much work was laid over from the first meeting of the present parliament. Down here, in the province by the sea, the people are anxiously waiting to learn how the new tariff is to affect our coal industries. It looks as if "free coal" would fairly par
Poor babies! life is a serious matter with them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. I trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. It trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. I trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. I trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. It trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. I trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. I trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. It trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. I trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. I trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. It trust the infants pass through them in the hands of such a heartless photographer. I trust the infants pass through the foreign element, are very original in their drown signs, sone idea may be had of how some of the letters look.

Opposite Union Statio It looks as if "free coal" would fairly paralyze that industry, -but coal isn't free yet. In good time the whole tariff skein will be unravelled, and the Moniton will keep its readers in touch with the situation.

-United States senate amendments have practically destroyed the arbitration treaty, and while it will most likely eventually pass, its reconstruction will be such that neither Mr. Olney nor Lord Salisbury will recognize it as the product of their joint diplomatic energies. If the treaty has to be so extensively modified to suit the senators of the Republic, it is quite probable that a British parliament will fail to recognize the value of such modifications. The treaty provides a summary method of settling international disputes of relatively small importance, and establishes machinery for the settlement of certain grave cases, provided the arbitrators from both countries, as well as the neutral judges, can agree on a finding. The treaty indicates a disposition to adjust disputes by legal rather than military methods. The senate has eliminated the clauses providing for the appointment of arbitrators by a neutral nation, and has arranged for much more license in withholding cases from arbitration. The mutilated draft of the great Anglo-American arbitration treaty would not now add to the existing arbitration privileges, and will be but a sorry monument to the brainy diplomats who executed the work in such good faith.

is espoused by the American press, but when such a high class, wealthy, republican news-paper as the Boston *Transcript* is everywhere ase poused by the American press, but when such a high class, wealthy, republican average paper as the Boston Transcript is everywhere connected to be, takes up the cudged on our behalf, it is worthy of more than passing notice. A Transcript of last week, after a protracted editorial comment on the tariff and immigration bills, saids. "This country is playing the churl's pass toward Canada. It has discouraged intercommunization at every point, and is compelling Canada to take measures for her own protection. We cannot expect this country to be a philanthropist and enact laws for the benefit of another country, but it ought at least to have common sense enough to see where its own interest lie. If, like billed Samaon, we use our strength to overwhelm our neighbors, we shall find ourselves under the ruins."

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SOME CURIOUS SIGNS IN BOSTON—A VERY OLD LITTLE SOLDIER—"JOE," THE CEL-EBRATED TRAINED ORANG-OUTANG—HOW BOSTONIANS CRLEBEATED THE PRIZE FIGHT ON NEWSPAPER ROW—PERSONALS

There are a number of curious and amus-ing signs to be seen here in all lines of trade, some of them of wonderful wording, spelling

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I happened to be going up Tremont St. some weeks ago and near Castle Square Theatre I noticed an individual of rather rough exterior, standing on the edge of the sidewalk contemplating some very interesting subject across the street. At a hasty glance, I noticed he was a son of the Emerald Isle, with a strong cast of features, expressive of good nature and wit. There was something about his manner that caused me to stop, and, as I did so, he remarked, as to himself, "well I niver; would ye belave it now; the wimmen must be crazy," and other expressions of mingled wonder and surprise. Following the direction of his gaze, I beheld the tollowing sign in a window of the second story of the house opposite:

TWO LADIES WANT WASHING.

I admit I experienced a curious feeling myself as I read those words but, at second glance, the meaning intended flashed across my mind and I remarked to Pat, "That's rather a curious sign opposite." "Curious!" replied Pat, "I should say it was; faith, I've lived here goin' on tin years and I niver seed th' like 'afore!" It struck me he was on the wrong tack, so I told him that it evidently meant that they took in washing for a living. "Faith! why don't they say so!" promptly replied Pat, "sure I tho't it was thimselves thet was wantin' th' washin!"

In justice to Pat we must admit that the English language sometimes admits of a double construction.

