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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH, 1898.

—The recent discussion in the press regarding the high apple freights charged by steamship lines sailing from Halifax, has shown the necessity for establishing competitive lines, if the interests of the fruit growers are to be fairly subserved. They are now apparently at the mercy of the transportation companies and much heavier tolls are being exacted for carriage from Halifax than from any other important Atlantic port of shipment in Canada or the United States. This is not as it should be; the peculiar value of the fruit growing industry to this province magnifies the evils of the export service, as it now exists, and our people are seeking a remedy. The idea prevails that the government, in granting subsidies from the public treasury to steamship lines, is also in a position to dictate a fair freight schedule. The supposition is perfectly reasonable, since, if the subsidies are granted for commercial expansion and convenience, the object is partially defeated when transportation companies, protected by those subsidies from natural competition, arbitrarily exact higher charges from their patrons than are compatible with those existing under conditions far less favorable from the carrier's standpoint. The provincial government will no doubt be petitioned to prescribe a remedy for a situation so disastrous to the great fruit growing interests of the province.

In Annapolis county the people foresee a certain remedy in the construction of the proposed Granville and Victoria Beach Railway, which would at once place Halifax and St. John steamship lines in active competition and necessitate equable ocean freights, while the shorter haul to Victoria Beach would give shippers from the western end of the Valley a much lighter railway rate. Steamship agents in St. John guarantee that, if this line is built and wharf accomodations provided, they will make Victoria Beach a port of call and take four or five thousand barrels of apples in every outward bound steamer, reserving space between decks for the fruit after the general cargo is made up at St. John. Apples would thus go forward regularly through the winter to the English market instead of being dumped in lots of twenty or thirty thousand barrels at a time to glut the market and thus adversely affect the sale of fruit. That increased shipping facilities are required is evidenced by the fact that nearly every steamer that has sailed from Halifax this year has left carloads of apples on the dock, causing a loss of thousands of dollars to shippers, through depreciation in value, due entirely to a lack of shipping facilities. A railway from Middleton to Victoria Beach would traverse an important fruit growing district throughout its entire length, and would effect a wonderful saving in freights to the Annapolis county shippers, while, as a competitive line, it would have a most salutary effect on Kings county shipping rates. The rapid increase in our orchard acreage promises a fruit production, within a very few years, four fold greater than the crop of to-day and it stands us in hand to make provision for handling it properly. The value to the apple industry of the proposed railway through Clarence and Granville can be readily estimated; its value to general trading interests, while not so easily calculated, would be enormous, tapping as it would three or four live business towns and running through a district from which large exports of live stock, hay, potatoes and dairy products are annually made under unfavorable conditions of transport. The line could be easily constructed and there is no reason why it should not prove a paying one. It is quite probable that the matter will take definite shape this winter.

—Kitchener of Khartoum, the hero of the late Soudan campaign, has adopted a somewhat novel method of holding the city that he captured by force of arms. Anglo Saxons, the world over, cried when Khartoum fell, "Gordon is avenged," but evidently the Sirdar did not consider the vengeance complete with the downfall of the dervishes. He is now pursuing that vengeance in harmony with the biblical rather than the military translation of the word and has just now successfully launched a project for founding a Gordon memorial college in the city in which the brave Gordon was treacherously murdered. His object is to strengthen the hands of the empire in the Soudan by educating the natives in elementary English, that they may learn more of the ways of their conquerors and render a more useful allegiance. Spiritually the aim of the college will be to make good Mohammedans rather than bad Christians. The total fund required, $500,000, has already been subscribed.

—The militia department at Ottawa is being scored for selling thirty thousand Snider rifles, that originally cost the country about $20 each, for eighty cents each. The speculator who bought up the lot is retailing the rifles throughout Canada for prices varying from $2.00 to $5.00, and stands to make a fortune on his purchase. The fact that this weapon has been discarded for a more improved one hardly justifies such a bargain sale. Had they been turned over to the post office department, Mr. Mulock, with his money making propensities, evidenced by his stamp issues, would surely have sold them to better advantage.

