

# THE EVENING TELEGRAM.

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## By Telegraph

### Meeting of Dominion Parliament.

### CONDITION OF THE CROWN PRINCE.

### A Clergyman and Eight Farmers Imprisoned.

### DEATH OF A GRANDSON OF EMPEROR WILLIAM.

### The "Newfoundland" Arrives at Halifax.

HALIFAX, N.S., Feb. 24.

The Dominion Parliament met yesterday. The Governor-General's speech expresses satisfaction with the Fisheries Treaty.

The Nova Scotia Legislature met yesterday. Symptoms indicate that the Crown Prince is better.

Father Kennedy and eight farmers at New Market, Ireland, have been sentenced to two months' imprisonment, for attending a meeting of a suppressed branch of the National League.

Prince Louis, grandson of the Emperor William, is dead, aged twenty-two.

The steamer *Newfoundland* arrived from St. John's last night.

### FROM CAPE RACE.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)

#### CAPE RACE, This Evening.

Wind northwest, blowing a stiff breeze and weather fine. Nothing has been signalled since last report.

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Auction—prime fresh beef, etc.....James Hynes  
Auction—beef, mutton, etc.....Dryer & Greene  
Auction—apples, oranges, etc.....Jas Murray  
Auction—beef, mutton, etc.....J. & W. Pitts  
Auction—beef, mutton, etc.....J. B. Curran & Co  
Auction—beef, mutton, etc.....at Mrs. G. L. Walsh's  
Oysters (fresh), fruit, etc.....at Geo. E. Bearns  
Turkey and cranberry sauce, etc.....Geo. E. Bearns  
Schooner for sale.....Clift, Wood & Co  
Turkeys, geese and ducks.....Dryer & Greene  
Bargains in dry goods.....at the sign of the Star  
Choice turkeys.....J. & W. Pitts  
Readings and music.....Athenaeum Hall  
House to let.....apply to Shannon M. Clift

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.**  
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**"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.  
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OUR SHILLING TEA [1s. per pound] is the best Tea for the price this market affords. It can be had in chests of 60-lbs. for \$12 (twelve dollars) per chest. Better TEA at correspondingly low prices. The envy of all tea-men in Terra Nova. Caddies of 20-lbs. for \$6 [six dollars] per caddy. Address **MCBRIDE'S HILL** or **BROOKING'S**.  
jan24,fp,coad JAMES MURRAY.

### AUCTION SALES.

To-Morrow, Saturday, at 11 o'clock,  
ON THE WHARF OF

### Jas. & Wm. Pitts,

40 qtrs Prime Fresh BEEF.  
50 pcs Prime Fresh BEEF.  
50 pcs Prime Fresh MUTTON  
Smoked HAMS & JOWLS  
3 barrels CARROTS.  
2 barrels BEET.  
50 tubs N. S. BUTTER.  
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To-Morrow, Saturday, at 11 o'clock,  
By JAMES HYNES,

(At his Rooms, opposite Messrs. Job, Brothers & Co.)  
200 pcs Beef and Mutton,  
50 TUBS BUTTER, 10 BRLS. PORK TRIMMINGS, 10 BRLS. JOWLS, 3 BRLS. PIG'S HEADS, 10 lbs biscuits, 5 brls Pilot biscuits, 3 brls fresh fish, 1 bread wagon  
And at 12 o'clock,  
100 dozen CABBAGE.  
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To-Morrow, Saturday, at 11 o'clock,  
AT THE CITY AUCTION-SALE ROOMS,

250 pcs. ch. Beef and Mutton  
30 DOZEN CABBAGE, 25 TUBS BUTTER, 2 cases pickles, 1 brl lamp chimnies, 3 brls codfish, 2 brls fresh herring, 3 stoves, lot funnelling, men's referees, pants, vests, &c., 2 couches, chairs, tables and lot sundries.  
feb24 JOHN B. CURRAN & Co., Auctioneers.