On Cambridge St. is a diminutive little barber shop with a most high sounding name. Someone told me of it some time ago, so, to satisfy myself, I wandered down that way the other evening. After a little search I came across it. It has three chairs and is evidently run by foreigners of some description, but, being in the evening, it was not inhabited. Over the door was the following sigo, painted in the largest letters that could be placed upon it.

COSMOPOLITAN TONSORIAL PALACE.

It is the most diminutive "palace "I have yet seen. No doubt it is "cosmopolitan," for Cambridge St. is, in that district, largely peopled by the colored gentry, Jews, Chinamen and heaven only knows what other nationalities. It is, like Howard and Green Streets, in the midst of the famous "West Erd," and anyone being at all acquainted with Boston will understand what that means.

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I referred to the colored persons as "gentry" for the reason, that if you should happen to be in the "Hub" on a Sunday afternoon, it will be worth your while to drop down to Charles St. Baptist Church and witness the colored people going to meeting. I have not the least doubt you will be both surprised and amused at the manner in which they dress, for they are decked out in all the colors of the rainbow. Some of the women are light mulattoes and are really good looking. The majority are well dressed with feathers, laces and ribbons galore and in many cases the materials are of the best quality. The men wear silk hats, Prince Albert coats, gloves, and sport canes. I can assure you they feel their importance and carry themselves with great swagger. They feel especially pleased with themselves at present, as one of their color, Dr. Courtney, a man respected most highly by all classes, is a member of the school board. He is a graduate of Harvard College. Mr. Allen, another colored brother, is a member of the Governor's Council, one of the highest honorary positions in the state. A strong effort was made to unseat him but without even and the same a orary positions in the state. A strong effort was made to unseat him but without success. There is a photographer's studio on Tremont St. that has the following unique advertisement displayed to attract fond mothers.

: BABIES TAKEN AND FINISHED

treatment, hence the word "hospital" on the window.

Foreigners make some curious blunders. Two Chinamen were walking ahead of me some time ago, and one happening to walk ahead of the other, his companion called out "Don't go so hurry." It sounded so curious as he intended "don't go so fast," yet, the words are very similar in meaning and it is really no wonder that foreigners get them occasionally twisted.

At the corner of Broad and State Sts. is a quaint little figure, about two feet high, of a continental soldier carved out of wood. It is kept nicely painted and much resembles the old fashioned uniform worn by some of the Ancient Honorable Artillery Company, which, by the way, may visit Halifax next October. The figure sits on a bracket about four feet from the ground and under it are the following words:

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"This figure has been standing on State St. since 1770."

It is thus one of the old landmarks. Owing to its having an "English" Havor, it has to be taken in every night and placed back in position next morning. During the day time it is secured to the building by a lock and chain. This is necessary to prevent its demolition at the hands of some over zealous patriot of the Irish persuasion.

"Joe," a trained orang-outang, is holding forth at the "Zoo." According to newspaper report, he dresses in man's clothes, writes his name and rides a "bike." Whether he performs all these interesting and extraordinary feats I cannot say, not having, as yet, called on the gentleman. The press agents who write up theatrical performances and "freaks" are, in most cases, speaking politely, prevaricators of truth, but, in plain English, most sleek and consummate liars. The way they impose upon the susceptible public is really pitiful, and their descriptions are often most marvellous creations of journalistic skill. If half what they say about "Joe" is true, he is in every sense human; all he lacks is speech, and some press agents have even hinted that he is gradually acquiring the alphabet. Oh that Darwin was alive!

But such work is part of a press agent's duties, and each view with the other in flicks.

Strange as it may seem, no one was injured during the day. It took 200 policemen to line the sidewalks of Newspaper Row and keep the crowd in a semblance of motion.

I understand Mr. J. R. Pudsey, of the Montron, was in the jam. It must have reminded him of a red-hot football scrimmage between Acadia's famous team and Kentville's celebrated fifteen, into which I have seen him enter with a zeal most commendable.

