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By Telegraph

IMPORTANT FROM FOGO.

Loss of Steam-Tug "Tibbie."

NARROW ESCAPE OF PASSENGERS AND CREW.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)

Fogo, This Afternoon.

A gloom has been cast over this place in consequence of the loss of the steam-tug *Tibbie*, owned by Robert Scott, which occurred about nine o'clock on Friday night. She left Fogo on Tuesday last with the owner on board for Twillingate, and, returning, encountered heavy slob and tremendous sea. On nearing Western Tickle, at the entrance of Fogo harbor, she unfortunately got disabled and was dashed about at the mercy of the waves. Through the prompt and valuable assistance of the inhabitants of the place, a line was successfully got out to her and the passengers and crew taken off in safety. But not a moment too soon, for immediately afterward she was thrown on the rocks and in less than five minutes not a trace of her was to be seen. We understand no insurance covers this loss, and feel very sorry that the enterprising owner should meet with such a calamity. Great praise is due to Mr. John Scott, son of the owner, whose good discipline and presence of mind went a long way in ensuring the safety of the lives of those on board. We feel sorry, however, that he was somewhat hurt by falling through the ice.

THE RECENT STORM.

Wrecks on the Irish Coast.

LOSS OF MANY LIVES.

SKIBBEREEN, Jan. 4.

During the storm that raged over this district last night, a poor man named Denis McCarthy was returning with a two-horse hearse from a funeral in Castletownkenneigh, and when near the village of Drimoleague, was blown off the hearse and trampled to death by the horses. The deceased, who was a total abstainer and a very industrious poor man, leaves a wife and family to mourn their sad fate.

FERMOY, Jan. 4.

During last night and to-day a storm of considerable violence passed over this town, accompanied by a tremendous downpour of rain, which has lasted incessantly for the past twenty-four hours. In consequence the river is greatly swollen, all the fields on either side being flooded, and the water is now commencing to flow over the road on Artillery and Grubb's quay, and is still steadily rising.

A serious flood is anticipated. Everyone residing near the river or having any premises underground are busily removing their goods. During the day large trees, hay, etc., floated down the river. A large iron boiler was carried away by the force of the current, and was the object of great interest as it sailed steadily on over the weir. There has not been such a flood as this promises to be here for the past ten or twelve years. King's square is flooded, the water going into nearly all the shops.

KINSALE, Jan. 4.

The storm here was very severe. The schooner *Bedouin*, belonging to Kinsale, parted from her moorings and drifted into the Short Quay Dock, and struck the wall of the police barrack broadside on, making a large breach in the wall and breaking down some of the out-offices. It was regarded as the strongest gale that visited this coast for years past.

We received the following telegrams last night:—

A violent storm swept over the Waterford and Wexford coast last night. A large vessel was driven into Waterford harbor, and stranded near Browhead, Waterford. The tug *Dauntless* to-day proceeded to render assistance, but was unable to approach her, owing to the tempestuous state of the sea. The captain of the *Dauntless* reports to-night that the vessel is a large, full-rigged American ship, and that while he was standing by the crew put off in their boat. He was proceeding to pick them up when the boat was carried away by the surging sea, and dashed on to the rocks. He has no doubt that its occupants, at least ten in number, were all drowned.

A Belfast telegram reports a continuance to-day of the violent gale, which commenced to blow in the North of Ireland last night. The schooner *John Parry*, of Beaumaris, is ashore a short distance west of Carrigfergus harbor dismantled. A schooner flying distress signals is anchored off Blackhead, county Antrim.

Another schooner is likely to become a total wreck, ashore off Ballygunton Point.

A very violent storm accompanied by a continuous downpour of rain prevailed throughout the district of Ballyhaunis last night and to-day, causing floods in the low-lying country and washing away several ricks of hay. It is feared that a little girl named Healy, who was out last night and is still missing, has been lost in the floods.

Telegrams from other parts of Ireland attest the severity and destructive character of the gale.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Auction—beef, mutton, etc.....Clift, Wood & Co
Auction—beef, apples, cabbage, etc.....James Hynes
Auction—sleighs, harness, etc.....Dryer & Greene
Cheap tea and jams.....at F. Parnell's
Annual meeting Metropolitan Club, Ltd.....E. J. O'Flaherty
Eggs, hams, onions, grapes, etc.....at Worsley's
Concert for organ fund.....at Synod Hall
Tea meeting and entertainment.....Brookfield Hall
New oranges for sale.....James Murray
Prohibition meeting.....Old Temperance Hall
Meeting T.A. & B.S.'s R.R. & L. Com.....see advertisement
Wanted—a general servant.....apply at 60 Victoria St

GLUTEN ENTIRE WHEAT PATENT FLOUR.

We have a few bags, (price 20s. each) of this excellent whole-grain flour, made from the finest of the wheat, and invaluable to those who suffer from dyspepsia, indigestion, or any other of the ills that flesh is heir to. Makes a fine plump loaf of brown bread. Mixed half-and-half with white flour improves the bread.
Apply at McBride's Hill.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AT PARNELL'S!

THEY ARE SELLING

A Very Superior Tea - - - - - for 50 cts per lb.
- - - - - ALSO - - - - -
2-lb. bottles Plum Jam - - - - - 27 cts. each.
2-lb. bottles Marmaladé - - - - - 25 cts. each.
3-lb. bottles Marmalade - - - - - 34 cts. each.

F. PARNELL,

January 16, 1888.

181 WATER STREET.

Special to Purchasers for Cash.

THE :: NORTH :: SIDE

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WE GO FURTHER. WE TAKE AMERICAN AND CANADIAN Silver at old rates. We take American Gold and Paper, and Canadian Paper at full value in exchange for goods.

This will enable purchasers getting money from friends in Canada or the United States to Buy to the best advantage.

BLACKWOOD & BLAIR.

January 9, 2w, 1888.

A FEW OF OUR CHEAP LINES!

We are offering a good article of CANADIAN CHEWING TOBACCO, in half-boxes, at 7½d. per lb. Cheap MOLASSES at 2s. per gallon. BARRIOS 42 cents. Best YELLOW MEAL 18s. per bbl. The best No. 2 or FINE FLOURS 18s. and 19s. per bbl. SUPERS 21s. and 22s. No. 2 EXTRAS HEADS 35s. SMALL JOWLS 72s. 6d. BUTTER 9d. 10d., 1s. 1d. PIGS' TAILS 10d. 11d. 12d. ALL FOR NETT CASH ON DELIVERY.

JAMES MURRAY.

January 9, 1888.