—Bicycle riding in moderation may be an invigorating exercise, but what must be said of such exhibitions as the six days' bicycle race that closed last Saturday at New York? Prize fighting, football and kindred sports may be brutal, but in none of these are the refinements of cruelty so lingering or so demoralizing as in the six days' bicycle race, where the contestants deliberately subject themselves to a strain which must inevitably shorten life and impair usefulness. Law and civilized sentiment have no moral right to recognize such sport as legitimate.

Canada and the Empire.

A well known literary man of London writing to a friend in Canada says:

"The importance of Canada in the eyes of the authorities here and of the British public has doubled within the last three years. The country seems to have taken its true position as a great confederation within an empire—a state within a state. The thing which, in my little way, I have fought against here always, and still continue to fight against—that is, the view of Canada as a colony—has at last been fought to sufficient purpose. Canada is recognized now as a country within an empire as clearly as Bavaria is recognized as a country within the German confederation. The moral effect of this view will be felt in every avenue of national life, behind all industries, and behind commerce and agriculture. Without being jingoistic, one views the future with considerable pride. In 25 years the population of Canada should be 15,000,000 at least, and with her resources and her 15,000,000 of people she should be able to take a place as a second rate power. It is a good thing to be working and thinking and feeling in the empire just now. Even the Little Englander has risen to that!"

The Chester tourist association is publishing a Christmas number of the *Chester Breeze*, a paper to be published at Chester during the next tourist season.

Local and Special News.

—Band Concert next Tuesday evening in the Court House.

—Potatoes are selling for 40 cents per bushel in Halifax.

—J. H. Hicks & Sons are working overtime to fill their press of orders.

—Largest stock of Cups and Saucers in town to select from at Shaw & Lloyd's. 1i

—The Annapolis County cases on appeal will not come on till the January term.

—Dr. Marshall will be at his Bridgetown office from December 14th to January 1st.

—The Scott Act inspector has been working in Middleton, Wilmot and Inglewood.

—The schooner Shafner Bros. arrived at Annapolis last week from the West Indies.

—If in doubt what to buy for a Xmas present, read Strong & Whitman's adv. 1i

—Mr. Lumsden's photograph car has arrived in town and is located at the station grounds.

WANTED—Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens wanted for Christmas trade at B. M. Williams'.

—A pie social will be held in the school house at the "Hill," Dalhousie, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 28th.

—The Friday challenge sales continue at J. W. Beckwith's. Read his adv. for additional bargains this week. 39 1i

—Miss Jessie Milner delivered a stirring address on "Character" in Y. M. C. A. hall last Sunday afternoon.

—The Bank of Nova Scotia is about establishing an agency in Boston. It will be opened early in February.

—Don't forget to read W. E. Palfrey's adv. this week; he has given you another chance to get Bargains. 1i

—Members of Crescent Lodge, I. O. O. F., are requested to meet at the hall Monday evening. Degree work.

WANTED—Any quantity good Butter. Will pay 20c. per pound and 26 per doz. for fresh Eggs. J. E. Burns. 39 1i

—The schooner "Shaffner Bros.," now at Annapolis was sold last Saturday to Capt. Alfred Rinault, of Arichat, C. B.

—Apples were moved freely on Monday and a large shipment was sent forward yesterday for London, via Halifax.

—The Bank of Nova Scotia Agency here was transferred to its new quarters in the Ruggles building last Saturday.

—J. W. Beckwith is daily receiving novelties for the holiday trade. His store is presenting a very attractive appearance.

—W. E. Palfrey reports a good sale last Saturday and Monday. Says everybody seemed well pleased with their bargains.

—Twenty-six girls and thirty-seven boys from the province of Nova Scotia are now attending the school for the blind at Halifax.

—The first drift ice for the season made its appearance in the river last Saturday and navigation is probably closed for the winter.

—Hon. Mr. Longley's book, "Love" has met with such a ready sale that a second edition of 10,000 copies will be printed at once.

—Mr. H. A. McLean, the singing evangelist, is to assist pastor Steeves in special services, at Clarence, beginning with Sunday next.

—Miss Mira Randolph, youngest daughter of Hon. A. F. Randolph, of Fredericton, was married last week to Captain Eaton, of St. John.

—Capt. Dodge is opening an oyster parlor in Payson's store, first door east of Post Office. He will be ready for customers on Saturday.