Mr. and Mrs. Barclay Webster, of Kentville, have been in Boston for the last week. Mr. Webster has, during his stay, been busily engaged in insurance matters connected with the Mass. Benefit Life Association in interest of Nova Scotian clients. They left for New York last Tuesday for a few days. I am in receipt of a note from Mr. Stephen Sheffield, of Canning, dated San Diego, Cal., March 17th. He says, "I stood the journey "from Boston very well. The country is "looking splendid, hay and grain in head," all kinds of vegetables taken from the gar-"den and flowers in bloom, which is quite a "contrast with our eastern country at this date." He also says that his health is daily improving, which will be pleasant news, to his many friends.

D. J. E. Mulloney, of Kentville, passed through Boston for home on the 16th inst. Miss Kate O'Brien and Mrs. Geo. Pattison left here for Windsor, via Yarmouth on the 19th inst.

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Messre. W. E. Webster and Warden also left here are also Messers. W. E. Webster and Warden also left here same day en route for Kentville. "Will" reports fine quail shooting in South Carolina, and that he kept up his reputation as a crack shot in competition with local sportsmen.

Boston, March 26th, 1897.

Local and Special News. -March is going out like a lamb. -Read Hugh Fowler's auction advertise-

-Everything at the lowest possible prices t Shipley's. 1 li -Auction sale at Hugh Fowler's April 3rd. See advertisement. -- Capt. John Longmire's packet will sail for St. John to day on her first trip for the

-"KEATING" BICYCLE FOR SALE.-I will sell my last year's Bicycle at a bargain. H. R. Shaw. -Dominion Rifle League matches will be shot this year on May 15th and 29th and June 12th and 26th. -15 doz. Ladies' Shirt Waist's, in latest

styles, direct from manufacturer, to arrive this week at Strong & Whitman's. --Mr. John E. Sancton has purchased one of Mr. Ruffee's new cottages, on Washington street and will move there shortly. -We are in receipt of a large invoice of Wire Nails, all sizes, at the lowest price ever offered here. R. Shipley. 1 li

Lost.-Saturday afternoon, in Bridgetown a sum of money in bank notes. Finder will be rewarded by leaving at the MONITOR —The roads which have been well nigh impassible for the past few days are improv-ing rapidly under the treatment of "Sol the road-maker."

-A Bridgetown man is fast making a re cord as a horse trader. He has seven swaps to his credit within three months and is anx-iously looking for the eighth victim. —The largest and finest stock of room paper in the county, from the best English, American and Canadian manufacturers, at Strong & Whitman's. I li

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- Will the person who picked up the ladies' purse, that was thrown from the train at the Bridgetown railway crossing, on the 20th, kindly leave it at the MONIT'R office.

- The contract for building the new government pier at Margaretville has been let to a Fredericton firm. It is stated that the construction will call for an expenditure of about \$15,000.

—Mr. A. W. Beals, of Beals & Gilmore's meat market, Cambris, Wis., is an Arnapolis county man who has been in the Unit d States since 1870 and has been in Wisconsin over 20 years.

The Liberal meeting at Middleton will be held in Oddfellows' hall Saturday after-noon, at 2 o'clock, instead of in the evening. The meeting will be addressed by the Lib-—The Bridgetown Driving Park Company purpose holding a race meeting on May 24th. There will be a 3 minute class, a "hustlers" race and a '35 or '38 race. Con-

ditions and purses have not yet been decided -A company of the Royal Berks will be transferred from Halifax to St. John by Dominion Atlantic railway and steamer Prince Rupert this week. They will be sent forward to Fredericton on next Friday after-

-Our immense stock of Gents', Youths' and Boys' Clothing now open and ready for inspection; (the same line we have always handled,) and we can guarantee these goods to be the best in the market. Strong & Whitmen

Lawrencetown is to be incorporated for the purpose of water supply. A poll held yesterday resulted in a vote of 37 for and 9 against, a majority of 28 in favor of the scheme. Our sister town has committed itself to the furtherance of an excellent project.