Schooner For Sale

The fast-sailing A1 schooner "PIONEER," of this port, 108 tons register; 15 months old. Is well fitted out and a desirable vessel. For further information, apply to

D. A. SMITH, Agent, North Sydney, C.B., or here, to: CLIFT, WOOD & Co.

Now Landing

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150 Bbls. Fresh-Ground Oatmeal.

55 BARRELS ROUND PEAS, 50 BARRELS SPLIT PEAS.

JAMES MURRAY.

January 10, 1888.

TO LET,

A Suite of Offices

on the 2nd flat of TELEGRAM Building, OPPOSITE COMMERCIAL BANK.

For terms, etc., apply at this office. January 12, 1888.

We have Advanced the Price

OF OUR

9s. { POTATOES } 9s.

at Brooking's to 9s. (NINE SHILLINGS) per bbl.

JAMES MURRAY.

January 9, 1888.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

:: PROHIBITION ::

Public Meeting in the Old Temperance Hall, TO-NIGHT.

—TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:—
1. Intemperance: a disease—and as such must be met with appropriate remedies.
2. The Drink Traffic—its moral effects upon the community.
3. Prohibition—its interference with personal liberty.
4. Prohibition—its effects upon the revenue, trade and commerce of the country.
SPEAKERS—Rev. J. Parkins, and Messrs. Tait, Skinner and Morine. All cordially invited to attend. Collection at close to defray expense of League. Jan 16, 11

A CONCERT,

IN AID OF THE

Cathedral .. Organ .. Fund,

—will be given in the—

SYNOD HALL ON THURSDAY EV'NG.,

Jan. 26. Conductor: Mr. G. J. Rowe.

Further particulars later on. Jan 16, 1888.

Received

per S.S. "Assyrian."

1000 dozen Fresh Eggs.

2 cases Fresh Hams.

100 bags Winter-keep'g Onions

20 kegs Grapes.

10 barrels Sugar, Lemons,

Oranges, etc.

At WORSLEY'S,

248 Water Street.

Jan 16, 1888.

JAMES MURRAY.

I.O.G.T.

Grand Opening of Good Templar Hall.

TEA MEETING AND ENTERTAINMENT, to be held at Brookfield Good Templar Hall, on January 18th. Tea on Tables at 7, sharp. Entertainment to consist of Songs, Readings, Recitations and Dialogues. Addresses will be delivered by some of the leading ministers of the several churches.

TICKETS—50 CENTS.

Persons wishing to obtain tickets should do so, as only a few remain. Tickets may be had from the following Members of Committee:—Bro. H. Cowan, W. Crocker, Sisters M. Cowan, F. Eales, and from

Jan 16, 21fp S. A. PENSTON, Sec. Com.

18s. PER BARREL!

Yellow :: Corn :: Meal,

FRESH, SOUND, NEW

and GOOD.

18s. per barrel at Brooking's,

Jan 7, 1888. JAMES MURRAY.

Metropolitan Club,

LIMITED.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the above Club, will be held at the Rooms, Duckworth Street, on TUESDAY NIGHT, 17th inst., at 8 o'clock.

By order, E. J. O'FLAHERTY, Secretary.

24s. Twenty-four Shillings.

NORTH SYDNEY COAL

In consequence of the exceptional mildness of the season we are offering North Sydney Coal from the old mines at

PER TON SENT HOME FROM

24s. the "People's Coal Depot,"

At BROOKING'S. Remember 24s. per ton; half ton 12s., at Brooking's. MARCH down and get it.

Jan 9, 1888. JAMES MURRAY.

NOTICE.

The Members of the St. John's T. A. and B. Society's Reading Room and Library Committee are requested to meet this MONDAY EVENING at 8 o'clock. As business of importance is to be transacted a full attendance is desired. (By order,) P. McGRATH, Secretary. Jan 16, 11

WANTED:

A PLAIN COOK and HOUSEMAID. References required. Apply at this office. Jan 3, 1888.

WANTED:

A GENERAL SERVANT. Liberal wages will be given to a competent person. Apply at No. 60 Victoria Street. Jan 16, 1888.

LUMBER. - LUMBER.

ON SALE:
120,000 SEASONED QUEBEC SPRUCE BOARD,
 Ex Brig. "Alaska," from 10-ft. to 16-ft. long, at \$16.00 per M, rough,
 at \$18.50 per M, planed, ploughed and tongued.

HERDER & HALLAREN,
 Water Street, East.

BUILDERS' SUPPLY STORE,
 Water Street.

200 M. SEASONED PINE LUMBER,
 1, 1 1/2, 2 and 3-inch.
WILLIAM CAMPBELL.

January 13

Drink the Health-Giving Waters!

FOR SALE AT FORAN'S, ATLANTIC HOTEL.

Mineral: Waters: from: the: Chalybeate: Springs.

**A Genuine Blood Purifier. A certain and perfect cure for
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Plushes, Boas, Muffs, and Capes!

WILLIAM FREW, 191 Water Street,

—Has just received, per "Peruvian," a splendid assortment of—
BLACK & COLORED PLUSHES, FUR BOAS, MUFFS AND CAPES,
 and a large variety of Fancy Goods, suitable for the season.

We would also call special attention to our large stock of Dress Materials, which we are now offering at
 greatly reduced prices. To intending purchasers we guarantee better value in all classes of Drapery Goods than
 they will find elsewhere.
 dec16

Note the Address—**WILLIAM FREW.**

The Newfoundland Consolidated Foundry Co., Limited,

—Beg to acquaint the public that they have now on hand a variety of—
Patterns for Grave & Garden Railings, & for Cresting of Houses,
 and would invite inspection of same.

Orders left with us for either of the above will have our immediate attention.
J. ANGEL, Manager.

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Candles, Candles

**ON SALE BY
 CLIFT, WOOD & CO.,**
 50 BOXES

Morrill's Celebrated Mould Candles,
 6's and 8's—25-lbs. per box.
 nov7 Ex "Pioneer"

**FOR SALE BY
 John S. Simms,**
 TWO TABLE PIANOS.

**GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE, SITUATE 1 1/2
 miles from Town.**

I AM INSTRUCTED TO OFFER FOR SALE BY
 private contract—that desirable detached Residence,
 standing on about 30-acres of Land, with elegantly-laid-
 out gardens and pleasure grounds, including flower and
 kitchen gardens, tennis, lawn and plantation, approach-
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 pretty and well-planted avenue. The residence is en-
 tered through a porch and vestibule into inner hall, out
 of which are spacious drawing rooms, dining and break-
 fast rooms, shut off from the hall are excellent kitchen,
 scullery and servants' rooms, on the upper floor there
 are spacious bedrooms, dressing rooms, nursery, bath
 rooms and servants' bedrooms. The out-buildings in-
 clude stabling for two horses, large coach house, har-
 ness rooms, and stabling for four cows, cart shed, etc.
 There is an excellent coachman's house distant about
 300 yards from the main residence. For terms and par-
 ticulars of title, apply to
 dec17 T. W. SPEY, Real Estate Broker.