To-Morrow, Saturday, at 11 o'clock,  
BY

### DRYER & GREENE,

55 qtrs Fresh Beef,  
21 QRS FRESH MUTTON, 20 TUBS BUTTER, 20 lbs raisins, 11 cases silver-plated onions, 22 cases oranges, 25 brls apples, 7 brls sugar, 2 double ploughs, 1 single ditto.  
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### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

#### AUCTION SALES.

To-Morrow, Saturday, at 12 o'clock,  
By JAMES HYNES,

(At his Rooms, opposite Messrs. Job, Brothers & Co.)  
50 qtrs Prime Fresh BEEF.  
10 carcasses MUTTON.  
1 barrel TURKEYS.  
12 pairs DUCKS—Ex S. S. "Portia,"  
from Halifax.  
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#### WITHOUT RESERVE.

To-Morrow, Saturday, at 12 o'clock,  
On McBRIDE'S HILL,

40 Barrels Nova Scotia Apples,  
WITHOUT RESERVE. AFTER WHICH:  
10 Cases ORANGES.  
10 Cases ONIONS.  
feb24 JAS MURRAY.

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. R. 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: 348 Duckworth St. And Real Estate Broker, opp. Fishermen & Sailors' Home.  
feb14,fp or, JAMES R. COLLINS, Executor, 159 Duckworth Street.

### The Annual Public Meeting

—OF THE—

Friends and Supporters of the Church of England Orphanage will be held in the SYNOD HALL, on TUESDAY, Feb. 28th, at 8 p.m.  
His Excellency the Governor will preside.  
HENRY DUNFIELD,  
Hon. Secretary.  
feb23,3fp,1ft

### 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.  
feb23,fp

### OATS, OATS.

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

### Prime Fat Beef, Hay, &c.

Now landing, ex "Mary E. Bliss," from Halifax, and for sale by

### JAS. & WM. PITTS,

897 bales Prime Hay.  
72 qtrs Prime Fresh Beef.  
2 casks Prime Fresh Beef  
1 car. Prime Fresh Pork.  
317 pieces Deal, 4 brls Corned Beef.  
feb20,fp

### Fresh Fish

JUST IN TIME FOR LENT!  
Just received, per "Curlew" from Channell,  
Six Cases FRESH FROZEN CODFISH,  
Two Cases FRESH HALIBUT,  
for sale, wholesale and retail, at Brooking's.  
feb15,fp JAS. MURRAY.

### NOTICE to Owners of BANKERS AND OTHERS.

THE SUBSCRIBER OFFERS FOR SALE OR HIRE, A

(Fee-Simple) Waterside Premises,

at Old Perlican; frontage 102 feet, with a good Beach and a Large Store on the same, and the adjoining enclosed 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,  
39 Cook's Town,  
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### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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

feb23,5fp JOHN P. SHEA.

FOR SUNDAY'S DINNER:

### GEORGE E. BEARNS:

Turkey and Cranberry Sauce

Also—APPLES - - - 10 and 15-cts. per doz.  
Sweet ORANGES - - - 20-cts. per doz.  
Halifax SAUSAGES - - - 18-cts. per lb.  
Bologna SAUSAGES - - - 20-cts. per lb.  
Fresh BUTTER - - - 30-cts. per lb.  
AND, FROZEN FISH.  
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At the Star of the West.

GREATEST BARGAINS ever offered TO THE PUBLIC

### SALE OF DRY GOODS

To-Morrow and Monday.

## Turkeys, Geese, Ducks, Fowl.

SMOKE "SOUTHDOWN": FINEST BLACK TOBACCO IN THE WORLD

## KENNEDY & COMPY,

207 Water Street.

## 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,

181 WATER STREET.

## Six-Mile SKATING Match.

PARADE RINK, THIS (FRIDAY) EV'G, FEB. 24th.

A SIX-MILE SKATING MATCH will take place at the Parade Rink, this FRIDAY EV'G, Feb. 24th, (ice permitting), under the auspices of Professor Bennett's Band. Race to start at 8 o'clock, sharp. 1st prize \$10, 2nd \$6, 3rd \$4. The following are the names of contestants:—A. Smallwood, N. Snow, M. Martin, A. Moore, J. Scully. Admission: Spectators 10-cts, Skaters 20-cts. Book tickets also admissible. General skating after the race is finished. The next GRAND CAENIVAL will take place at the Parade Rink, on THURSDAY, 1st March. Particulars later on.  
The Ice in the Parade Rink is now in perfect condition. The best sheet of Ice for the season; and New Music by Band every Evening. DON'T MISS IT!  
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## CANADIAN LAMB.