—The St. John Telegraph says: A schooner arrived in the Market slip Monday, 22nd from Harborville, N. S., with about 500 or 600 barrels of apples, and a consignment of eggs and hoop poles. These are the first apples to arrive here by schooner this spring. -L. H. Morse, of Bridgetown, was one of

-L. H. Morse, of Bridgetown, was one of twenty-four maritime province men who were successful in obtaining M.D. degrees at McGill medical examinations on the 24th. We congratulate Dr. Morse on the successful result of his studies at the foremost of Cana-dian medical colleges.

—Mr. Frank H. Willett, of Tupperville, one of our leading apple shippers, left Halifax last Thursday via the Furness Liner Halifax City for London. He is taking a shipment of about 2,000 barrels of apples along. Mr. Willett intends visiting the Continent and will be gone about six weeks.

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—A convention of the Liberal party was held here last Thursday afternoon and the Attorney-General and Mr. J. A. Bancroft, of Round Hill, were re-nominated as standard bearers for the Annapolis County Liberals. A public political meeting was held at the Court House in the evening which was addressed by the candidates, by Colonel Spurr and Messrs. J. M. Owen, W. G. Parsons and Rev. Mr. Cameron. The Liberal-Conservatives held a meeting under the same roof Saturday evening, which was addressed by their candidates and by Mr. J. J. Ritchie.

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—The people of Lawrencetown and community are looking forward to a treat on Sunday next, April 4th, when Dr. Sexton is to occupy the pulpit of the Methodist church morning and evening. His address in the morning will be directed against scepticism and agnosticism. In the evening the subject will be: "If a man die shall he live again." Look at his titles, M.A., M.D., D.D., D.S., L.L.D., Ph.D., F.A.S., F.L.S., F.R.G.S., etc., etc. The Halifax Herald of Feb. 8th says: "Fully fifteen hundred people crowded into the pews and aisles of Brunswick St. Methodist church to hear the closing lecture of the series by Rev. Dr. Sexton. It must yave been an inspiring sight to the lecturer as he looked down upon those faces turned eagerly to him to hear what he had to say of the soul's immortality, and to receive his proofs from science that death does not end all. So intense was the interest, that for an heur and a quarter the immense audience accords.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Dr. J. B. Hall, of Truro, was in Bridgetown Dr. J. B. Hall, of Pruro, was in Bridgetown last week.

Mr. S. Drew, of Nictaux Falls, spent Thursday in town.

Messrs. A. J. Ralston and D. M. Doherty were in town on Friday.

H. W. Cole was among the strangers in town during the week.

Miss Annie LeCain, left on Monday last, to attend the willings complete.

to attend the millinery openings.

Mrs. Thos. Dearness has been spend
the last week with friends in Annap the last week with friends in Annapolis Royal.

Mr. Morris Graves, of Massachusetts, is spending a few weeks with friends at Upper Granville.

W. A. Craig, of the Bridgetown Foundry. Co., spent a few days during the week at Weymouth.

Miss Brenda Lockett was among the passengers to St. John on Monday to attend the millinery opening.

H. N. Stevens, representing McAvity & Sons, St. John N. B., was in town on Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Lizzie Ansley went to St. John, N. B., on Monday to be present at the spring millinery openings.

A. Mine Fraser, formerly business manager of the Halifax Critic was at the Grand Central last Friday.

Mr. C. S. Harringten, Q.C. of Halifax, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ruggles, on Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Helen Gordon, who has been spending the winter with friends in Bridgetown, leaves to-day for St. John, N. B.

Mr. A. M. Hoare, of Halifax, representing the Griffiths Cycle Corporation, was here in the interests of his firm last week.

Miss Frances Troop, of New York, arrived in town on Wednesday last and will spend a month with her aunt Miss Harriett Troop.

Mr. Oscar Stone, who has been spending the past winter at his old home in Bridgetown, left for the U. S. on Wednesday last. Messrs. Herbert Hicks and Harry Sanoton are travelling the South Shore in the interests of the Hicks and Harry Sanoton are travelling the South Shore in the interests of The Hicks & Sancton Maunfacturing

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Mrs. Wooley and daughter left for Boston, Mass., on Saturday, accompanied by Miss Blanche Murdoch, who will spend some weeks with her sister, Mrs. Bailey.

