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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Auction—magazines and papers..... Athenaeum
New Goods..... P. Jordan & Son
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“Daily bread”..... James Murray
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Codfish, herring and halibut..... Jno. B. Curran & Co
Yellow corn meal..... James Murray
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Grain, split and washed leather..... Clift, Wood & Co
Flour—fresh Graham..... J. A. Edens
“Daily bread”..... see notice of
Preliminary notice..... Methodist Benevolent Concert
Sydney coal for sale..... Clift, Wood & Co
Wanted—a steady man..... address A.B.C., this office

Preserve your precious Eyesight from the effects of sun and snow, by procuring a pair of smoked or Colored Glasses, at
N. OHMAN'S, Atlantic Hotel Building.
feb20,fp

“JUSTICE”
is the name of a New Soap, which is put up in bars weighing 16 ozs. full weight. It is the only wrapped soap on the market that is perfumed and weighs a pound. It is warranted perfectly pure, and will heal sore hands, as it contains a large proportion of glycerine. It is the best soap in the world for all cleansing purposes—laundry, toilet or bath. Ask your grocer for it.
feb17,fp,tf

TAKE NOTICE:
ALL PERSONS wanting COALS for winter use can be supplied with the best North Sydney or English Household Coal, from the People's Depot at Brookings', at the rate of TWENTY-FOUR SHILLINGS (24s.) per ton, sent home promptly for cash on delivery.

MUNKACSY'S \$100,000 PICTURE:
CHRIST BEFORE PILATE, the most popular picture in the world. A magnificent reproduction of the above picture is now ready, and for sale at the PHOTO COPYING HOUSE, one door west of Furniture Show Rooms, Duckworth Street, Saint John's. No Christian family should be without this picture. It is the greatest and most impressive religious picture ever painted.
feb18,fp

AUCTION SALES.

Very Valuable Brick Dwelling House,
(FEE-SIMPLE),
On Duckworth Street, to be Sold by Public Auction.

I AM AUTHORIZED TO OFFER FOR SALE BY Public Auction, on THURSDAY, the 1st day of March, at 12 o'clock, on the premises, All that Valuable **BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, (Fee-simple),** situate on the South Side of Duckworth Street, adjoining the residence of J. B. Collins, and yielding a yearly rental of \$200. Supplied with water, sewerage and gas-fittings. This dwelling house being a part of the Estate of the late John Collins, is ordered to be sold by request of Legatees. All particulars on application to **JAS. J. COLLINS, Notary Public** Office: 345 Duckworth St. And Real Estate Broker, opp. Fishermen & Sailors' Home, or, **JAMES R. COLLINS, Executor,** 189 Duckworth Street.
feb14,fp

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL
Methodist Benevolent Concert
Will be held in COLLEGE HALL, on THURSDAY EVENING, 5th of April. Programme and other particulars later on.
feb25,fp

SYDNEY - COAL.

100 Tons Bright, Round Sydney COAL,
EX STORE.
Sent Home Cheap from the wharf of
feb25 **CLIFT, WOOD & Co.**

NEW & CHEAP BOOKS.

THE MISADVENTURES OF JOHN NICHOLSON, by R. L. Stevenson, 10 cents.
The Bee Hunters, by Gustave Aimard, 10 cents.
Stronghand, by Gustave Aimard, 10 cents.
Young Mrs. Jardine, by Miss Mullock, 20 cents.
Marvel, by the Duchess, 20 cents.
Jack and Three Jills, by F. C. Phillips, 20 cents.
Signs of Sweathart, by C. M. Braeme, 20 cents.
Mona's Choice, by Mrs. Alexander, 20 cents.
Lady Grace, by Mrs. Henry Wood, 20 cents.
Jessie, by the author of His Wedded Wife, 20 cents.
Saddle and Sabre, by Hawley Smart, 20 cents.
From the Other Side, by F. E. M. Noddy, 20 cents.
O'Hara's Mission, by Wm. O'Brien, 20 cents.
A Tale of Three Lions, by H. Ryder Haggard, 20 cents.
feb25 **J. F. CHISHOLM.**

NOW LANDING,

Ex “Portia” from the Mills via New York,
1,000 barrels F. S. Hanson's
celebrated brand

YELLOW Corn MEAL

feb25,fp **JAS. MURRAY.**

Choice Fresh Halibut.

Just received, per S.S. “Curlew,”
At the City Auction Sale Rooms,
2 BRLS CHOICE HALIBUT,
(packed in ice).
3 BRLS CODFISH, 2 BLS HERRING.
Call early on Monday morning and get choice cuts.
feb25 **JOHN B. CURRAN & Co.**

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NEW GOODS.

P. : Jordan : & : Son

Just received ex S. S. “Newfoundland,” viz:
Fancy Suitings, Broad Cloths, Doeskins, &c.

Mens' and Boy's Hats and Caps, Ties, Shirts, Collars, Braces &c., and Underclothing.
Also—Scarlet, White and Fancy Flannels, Gray and White Shirtings and Calicos, Hollands, Linens, Sheetings, Bed Ticks, Damask Table Cloths, Cretons, White and Fancy Counterpanes, &c., together with

A NICE RANGE OF DRESS GOODS

Fancy Plushes, Velvets, Cashmeres and Merinos, Fancy Collars and Cuffs, &c., &c.,
ALL OF WHICH ARE NOW OFFERED AT VERY LOW PRICES.
A few Sleigh Robes, nicely lined, selling at a reduction.

Orders in the Clothing Department receive very attention.

..READY-MADE : CLOTHING : SOLD : VERY : CHEAP..
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CHEAP -- FOOD.

We are selling our large stock FLOUR at a reduction of from 1s. 6d. to 3s. per barrel. Our prices now are 18s., 19s., 20s., 22s., 23s., 24s., and 25s. per barrel.

F. PARNELL,

february23,fp 181 WATER STREET.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Fowl.

SMOKE “SOUTHDOWN”: FINEST BLACK TOBACCO IN THE WORLD

KENNEDY & COMPY,

feb23,31fp 207 Water Street.

CHEAP FLOUR. :: CHEAP FLOUR.

Made up in 14-lb. parcels, at 34-cts. per package.
And Good Bread, only 14s bag

feb23,31fp **JOHN P. SHEA.**

LIGHT AND STRONG COD SEINES.

WE OFFER a 12-thread Cod-seine Twine, one fourth LIGHTER than 15-thread, EQUALLY AS STRONG, for Cod-Seines. LIGHTNESS IS PROFIT. Our best judgment endorses this Seine.

WILLIAM STOWE, President,
Gloucester Net and Twine Company
BOSTON OFFICE: Commercial Street.
feb17,fts,2w,fp

Fresh Graham Flour.

ON RETAIL,
And by the Half-barrel and Barrel,
CHEAP.

feb25,61,2fp **J. A. EDENS.**

The Benev. Irish Society Ball

—will be held in—
St. Patrick's Hall, on Easter Tuesday,
APRIL 3rd, 1888.