P.E. ISLAND PRODUCE!

On Sale by Clift, Wood & Co.,
**HEAVY BLACK OATS,
 CHOICE ISL'D POTATOES,**
 Now landing, ex schr "J. Savard," from
 Alberton, P.E.I.
 dec28

GOOD STORIES!

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Hope Campbell	by C. D. Bell
Mary Elliot	by C. D. Bell
Kenneth & Hugh	by C. D. Bell
The House in Town	by E. Wetherall
Pine Needles	by E. Wetherall
Little Camp on Eagle Hill	by E. Wetherall
Little Women	by Louise M. Alcott
Little Wives	by Louise M. Alcott
The Gold of Chicaree	by S. & A. Warner
Nettie's Mission	by Alice Gray
Holden with the Cards	by W. M. L. Jay
The Old Helmet	by Susan Warner
Diana	by Susan Warner

EGGS!

Ex s.s. "Bonavista,"
180 doz. P. E. I. Eggs.
 dec16 **CLIFT, WOOD & Co.**

Xmas Numbers and New Books.

XMAS NUMBER OF THE QUEEN.
 Xmas Number of Myra's Journal.
 Myra's Diary for 1888.
 Routledge's Year Book for 1887 and Almanac for 1888
 Ainsley's Nautical Almanac for 1888.
 The Queen Illustrated Almanac for 1888.
 Boz's Christmas Annual.
 Children of Babylon, (Judy's Annual).
 Les Miserables, by Victor Hugo.
 The Mysteries of Paris, by Eugene Sue.
 The Young Ladies' Journal for January 1888.
 dec16 **J. F. CHISHOLM.**

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 in the Saint John's Water Company.
25 SHARES
 in the Union Bank of Newfoundland.
 dec20 **T. W. SPEY.**

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 uation, 1st page 25 cents, 2nd and 3rd pages 10 cents per
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 twelve months.

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ST. JOHN'S, JANUARY 16, 1888.

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 any communications should be addressed to W. J.
 HEEDER, Proprietor and Publisher, Gregory's Lane,
 St. John's, Newfoundland, or to A. A. PARSONS.

A STORY OF THE WAR.

**First Execution for Desertion From the Army
 in Indianapolis in 1863.**

An Indiana paper to-day tells the story of
 the first execution for desertion from the Union
 army during the war which took place in this
 city. The place of execution was Camp Burn-
 side, just south of Camp Morton, now and
 previously the State fair-grounds, but at that
 time one of the chief prison camps of the North.
 Camp Burnside was one of the best arranged
 and built camps in the State. It was a neat
 little town of white shanties, kept sedulously
 clean by the Seventy-first Regiment (Sixth
 Cavalry), Col. James Biddle commander, who
 built it and made it quite a favorite resort of
 the citizens who liked to see dress-parade and
 military display. Subsequently it was occupied
 by the Veteran Reserve Corps, and was under
 charge of Gen. Hovey at the time the Sons of
 Liberty were held at peril of their necks. The
 site was as level as a floor. Here the military
 executions of this State during the war
 occurred—the first, of a deserter and spy in
 1863; the second, of three "bounty-jumpers"
 in 1864.

The first was the only one that elicited much
 sympathy, and that was partly the effect of the
 offender's intelligence, of his persistent denial
 of a guilty purpose, and of the general lack of
 appreciation of the heinousness of the offense.
 Encouragement of desertion and protection of
 deserters were openly practiced by a very large
 portion of the Copperheads, and so effective in
 reducing Indiana's contingent in the army that
 more than 2,000 desertions occurred in the
 single month of December, 1862. Detachments
 of troops sent to arrest deserters were repeat-
 edly fired upon and foiled by companies of
 Democratic neighbors. It took a long time to
 efface the notion that a soldier's engagement
 with the Government was greatly different
 from his contract with an ordinary employer,
 and that he could break it when he pleased by
 giving up his claim to wages.

The offender in this case was Robert Gay,
 enlisted from the southwestern part of the
 State. He had been a school-teacher, and was
 certainly a man of good intelligence and more
 than average acquirements. He was arrested
 at or near his residence and tried by a court-
 martial here as a deserter and spy. Incrim-
 inating papers, it was said, were sewed in his
 pantaloons. He denied all guilty intent, but
 the evidence was strong, and the troops were
 getting thoroughly imbued with the feeling of
 true soldiers against desertion, and he was
 found guilty and sentenced to be shot. The
 execution took place early in the afternoon and
 was attended by a large crowd of people. The
 Seventy-first Regiment, to which the unpleasant
 duty was intrusted, formed a square, with the
 open side to the east open. The spectators were
 gathered all about the troops two or three deep.
 Reporters, with a few particular friends of the
 commandant, were admitted inside the square.

The lines had been formed but a few minutes
 when a close carriage drove into the open end
 of the square and two or three men—one or two
 ministers of city churches—and the deserter—
 got out and walked slowly to near the centre
 of the open space. The coffin, a rough black
 box, was brought in at the same time and put
 down a little in the rear of the central group.
 Here the attendants drew off to one side and
 left Gay while his arms were being bound.
 There was no trepidation in his look or tone.
 He was dressed in the blue blouse and pantal-
 oons of the army, and but for the coffin and
 his tied hands might have been taken for a
 military preacher addressing his comrades.
 The commandant asked him if he had anything
 to say. He spoke for probably three minutes,
 clearly, coherently, and in good language.
 Two of his remarks must have impressed all
 who heard him. "I say in the presence of
 that God before whom I am so soon to appear
 that I never intended the offense for which I am
 so soon to suffer." His last words were ad-
 dressed to the firing party, which had moved
 out in front of him, some twenty or thirty feet
 away, when his arms were tied. "I have only
 one favor to ask of you, my comrades: Fire

straight. Don't let me suffer. Hold here!"
 laying his right hand on his heart. He moved
 back a step, his eyes were blindfolded, and sat
 down on his coffin. At a motion of the officer
 the firing party cocked their rifles, and Gay
 heard the sound. "O, that I could see my
 death!" came low but audibly to all near him.
 The sound had hardly died on his lips when
 the fall of the officer's white handkerchief was
 followed instantly by the roar of the guns as
 one report. Gay, for a moment, seemed to
 straighten up a little, and then fell over on his
 back. Surgeon Spottswood and the sergeant
 of the firing party, with the reporters, went up
 to the corpse, the sergeant carrying a carbine
 to give a final shot if it should be needed to end
 the man's suffering. But he was dead. Two
 or three motions of the breast were all that was
 seen. Not a drop of blood was visible, but the
 cloth of the blouse showed that all the
 bullets had struck the breast over the heart in
 a space hardly larger than one's hand, except
 one in the collar bone. There were ten in the
 firing party, and one of the rifles had no ball.
 The party took them as chance offered, and no
 one ever knew whether he had the innocent
 gun or not. When the corpse was lifted up it
 uncovered a great pool of blood that had poured
 through the gaping shots in the back.