JUST RECEIVED, PER S.S. "NEWFOUNDLAND," AND FOR SALE BY

## JAS. & WM. PITTS,

## CHOICE CANADIAN LAMB

### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## 12 brls FRESH OYSTERS

5 Days out of the Water, (by "Portia" from New York.)

ALSO: APPLES, ORANGES, Lemons, Grapes, Dates, and a fine assortment PURE New York Confectionery:—Caramels, Cream Sticks, Nugget Mixed, Chocolate Creams, Chocolate Tablets, Burnt Almonds, Sugar Almonds, Counter Creams, Gum Drops, Fig Paste; Fresh Sausages from Mann's every morning.  
At Mrs. C. WALSH'S,  
102 and 104 Water Street.  
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### House To Let.

TO LET: No. 3, Park Place, Rennie's Mill Road. Supplied with all conveniences: GAS, WATER, &c.

Unexpired term of Lease: 3 years, from May 1st, 1888.

For further particulars, apply to  
SHANNON M. CLIFT.  
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## TURKEYS

Ex "Newfoundland."

For Sale by Jas. & Wm. Pitts,

—A FEW VERY CHOICE—

## TURKEYS.

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## ATHENÆUM - READINGS.

Music: Vocal and Instrumental,

AT THE ATHENÆUM HALL, on MONDAY, Feb. 27.

Doors open at a quarter past seven; chair to be taken at 8 o'clock. Numbered Reserved Seats 20 cents; to be had at the Library. General Admission 10 cents.  
(By order.)  
J. J. FLANNERY, Secretary.  
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### Banking Schr. For Sale.

FOR SALE,  
—The fast-sailing Schooner—

## S. A. B.

51 Tons burthen per register; 34-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.  
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### FOR SALE.

BY DRYER & GREENE,  
Fresh Turkeys, Geese & Ducks  
feb24 PER S.S. "PORTIA."

## THE ANNUAL TEA MEETING,

in connection with the

## CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH,

will be held in the basement of Church, Queen's Road,

On WEDNESDAY, Feb. 29th,

Tea on Tables at 6.30 p.m.

The Ladies have decided to enter themselves, and nothing has been left undone on the part of the committee to make it a grand success.  
Tickets 40 cts. each, to be had at the shops of Mrs. J. H. Martin, Mrs. Murray (West End), Mr. G. Langmead and J. H. Martin & Co.  
feb20,m,w,f F. MARTIN, Sec. Com.



## Direct Steam from Liverpool

FIRST-CLASS, FULL-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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WANTED:  
By a gentleman—THREE UNFURNISHED ROOMS, with board and attendance. Address—  
P. O. Box, 844.  
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WANTED:  
In a family of two, a good general servant; references required; apply at this office. feb23,fp

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On Sale by Wm. Campbell, 25 DORIES

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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.

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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.

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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.

He also agrees to take, in exchange for Lime, PRODUCE OF ALL KINDS, at market rates, from the coming season's crop, to be delivered at his Store, in St. John's, at the end of the season.

John Score.

The Newfoundland Consolidated Foundry Co., Limited,

Patterns for Grave & Garden Railings, & for Cresting of Houses,

J. ANGEL, Manager.

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. These apples are of very superior quality, barrels being marked A. S. Harris.

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

FRESH CODFISH

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

6 Brls. Choice Fresh CODFISH, Carefully packed in ice. febr15 J. B. CURRAN & Co.

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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.

We were speeding eastward across the plains. We had watched the sun drop down behind the mountains, lighting with his farewell glow the snowy crests long after the plains were covered with gray shadows. Then the stars came out and the feeling of isolation which the dull unbroken distance of the great unclouded vault closing evenly down on every side produced, crept over us and we drew away from the window to escape its curious irksomeness. It was Christmas week, and a little company, strangers to each other a few hours before, but drawn together by that very sense of isolation which the desert brings, gathered in the smoking-saloon. With the freedom which characterizes the great West, we were soon acquainted, and the conversation naturally turned upon the season and the personal experience of the various individuals connected with the Christmas time. They were representatives of almost every part of the country, together with some whose memories held quaint pictures of the season of good-will in other lands. There were tales of homes and friends and quaint adventure. There were few silences, for each one's story seemed to awaken an echo in every other mind, and that one who chanced first to begin went on with a new episode of the universal epic.