TICKETS: Lady and Gentleman.....\$3.00
Gentleman (Single)..... 2.50
Lady..... 1.50

Tickets can be procured from the following Officers of Society and Members of Committee:—Mr. R. J. Kent, President, Messrs. W. Donnelly, T. J. Greene, H. V. Born, M. Tobin, M. H. Carty, J. J. O'Reilly, J. Howlett, J. S. Keating, Hon'ble M. Fenelon, H. Meagher, R. J. Devereaux, M. Dooley, L. O'B. Furlong, J. E. Kent, Jno. Kent, R. J. Clancy, P. B. Bowers, G. Byrne, T. Lamb, J. Harris, P. Burnham, M. J. Kelly, and
THOMAS MITCHELL, Chairman.
THOMAS BARRON, Sec'y. Com.
feb25,11

St. JOHN'S ATHENÆUM.

The Following Newspapers,
for Twelve Months, (in advance), ending
31st December, 1888,
WILL BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION
AT THE READING - ROOM,
On Tuesday Evg., Feb. 28th,
At Eight o'clock:

LONDON MAIL, ILLUSTRATED LONDON News, Graphic, Frank Leslie, Harper's Weekly, Punch, Judy, Fun, Pall Mall Budget, Public Opinion, Saturday Review, World, Truth, The Colonies and India, Field, Liverpool Mercury, Edinburgh Scotsman, Glasgow Herald, Plymouth Western News, Irish Times, People's Journal, Nation, London Daily News, Telegraph, Evening Standard, Liverpool Courier, North British Mail, Scientific American, New York Herald, Tribune, Boston Traveller, Pilot, Toronto Globe, Montreal Gazette, Detroit Free Press and St. John, N. B., Telegraph.

A Quantity of Old Magazines, Newspapers and Books.

(By order of the Committee),
CHARLES BARNES,
Superintendent.
feb25,31,fp

Now Landing

Ex “Portia” from the Mills via Halifax,
77 Barrels of that world-famous FLOUR, of snowy whiteness, known as

“DAILY BREAD.”

feb25 **JAMES MURRAY.**

Leather. :: :: Leather.

ON SALE,
By **CLIFT, WOOD & Co.,**
20 bales Medium Light Grain Leather.
25 bales Split Leather.
5 bales Waxed Leather.
15 bales Calfskin, 5 bales Linings.
feb25

STANDARD - MARBLE - WORKS.

287 New Gower Street, St. John's, Nfld.
I invite the public to inspect my large and very excellent stock
—OF—
Headstones, Monuments, Tombs, Mantelpieces, &c.,
At rates sufficiently reasonable to defy competition. I guarantee solid stock and the best of workmanship. Export orders solicited. Designs cheerfully furnished by letter or otherwise. Special reduction on all goods ordered during winter months.
JAMES MCINTYRE.
jan28,1m,sw,fp

TURKEYS

For Sale by Jas. & Wm. Pitts,
—A FEW VERY CHOICE—
TURKEYS.
feb24,31fp

Butter :: Butter.

Just Received,
250 TUBS CHOICE
Canada Butter
FOR SALE BY
BARNES & Co.
feb28,t,s,t,fp

A : Conversazione,

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE MISSIONARY Association of St. Andrew's Church, will be held in the Basement,
On TUESDAY, 28th instant.
Tickets: 20 cents each, may be had at the stores of Messrs. Ohman, Chisholm and Bryden, or from Members of the Association.
S. F. MACINTOSH,
Sec. Association.
feb25,fp

FRESH New-Laid EGGS.

FOR SALE BY
CLIFT, WOOD & Co.,
500 Doz. Eggs,
WILL BE SOLD CHEAP, to close sales,
feb25,fp

OATS, OATS.

WE HAVE REDUCED THE price of our Heavy Black Oats to 3s. 6d. per bushel, at Brookings' & McBride's Hill.
feb23,fp **JAMES MURRAY.**

WANTED:
By a gentleman—THREE UNFURNISHED ROOMS, with board and attendance. Address—P. O. Box, 544.
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WANTED:
A STEADY MAN for light work; must be well recommended; married man preferred. Apply by letter to “A. B. C.” TELEGRAM office.
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Direct Steam from Liverpool

FIRST-CLASS, FULLY-POWERED steamers will be dispatched from Liverpool, direct to St. John's, on 20th March, 7th April, and 15th May. For Freight, apply to
C. T. BOWRING & Co., Liverpool,
or, **BOWRING BROTHERS,**
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DORIES! .. DORIES!

On Sale by Wm. Campbell, 25 DORIES

THESE DORIES ARE BUILT FROM THE "GLOUCESTER" MODEL. SPECIAL CARE HAS BEEN TAKEN IN THE SELECTION OF THE LUMBER AND WORKMANSHIP, AND WE CONFIDENTLY RECOMMEND THEM AS BEING EQUAL TO ANY IMPORTED DORY.

Cook's TOURISTS' Tickets

EMBRACE EVERY POINT OF INTEREST TO TRAVELLERS AND TOURISTS. DO NOT COMPEL THE HOLDER TO TRAVEL IN PARTIES, ARE AVAILABLE BY ANY TRAIN, OR ANY DAY, AND IN MOST CASES ARE ISSUED AT A MATERIAL REDUCTION FROM ORDINARY RATES.

Intending travellers and tourists will find it greatly to their advantage to call upon the undersigned before purchasing their tickets to any part of the world. For full particulars as to single journey and tourists' rates, apply to

GEORGE LEMESSURIER, Agent Thomas Cook & Son.

Great Bargains in Blankets & Calicoes, WILLIAM FREW'S, 191 WATER STREET.

JUST RECEIVED, PER "ASSYRIAN," AN IMPORTANT PURCHASE OF CALICOES, WHICH WE ARE OFFERING AT 5, 6, 7 AND 8 CENTS PER YD, STRONG AND WIDE; BEST VALUE EVER SHOWN.

NOTE - Canadian and American Silver taken in trade at former value. January 20

LIME. LIME.

A Great Boon to Farmers and Others. THE SUBSCRIBER, WHILE RETURNING THANKS TO FARMERS AND OTHERS FOR THEIR PATRONAGE DURING THE PAST SUMMER, WOULD BEG TO RESPECTFULLY INTIMATE THAT HE IS NOW PREPARED TO MAKE CONTRACTS WITH THEM FOR THE COMING SEASON.

Twenty cents per bushel, or delivered by rail at the Rope Walk siding, or the Saint John's Depot at Twenty-five Cents per bushel.

The Newfoundland Consolidated Foundry Co., Limited.

Patterns for Grave & Garden Railings, & for Cresting of Houses, and would invite inspection of same.

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 Dyspepsia, Nervousness and Debility.

ANNAPOLIS VALLEY APPLES.

FOR SALE BY CLIFT, WOOD & CO., 50 barrels selected

Choice Winter APPLES.

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

FRESH CODFISH

Just Received, per S.S. "Curlew," At the City Auction Sale-Rooms, 6 Brels. FRESH HERRING, 10cts. per dozen.

GOOD STORIES!

Ben-Hur by Lew Wallace, 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 Louisa M. Alcott, Little Wives by Louisa 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 the author of Queechy, Diana by Susan Warner

EGGS!

180 doz. P. E. I. Eggs, 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. Belgravia Xmas Annual. Children of Babylon. (Judy's Annual.) Les Miserables, by Victor Hugo. The Mysteries of Paris, by Eugene Sue.

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ST. JOHN'S, FEBRUARY 25, 1888.

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Letters relating to advertisements, job work and other business affairs, to be directed to WM. J. HEKDER, Proprietor.