—The Bridgetown Waltz Club will have their first dance Friday evening next in the Ruggles Block. The Mitchell orchestra will be present.

—The Union Bank has handed us its annual calendar of Sundays and statutory holidays, with a list of the directors of the bank, its agencies and its agents.

—Messrs. Collas, Whitman & Co., of Annapolis, have opened a branch office in Boston, to facilitate the disposal of the product of their extensive fish drying plant.

—Mr. Elias Messenger has moved into his new house on Church street. The house vacated by him, on Washington street, will be occupied by Mr. Charles Rumsey.

—The new McKay-Dennison block at Middleton was burned Monday night, the fire starting about midnight. The building had just been finished and was uninsured.

—I have received the invoice of my Japanese goods. I am importing this year, direct from Japan, eleven large cases, which I am expecting daily. W. W. Chesley. 1i

—Mr. H. F. Williams shipped two carloads of fatted cattle to the Halifax market yesterday. In the lot were about a dozen particularly fine specimens of Granville beef.

—At a recent speech at Sarnia, the Postmaster General, Hon. Wm. Mulock, intimated that a two cent letter rate would be instituted in Canada within a reasonable time.

—The South Farmington Creamery manufactured over 1,300,000 lbs. of milk into butter and cheese last season. Over $7,000 were distributed among the farmers who patronize the institution.

—Mr. Justice Savary has given judgment in Williams vs. Woodworth in favor of the plaintiff. An appeal has been taken out in Foster vs. Dukeshire, which was decided below in favor of defendant.

—Several nights recently flashes of lurid light have been seen in different quarters of the sky, and as lightning would be a bit unseasonable now the flashes are ascribed to falling meteors.

—The new imperial penny postage stamp has been issued and while the service for which it was intended will not be inaugurated till Christmas Day, it may be used for ordinary postage purpose.

—Canadian and American apple shipments to the English market aggregate about 350,000 barrels to date, exceeding the quantity exported for the corresponding period last year by over 100,000 barrels.

—As I have closed my business I wish all persons indebted to me would settle their accts. before the first of the year. All unsettled accts. after that will be left with Fred R. Fay. W. A. CHESLEY.

—With the advent of good sleighing, local business has revived wonderfully. The merchants are doing a rushing trade and evening up for the depression of the past few weeks, caused by almost impassable roads.

—As so many customers seem to want Dress Goods I will give 12½ per cent. discount on this line the remaining days of Dec. Will also on Saturday, Dec. 24th, have another Clearance Sale of this line of Goods. W. E. Palfrey's. 1i

—Kings county shippers have sent about a dozen cargoes of potatoes to Havana within the past few weeks and have sold them at a good profit after paying an average price to producers. Annapolis county could easily help supply that market.

—When you are doing your Christmas shopping to-morrow, step into St. James' Sunday School house, (attached to church) and you will find solved there the puzzling question of what to buy. Dressed dolls a specialty. See advertisement.

—A model of the new schooner to be built here this winter for Mr. L. D. Shaffner, is on exhibition in his grocery. The craft will be about 198 tons—90 feet keel. Mr. Wagstaff, of Granville Ferry will be master builder and he is now engaged in the preliminary "laying down."

—Longmire's packets, Temple Bar and Hustler made port last Friday night and may be laid up here for the winter. Captain Longmire has been unable to get a tug to tow to Annapolis and unless a thaw sets in to clear out the drift ice it will be impossible to change their quarters.

—The Melvern Square Hockey Club was recently organized with a membership of fifteen. The following officers were appointed: Pres., H. L. Bustin; Vice-Pres., F. C. Martin; Sec.-Treas., C. J. Bruce; Captain, F. S. Goucher; Vice-Captain, F. B. Baker. Correspondence is solicited from any similar organizations in the county. Hockey should have a boom this winter. As a fast, clean winter game, it is without parallel.

—Mr. S. N. Weare's horse hauled a light load in its first trip to the sleigh for the season. The animal was startled while standing near the stable; Mr. Weare caught the reins and was dragged across the street when they broke, and the runaway team sped up Granville street and up Church road to Clarence, where it was stopped. No damage was done to the sleigh, horse or harness, other than the broken rein.