"OLD GOLDEN" IS GONE.

Slaughter of a Monster Deer Known to all
 Hunters in Northern Michigan.

CADILLAC, Mich., Dec. 18.—"Old Golden,"
 the famous buck killed by a party of hunters
 near Grayling last week, was as well known to
 hunters and settlers of the region where he
 ranged as a noted trotting horse to devotees of
 the track. Formerly he ranged through the
 northern portion of Kalkaska County. Driven
 out from time to time by persistent hounding,
 he always returned to his old haunts when
 hostilities ceased, until within the last two or
 three years he took up his quarters in the
 locality where he was slaughtered. Almost
 incredible stories were told six years ago at
 Kalkaska regarding his wonderful size, en-
 durance and speed. He seemed to take delight
 in leading a pack of hounds a chase in which
 they were always worsted, for never did a
 hound "give tongue" on his trail that was
 swift enough or that had bottom enough to
 jade him, let alone pulling him down. Scores
 of Nimrods have gone out well prepared and
 fully determined to down old golden, but came
 back unsuccessful after two or more days' chase.
 A number of hunters have "camped
 on his trail," worn out and chopfallen, their
 only consolation being an occasional glimpse
 of his magnificent form as he bounded away
 out of reach of the deadly rifle. He had been
 shot at many times without any apparent effect.
 With his keen senses ever on the alert, and
 with an intelligence almost human, the wily
 animal kept out of reach of the longest range
 rifles for years. It seems like sacrilege that
 this old monarch should have his head laid low
 at last by his life-long enemy, man, whom he
 had so long intelligently baffled. Perhaps old
 age had blunted his keen senses and stiffened
 his once fleet limbs. Though simply a wild
 deer of the forest, Old Golden will continue to
 be the theme of admiring story for years to
 come in the region where he once roamed.

WOMEN WHO BELIEVE IN DREAMS.

A Band of Fanatics in Texas, Called Sanctifi-
 cationists, Make Trouble.

BELTON, Tex., Dec. 18.—Martha McWhirter
 is the head of a remarkable sect called Sanctifi-
 cationists, whose beliefs have recently become
 known. About twelve years ago Martha be-
 came "sanctified," and during that time has
 succeeded in winning over many proselytes.
 Money and property are shared in common by
 this band. They regard it a sin to be joined
 to a husband who does not agree with their
 belief, and for this reason a number of women
 have abandoned their homes. Mrs. McWhirter
 has full control, and all the work is done
 under her management. Some time ago a
 sensation was caused here when they set up a
 laundry in the parlors of one of our leading
 men, whose wife forsook him to become
 "sanctified." The band, mostly women, are
 accustomed to meet at private houses, where
 they relate to each other revelations and
 dreams supposed to come direct from God.
 They then decide what is meant by these
 so-called revelations, and follow them out in
 domestic and business relations. Mrs. Mc-
 Whirter's dreams are especially heeded, and
 what she may order is obeyed without ques-
 tion.

BOSTON KEROSENE.

On Sale by Clift, Wood & Co.'y,
Boston KEROSENE Oil,
 in barrels and cases.

Freight from Boston.

Brigantine 'PLYMOUTH,'
 Now due at Boston, will load there for St.
 John's, about latter part of this month.
 For freight, apply to
 STRATTON, LITTLE & Co.,
 91 State Street, Boston.
 jan10 or, here to **CLIFT, WOOD & Co.**

**ON SALE BY
 Jas. & Wm. Pitts,**

—85 Pairs—
PRIME FRESH GEESE,
 50 prs. prime fresh Fowl,
 Ex "S. H. Morse," from Souris, P.E.I.
 jan6

**FOR SALE BY
 DRYER & GREENE,**

—150 barrels selected—
**APPLES, consisting of Spys,
 Seeks, Emperors, Baldwins,
 Russets, &c. 50 cases Silver-
 peel Onions, Turkeys, Geese,
 and Ducks.**
 jan5 Ex s.s. "Peruvian."

Christmas Numbers & Annuals.

**THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS, WITH
 Colored Plates.**
 The Illustrated London Graphic, with Colored Plates.
 The Tide (London) with Colored Plates.
 Father Christmas, with Colored Plates.
 Illustrated Sporting News, with Colored Plates.
 Pictorial World, with Colored Plates.
 Penny Illustrated Paper, with Colored Plates.
 Christian Million Christmas Number.
 Little Folks Annual for 1888.
 Diprosels Annual for 1888.
 The Art Annual for 1888.
 London Society for 1888.
 Harper's Magazine—Christmas Number.
 dec27 **J. F. CHISHOLM.**

P. E. Island Pork.

Ex steamer "Coban,"
**78 bris Prince Edward Island
 JOWLES, PATES and FEET,**
 [newly packed.]
 dec7 **CLIFT, WOOD & Co.**

**FOR SALE,
 1 SLEIGH, in good order.**

dec2 **JOHN S. SIMMS.**

Sinclair's Hams.

ON SALE BY CLIFT, WOOD & Co.,
 —50 small—
Sinclair's Celebrated Mild-cured Hams

**FOR SALE,
 1 Dining Room Suite,
 1 Bed Room Suite.**

dec5 **JOHN S. SIMMS.**

Apples, Apples, Apples.

By **CLIFT, WOOD & Co.**
 —94 barrels—
Amer. Baldwin Apples,
 dec19 Ex "New Dominion" from Boston, U.S.A.

Annapolis Valley Apples.

ON SALE BY CLIFT, WOOD & Co.,
100 Barrels Choice Hand-picked Apples,
 Baldwins and Spitzbergens, from a well-known
 dec30 orchard in Annapolis Valley.

Shingles. :-: Shingles.