HIS VISION OF DEATH.

A Curious Tale of the Late Civil War. THE WARNING OF FATE.

How a Union Soldier Gazed Upon His Own Tombstone.

On the afternoon of the 23rd, after one of the pleasantest marches a body of troops ever made, though the weather was cold and we had to wade streams where the ice had to be broken, we reached our first halting-place—the banks of a little stream known as Bedsoe's creek.

I was to learn years afterwards the romance which gave it that designation. That day the weather had moderated, the light fall of snow had disappeared and the 24th dawned as balmy and beautiful a day as a Southern winter sun ever shone upon.

Our orders were to remain here until the afternoon of Christmas. We were camped in a splendid position, for the Colonel, though he had been in the service but six months, was a born soldier, and if somewhat reckless in undertaking difficulty, was alert and watchful as a lynx.

Of course, marching in light order, our rations were not overabundant, nor our bill of fare varied as it might have been. The old fields about the bivouac were full of game, rabbits and quail. The men used every device to catch the former whenever they could be started within the guard lines, but not with much success.

The near approach of Christmas awakened a relish for luxuries as well as softened the hearts of those in authority. On the suggestion of the Quartermaster, it was decided by the Colonel to give the boys a rabbit hunt.

I am something of a sportsman, but I must confess that anything like that hunt I have never seen before or since. The regiments were marched out to regular positions selected by the commander and marked by the guides on the sides of various old fields where the sedge-grass grew waist high.

These were intersected by small streams over which the cedars grew dense and dark. Here they stacked arms. The wood and roads were picketed and a guard was set over the guns. The field officers remained mounted, and one in each regiment was required to remain with the arms.

Then each man was directed to cut a good stout club, and thus equipped, returned to the ranks. Thus far all was mystery to the men. When the companies were reformed, each regiment formed a hollow square in single file so as to inclose as much space as possible.

Then the order "inward face!" was given and the four sides began to close in upon the centre. One universal shout of laughter went up from the men as they comprehended the character of the movement. Then every one addressed himself to the sport. It seemed as if every square yard of sedge-grass hid a rabbit, and as the lines closed in on each other the melody of starting eyes, flapping ears, cotton tails, and sticks and stones thrown by the men, was ludicrous. When one field was exhausted the same tactics was pursued with another.

The sport was boisterous and exciting. Everybody joined in it except those detailed to keep watch, and when we marched back to our bivouac laden with rabbits, persimmons and mistletoe, I never saw a more jubilant and rollicking set of men. Booths of evergreen and mistletoe were made, the game cooked and eaten, we took our dinner in advance—for the soldier never gives credit to to-morrow for what may be enjoyed to-day.

The jollification lasted well into the night, and in one of the brigade headquarter tents a jug of peach brandy and a can of honey which some one had been shrewd enough to purchase at a farmhouse we had passed the day before, enabled us to drink the health of absent loved ones in really enjoyable tipples.

A loud smack interrupted the speaker at this point, and looking toward the door of the saloon all were convulsed at the curious contortions of the porter, who was going through the manual of tasting and swallowing in a way to show that peach-and-honey was no stranger to his gustatory organs.

'La, Marse Captin,' he said, with a military salute. 'Nebber 'spected to heah 'bout dem times out here on dis railroad. Thought I knowed yer face, tho', at the berry fust.'

'What's that? Were you there, too, John?' asked the brown-bearded man in pleased surprise; for after all old-comradeship takes small account of color.

'Wal, not adzackly dar, but I warz tharabouts,' said the porter, showing his teeth.

'Where?'

'Wal, sir, I war jest ober de odder side ob dat big swamp wid a crowd of Marse John Morg'n's raiders, sir. An' when you was got ter carryin' on so, dey jes' 'lowed dat wor de berry time ter go in un' stampe de whole lot. Dey wasn't enuff on 'em, yer see, ter fite. But de tuk an' sent out some scouts that crep up clus and spy out de lan', yer kno, an' fer God dey cum back, dey did, an' said dem damn Yankees wasn't drunk at all, but war jes' lettin' on ter git our folks to pitch in, don't yer know. Dey said dey hed der gyards all out an' war jes' cold sober singin hymns and psalm tchuns ez if ther war a big meetin' gwine on thar. So our folks—de Confederates, yer kno—dey thout hit war best ter git up and git outer dar and let Marse Margin kno' all 'bout hit, yer kno'.

But I wasn't able ter march myself dat night. Leastways I got lost in dat der swamp, an' nex' mornin' blundered inter de camp an' got tuk pris'ner, I did. So I 'cluded ter change sides an' been wukkin' fer myself ebber sense.'

'But I never heard of that before,' said the Captain in surprise.

'Spect not,' said the porter with a shrug. 'Hit all so, do, an' I went back to Nashville with you uns an' stayed dar till mos' de s'render, an' den come norf.'

'Why didn't you tell us about there rebs?'

'Wal, ye see, in de fus place nobody ax me, an' in de nex' place I been roum' dese camps long nuff to know dat de best ting a nigger do on either side was t'jes keep his mouf shut jez ez much ez he could. Dat's de way I did.'

The porter's philosophy was greeted with a round of approving laughter, after which the Captain, as I shall call him hereafter, who had gained confidence by this interruption and confirmation of his narrative, continued:

'Well, gentlemen, I suppose you think I am a good while coming to the point of my story, but I will not detain you much longer. It happened that there was in our regiment, the — Indiana, a lieutenant, who, for no special reason, was a kind of butt for the sport of all the line officers. His name was Bridges—a provocation to ridicule in itself. He was a good fellow in his way, but his way was not a popular one. He was not far from 40 years of age, rather below the medium height, with a squeaky voice and fussy manner—not a bit of dignity nor power of command in him. He was quite well educated, however, and was a successful man of business in a little town where he lived. He had married a young wife just before the regiment left for the field, and I think the inclination to talk about her was the chief reason of our combining to make fun of him. He knew he was being laughed at, but kept on doing his duty fairly well—very well, I should say, under the circumstances. He was no coward, but his young wife made him wish to live, and caused him to be more careful of his health and safety, I think, than he otherwise would have been. He had taken a sort of fancy to me, thinking perhaps, that I did not take part in the general mirth at his expense. I am afraid he was mistaken. Besides that, the second lieutenant of his company was a great friend of mine, and I was anxious to see a bar on his shoulder-straps. I should say that I was probably the only man in the command who was familiar with the appearance and location of the little Kentucky town which was our real destination. It was hoped that we would reach it about daylight of the 26th and defeat or perhaps capture a force of the enemy supposed to be stationed there. The Colonel was ambitious and would spare no effort.

After our little carousal—which was not extensive enough to produce any unpleasant results—I looked over matters to see if I had forgotten my duty, and turned in on a bed of cedar boughs with a saddle for a pillow. I was awakened by some one shaking me and calling my name in excited tones. I was on my feet in an instant and rushed to the opening in the tent to see what was the matter.

(To be Continued.)

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THE SUBSCRIBER OFFERS FOR SALE OR RENT, A (Fee-Simple) Waterside Premises, at Old Parlican; frontage 102 feet, with a good Beach and a Large Store on the same, and the adjoining inclosed Land running in the rear 450 feet; also, a few Lots of Land within a short distance of the above-mentioned property. The whole will be Sold or Let in one or more lots, to suit purchasers. For diagram, and any other particulars, apply to

THOMAS D. COLLINS, 29 Cook's Town, feb18,2w,61fp

Banking Schr. For Sale.