Special Bargain Locals.

—Try Chesley's hot peanuts, roasted daily.

—Choice Side Bacon and Tripe at Shaw & Lloyd's. 1i

WANTED.—Any quantity of Dried Apples. J. E. Burns. 39 1i

—Four lbs. Fancy Mixed Candy for 25c. at Shaw & Lloyd's. 1i

—A full stock of Xmas Supplies at lowest prices, at T. G. Bishop's. 1i

—Small Boiled Hams for family use, and by the pound, at Shaw & Lloyd's. 1i

—Large assortment of Silk, Linen Lawn and Cambric Handkerchiefs, at Lockett's.

WANTED.—Any quantity of Bishop Pippin apples in exchange for flour, meal and feed. J. E. Burns. 39 1i

—"Hornet," Ogilvie's Hungarian," and "Five Roses" Flour at $5.00 per bbl., at L. D. Shafner's.

—Opening this week big variety of New Ties, Collars, Cuffs and Mufflers for Xmas at John Lockett & Son's. 1i

—Wanted by Dec. 25th 1 ton choice dried apples for which I will pay 5 cents. per lb. in exchange for goods. T. G. Bishop.

—New Xmas Goods now open at Miss Lockett's. A nice variety at low prices. Hand-painted souvenirs a specialty. 3i

—We want any quantity of Dried Apples, good Roll Butter and Fresh Eggs at the highest market price. J. W. Beckwith. 1i

—The snow has come and so has Sancton's Xmas stock. Xmas will soon be here so will more goods for Sancton. So come and inspect and you will buy from Sancton. 2i

—My Japanese goods consist of Bamboo Easels, Screens, Tables, Chairs, Whatnots, Jardinieres on pedestals, Umbrellas and Cane Vases, Tea setts and Fancy Bric-a-brac. W. W. Chesley. 1i

—I have just opened a large assortment of Xmas Goods, comprising Celluloid, and Fancy Goods, Dolls, Toys and a large assortment of Games. Crookinole Boards for 75c. at W. W. Chesley's. 1i

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

W. E. Roscoe, Esq., of Kentville was in town yesterday.

Miss Miller, of Bear River, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Balcom.

Mrs. J. R. Pudsey and Master Hugh returned from their visit to Boston last Saturday.

Captain M. Munro, who has been dangerously ill for some months, is now convalescent.

Mr. W. W. Chesley is slowly regaining his health after a long and dangerous sickness.

Miss Hattie Walsh, who has been spending a few months in Boston, has returned home.

Miss Annie Strong has gone to Halifax to spend the winter. Her mother is also visiting there.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Messenger are again at the Grand Central after spending a few weeks at Kingston.

Rev. J. G. Angwin, of Hantsport, formerly stationed here, preached in the Methodist church Sunday evening.

Miss Janie Piggott, of Granville Ferry, has been spending the past fortnight with her aunt, Mrs. John Lockett.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Fisher left on Monday for Yarmouth, where they will visit their daughter, Mrs. (Capt.) Walsh.

Mr. W. J. Sheehan, who has been spending his vacation with his parents, on Granville street, returned to New York on Saturday.

Miss Jessie Milner, who has been visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. F. L. Milner, returned to her home at Roundhill yesterday.

PROVINCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Gideon Weagle, of Queens county, was lost in the "Portland."

Bears have killed fully 100 sheep within a few weeks at Upper Clyde, Shelburne county.

Mr. Bill, of Shelburne, has been chosen by the government to make an inquiry into the affairs of Dorchester penitentiary.

Steamer *Gallia* sailed from Liverpool for Halifax Dec. 10 with three hundred additional troops for the Halifax garrison.

The Hurricane Point gold mine, at Isaac's Harbor, has produced $34,000 worth of gold in eleven months. The November product was worth $4,600.

Four miners, employees of the Dominion Coal company, left North Sydney last week for Boston to enquire into the genuineness of Whitney's gas coke scheme.

A dozen cases of diphtheria were reported to the Amherst board of health during the past few weeks. Antitoxine was used in all cases and no fatalities occurred.