Mr. F. M. Sanford, who has been on the road for the Bowker Fertilizer Company, returned home yesterday, having been seized with a severe attack of la grippe.

Messrs. Geo. and Frank Robinson who have been in the employ of the Bridgetown Larrigan Co., the last eight months, have gone to their home at St. Stephen, N. B., for a month's vacation.

-Opeleka for Coughs, Croup, Whooping Cough, Grippe. 50 4i

New Advertisements. NOTICE

All those intending to send milk to the BRIDGETOWN CHEESE FACTORY this season should be present at a meeting to be held at the office of John Cox, Esq on SATURDAY, APRIL 3RD, at 2.30 p.m. The business in regard to the setting up of a butter plant will also be arranged.

-Mr. E. C. Banks' apple shipment that netted \$1.75 per barrel, was consigned to J. & J. Adams & Co., not Northard & Lowe as stated last week. SALEI

> I am now offering my ENTIRE STOCK Sales will be made at Auction.

Butter and Eggs taken as cash
All accounts upon my books are due, and
oust be settled at once. J. R. ELLIOTT.

House= Cleaning?

where you will find everything you require, such as

OLD DUST, PEARLINE. WHITE ROSE, LATHERINE. AMBER DUST, SAPOLIO, PARIS WHITENING, WASHING SODA, LIME, ETC WHITE-WASH, WINDOW.

SCRUB, STOVE and SHOE BRUSHES, DAUBERS, BROOMS, BUCKETS, WASH-ROARDS CLOTHES LINES, ETC.

AT While busy at this work no use stop ping to prepare dinner, as we can supply with anything in Canned Goods, already cooked, such as Meats, Fish, Vegetables or Fruits. Telephone No. 23, or give your order to our expressman and you will have prompt

CROWE & PARKER.

New Advertisements.

PLAIN SEWING WANTED! omes, at reasonable rates, will please apply MISS GERTIE HEARN, with Mrs. 'alker, over Moniton office. 1 li

A PUBLIC Political Meeting

LAWRENCETOWN. Whitman's Hall, on Friday Evening next, April 2nd, at 7.30 o'clock. Addresses will be made by Hon. J. W. ongley, J. A. Bancroft and others.
All are invited. Seats reserved for ladies.

FOR SALE A VERY FINE

made of hard wood and in the most thor Will be sold for Half Price.

Carpenter's Tool Chest

B. STARRATT,

Apples for England Forty thousand barrels of Apples on the

London market in the short apple season left will be ruinous to prices. As The "Assaye," leaving St. John of the 7th of April, and the "Lake Ontarion the 14th, to Liverpool, will give the shipper a chance for a better market in the north of England. Apply at once for space to

J. R. ELLIOTT. Lawrencetown, March 31st, 1897.

CHEAP

(Continued.)

give me a call. You can get

10 yds. Factory Cotton, yard wide, for

5 yds. Strong Crash for

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5 yds. Check Shirting for

28c

5 yds. Flannelette for.

28c

5 yds. Shirting Cotton, yard wide, for

32c

5 rolls Cotton Batting, 1b. each, for

26c

4 ibs. Choice Black Tea for

1.00

2 galls. Faney Porto Rico Molasses.

80c

18c weeks and if there is anything you want I will be pleased to sell you.

Cash Will Tell.

T. G. BISHOP.

Are you going to paint this

If so, the place to get your supplies is from

H. R. SHAW.

Brandram's Genuine B. B. White

H. R. Shaw's Chemically Pure White Lead,

Pure Linseed Oils,

The Sherwin Williams Mixed Paint, 1 gal. covers 300 sq. feet, 2 coats. Brushes, Turpentine, Putty, etc.

Bottom. Prices BY

ALL FOR SALE AT

H. R. SHAW

1897 Massey=Harris + Wheels

BICYCLE SUPPLIES.