FOR SALE, The fast-sailing Schooner— S. A. B.

51 Tons burthen per register; 23-years old; hardwood timbered and planked; galvanized fastened; well found in sails, anchors, chains, etc.; would make a splendid banker. This vessel has been built under owner's own supervision, and has been built for strength and speed combined. For further information, apply to

CLIFT, WOOD & CO. feb24

BY DRYER & GREENE, Fresh Turkeys, Geese & Ducks

PER S.S. "PORTIA." feb24

Soap. Soap. Soap.

ON SALE BY CLIFT, WOOD & CO. The following superior brands of Soap: Jones' No. 1, Morrill's, Magnet, Maple Leaf, Imperial, Star, Royal, Hanlan, Lorne, &c.

MAGAZINES AND NEW BOOKS. FEBRUARY NOS. OF FAMILY HERALD, WELDON'S Ladies' Journal, Harper's Magazine, London Journal, and other Magazines.

Norie's Epitome of Navigation. Admiralty Nautical Almanac for 1888. Whitaker's Almanac, with supplement, for 1888. McGregor's Nautical Almanac for 1888. The Churchman's Almanac for 1888. The Christian Age Vol. All the Year Round Vol. Punch Vol. XCIII. The Golden Library, various vols., 10-cs. each. The Fair God, by Lew Wallace, cloth and paper covers. Beadle's Dime Dialogues, Nos. 1 to 34, at 10-cents each.

J. F. CHISHOLM. feb18

Butter -:- Butter.

Now landing, ex s.s. "Newfoundland," 50 tubs choice CREAMERY -:- BUTTER, A choice article.

P. & L. TESSIER. feb17

ON SALE BY P. & L. Tessier

50 barrels LONDON CEMENT, \$3.20 per brl. feb17

COAL. Sydney COAL.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. THE UNDERSIGNED—TO SUIT THE TIMES—begs to intimate to the Public, that he has opened a COAL STORE, — corner George Street and Williams Lane, where he is prepared to sell Wholesale and Retail. You can buy from 10-cs. worth to 10 Tons.

ALSO, A Cargo Afloat of a 130 Tons, Ex schooner "C. Tupper." jan26,1m,61fp

A Bazaar

OF FANCY AND USEFUL ARTICLES WILL BE held at Spaniards' Bay, in November next. Proceeds for the erection of a Methodist Parsonage. Any contributions in money or goods will be most thankfully received by any of the following Committee:— Mrs. Josiah Gosse, sr., Mrs. Henry Gosse, Mrs. Robt. Gosse, Mrs. Stephen Gosse, Mrs. Josiah Gosse, (Robt.), Mrs. Mark Gosse, Mrs. Joseph Barrett, Mrs. David Barrett, Miss Mary A. Reader, Miss Sarah Gosse, Mrs. Snowden, Mrs. Frederick Gosse, Mrs. Captain Robert Gosse, Mrs. Josiah Gosse, (Nathaniel), Mrs. Ebenezer Gosse, Mrs. Leonard Barrett, Mrs. Herbert Barrett, Mrs. William Gosse, Miss Mabel Gosse, Miss Lydia Gosse, or by

January 30 S. SNOWDEN.

Preserve: Your: Sight

by wearing the only FRANK LAZARUS, (Late of the firm of Lazarus & Morris), Renowned Spectacles and Eye Glasses.

These Spectacles and Eye Glasses have been used for the past 35 years, and given in every instance unbounded satisfaction. They are THE BEST IN THE WORLD. They never tire, and last many years without change.

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The Destiny of Newfoundl'd

is to become the Britain of America under the protecting and fostering care of the Great Dominion.

LAND IS THE BASIS OF WEALTH!

A safe and valuable investment. Substantial Christmas and New Year Presents for your wife, your boys and your girls. Don't let this opportunity go by.

FATHERS!—YOUR BOYS WANT A HOME, AND THE MOST HANDSOME, VALUABLE AND ACCEPTABLE present you can give as a Christmas box or New Year gift to your wife, your sons and daughters is a deed of a most pleasantly-situated and eligible BUILDING LOT, having a frontage of 40 feet, with a rearage of 100 feet, conveniently-situated in the suburbs of the city. The lots are neatly arranged, and handsomely and ornamentally laid out; the locality most desirable, healthy and invigorating, and the price within the means of all. Only think of it—valuable Building Lot to present to your wife, your son, or daughter as a gift on Xmas or New Year's morning. Every merchant, lawyer, doctor, professor, office-holder, clerk, tradesman, and all others, should purchase. Very accommodating terms will be given to all who may not be in a position to pay all the cash down. Buy a lot for yourself, your wife, and one for each of your children. Why not own a home of your own in this healthy, happy and prosperous island? secure your lots now—today—while cheap; a small investment that will return double the money inside of one year. The subscriber would respectfully request you to call at his office and learn of the remarkable advantages and unparalleled offers he is making the public. The office is centrally situated on Water Street, opposite R. Harvey's dry goods store, and you can come in and see us, whether you purchase or not, where all information you may require will be cheerfully given, and plans submitted for your inspection.

T. W. SPRY, Real Estate Broker.

POTATOES AND OATS.

For Sale by CLIFT, WOOD & Co.,

The cargo of the schr. "Four Brothers," from Georgetown, consisting of: 600 barrels Choice Potatoes, 400 bus. Heavy Black Oats,

produce of P. E. Island.

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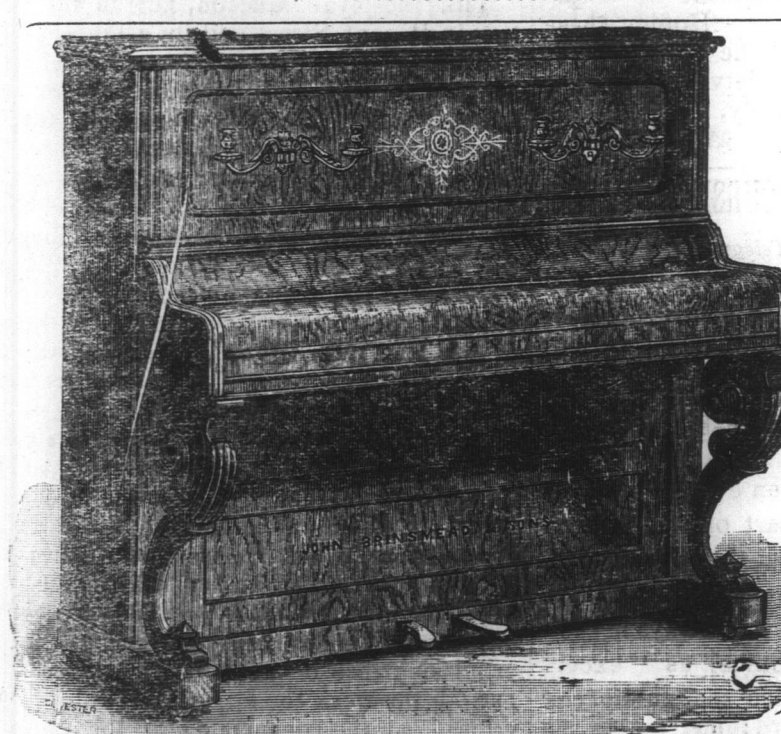
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(Continued.) CHAPTER XLVI.