**FOR SALE BY
 P. & L. TESSIER,**
 200 M. Nova Scotia Seasoned Pine }
 100 M. Nova Scotia Seasoned Spruce } Shingles,
 50 M. Fur
 dec22,31p [ALL UNDER COVER.]

Fresh Pork!

ON SALE BY CLIFT, WOOD & Co.,
 50 carcasses
Choice FRESH Pork,
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**FOR SALE,
 One Cottage Piano.**

jan5 **JOHN S. SIMMS.**

**FOR SALE:
 1 HORSE: A BARGAIN!** will be
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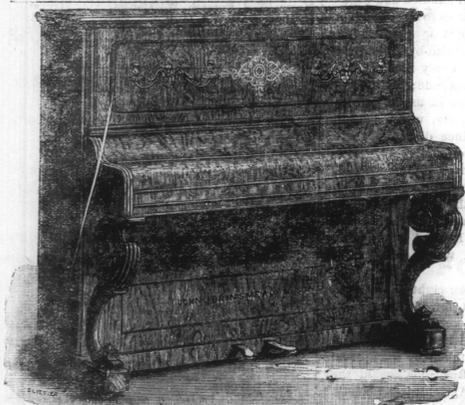
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ADELAIDE CAMERON'S "SHADOW LOVE."

By the Author of Dora Thorne.

CHAPTER XVII.

(Continued.) She had some pale blue flowers fastened in her hair; and Alida, who had a true Parisienne's eye for the beautiful, declared that she had never seen her lady look so well before.

Her heart beat quickly as she entered the room where he was. She had so longed to see him, she had counted the hours until he came; but now, when she saw him and could speak to him, her courage failed.

'We shall never meet as strangers again!' he said; 'I am beginning to look upon you as part of Walton now.'

'You have altered since I saw you,' said Lord Rylestone; 'you have lost your old, sad, depressed look. You must have found Brighton and its neighborhood very beneficial.'

'I am happier and better than I was on the day I went to Brighton,' she said - but I want to talk of you, not of myself. You will spend the day with us, of course.'

'Then I shall be really your tenant!' she said. 'How strange the circumstance seems! It is very pleasant to me, remember, he returned, 'I shall like to think that my home is in the hands of one who values it as you do.'

'How can you offer the appointment to you?' she asked. 'I cannot tell, unless he has dealings with some good spirit, and the good spirit told him that I stood in urgent need of it.'

CHAPTER XVIII. THE hours on that day went all too quickly. Adelaide noted them as they vanished.

Allan was very kind and considerate. She saw his face flush crimson when the question of rent for Walton was under consideration.

'I had forgotten that I am a poor man,' he said. Mr. Beale, with his quick business like tact, managed to get over every difficulty, and the result was a very harmonious meeting.

'My one beautiful day,' thought Miss Cameron - 'it is going so quickly. There are but four hours more, and then he will be gone.'

'He is as far from loving her as ever,' she said to herself. 'He is her friend, but he will never be more; and she, poor, simple, foolish child, will never love him less.'

The happy excitement of his presence was enough for Miss Cameron: She did not stay to analyze her own thoughts, to measure his words. She remembered only that he was in her presence, and that to-morrow he would be gone.

Allan had been very kind to her. No word that could by the wildest imagination be construed into an attempt at flirtation had crossed his lips, but his kindness had given her fresh life, and seemed more to her than the love of any other.

When dinner was over, and madame was playing chess with the lawyer, Adelaide went out on the balcony, and Lord Rylestone followed her.

'My time is getting short,' he said - I must leave at nine.'

She made no reply; she was looking over the stone balustrade, and he thought she was gazing on the scene below. It was very fair, the soft, sweet evening scene; the trees of the park stood tall and dark in the fading sunlight; the roar of the great London world seemed stilled; the wind whispered soft and low, the flowers were breathing fragrance, the pretty mignonette and climbing plants half filled the balcony; and above all were the solemn, tremulous stars.

'When I am in Canada I shall remember this pretty scene,' said Lord Rylestone, 'as one remembers a sweet strain of music, the words of a song, or the beauty of a picture.'

As he spoke he looked at her. The golden hair gleamed; the proud, pale, beautiful face, with the green foliage as a background, was perfect; the white face and clear pearls all went toward making the sweetest picture he had ever seen.

'Shall you remember it?' she continued, quietly. 'Ah! Lord Rylestone, when you think of it, will you think of me?'

Her voice trembled with passionate emotion, but he did not notice it. He thought her words were simply the ordinary request that one friend would make to another.

'Think of you? Most certainly I shall, Miss Cameron; we have been fellow-sufferers, and therefore should be friends.'

'I have few friends,' she said, 'and I like to think that in far-off Canada I shall have a staunch one.'

'You will, indeed. How sweet that mignonette is! What is the botanical name for it? I remember - Reseda Odorata. I shall always associate Reseda and you in my thoughts. A spray of mignonette will bring this balcony and the pale starlight, the golden gleam of your hair, the memory of your face, all as clearly and as vividly as I see them now.'

'And, when you think of me, will you always remember that I am so sorry for the unconscious wrong I have done you - that I would willingly undergo almost anything to undo it?'

'I will not forget,' he said. And then over the trees in the park came the clear, full sound of a church clock striking nine.

'Nine o'clock,' said Lord Rylestone. 'I must go.'

She could not turn round with a careless gesture and speak indifferent words, she could not smile, she could not hold out her hand - she was mute, dumb, dazed, with her passionate sorrow.

'I heard a little rumor to-day,' he added, 'and, if the circumstance alluded to will promote your happiness, Miss Cameron, I shall hope that it may take place.'

But she did not hear him. A great wave of sorrow had overwhelmed her; the rush of many waters was in her ears. Slowly she came to the full recollection of where she was and what she was doing.

She turned her pale, proud face toward him, and he was struck by the anguish in her eyes. Still he did not think it was for him; she could have but one source of annoyance - the will. So, impulsively enough, he held out his hand to her.

'Promise me,' he said, 'that you will think no more of that horrible will.'

'I will try,' she said, faintly.

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The Evening Telegram.

ST. JOHN'S, JANUARY 15, 1888.

THE RIFLE IN BERMUDA.

Greatest Shooting Tournament on Record.

LETTERS FROM LIEUT. DUNDAS.

Competition for Valuable Prizes.

BOTH BRANCHES OF THE SERVICE TAKE PART.

Many Laurels Won by 'Emerald's' Team.

VOLUNTEER MOVEMENT IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

Lively Time Expected Next Summer.

By advices from Bermuda we learn that the Naval and Military authorities there have recently treated themselves and the people generally to one of the greatest rifle tournaments on record in that part of Her Majesty's dominions. Practice and preparation for the event had been going on for some time previous to the contest, and, as a result, when it took place, nothing was wanting that could in any way add to the interest and éclat of the occasion.