I do not remember now that there were any acts of notable benevolence recounted, but there were many quaint incidents and some serious adventures. Curiously enough, there was no boasting. One told how he had gone a long way, when an awkward lad, to carry a present to his boy love. She was the daughter of rich parents, and his heart beat furiously at the thought of his presumption, but he trudged on only to find the windows of her father's house all aglow and a gay company gathered within. When he mustered courage to ring the bell and ask for her he was bidden to wait in the hall, where she came to him in the dazzling radiance of her party attire, and when he stated his errand, stood smiling upon him, a very angel as he thought, while he sought in every pocket for the gift which was the result of months of self-denial. It was gone. He had lost it on the way, but dare not confess the fact. After vain searching he looked at her in blank despair, only to see that she divined his misfortune and pitied his distress.

'Never mind,' she said, putting her little gloved hand on his rough sleeve and glancing quickly toward the closed door, 'never mind, some other time will do.'

She was leaning toward him; her rosy lips were in easy reach; he thought there was no time like the present, and kissed them twice before they could be withdrawn. His audacity had its reward, and when he drew from his pocket the likeness of a beautiful woman and passed it around with the simple words, 'My wife, gentlemen,' none of us wondered that the time brought back to him the memory of the gift he lost and the treasure he found that night.

One of the party had been lost in a storm—an Australian blizzard, and blinded by the wind and numb with cold, had staggered on, thinking he heard the bells of his English home pealing the Christmas chimes, to find himself, when the morning came, in a sheepfold, saved by the warmth of the innocent creatures who had crowded about him to shelter themselves.

There were some curious stories of the supernatural, but the one that impressed me most was told by a quiet, common-place-looking man who had been up to this time a silent

listener. It was getting late, and the porter had more than once intimated that the rules of the Pullman Car Company required him to put out the light in the saloon, and finding it impossible to effect our dislodgements had relapsed into a contented auditor. His eyes were still distended at the ghostly narrative we had just heard, when the gentleman I have alluded to said in a tone of positive conviction: 'Well, gentlemen, you may say what you like, but I, for one, firmly believe that around Christmas time we poor mortals are allowed to come nearer to the Infinite than on any other time.'

'Bless God!' said the porter, 'I don't want to come no nearer. I 'se nigh enuff, I is.'

'Well,' said the gentleman whose remark had provoked this sally, when the laugh that followed it had subsided, 'it may surprise you to have me say so, but I am satisfied that all these stories and traditions of supernatural occurrences on that night of the year are not altogether without foundation. I am not particularly religious, though I always wish I were about Christmas time, and do not think I am inclined to be superstitious. I have no skill in story-telling, but if you will allow me to relate a little incident I think you will confess I am not exactly without reason for the belief I have expressed.'

There was a universal murmur of assent. Cigars were relighted and every one settled himself to hear the stranger's narrative.

'Fore God,' said the porter, who was peering in above the heads of those who sat above the door, 'I 'se gwine ter git away from heah. I don't want ter heah enny mo' ghos' stories, no how.'

We laughed again as he darted along the passage toward the front of the car. As I was seated on the side next to this passage I soon heard him stealing back, and before the narrator was well started in his story I caught sight of the dusky face peering cautiously in at the door.