The exile was over, the two years had passed, and Lord Rylestone stood once more on English soil. How long that journey over the sea had seemed to him! There were whole days when he never left the deck of the ship, feeling inclined to count the minutes as they passed by, blessing each one because it brought him nearer to her whom his soul loved best.

He smiled to himself as he wondered how he had borne parting from her. It was over now, thank Heaven—there would be no more parting for them. From the beautiful dark-eyed wife with her face of wondrous Southern loveliness he should never absent himself again. He knew she was well and happy—her letters said so; but of late he had fancied there was something more sad than usual in them, a pathetic undercurrent he could not tell of what.

It would be all over soon. His dark-eyed darling, who was so unwilling to part with him, who was so troubled at losing him, would be all his own soon. He remembered the flower-wreathed window and the darkly-beautiful, tender face that smiled at him from it. There would be no flowers on his return; they would be dead, and the long, bare stalks would be drooping. But the longed-for face would be there—the red lips with their radiant smile, the dark eyes with their passion of welcome. How slowly the vessel seemed to make her way! If he could but fly to Margarita—if he could but cleave through the air and find himself by her side! He gave a great longing sigh, and then controlled himself and thought of the window where Margarita's face, bright as a star, would be awaiting him.

He telegraphed to Marpeth as soon as he landed—'I am in London, and shall be with you in twelve hours.'

He knew that was best; it would give her time to prepare for him—to get all ready; above all, she would remember his parting words, and she would be there by the window to greet him.

How did he control his impatience? The Earl of Barton laughed at him; the porters, servants, railway officials—every one with whom he came in contact—thought he was desperately hurried. His strong frame trembled, his hands burned, his whole soul seemed swept by a fiery tide of longing impatience. He tried to calm the fever of his longing, but he was so near home how could he help it?

He was in the train at last, and the train had started for Marpeth. Steam was powerful and quick, but not so powerful as the passionate love of his passionate heart—not so quick as his fast flying thoughts. The express seemed to him to crawl. His darling would be standing at the window waiting for him. He pictured the tender curves of the lovely lips, the fire in the dark eyes, the dusky coils of shining hair; he saw her grand in her perfect womanhood; and then he started to find himself weeping like a child, and thanking Heaven that he had been spared to see her again. He heard the porter crying 'Marpeth!' and before the train had stopped he was out on the platform. No—she was not there. He had wondered if she would come, half hoping she would not, for he had fixed his whole heart on seeing her at the window.

The afternoon was drawing to a close; there was a soft, tremulous mist that grew colder as the night advanced. The air was bleak, the sky gray, save where in the dark blue a few stars were seen. Lord Rylestone walked home, leaving directions for his luggage to be sent after him—walked through the chilly, silvery mist, looking at the bare trees as he passed—walked with rapid steps, thinking only of his wife.

There was the well-known spire, there were the green lanes that he had seen a thousand times in his dreams, and there was the house where his darling was waiting for him. He stood for a few moments by the little gate, and the big, brave man, who was beginning to make for himself a better name even than the one he had inherited, grew faint and sick with the intensity of his own joy.

He raised his head reverently. 'I thank Heaven for its goodness!' he said; and then, opening the gate, he entered the grounds. Margarita did not come hastening to meet

him and to greet him light and swift as a bird, because he had asked her to be at the window, and he knew she would be there.

'Patience!' he said to his beating heart. In one more minute he would see the window—those loving, eager eyes that pierced the chill November mist, that would almost pierce the clouds if she were beyond them. A sharp cry of pain and fear came from his lips. She was not there!

The shock of the disappointment made him grow faint. He seemed to lose sight and hearing.

'My darling!' he cried, stretching out his hands to the empty window—'where is she?'

The chill mist grew denser. The wind wailed with a complaining murmur. The great branches of the trees swayed helplessly to and fro. A foreboding that had in it the bitterness of death came to him, and then he roused himself, and went forward quietly. He rapped loudly at the door, a warm, sweet hope flushing his face and making his heart beat.

She would open it, beautiful, dark-eyed Margarita! No—it was opened slowly by some woman who looked hesitatingly out into the night. Lord Rylestone recognised her as one of the servants who had been there when he left his home, and at the same moment the girl recognised him.

'Mr. Estcourt!' she exclaimed. 'I am very sorry, sir. I did not know you at first.'

'But you expected me?' he interrogated.

'No, sir,' she replied, holding the door open for him to pass; 'I did not expect you; but I am glad you are come.'

He was standing in the hall then, looking round with a blanched face and trembling lips. There was no Margarita—no wife. He spoke slowly.

'Where is your mistress?' he asked; and the girl raised a frightened face to his.

'Do you not know, sir?' she said. 'My mistress is not here. She went away very soon after you left home, and she has never returned.'

He did not cry out. A great dumb passionate sorrow seemed to have overtaken him. There was a chair near, and he sat down upon it, echoing the words slowly—

'She went away soon after I did, and she has never returned. How can that be? I have received letters from her here—Marpeth. What do you mean?'

He spoke in a strange, gasping fashion; he was bewildered. And then the girl told him all—how her mistress had found the place dull, and had gone with some friends to the sea-side.

'What friends?' he asked, brusquely.

Ellen Smith did not know. She told him how all his letters had been forwarded to the General Post-office, St. Martin's-le-Grand, London; how Mrs. Estcourt every month had sent them money for all expenses; how she always spoke of returning early in November—and he listened like one in a dream.

'I was getting very anxious and unhappy,' continued Ellen. 'It is six weeks since my mistress wrote or sent anything. The other servant who was left with me would not stay any longer. She said she was quite sure that all was not right. I would not go.'

He did not know what to say to her. He had not the faintest clue to account for Margarita's conduct; he knew nothing of her desire to know the secret of the will, of her half-jealous, morbid dread lest she had come between him and his fortune, and of her resolve, at any price and at any risk, to discover all and help him. He did not even remember that he had told her to read Miss Cameron's letters, or that one of them contained any allusion to the secret of the will. He was bewildered, and the girl looked at him with a pitying face.

'You expected to find my mistress at home, sir?' she said. 'She may come to-morrow. She knows, of course, when you were to return?'

'Yes,' he replied; 'she knew the day and the hour.' And then he asked about the telegram, and the girl brought it to him.

'I took it in, sir,' she said, 'but I did not open it.'

He tore it into shreds, the telegram that he had hoped would fill Margarita's heart with joy—tore it and trampled it under his feet—and then he sat still, as one stunned by some terrible blow. He did not know how long he had been there, when Ellen returned and said to him—

'Will you come into the drawing-room, sir? I have lit the fire and the lamps.'

He followed her into the pretty room, where he had spent such happy hours with Margarita. A low cry of intense pain came from his lips.

(To be continued.)

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The Evening Telegram.

ST. JOHN'S, FEBRUARY 25, 1888.

MR. BOND AND THE BAIT ACT.

A Weak Reply from the Government Organ.

MR. BOND's able and forcible remarks in the Assembly on Wednesday last against the Bait Act have had a stunning effect on the promoters of that ill-advised measure, both inside the House and out. He has placed the matter before the public in such a lucid and powerful light as to convince even his bitterest opponents of the folly, under existing circumstances, of interfering with either the treaty rights of the French or the vested rights of our own people on the West Coast.