A. Beecher Cox, who was elected by the Republicans of North Dakota as one of their senators, is a native of Colchester county. He was educated at Acadia College.

Hymeneal.

HARLOW—RUTHERFORD.

A large number witnessed the ceremony in the Baptist church on Tuesday afternoon, when Rev. C. W. Corey made Mr. Zenas T. Harlow, of Bridgetown, and Miss May Rutherford, of Middleton, man and wife. The church was tastefully decorated and the principals stood under a floral arch. The bride was gowned in broadcloth trimmed with sable fur. The ushers were Messrs. J. H. Morrison and F. A. Mulhall. Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party drove to the station where Mr. and Mrs. Harlow took the Central train en route to Brookfield, Bridgewater, Chester and other places where they will spend a month,, after which they will return to Bridgetown to reside.—*Outlook.*

HANLEY—MORSE.

A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Gilford Morse, Esq., Nictaux West, at 9.30 Wednesday morning. The principals in the event were Lorenzo Hanley and Hattie Morse. The bride was charmingly robed in a travelling dress of plum color and black. Rev. Lewis F. Wallace officiated. After the couple were made one a bountiful wedding breakfast was served to about sixty guests. The bride was the recipient of many valuable presents, chief among them was a gold watch and chain, the gift of the groom. The happy couple started at 12 o'clock for their future home in Greenfield followed by the good wishes of a host of friends.—*Outlook.*

Card.

The Good Cheer Club will make their fifth annual Christmas visit to the inmates of the Alms House this year. Learning that some charitably disposed friends have expressed a desire to assist them in their endeavors to make Christmas bright for these unfortunates, they would hereby intimate to the public that any contributions would be gratefully received. Donations of money, suitable gifts, toys, confectionery or fruit would be most acceptable and may be handed in during the following week, up to Thursday, 22nd, to any of the members of the club, viz.:

CARRIE PIPER,
KATHARINE PIPER,
JESSIE BECKWITH,
ANNIE MACKENZIE,
ALICE STROTHARD.

Message from Andree.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 7.—A private letter received in this city, from St. Joseph's hospital in Syracuse, N. Y., says that a carrier pigeon, thoroughly exhausted and nearly dead, has made its appearance among the pigeons there with what appears to be a message from Andree, the Arctic explorer. The bird was of a foreign species, and the message it bore was written in French. The following is an exact translation: "Lat. 84 degreer, 45 mins.; lat. 15.—We are going very slowly. Very cold here. Dogs all dead. Will write later, August 17th. Andree." The officials at the hospital believe that the message is genuine.

The Spanish-American Peace.

The treaty of peace between the United States and Spain is about concluded and among other things provides that Cuba is to be relinquished and that Porto Rico and the Philippines are to be ceded. The Americans are to pay for the repatriation of the Spanish troops from all the colonies. The Spaniards are to return all prisoners held by them. They are to retain possession of all military stores and munitions of war in the Philippines and of such ships as have been captured. The commercial treaties between the two nations which the war ruptured are to be renewed at the convenience of the two nations.

—The cargo the Allan liner Parisian took from St. John last week was the most valuable ever shipped from that port. It was valued at $209,275.28.

—Fifty-four shares of the Bank of New Brunswick, sold in St. John last Friday at 301½. The par value of the stock was $4,600; it sold for $13,869.

New Advertisements.

"EVANGELINE"

Oyster Parlor and Restaurant.

(One door east of Post Office, Granville Street.)

Oysters Raw and Stew, -	15c. & 25c
Lunches (Hot or Cold) - -	10c
Baked Beans, Brown Bread and Tea or Coffee (Saturdays) -	10c
Hot Meals (Saturdays) - -	15c

☞A nice selection of Fruit and Confectionery.

E. A. DODGE.

Bridgetown, Dec. 13th, 1898.—3m

DON'T MISS IT

The Band Concert

to be given for the benefit of the Bridgetown Band in the

COURT HOUSE,

Tuesday Evening, Dec. 20th, '98

Program to consist of Vocal Solos, Duets and Quartettes, Instrumental Solos and Readings interspersed with selections by the Band under the leadership of Prof. Woollard.

Admission, 25c. Reserved Seats, 3'c.