We are mainly indebted for our information hereunto to letters received from Lieutenant Dundas, of H.M.S. *Emerald*, whose gallant team carried off most of the laurels offered for competition. The Lieutenant opens one of his letters by informing us of the death of Lieutenant Boldero. He says: "His case was hopeless from the first. We all feel it very much." Then Lieut. D., with characteristic good will, observes: "I hope you have had a pleasant Christmas up at St. John's. Mine has been a very satisfactory one."

Immediately following this seasonable greeting, we are furnished with details of the matches. In the Lieutenant's own words, "It was a grand meeting, supported by all our fleet and all the garrison and civilians." The firing took place at Warwick Camp, and lasted three days, during which the following prizes were won by the parties herein named:—

1st—Team Match, 200, 500 and 600 yards; seventeen teams competed, six men in each. First prize—£18 sterling—awarded to *Emerald's* team. A silver cup for the highest individual score in the above match was won by Lieutenant Dundas.

2nd—The Championship of Bermuda—a silver cup—won by Mr. Isaacs, of *Emerald*; seven shots at 800 yards; score, thirty points.

3rd—All-Comers—200 yards. First prize, a silver medal, won by Mr. Vincent of the *Emerald*.

4th—All-Comers—500 yards. Second prize, a carriage clock, won by Mr. Marchant, H.M.S. *Emerald*.

5th—Army and Navy Officers, 200 yards. First prize, a beer mug, won by Mr. Marchant of the *Emerald*.

6th—Army and Navy Officers, 500 yards. First prize, a gold watch, won by Lieutenant Dundas, of *Emerald*.

7th—Petty Officers of the Navy and Sergeants of the Army, 200 yards. Second prize, £3, Mr. Isaacs; third prize, £2, Mr. Atkins, both of *Emerald*.

8th—Revolver Match, 450 entries. Fourth prize, a silver match box, won by Lieutenant Dundas.

Here are the names of the *Emerald's* team. All of them are well known, especially by those of our Newfoundland Rifle Association who have met them at Nagle's Hill range:—Lieutenant Dundas, Captain; Messrs. Marchant, Isaacs, Pickett, Vincent, and Moxom.

This team did brilliant work in winning the first match as well as the championship against the soldiers, as it is the latter's own range, and they practice on it all the year round. The teams from the other ships of the fleet were very unfortunate, and but few prizes were won by them.

Besides the contests more particularly alluded to, there were other events, in all of which one or more of the *Emerald's* team participated and won prizes varying from five shillings to a pound. Of course there were great rejoicings when they returned to the ship with all their prizes and the championship. Mr. Isaacs, we are told, shot beautifully, although it was late in the afternoon and the light was bad. His score was 5 8 3 4 5 5 5—30. Eight hundred yards is a long range, and it takes a keen eye and steady nerves to make such a record at so great a distance from the target.

One of our correspondents—also a member of the *Emerald's* team—closes his letter by saying:—"Remember me to Mr. Martin, Captain of the St. John's team last season, and tell him that we will let him taste 'a drop' out of the champion cup when we return north again. It has been filled with every

possible liquor, and has been handed round once too often, I fear, already."

We do not know what our local "sharpshooters" will think of the *Emerald's* great success on this occasion. Certainly it will be flattering to them to know that they have already, more than once, defeated a team that has just beaten "all creation" down in Bermuda; but shouldn't be surprised if they felt a little shaky over the prospect of meeting the victors at the butts on the *Emerald's* arrival next Spring.

Any way, the coming summer promises to be a pretty lively one here in "military" circles. As most of our readers are aware, a volunteer movement has been started, in the success of which the Governor takes a very deep interest. All classes of the community, we believe, coincide with His Excellency's wishes, and no doubt preliminary steps, in the way of organization, will be taken as soon as the spring business shall have been disposed of. We understand that all necessary assistance will be rendered by the Imperial authorities, as well as by our local Government, in making the movement a success. In a subsequent issue we shall have some special reference to this interesting and important matter.

KILLED ON THE RAILWAY TRACK.

A Great Deal of Dissatisfaction.

A RELIABLE correspondent writes us from Topsail to the effect that "a great deal of dissatisfaction prevails" there in consequence of losses recently sustained in that neighborhood by the destruction of cattle on the railway track. Since the 1st instant, we are told, no less than four fine cows have been killed—one the property of a man named Scott, of the Gulleys, the others belonging to a Mr. Taylor of Topsail. The three last mentioned were destroyed in one day, and the owner thus deprived in a few hours of the chief means of supporting himself and family. This is really too bad, and must have a very discouraging effect on people along the South Shore of Conception Bay who are trying to do anything in the way of stock-raising. At the Agricultural Show, last fall, much was said by His Excellency the Governor and His Honor Mr. Justice Pihnt about the advisability of making special efforts to induce the people to engage in agricultural pursuits and the keeping of cattle. Now, we ask, what is the use of trying to encourage these industries while the Legislature refuses or neglects to enact such laws as are absolutely necessary to protect the property of those who are thus employed. Between the ferocious dog on the one hand, and the almost equally destructive locomotive on the other, it is a poor chance the farmer has to keep sheep, or cattle either, in the aforesaid neighborhood. At present no compensation is allowed for losses incurred in the way and manner set forth; and, as a result, the number of cattle along the shore is rapidly diminishing and people are trying to get out of the business altogether.

UP AND UP GOES COPPER.

THE following extract shows that the value of copper in the United States has advanced in proportion to the boom in the same metal in the English market. It bodes ill for the peace of Europe, the present war preparations being the direct cause of the enhanced prices; for copper is an indispensable material in the manufacture of cartridges since the introduction of breech-loaders. When an article of commerce is so materially and suddenly affected in value, one, too, that ordinarily fluctuates but little, it argues that the manufacture of war-munitions is taking place on a big scale:—"Copper on the Metal Exchange had another rise yesterday, in sympathy with a further advance of \$2 a ton in London. The advance here was 30 and 50 cents a 100 pounds, and 500,000 pounds of Lake Superior were sold at 17.60@17.65 cents for December, 17.70 @ 17.80 cents for January, and 18 cents for March delivery. There was a continued crazy speculation in copper stocks, and 3,200 shares were sold, including Dana at 65@75, Washington at 70@80, Winthrop at 50@60, Beivavick at \$2.75, Allouez at \$1.85@1.87, Ridgewood at \$1.50, Hanover at 75, and National at \$3."