More than that; he has strongly emphasized the fact that, one after another, the few privileges enjoyed by the fishing population of this colony have been gradually wrested from them by exacting monopolists, until they (the poor fishermen) are now brought to such a pass that there seems scarcely anything left to them worth working for or living for either. This is a sorry condition of things, and one that should awaken a spirit of fair play, at any rate, in the breasts of those of our legislators who know how to sympathize with the unfortunate "toiler of the sea." In no other fishing country under heaven does the fisherman receive less encouragement while pursuing his avocation than in Newfoundland; and this, too, in the face of the fact that every business in the Island depends upon the fruit of his industry for success or failure, as the case may be. Surely it is only reasonable to ask some consideration for this large and deserving—but badly abused—section of the population.

But to return to the Bait Act. The Mercury of last evening has an editorial article of nearly a column in defence of the Government's policy with respect to the said Act, and in reply to Mr. Bond's observations of Wednesday. Our contemporary's argument is very weak, if it can be regarded as argument at all. It appears to us as if he had orders to defend the Government and to attack Mr. Bond under any circumstances; and that, in obedience to said order, he endeavored to do the best he could. Much better would it have been for the Executive, had they allowed Mr. Bond's invincible speech to pass without word or comment. As it is, however, they have laid themselves open to severe criticism, and nullified any little influence their organ might have exercised in the Western and Northern districts. The truth is, not one single point made by Mr. Bond has been successfully answered in the Mercury's article.

But why wonder at this? The Government dare not enforce their unjust Bait Act in any part of the colony, especially in a district the people of which almost entirely depend upon the bait traffic for a livelihood. Furthermore, it is a gross outrage on every principle of political economy, and one which the British Government, if fully acquainted with our condition and surroundings, would never have sanctioned, or even seriously considered. The Attorney General himself now, it would seem, admits the absurdity of the measure in its present form. At all events, in reply to a question put to him last evening by Mr. Bond, he stated, with more candour than usual, that the Government would grant a "bait license" to every resident of the West coast, if applied for. This is virtually ignoring the act in its present form and carrying out a suggestion of ours at the time the measure was framed, namely: that a bill to regulate the sale of bait be passed, not to prohibit it altogether.

Directly and indirectly a sum of money equivalent to not much less than \$300,000 (THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS) is spent among the people of Fortune and St. George's Bays, by the French and Americans, every year. Both branches of the Legislature know this as well as we do; and yet they deliberately go to work and pass the insane prohibitory measure in question. What are we to think of such legislators? They cannot reasonably find fault with us for saying, in the face of such silly enactments, that they are unfit to direct the public affairs of this country.

As we have pointed out, Attorney General Winter has now been forced to realize the ridiculousness of the whole proceeding. Whether he has been induced by Mr. Chamberlain or Sir Charles Tupper to adopt this altered view of the matter, we are not in a position to determine; but certain it is that since his (Mr. W.'s) return from Washington, his expressed opinions respecting the bait question are vastly different from what they used to be.

Then, again, we learn by telegraph that the new Fisheries Treaty permits American fishermen to enjoy all the privileges they desire for the comparatively small tax of \$1.50 per ton. If this be the case, what is there to hinder them from furnishing the French with bait, in the event of the latter being shut out from their present source of supply? Why, nothing at all. But, we may be sure, the British Government will not allow any legislation to be enforced which discriminates in favor of American fishermen to the prejudice of the fishermen of France.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY NOTES.

In Privilege Over a Slander in the Government Organ.

THE 'RUPERT OF DEBATE' REPLIES.

Opposition Tactics and Speeches.

THE House met at 4.15 p.m. yesterday. Mr. Parsons rose to state a personal grievance to the House, with reference to the publication of an insulting and slanderous letter in the Mercury, which was acknowledged by Sir Robert Thorburn to be the Government organ. It is laid down in Bourinot, p. 369, viz.: "It is a common practice for members in both Houses to make personal explanations or ask questions of the Government before the orders of the day are taken up. They may make these explanations in reference to an inaccurate report of their speeches in the official record or in the newspapers, or in denial of certain charges made against them in the public prints." Mr. Bond raised this point, still the Speaker ruled that Mr. Parsons was out of order. Mr. Parsons then moved for committee of privilege and the Speaker then ordered the House to be cleared, in accordance with an old parliamentary custom which has fallen into disuse since 1845. Mr. Parsons, having been ruled out of order on this motion, then moved an adjournment, in order to give the Government an opportunity of getting a new organ. Here the Speaker again ruled him out of order. At any time a member, when the Speaker is in the chair, as he was, may move an adjournment, assigning, of course, reason for it. The Speaker then again ruled him out of order, although the proper proceeding would be for a member to get up and move that he no longer be heard, and then suffer a vote to be taken. Mr. Parsons then asked for a Committee of Privilege, which he got. We are not allowed to publish the proceedings therein, for the Government might bring an Opposition paper—bring us—before the bar of the House and have us fined. It might be remembered that, two years before, he suffered Mr. Bond to speak for an hour on a similar matter, and that last year he said he would be guided by English and Canadian practice, as against the uncodified practice of this House. The House was cleared on what Mr. Morine had named "a partisan decision and proceeding, to shield the Mercury."

After half an hour of privilege, the public were again admitted inside the doors. The chairman of committee took the chair on the address of thanks. Mr. Murphy then arose and occupied the attention of the House for an hour. He commenced at the first three paragraphs, referring to His Excellency and the reputation he had won in popular literature. He brought in some new matter on the municipal and Barcelona Exhibition paragraphs &c., and made an excellent speech, a report of which will appear on Monday.

Hon. Mr. Goodridge then replied, defending the policy of the Government over coastal steam arrangements, Bait Bill, Placentia Railway, and the Barcelona exhibits. Some interesting intellectual passages of arms took place between the honorable gentleman and Mr. Morine. Some references were made to Sir Wm. Whiteway. The reporters of Mr. Morine made a point against the Government by showing that they had offered him (Sir William) the high position of Chief Justice as a mark of confidence in him. When Mr. Goodridge sat down Mr. Morine arose and made every position taken by that gentleman untenable.

The amendment moved by Mr. Bond, owing to our limited space, is crowded out till Monday; also the fight between Mr. Morris and Mr. Parsons, and the report of debate on the sealing bill.

The House was filled all through with an attentive audience, who laughed heartily and rendered spontaneous applause to the hits scored against the Government.

After tea the ritualistic candles threw their soft effulgence over the apostolic beard of "His Honor the Speaker." Here we might mention the absence from the House of Messrs. Carty, Veitch, March, Hutchings and Emerson, and all the members of the Executive, with the exception of Hon. Mr. Penny, during the greater part of the debate. If they were discharging their duty towards their constituents they would have been in their places. At 12 o'clock the House adjourned till Monday at 4 o'clock.

The following are the names of the ten lucky men (not twelve, as stated by a contemporary) who won the \$750 in the Louisiana Lottery, viz.: Messrs. Ed. T. Barter, L. Thorburn, M. O'Farrell, Michael Power, Michael Condon, Jas. J. Tobin, Thos. Baker, J. T. Phelan, Captain English, M. J. Kelly.