'In the winter of 1862,' the gentleman began, 'I was one of the line officers of a volunteer regiment in the Army of the Cumberland. The army was lying about Nashville, Tenn., with Bragg, some thirty miles away at Murfreesboro. About the twentieth of that month our outposts had been pushed forward on the road to Murfreesboro, the right and left a little refused and our rear protected by the Cumberland river. It was pretty generally understood that there would be a fight or a foot-race in the neighborhood of Tullahoma, where the Confederates held a strong position, which was supposed to be well fortified, as, indeed, it would have been had General Bragg learned the lesson he was taught soon after a little earlier. We were about in the centre, and those of us who had gotten over the idea that warfare was a holiday business, as most of us had, for our division was on the left at Perryville and was roughly halved there, were beginning to forecast our part in the coming conflict with something like trepidation. On that day I was unexpectedly called upon to act as Assistant Adjutant-General on the staff of the Colonel commanding the brigade, and the next day we received orders to be ready to march without baggage, except two tents for the brigade headquarters. Where we were to go we had no idea—that is the troops had not—the Colonel commanding and his Assistant Adjutant-General being the only ones intrusted with that knowledge. In the early morning we passed through the silent camp, to the sleeping city, crossed the river and by sunrise had made a good half-day's march to the south-eastward. The Colonel was proud of the locomotive power of his men and never missed an opportunity to display it. It had snowed all the morning and what with the cold, and the snow and the uncertainty in regard to their destination, the soldiers were in that most unpleasant of all conditions of mind, a mixture of apprehension and discomfort.

'Where were we going?' was the universal query. Of course, I pleaded ignorance. The Colonel refused to give information and nobody else knew.

'As we bore steadily to the northward opinions varied as to whether we were sent in pursuit of Morgan, who was threatening our communication, or were to turn the right flank of the enemy. After a little the route became rough and our course changed to different points of the compass so often that the speculation upon the subject at length ceased. The enemy seemed to have been in a like quandary respecting our movements, which we suppose was exactly what our commanding General desired.'

(To be Continued.)

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To Let,

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FOR SALE,

A Black Mare,

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Now landing, ex s.s. "Newfoundland," 50 tubs choice

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A Cargo Afloat of a 130 Tons,

Ex schooner "C. Tupper." jan26,1m,61p PTK. BUCKLEY.

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Renowned Spectacles & Eye Glasses.

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Mary Elliot by C. D. Bell
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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 S. & A. Warner
The Gold of Chicaree by Alice Gray
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Holden with the Cards by the author of Queechy
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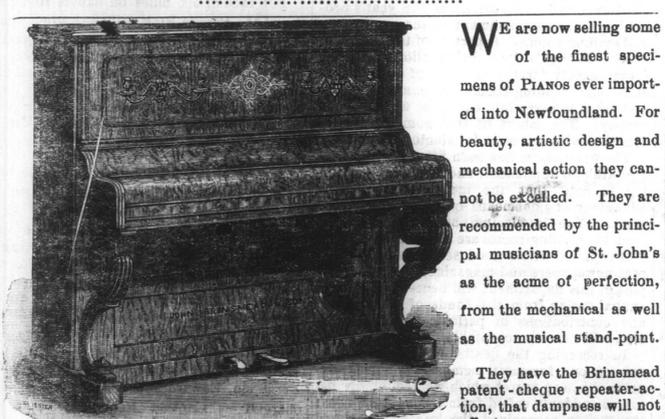
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CHAPTER XLV. (Continued.)

'You would like to return to Walton Court,' he said, 'and get anything belonging to you? You will not think of living there again?'

Return to where she had suffered? Go back to the place where the will lay with its secret—back to the house of the husband she had disgraced? No, never! She would die a hundred deaths first. She would go far away. She would go where never a familiar face was to be seen—into the world of strangers. She looked at the lawyer. Keen and shrewd as he was, he seemed to become insignificant as the beautiful face with its calm expression of despair was turned toward him.

'You have charged me with theft,' she said. 'I told you I was innocent; I swore to you that I was not guilty. You would not believe me. You have done that which will cloud my whole life and darken it. I will hold no communication with you, I will speak no further word to you; but I pray Heaven to judge you as you have judged me.'

Her voice was calm and passionless, but there was something in the tone which thrilled the very hearts of these present.

Mr. Beale held up his hand with a warning gesture. 'Hush!' he said. 'These are terrible words. I have acted for the best—I have done what I thought right.'

She did not repeat them. Mrs. Grame turned to her. 'I will attend to all your things,' she said. 'If you do not like to return to the Court, I will have them all prepared, and send them to you.'

Margarita made no reply, but her dark eyes lingered for half a minute on the housekeeper's face, leaving in that estimable lady's mind a conviction that she was not considered of the least importance, and then Miss Cameron's companion turned away.