A CORRESPONDENT wants to know "what has become of the Receiver General, as he is seldom to be found in his office at the Custom House?" Well, between, drawing his salary and spending it, we believe he is kept pretty busy.

DEVOTEES of dancing cannot complain of any dearth of their favorite amusement of the present winter; on Tuesdays and Thursdays there will be dancing assemblies in the Star of the Sea Hall under the management of Mr. J. Whitten, who is well known for making these festive affairs occasions of general enjoyment.

The Present State of Newfoundland

CONFEDERATION.

(Continued.)

In a social light it is a creature like Frankenstein's that our system has conjured up amongst us. Nay, even physically and intellectually the poverty-stricken portion of our population is fast assimilating itself to the creature of the legend, and asserts the same entire but thankless dependence on those whom it looks upon as the authors of a miserable existence. This portion of the community we have not only to provide for, but to think for. 'Twere a mockery to ask them what they think of Confederation. 'Twere a cruelty to advise them to oppose it. Of those who are not reduced to a state quite so degraded, the greater part are destitute and miserable. Little they know who sit by their firesides, or take observations from a window in Water Street, of the swift decay that prostrates them like straw before the sickle of the reaper. Seldom they behold those rotten tenements, that a year's wind and damp at most will sweep unheeded to the earth; and where will be their occupants? The greater number in comfort at last in the grave—the rest wanderers in more prosperous lands, and adding their mite of daily toil to the activity that makes nations great. This is too truly our condition, and to procure the necessary remedy requires not alone the exercise of intelligence but of humanity. The question of Confederation is for us not a merely political question—it is first of all a question of charity; and it is not alone the right, but the duty, of any one who thinks the Union of these Provinces will benefit this country, to speak his convictions.

This country is in a state of premature decay, and in its own institutions it contains no remedy for the evil; therefore some change is necessary, some infusion of vital power from without. This much all must admit—but will Confederation be the proper change, and provide the proper remedy? I think there can be no doubt of it. It is not in the nature of things that such a condition as ours should be allowed to continue, when superior intelligence and superior resources are brought to bear upon it. Our miserable state would, if known, enlist the sympathies and the aid of the stranger—how much more so of those whose own best interest would be the advancement of our people.

It is not unknown to History that peoples have been crushed and doomed to wretchedness by rulers whose duty and interest it was to protect and encourage them, but that is the history of the past—the history of feudal arrogance or of bloody conquest, and it applies not to coalitions voluntarily formed on the basis of reason and for the common weal without any dire discrepancies of religion, race, customs or institutions. And even where such discrepancies exist, the spirit of the present age is to unite and harmonize them, if possible; if not, to suffer and conciliate.

Though European coalitions must differ from those formed on this side of the Atlantic, having more old and deep-rooted difficulties to contend with, yet even there the genius of the age prevails. If unions commence there in conquest, they are succeeded at once, or as soon as possible, by a common participation of the benefits of freedom and civilization between victors and vanquished. It is not pretended that Prussia will persecute the North German Provinces; Austria gives free institutions to Hungary, and in fact so all-powerful is the instinct of justice, peace, and progress, at the present day, that England is ready to lay the axe to the very root of her constitution rather than behold it heavy with the fruit of oppression and injustice. It is idle to talk of penal laws, extermination, or "bleached bones," at the present day. Such things are not possible anywhere, least of all in these new regions, where freedom seems indigenous, and where the only danger is that it may luxuriate into rankness. We have here before our eyes the model of the great Western Republic; and though there may be difference of opinion regarding her institutions and their stability, one thing is certain, that she regards every portion of her vast territory as her very self, and with a zealous and impartial hand extends her protection and bounty and civilizing influences to the remotest regions of her empire. The form of its Government will slightly differ—but upon this great model Confederation will be established;—it could not otherwise exist or prosper.

To prove that in point of fact Canada intends to govern upon liberal and progressive principles, to initiate a rule totally different from the ancient systems of conquest and spoliation, it is sufficient to know that the very first clause in her programme proclaims to all dependencies freedom of religion, of education, of trade; but upon these and upon other practical benefits that must result to us from Union, I shall address you hereafter.

AN OUTSIDER.

NOTE FROM MR. MURRAY.

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—I have much pleasure in informing you that the letter of enquiry kindly inserted in the columns of your paper lately, having reference to the ancestors of Mr. John Guest, now of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, has elicited a reply from some of Mr. Guest's remaining relatives here, which reply I am transmitting to Mr. Guest by the present mail. This reply comes from a descendant of the original John Guest, residing at Torbay, named Thomas Eustace, and one of three brothers of that name. The researches of Mr. Eustace are briefly summed up in the following words:—"I have ascertained that your grandfather was a book-keeper at the time of his death, when his wife (my father's aunt) and my great-aunt (your grandmother) sold off all their effects and went to some part of Nova Scotia, since which we have lost all trace of them until now."

I have to thank you, Mr. Editor, for the courtesy of inserting these documents in the EVENING TELEGRAM, through which publicity the efforts of Mr. Guest have been so successful in re-establishing the chain of communication with his family connections here; and in thus taking leave of the subject for the present, I cannot but express my regret that, even at this late day, no effective steps have yet been taken in this colony by which genealogical records may be kept in a public, official and systematic way. As we may fairly assume that the colony has now a definite future before it, I think no further time should be lost in supplying this lack of vital statistics,—the last, but not the least, distinguishing mark of civilization. Your obedient servant,

JAMES MURRAY.

St. John's, Jan. 16th, 1888.

AGRICULTURE.

THE above subject many of your readers must feel interested in, for it should assuredly take the first place in the minds of every patriotic Newfoundland, as well as all those who have, so far, made this land their home. In these days of emigration, many that are now leaving, with or without families, surely would prefer remaining in their native land; so let those who remain with us work steadily and honestly to gain for their country that position she ought to occupy, by striving to make her take her place with the active world around us. At the same time we should be leaving no stone unturned to gain for our children and children's children homes which they can in no wise be forced to leave, be the Fishery good or bad. Let us efface the "one-eyed" position we are in at present, so ably put to us in His Excellency's speech at Harbor Grace, and move shoulder to shoulder against the odds which await us. We cannot disguise from ourselves they are heavy, yet what matters it so long as we hold fast every inch we gain? Most battles have proved that a well handled and organized force have gained victories over opponents vastly superior in numbers; be it so with us. Let us take the plough first and by-and-by the sword, if necessary. In these days every soldier is or ought to be taught to use the spade; but not the sort of spade so constantly seen in use in gardens here and in out harbor settlements, which must be a relic of old Ireland, long since discarded there; or that apology for a spade or shovel so general under the "able-bodied pauper relief system," which consists of a heart-shaped bit of iron at one end, about the same size as the man's heart is at the other; a will should be added to the man and more inches to the metal. Reward would surely follow honest labor in good wages and happier homes.