NAMES of passengers per S.S. "Portia" for Halifax.—F. W. Finlay and wife, W. J. Kenny, John Omond. For New York.—E. Rothwell.

ANNUAL MEETING

Of the Catholic Benevolent Irish Society.

THE annual general meeting of this society was held, according to rule, on the 10th inst., in the Total Abstinence Hall. The roll having been called, and other usual business disposed of, the following report was submitted:—

Report of the Officers of the Catholic Benevolent Irish Society for the Year Ending February 10th, 1888.

The officers of the Catholic Benevolent Irish Society, in accordance with the rules, beg to lay before you their report of its transactions for the past year.

In doing so, we have much pleasure in being able to congratulate the society on the creditable state of its finances, as shown by the treasurer's account now on the table, and also on the large accession to its ranks, twelve members being added to the roll during the past year.

On March 17th, the Festival of St. Patrick, the members of the society, having been previously notified by public advertisement, assembled at the Total Abstinence Hall. Having donned their regalia, the society, headed by their Bands walked in procession through the town and attended the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, celebrated by the Rev. John Roe. After mass the society, having reformed, marched to the Episcopal residence. Here the Band entertained the clergy with appropriate airs; after which cheers were given for His Lordship the Bishop and the clergy. Then, having marched around the palace grounds, they proceeded up Harvey street, down Noad street, to the hall and disbanded.

The sum placed at the disposal of the committee of charity was disbursed in accordance with your resolution.

We are happy to state that the band is progressing favorably under the able teaching of Prof. Patrick Cramm.

With deep sorrow, we record the death of two worthy members, namely, Michael Fitzgerald and James Walsh.

In conclusion, we desire to thank you for your prompt attendance at all meetings and for your hearty co-operation in carrying on the business of the society.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH INNOT, President,
JOHN R. KENNEDY, Secretary.

The business of the year being thus completed, the officers vacated their seats and Capt. Isaac Pumphrey was called to the chair to preside over the election of officers for the ensuing year. Capt. James Deady acted as secretary. The following are the officers of the society for the coming year:—

Mr. Joseph Innot, re-elected, President; Capt. Wm. Hennessy, re-elected, Vice-President; Mr. Jas. Callanan, re-elected, 1st. Asst. V.P.; Mr. Thomas Cody, re-elected, 2nd Asst. V.P.; Mr. Thos. Strapp, re-elected, Treasurer; Capt. Isaac Pumphrey, elected, Assistant Treasurer; Mr. John P. Kennedy, re-elected, Secretary; Captain Michael O'Brien, elected, Asst. Secretary; Mr. William Scully, re-elected, Financial Secretary; Mr. Phillip Colbert, re-elected, Chairman Committee of Charity; Mr. Daniel Kennedy, re-elected, Chairman Review and Correspondence; Mr. Patrick Moriarty, elected, Chief Marshal; Mr. Kennedy Thomey, elected, Asst. Marshal. COMMITTEE OF CHARITY.—Messrs. Phillip Colbert, (chairman), Richard Lahey, John Lahey, sr., Kennedy Thomey, John Cody, Stephen Shea, Timothy Kelly and John Sheridan.

COMMITTEE OF REVIEW AND CORRESPONDENCE.—Messrs. Robert Lahey and Edward Daley. BAND COMMITTEE.—Messrs. Wm. Hennessy, James Callanan, Thos. Strapp; Phillip Colbert, Pat. Moriarty, Daniel Kennedy, and John P. Kennedy.

The officers-elect then took their places and a vote of thanks was given to Capt. Isaac Pumphrey for his readiness in taking the chair, and for the able manner he discharged the duties thereof. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:—

Resolved,—That the society hereby expresses its sympathy with the relatives of members deceased during the past year.

Resolved,—That the editors of the H. G. Standard, and the EVENING TELEGRAM and Colonist, of St. John's, are entitled to our best thanks for publishing our reports gratuitously. Meeting adjourned.

JOSEPH INNOT, President,
JOHN P. KENNEDY, Secretary.
Harbor Grace, Feb. 22, 1888.

THE Total Abstinence Society's band of music did some creditable practice work on Thursday night; their rendering of the "Dear Little Shamrock" was well done and denoted what first-class music they could charm us with if the full corps would but work together frequently. Nothing in the world is finer than the interpretation of an operatic overture by a good brass band of say eight or ten dozen players, supported by three or four leading reed instruments. The soft flute notes of the latter impart a luxurious mellowness to the combined harmony, which makes the multitude of all degrees stand still and listen. Of course to execute an operatic overture means hard work for each member of the band, but the satisfaction of being able to produce these beautiful pieces more than compensates for all the trouble they cost.

The steamer "Curlew" arrived between 4 and 5 o'clock this morning from the Westward, having had pretty fair weather on the whole. The steamer reports nothing of interest, however; the winter cod-fishery about Channel has yielded good fares the past two weeks, and the boat brought on several consignments of frozen fresh cod and halibut. A large quantity of venison has also been received by her. She brought a few passengers, amongst them being one of the tidewaiters sent to the South-West Coast for the alleged purpose of repressing smuggling; the remainder of the Customs' contingent are continued on duty there over the winter. "Qui bono?"

SOME TIMELY SUGGESTIONS.

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—It may not be out of place, much less injudicious, to make a few remarks just at this time concerning the position of the time-honored and esteemed Irish Society. The reports of both sections, adult and junior, are indeed flattering, and show good work for the year ending to date; but a fair exterior oftentimes hides a heart ill at ease and a disarranged interior. It does not look healthy to see four efficient officers, having the fullest confidence of their brother members, resign without provocation. It is easy to trace the cause. The society is hampered with a big debt and no effort is being made towards liquidation. At the last meeting the word bazaar was mooted, which sent a shiver through some of those present—not, indeed, through all—for there were those present who talk without acting, who are never seen in a bazaar-room, no matter how laudable the purpose. Considering our bazaar experience, it would be the height of folly to venture one for St. Patrick's Hall. It would not, or could not, be reasonably patronized by the cents and dimes of the poor, whose poverty precludes the golden opportunity of a sound christian education. The well-to-do, likewise, will be very chary of their patronage, and will easily find reasons to excuse their non-attendance. It is a well-known fact that certain parents refuse their children to join the juvenile society, though they enjoy the benefits of the institution. What can you expect from such in time of a bazaar? Independent of all this, to my mind, a bazaar is the most extravagant way to raise funds, especially in a small community where the donors become of necessity the purchasers. It would be far better to hand over to the treasurer of the society the outlay made in purchasing bazaar goods, many of which do little more than realize first cost. What, then, you will say, is to be done? It may be permitted to make the following suggestions: First, curtail all expenses; the hall and schools have been well fitted up. Let them bear their own expenses until the debt is paid. The four hundred pupils attending school can well afford to pay for their own coal and school repairs. Let all the proceeds of both societies be given to payment of interest and debt. There is no reason why the beautiful hall might not be utilized to "raise the wind" by means of entertainments.

Moreover, every year let us have a collection or tax of some kind. The members themselves will contribute according to their means, as I am sure will also the many friends of the institute, whose children are educated gratis. It is high time to do something. The officers should mean work and not be resigning at the time their services and influence are needed. Every member should take a more lively interest in affairs, and management by clique ought to be a thing of the past. Hoping these few suggestions may avail the oldest, most honorable and benevolent society,

I remain, yours truly,
A MEMBER.
St. John's, Feb. 25, '88.