Auction Sale

The subscriber offers for sale at Public Auction on his premises at **Paradise,** on **Saturday, Dec. 17th,** at one o'clock, p. m., the following:—

1 yoke fine working Oxen, five year old,
1 young Mare, 3 years old, broken to harness and kind,
1 Mare, will brood soon,
Mowing Machine, nearly new,
Spring Tooth Harrw, Ox Waggon,
Riding Waggon, Pung, 2 light Harnesses,
1 sett double Harnesses, nearly new,
1 long Sled, sett of double Bob-Sleds,
Ten tons of Hay, Forks, 1 Robe,
3 heavy Log Chains, 10 Hens,
1 Sprayer, 1 Grindstone.

TERMS OF SALE: Five months with approved security on all sums over $5.00; under that amount, cash.

ISRAEL BALCOM,
Balcom Road, Paradise, Dec. 12th, 1898.
J. E. BURNS, *Auctioneer.*

THE GREATEST

Clearance Sale for Cash

in Annapolis County, begins at

W. E. PALFREY'S

LAWRENCETOWN,

On Saturday, Dec. 10th,

and continues four days each week for four weeks.

☞Keep this paper for reference. Remember the days and line of goods sold each day, as you can only buy goods at Clearance Prices on days advertised.

4 Great Features of this Sale! 4

1st—My Goods are the **best quality** brought to Annapolis County.

2nd—My Regular Prices are the lowest. Clearance Prices the BEST BARGAINS you ever got.

3rd—Goods offered are such as you want every day; not out of style or season.

4th—To make it possible for everyone to be benefited by this sale I will take from those that have no cash, Eggs at 20c. per doz.; Dried Apples at 4c. per lb.; Poultry at from 7c to 11c. per lb., which must be dressed ready for the table, and give you goods at clearance prices.

SATURDAY, December 17th, 1898.

FLANNELETTS.

Regular price per yd.,	4c	6c	6c	6½c	6½c	7c	7c	8c	11c	12c	13c	12c	14c
Clearance,	3½c	5c	4½c	3½c	5c	5½c	3½c	6c	9c	9c	10c	10c	10c

TOWELS.

Regular price each,	10c.	14c.	17c.	25c.	27c.
Clearance,	7c.	11c.	12c.	19c.	21c.

TABLE LINEN.

Regular price per yd.,	27c.	29c.	45c.	60c.	70c.
Clearance,	20c.	21c.	36½c.	49c.	54½c.

MONDAY, December 19th, 1898.

HORSE RUGS.

Regular price each,	$3.00	$2 25	$1.75	$1.65	$1.60
Clearance,	2.35	1.75	1.30	1.25	1.20

ROBES.

Regular price each,	$7.50	$3.50	$2.10	$2.00	$1.50	50c.
Clearance,	6.35	2.65	1 55	1.60	1.12	35c.

HEMP CARPET.

Regular price per yd.,	24c.	22c.
Clearance,	20c.	16½c.

TABLE OILCLOTHS.

Regular price,	22c.
Clearance,	17c.

WEDNESDAY, December 21st, 1898.

NECKTIES.

Regular price each,	12c	15c	18c	20c	25c	25c	25c	22c	25c	27c	28c	30c	40	50
Clearance,	8c	12c	13c	14c	12c	19c	15c	18c	20c	20c	20c	21c	30	34

CUFFS.

Regular price per pair,	25c.	22c.
Clearance,	20c.	18c.

LINEN COLLARS.

Regular Price each,	15c.	20c.	25c.
Clearance,	12½c.	15c.	19c.

FINE SHIRTS.

Regular price,	65c.	85c.	$1.00	$1.10.
Clearance,	53c.	70c.	80c.	85c.

THURSDAY, December 22nd, 1898.

HATS AND CAPS.

Regular price,	38c	40c	45c	60c	70c	75c	80c	$1.25	$1.45	$1.50	$1.60	$2.00
Clearance	25c	32c	38c	50c	55c	60c	60c	99c	1.19	1.21	1.30	1.65

Cloth suitable for Men's and Boys' Wear.