Mr. Layston spoke to her—she did not hear or heed. The door was opened, and she went slowly out. They watched her with an uncomfortable feeling.

'It is hard for her if we have been mistaken,' said Mr. Beale.

'How could any one be mistaken who saw her at the safe?' asked Mrs. Grame, indignantly. 'She is guilty enough, but she has more effrontery than most people.'

In silence Margarita walked out of the house, and, as she passed over the threshold, she said to herself:

'This is my tomb. Here I have left my youth, my love, my hope, my fair name—here the best part of me has been killed.'

She went on through the park without any definite idea as to where she was going. She was beginning to lose the power of connecting her thoughts. The one idea that haunted her was that after this disgrace Lord Rylestone could never own her as his wife.

'I have brought it all upon myself,' she said; 'but I was acting for him.'

The sun was shining now in its full noontide splendor; great clusters of blackberries were on the hedges; the autumn morning was fair and pleasant, but she walked through it without glancing around her. Once she did wonder whether she was going—whether her uncertain, trembling footsteps would lead her; she could not tell. Never would she return to Walton Court, where the beautiful heiress lived who had her husband's money, and who loved him—never would she return there again.

She would walk on, she said to herself, until from sheer fatigue she fell and could walk no further. So she proceeded along through the high road and over the fields, past quiet little homesteads where the rooks were cawing in the trees and the gleaners were busy in the cornfields; and as she walked the burning pain that seemed to hold her head like an iron crown grew worse. Presently a red mist came before her eyes; there was a murmur as of rushing waters in her ears; and then she turned aside from the high-road into a green lane that was in summer filled with wild roses and woodbine. She never remembered very clearly what followed. The earth and sky seemed to meet. She caught at the trunk of a tree, and tried to steady herself, and then she gave a great frightened cry—the shadows of evening were falling, she was all alone, and death

seemed so near—a cry that pierced the silence, and then she fell with her face hidden in a heap of fallen autumn leaves.

When the lawyer and Mrs. Grame returned to the court, dire tribulations awaited them. Miss Cameron was standing up—very pale, proud, and stately. Mr. Beale told the young heiress what he had done, and she overwhelmed him with reproaches. It was in vain that he unlocked the library-door, and showed her the valuable contents of the safe on the floor—she would not hear one word against her companion. She broke out into a most generous defence of Margarita, and then added:

'I am sorry to speak harshly to you, Mr. Beale,' she said; 'but I consider you have taken an unwarrantable liberty. You have presumed upon what you believe to be my inexperience.'

'But, my dear young lady,' cried the lawyer, eagerly. 'Sir!' interrupted Miss Cameron. 'I beg your pardon, my dear Miss Cameron. Pray listen to reason. That young woman was deceiving you.'

'I do not believe it,' said Adelaide. 'Her coming here was only a scheme, a plan to rob you.'

'I do not believe it,' repeated the heiress, scornfully. 'I would rather trust to my womanly instinct than to all the lawyers and detectives in the world; and my instinct tells me that as regards Miss Avenel you have made some terrible mistake.'

'What mistake could I make when I saw her myself on her knees here, the safe opened with the keys she had taken from you, and the jewel cases, money, and other things spread around her? How could I be mistaken when I saw that?'

'I cannot tell how, but I know you are wrong. I love Miss Avenel. I cannot tell what she was doing at the safe—I do not understand why she went there; but I am quite certain it was with no thought of robbing me. You are a poor judge of character, Mr. Beale, if you think Miss Avenel would steal. Anything romantic would suit her highly strung temperament; but, as to robbery, you might as well accuse a butterfly of drawing a plow.'

'What else could I have done when I saw her at the safe?' he asked, humbly. 'You should have sent for me,' said the young heiress, with a burst of pride. 'I am mistress here. I have heard all you have to say, and my answer is that I will stake my life that you are wrong and Miss Avenel is innocent. Again—even if it were not so, even if she had robbed me of all I valued most, I would have spared her because I love her! And the generous heart beat with anger, the sweet voice thrilled with passion.

'I love her,' continued Miss Cameron. What should you, who have spent your life amongst law books, know of such women? They are beyond your comprehension—grand, passionate, noble women, who could not live in the narrow grooves you would assign them.