Massey-Harris (Ladies' or Gent's), Duke (Gent's), Duchess (Ladies') Prince (Gent's), Princess (Ladies'). Midset (Boy's or Girl's), The Massey-Harris is our leader, is made on the same lines as the Columbia, and hap proved equally efficient in every respect, and can be had for \$15 less.

To responsible parties we offer very reasonable terms. Will shortly have full line of wheel supplies.

CURRY BROS. & BENT.

Purchase

OUR LINE COMPRISES THE "Hamilton," - "Kenwood," - "Wellington," - "808." Cents', Ladies', Juveniles and Tandems.

\$100, - \$85, - \$70, - \$55. We are territorial agents and can offer customers many advantages. No long waiting for replacements. All parts carried in stock and prompt We also carry a full line of sundries, and have a well equipped repair shop.

ANNAPOLIS MACHINE & CYCLE CO.

NEW ADV

Bridgetown - Importing - House

CASH PRICES

Which will Meet Foreign Competition.

We have been preparing for the past nine months by placing all our orders for the Spring of 1897 DIRECT, which will put us in a position to not only compete with Toronto cash prices, but do even better, as our expenses being much less we can sell at a less percentage. We beg to ask for a comparison of quality and prices before sending your orders away and give us a chauce to prove what we claim we are prepared to do. Of course in order to do this we are obliged to ask for the same treatment, viz., spot cash. Our patrons, however, have the advantage of thorough inspection before purchasing, which is privilege not accorded them as patrons of the Toronto firms, who require cash wi the order, the results in many cases proving unsatisfactory and disappointing.

Our Dress Goods, Silks and Trimmings

will comprise all the newest and prettiest effects, and with better qualities we have been careful not to order two alike. Setts of samples are now ready to send out, the first applications for which will secure first attention.

Our New Staple Goods are now arriving, and we begin our Spring Cash Prices with Pillow Cottons, Sheeting, White and Grey Cottons, Towels, etc., etc.

42-inch Pillow Cottons at 9c. 8-4 Unbleached Sheeting at 14e 8-4 Bleached Sheeting at 17c 9-4 Bleached Sheeting (plain) at 18c.

9-4 Bleached Sheeting (Twilled) at 20c. We have a number of lines of Dress Goods we will clear out this month at half price in order to make space which we find we will require for our New Goods.

A few LADIES' WRAPPERS and JACKETS at just half price. See the Dress Goods and other articles which we are making special discounts on this month

W. BECKWITH

We are Still Offering

BIG BARGAINS

A few Furs, Ladies' Sacques, Men's Ulsters. Boys' Ulsters,

AND ALL LINES OF Winter Dress Goods

3 Lines WOOL HOSE, 3

Former Prices, Reduced to Only a few left.

STRONG & WHITMAN.

New Spring Goods!

2 Cases FANCY REGETTA SHIRTS in checks, spots and stripes. Sizes 14 to 17.

I Case GENTS' COLLARS and CUFFS. Latest Styles and Lowest Prices. 2 Cases GENTS' HATS and CAPS, direct from the

largest manufacturers in Boston.

JOHN LOCKETT & SON. Bridgetown, March 24th, 1897.

B. B. White Lead.

Raw and Boiled Oils. Turpentine, Varnishes. Alabastine and Marbleine. Wire and Steel Cut Nails. Window Glass.

Locks, Knobs, Hinges, all at the finest living figures.

RICHARD SHIPLEY.

Co-partnership! ying on a general mercantile busine encetown and Fruit Growing at W Believing it to be beneficial to both eller, we propose running our busin No Credit System

(EXCEPT BY SPECIAL AGREEMENT.)

We feel confident that by square de ose margins, and by handling all kinds

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J. E. SCHAFFNER. E. C. SCHAFFNER.

ORANGES Choice California Navels.

Bright and Russett Floridas Palermo Blood Oranges. Large Messina Lemons.

Rolled Spiced Bacon, Link Sausages, Sauer Kraut, Mutton, Beef. Pork, Etc. New lot Silver-Skinned Onions

BRIDGETOWN NEW MIRKIN