Regular price, per yd.,	29c	27c	38c	42c	50c	50c	60c	60c	65c
Clearance price, per yd.,	22c	19½	26c	35c	39½	40c	52c	47	48½c
Regular price, per yd.,	65c	68c	68c	75c	75c	75c	75c	80c	90c	$1.15	$1.15
Clearance Sale, per yd.,	52c	53c	60c	63c	61c	59c	64c	65c	70c	89c	80c
Regular price, per yd.,	$1 20	$1.40	$2.00	$2 50	$2.75	Corduroy,	55c
Clearance price, per yd.,	90c	1.07½	1 52	2 15	2.22		42c

CENTS' BOOTS AND SHOES.

Regular price, per pair,	$1.40	$1.50	$1.65	$2.00	$2.15	$2.20	$2 25	$2 45	$2.75
Clearance price, per pair,	1.11	1.29	1.29	1.60	1.75	1.80	1.89	1.99	2.27

BOYS' BOOTS AND SHOES.

Regular price, per pair,	$1.50,	$1.60,	$1.65,	$1.70,	$1.75,	$1.90
Clearance price, per pair,	1.21,	1.25,	1.29,	1.35,	1.38,	1.41

New Advertisements.

NOTICE

ALL persons having **Poor Bills against the Municipality** are requested to send the same in before the 31st of December. All bills received after that date will have to remain unpaid until April 1st.

FREEMAN FITCH,
E. H. TUPPER,
Committee on Tenders & Public Property.
December 14th. 39 3i

CHRISTMAS SALE!

The Girl's Circle of St. James' Church will hold a sale of Fancy Work, Aprons, Dolls and Home-made Candies in the Sunday-school house to-morrow, Thursday, 15th, through the day and evening.

The Old Woman who Lived in a Shoe

will be present and may be persuaded to part with her interesting family for a pecuniary consideration.

A Gypsy Fortune-Teller

will read your hand and tell you what the fates portend for you, if you first "cross her palm with a bit of silver.

A Christmas Tree and a Jack Horner Pie will be among the attractions for the children. Admission free.

THE PEOPLE'S BOOT & SHOE STORE

Our stock is now complete in all lines, and we offer a special inducement during the holiday season

—OF A—

Discount of 10 per cent

on all CASH purchases.

Oats, Butter and Eggs taken in exchange.

Hard and Soft Coal

constantly on hand.

W. A. KINNEY.

Queen Street.

BRIDGETOWN IMPORTING HOUSE

Standing room only was the order on Friday.
We pride ourselves on advertising exactly what we intend to do.
No customer shall leave our store dissatisfied.

We have opened a large variety of New, Bright & Attractive Goods for the Holiday Trade.

In NECKWEAR

there is nothing of merit in the way of new shapes, colorings and patterns, which we cannot furnish you.

HOLIDAY GLOVES!

Never before such varied and complete gathering of all that's new and right in gloves. The latest Paris styles are here in both Women's and Men's Gloves for street, dress and driving uses in all the fashionable colorings.

We have decided to continue the **special discount on Pewny Kid Gloves** daily until the entire line is sold out.

100 pairs, regular price $1.00; reduced to - -	75c
100 pairs, regular prices $1.25 & $1.35; reduced to	$1.00

HANDKERCHIEFS

We've anticipated the great demand for these most appropriate Christmas Gifts. Every desirable style from the lowest priced to the dainty creations in French linen with scalloped and embroidered edges.

Dress Goods & Dress Trimmings

Our Dress Goods and Trimmings Department is always a very prominent and important one with us, and contains a very large assortment of goods suitable for the present season. Only bring 90c. on the dollar when coming to buy Dress Goods.

Challenge Sale for Friday next, Dec. 16.

We shall place on sale on Friday morning next, SOME EXTRAORDINARY VALUES in desirable SILKS, as follows:—

50 pieces Figured Silks, dark and light grounds, in neat two-toned floral and plaid designs, worth 45c. to 60c. per yard.
Challenge price for that day only, **25c**

WHAT NICER FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENT THAN A SILK WAIST.