GIVE OUR SEALERS EXCURSION FARES.

Editor Evening Telegram.

DEAR SIR,—Aware of your never-tiring zeal in advocating the cause of the poor fisherman, I deem the present an opportune time to call your attention, as well as that of the railway management, to the facts and suggestions hereinafter contained.

That there has always been evinced a laudable disposition on the part of the railway authorities, not alone to meet the convenience, but pleasures of the public, goes without saying—such as setting apart certain days in each week during the summer months, as "excursion days," or days on which the public can travel by train for half fare; but up to the present time, as far as I can learn, they (the railway authorities) have never made the least allowance in fares to the thousands of our poor fishermen who ride over their road every Spring going to and returning from the seal fishery. Now, this is not as it should be by any means, and does not seem to be in keeping with that spirit of "square dealings" for which the worthy manager is proverbial.

During the week or ten days before the day of steamers sailing, the cars are "packed" every day with hundreds of our hardy, but impoverished, fishermen, going to St. John's from this and Trinity Bay, nine-tenths of whom, doubtless, having had to borrow their railway fare. The only "accommodation" I ever knew to be extended to them was the "luxury" of riding in an "open excursion car," with the privilege of freezing to death.

Come, come, Manager Saville, put a stop to this outrage, and set apart at least one week before day of sailing, as the "sealers' excursion week." Give them "half-fare" rides going to St. John's, and who knows but they may make enough this Spring to pay a full fare home.

Yours, &c.,
FEB. 25, 1888. CONCEPTION BAY.

A CHARMING programme is in course of preparation for the Athenæum concert on Monday evening.

SEVERAL interesting articles on current topics are unavoidably crowded out of to-day's paper, and must stand over till next week.

THE brigantine Scotia, with part cargo of merchandise from Liverpool to Messrs. J. & W. Stewart, is the only arrival since yesterday.

By Telegraph

HALIFAX, N.S., Feb. 25.

The Republican party maintain that the treaty leaves United States fishermen worse off than before.

Government procedure rules have been adopted by the British House of Commons. It is proposed to meet at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and close at one in the morning. Gladstone assisted the Government in passing this measure.

A Liberal-Unionist has been elected for Doncaster, defeating the Gladstonian. At Ennis, Lloyd, the English Home Rule delegate, has been imprisoned for inciting tenants not to pay rents.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)

CAPE RACE, This Evening.

A strong northerly breeze, with fine weather, has been blowing all day. The steamer Curlew passed inward at 9.30 last night.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)

CHANNEL, This Afternoon.

A strong northwest breeze is blowing here to-day, and the fishing ground is free from ice; but there are only a few skiffs out. Our men are chopping the ice out of the harbor. Schooner holders have commenced sheathing their vessels for the sealing voyage.

THE SKATING RACE LAST NIGHT.

THE skating race in the Parade Rink last evening was an immense success. The gathering of spectators was little inferior to the throng which crowded the place at the last carnival in the same rink, and the majority of spectators appeared to have been attracted rather more from the social aspect of the occasion than from the spectacle of the race proper. The gallery was quite filled with promenaders; mutual recognitions and animated *tele-a-tetes* were the "order of the day" in this quarter. There was some little delay in getting the racers together, but once away they contested every one of the ninety circles, which made the six-mile course, in good and gamy style. The leader and winner, N. Snow, skated in truly splendid and graceful form; he skated from the hips, and his slightest movement brought his whole frame in unison together, every part contributing to the making of grand speed. He completed the six miles in thirty-seven minutes and fifty-six seconds. As showing the ease and confidence of his work, the uniformity of time in which he made each mile is a test, as follows: 1st mile, 4.30; 2nd, 4.40; 3rd, 4.45; 4th, 4.40; 5th, 4.38; 6th, 4.43; total, 27.56. The contest for second place was very close and stubborn, there being only five seconds difference in time between the second and third competitor. A. Moore gained the 2nd prize, in 29m.; and A. Smallwood the 3rd, in 29.05. Messrs. J. L. Noonan, Jr., M. K. Greene, J. C. Strang and A. Duffy were the judges. The band subsequently discoursed a selection of very sweet waltzes, and when the race was over hundreds of spectators joined in skating.

THE Wesleyan Mission, now in full operation in Regent Street and its neighborhood, is a striking indication of the disposition to adopt new and more aggressive methods of evangelisation. In Manchester the transformation of one of the old chapels into a new centre of activity has been productive of great good. In London this effort to establish a mission in the heart of the West has long been a subject of anxious consideration. A commencement was made by securing St. James's Hall for Sunday services, under the direction of the Rev. Mark Guy Pearce and the Rev. Hugh Price Hughes. The innovations include both string and brass bands. The sermons and addresses given have varied in style and subject, and included topics of present-day interest, with the aim to present the teachings of Christ in their application to social as well as personal needs. Large assemblies have gathered, including many who might otherwise have attended no place of worship, and every Sunday many have come forward professing their desire to begin a religious life. During the week the adjacent Wardour Hall is utilised, by the concurrence of the Congregationalists, for various religious meetings. Every Saturday evening there is a free concert. The schoolroom beneath is now opened as a dining-room for working-men. In addition, a house has been taken as a home for the lady workers; another is to be set apart for the men engaged in the mission. A vigorous organisation is being prepared, and it will be used in patient and prayerful effort, not only to arouse the thousands from indifference, but to grapple with the vices which make this district their headquarters.—Sunday at Home.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

SUNDAY, Feb. 26.
GOWER-STREET METHODIST CHURCH.—At 11 A.M. Rev. G. Boyd; at 6.30 P.M., Rev. W. Graham.
COCHRAN-STREET METHODIST CHURCH.—At 11 A.M. Rev. J. E. Manning; at 6.30 P.M. Rev. G. Boyd.
GEORGE-STREET METHODIST CHURCH.—At 11 A.M. Rev. J. Parkins; at 6.30 P.M., Rev. G. J. Bond, B.A.
ALEXANDER-STREET METHODIST CHURCH.—At 11 A.M., Rev. Geo. J. Bond, B.A.; at 6.30 P.M., Rev. J. E. Manning.
ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—At 11 A.M. Rev. W. Graham; at 6.30 P.M., Rev. J. Parkins.
QUEEN'S ROAD CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.—At 11 A.M. and 6.30 P.M., Rev. T. Hodgkinson.
REFORMED CHURCH OF ENGLAND—TRINITY CHURCH.—At 11 A.M. and at 6.30 P.M., Rev. A. N. Suckling.
GOSPEL TEMPERANCE SERVICE in Buchanan Street Schoolroom every Sunday at 3 P.M. All are cordially invited.

BIRTH.

On the 22nd inst., the wife of John Lewis, of a son. On the 19th inst., at Forest Row, Forest Road, the wife of William Hamlyn, of a son.

DIED.

At Fredericton, N.B., Patrick W., fourth son of Catherine and the late Florence Cantwell, of St. John's, Nfld. This morning, after a short illness, borne with Christian resignation to the Divine Will, Patrick Kenny, (farmer) aged 65 years. Funeral on Monday next, at 2.30 p.m., from his late residence, Portugal Cove Road; friends and acquaintances are respectfully requested to attend.

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