A movement was made in the right direction on Saturday last, Jan. 14th. A few farmers met in Mr. Sclater's office, which he very kindly placed at their disposal; to consider whether they should drop the interest so largely taken by them of late in the promotion of Agriculture; or would they form themselves into an "Agricultural Society." The latter course was unanimously agreed to, and a committee was at once elected to prepare the way for a general meeting of all who wish to form such a society. The business to follow being the election of officers and other progressive work. Due notice will be given of this meeting and a large attendance is most desirable.—Com.

THE WINTER IN NORTHERN ITALY.

DETAILS are continually arriving by telegraph from all parts of the North respecting the fatalities caused by the appalling heaviness of the snowfall and the remarkable rigour of the winter. Extreme cold prevails at Florence, where the railway service has been partially suspended in consequence of the depth of the snow at Florence, Parma, Forli, Faenza, Ravenna, Ferrara, and Bologna. The roofs of very many of the houses have sunk under the weight of snow, a large number of lives being lost, and whole families being occasionally killed. In some cases walls have given way with fatal consequences. At many of the towns mentioned the trains have been snowed-up for four days. There has been no postal communication between the North and South of the peninsula. A telegram from Milan reports equally disastrous occurrences. At Venice, Pavia, and other towns roofs have fallen under the weight of the snow, there being several people killed and many wounded. At Bologna nearly all the public buildings have suffered. For three days the service of trains of the Adriatic line has been suspended.

By Telegraph

TERRIFIC COLLIERY EXPLOSION

Opening of the Prussian Diet.

EX-PRESIDENT GREY ILL.

Terrible Shipping Disaster.

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 16.

Two terrific explosions occurred in the coal mines of Picqou county yesterday; no lives were lost, the men having left their quarters an hour previously. The occurrence throws three hundred out of employment.

The Prussian Diet was opened on Saturday; the Royal Speech expresses hope of the recovery of the Crown Prince. The finances are favorable beyond expectation, and the State will increase the pay of the clergy, also the teachers in public schools, and will aid railways.

Ex-President Grey has experienced a shock of apoplexy and is confined to bed.

The steamer *Britannia*, from the Mediterranean to New York, is supposed to be lost with eight hundred steerage passengers.

The S.S. *Sarmation*, with English mails, arrived here yesterday.

Harrison, Governor of Manitoba, has resigned.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)

CAPE RACE, This Evening.

Wind S.S.W., blowing a fresh breeze and raining. The S.S. *Portia* passed inward at 10 a.m. to-day.

Arrival of the S.S. "Assyrian."

THE steamer *Assyrian*, some three days overdue from Liverpool, set at rest all doubts and anxieties on her account by her arrival here at twelve o'clock last night. Her detention was due to a continual succession of westerly and southerly winds, which chief officer Bulley reports to have been very heavy and to have thrown up a mountainous head sea materially retarding the ship's progress. On Tuesday of last week the vessel passed through a violent storm, which was head on to the ship, and sent seas flying over her decks. On Saturday last, when a snow-storm from the S.W. raged here, she experienced a high northerly wind, accompanied with snow and hail-squalls. She met no further delay after sighting our coast, which occurred at nine o'clock last night, the weather being quite clear, and made port without much difficulty. She has three hundred tons of freight for our business men, and she takes three hundred barrels of herring to the Baltimore market. Her passengers are: From Liverpool—Mrs. W. Hardie, Miss E. Gallagher, Messrs. T. J. Forsyth, W. Harvie. For Halifax—Miss H. Hartley, Rev. J. H. Wood, Messrs. J. F. O'Brien, L. Patterson, G. Makinson, C. H. Alken, G. E. Morry, J. W. Phillips, E. Sinnott, A. W. Shaffner, twelve in steerage.

LOCAL VARIETIES.

THE steamer *Assyrian* is to sail about six o'clock this evening.

But one foreign sailing arrival since Saturday—the *Donna Maria*, with a cargo of salt, from Figueira.

THE steamer *Falcon*, from the Northward, arrived this afternoon. Amongst her passengers are Messrs. Rolls, Linfield, Farze and Kent.

The English mails are not particularly large, this trip; they number twenty-three bags of letters and newspapers and three cases of postal parcels.

BIRTH.

On Sunday, the 15th instant, the wife of Richard B. Peters, of a daughter.

DIED.

On Sunday morning, after a short illness, Philip Farrell, of Boggy Hall, Topsail road, aged 66 years, a native of Kneolty, County Tipperary, Ireland. His funeral will take place on Tuesday, at 1.30 o'clock.

On Sunday morning, after a long illness, of consumption, Nora, beloved wife of Ebenezer R. Knight, aged 33 years, leaving a husband and four children to mourn their sad loss. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) at 2.30 o'clock, from her late residence, Forest road; friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend without further notice.

This morning, Mary Maria, aged 19 years, only daughter of Tryphena and Elias Abbott, of Wadham Island, Notre Dame Bay. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) at 2.30 p.m., from the residence of Mr. R. H. Whiteley, Hamilton street; friends please attend without further notice.

On Sunday, 15th inst., Branscombe Langmead, infant son of William and Mary Ann Proves, aged 4 months. At Ferryland, on 28th December, John, second son of Joseph and the late Mary Delahunty, aged 29 years; deeply regretted by a large circle of friends.

Last evening, after a long and painful illness, Arthur Neilson, only child of Chas. and Providence Andressen, aged 1 year and 2 months.

"This early bud will bloom in Paradise."

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ENTERED.
Jan. 16—Assyrian, Bentley, Liverpool, 11 dys, Shea & Co—20 qtr-casks, 6 octaves wine, 52 casks, 112 brls sugar, 111 bxs oranges, 219 kegs butterine, 548 bxs raisins, 120 pkgs brandy, 276 pkgs tea, 8 bags, 10 casks coffee, 60 bags onions, 8 brls stout, 3 puns rum, 20 casks, 10 cases geneva, 14 casks whiskey, general cargo. Donna Maria, LeMarquand, Elgueira, 24 dys, W H Mare, Sou & Co—95 tons salt.

CLEARED.
Jan. 16—Assyrian, Bentley, Halifax, Shea & Co—300 brls herring, inward cargo.

FOR SALE: A HORSE: A BARGAIN will be given if applied for immediately. For full particulars apply at this office. Jan 18, 81

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