Our Challenge Bargain Sale of **DRESS GOODS** on Friday last was far beyond our expectations, having sold nearly half of the 58 pieces we advertised. We will repeat this sale on Friday next with the following lines:—

All-Wool Single-Width DRESS GOODS, regularly sold for 45c. Challenge Price for that day	20c
" " " regularly sold for 28c. and 35c. " " "	15c
" " " regularly sold for 22c. and 25c. " " "	10c
" " " regularly sold for 15c. and 18c. " " "	8c

READY-TO-WEAR CLOTHING!
Great 25 per cent DISCOUNT SALE!

In consequence of the extreme bad roads and very bad weather, our Clothing sales have been very much effected. We have decided to make it move. "The first loss is the best loss,"—that's the principle we work on. If we carried our heavy-weight Suits and Overcoats over to next fall we would probably have to sell them at a loss *then.* How much better it is to take our losses *now*—to get the money out of the goods and invest it in new goods to keep our stock clean and fresh. We believe that we are on the right track, so here we go.

Commencing Friday, Dec. 9th, we will offer a uniform discount of ONE-FOURTH OFF on all Men's, Boys', and Children's Suits and Overcoats and all Winter Clothing of every description.

This means a	$12.00	SUIT OR OVERCOAT	for	- - - - -	$9.00
" "	10.00	" " "	- - - - -	7.50
" "	8.00	" " "	- - - - -	6.00
" "	5.00	" " "	- - - - -	4.50
" "	4.00	" " "	- - - - -	3.00
" "	3.50	" " "	- - - - -	2.63
" "	3.25	" " "	- - - - -	2.44
" "	2.75	" " "	- - - - -	2.07

REMEMBER THE DATE the trouble commences. Leave one-fourth of what you expected to pay, at home; the balance will pay for the goods.

☞**Do not overlook the bargains in Ladies' Jackets and Fur Goods. No room this week to enumerate.**

J. W. BECKWITH.

Wishing One and All "A Merry Christmas,"

We would like to call your attention to our numerous

XMAS ✦ SPECIALTIES!

JAPANESE SILK GOODS.

Piano Drapes, Mantel Drapes, Picture Drapes, Chair Drapes, Table Cloths, Ladies' Silk Handkerchiefs, and Silk by the yard. All these goods are hand painted and worked, and any of them would make an elegant present.

JAPANESE BASKETS.

A large assortment, comprising Glove, Handkerchief and Necktie Boxes, Fancy Work-Baskets in variety, Waste Paper Baskets, Lunch Baskets, Picnic Baskets, Market Baskets, Soiled Clothes Baskets, Bamboo Baskets and Bamboo Screens, any of which would make a desirable present.

JAPANESE CROCKERY & CHINA.

Tea Setts, Individual Cups and Saucers, Jardinieres, Vases, Tobacco Jars, Salad Bowls, Bon Bon Dishes, Pin Trays. A large assortment of Delft Ware, comprising Bowls, Platters, etc.

BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS!

Here are a few nice presents for the little ones at moderate prices. FANCY PICTURE BOOKS, all highly illustrated, comprising

The Robin Hood series, 12 pages, -	Only 2c each	The Prattler series, 32 pages, - -	" 15c "
The Pansy series, 12 pages, - -	" 5c "	The Pretty Story Book series, 200 pages,	" 40c "
The Farm Yard series, 12 pages, - -	" 5c "	The Cosy Corner series, 200 pages, -	" 40c "
The Kriss Kringle series, 12 pages, -	" 7c "	The New Chatterwell, 280 pages, -	" 68c "
The Dolly series, 14 pages, - -	" 7c "	The Little Scholar A. B. C. Blocks, 16 in box,	" 10c "
The Little A.B.C., printed on linen, 12 pages,	" 7c "	The Pony A. B. C. (large) Blocks, 8 in box,	" 15c "
The Fairy Tale series, 16 pages, - -	" 10c "	Folding Checker & Backgammon Board, 12x12,	22c "

ANY OF THESE WOULD PLEASE A CHILD.

Suitable Presents for Gentlemen.

Elegant Silk Neckwear of every description.
Elegant Silk Mufflers, white and dark colors.
Best quality Suspenders, lined Kid Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Shirts, Hose, Caps, Sweaters, etc., etc.
☞Be sure and see our special lines of Neckwear usually sold for 30c. to 35c. each, only 15c. each.

STRONG & WHITMAN.