'My dear Miss Cameron, you are too severe. Answer me one question satisfactorily, and I will own that I am wrong. What was she doing at the safe?'

'I do not know—I do not really care. I only repeat and affirm that she was doing nothing wrong. And, Mr. Beale, I think you took a liberty in acting as you have done without my consent.'

'I merely tried to save you from being imposed on,' he returned. 'If you are angry I am sorry for it. I thought that I was doing my duty.'

'I am sure, madam,' interposed Mrs. Grame, 'you were being robbed—imposed upon—and no one could say how it would have ended. I do not think your life would have been safe.'

'That is enough, Mrs. Grame,' said Adelaide, with a scornful laugh. 'I shall not easily forgive you for what you have done. You also have taken a very great liberty.'

'Very well, my lady, since it pleases you to say so, I submit humbly. I am sorry that you should be angry with me. I have served you faithfully and well. My own fault is that I could not stand by in silence to see you robbed.'

The pain in the voice and in the quivering old face touched Adelaide. She could not be angry with her faithful old servant, whose only fault was that she had been over-zealous.

'I forgive you,' she said; 'but you must never repeat the offence.'

'I hope never to have the chance,' she replied, leaving Miss Cameron's presence with much show of dignity.

'You were both blind—worse than mad—to treat Miss Avenel in that fashion,' resumed Miss Cameron, after the housekeeper's departure. 'I must have all possible amends made to her.'

But the opportunity for that never came. Day by day, and night by night, Miss Cameron waited for tidings of Miss Avenel; she made all inquiries, longing for her return; but to the house whence she had been driven as a criminal, Margarita Rylestone returned no more.

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The Evening Telegram.

ST. JOHN'S, FEBRUARY 24, 1888.

THE ACTING PREMIER'S POSITION.

THE Acting Premier—Mr. Attorney General Winter—we understand, is hearing some very discouraging news from Fortune Bay and other independent districts just now. Other men in his frame of mind might turn to that great solace for human ills, tobacco, but, notwithstanding his high opinion of that article as a necessity of life, Mr. Winter never uses it, and a pipe or a chew would undoubtedly make him sick.

Similar sentiments may be expressed with respect to Attorney General Winter and the liquor question. When the subject of prohibition was before the Legislature last year, Mr. Winter might have taken a foremost position in the ranks of those who opposed that measure. But he didn't, though. Being an old son of temperance, and largely indebted to the friends of "the great and glorious cause" for his success in public life, he (Mr. W.) thought it expedient (if not honorable and manly) to take a back seat and direct the action of the Assembly in the matter. True, Premier Thorburn was present during the debate on the question; but the latter gentleman, as everybody knows, has never attempted to exercise an independent opinion with respect to politics. Messrs. Winter and McNeily have always thought and acted for him, and so, in this case, as on many other occasions, his presence did not count for anything here or there.

But, be that as it may, Mr. Winter, as we have said, remained on the outskirts of the discussion, watching and waiting, with intense anxiety, for the close of the debate and the decision of the House. His own personal interests, as well as the stability of the Amalgamation, inclined him to earnestly hope and pray for the defeat of the Bill; and, in spite of all his dissimulation, the outward and visible signs which his restless manner betrayed, indicated the "inward and spiritual grace" that constrained him to stifle the voice of conscience and imitate his principles once more upon the altar of political expediency.

Indeed, it is stated that, when the vote was taken and the decision trembled in the balance—when there were sixteen for and sixteen against—when the Speaker saw the tremendous importance of the position in which he was placed and began to hesitate—a hard, relentless glance from Mr. Winter's cold grey eye arrested Speaker McNeily's attention. Then, without further hesitation, the fatal vote was recorded, and the Prohibition Bill defeated by a majority of only one.

We hope the people of every district in the Island will bear the foregoing fact in mind when the approaching general election takes place, and give all candidates for their suffrages to understand that such conduct is reprehensible—nay, unpardonable—in the eyes of the whole country. Political treachery and deceit must be punished in some way; otherwise their baneful influences will one day be felt in every department of the Commonwealth.

Think'st thou there are no serpents in the world  
But those who slide along the grassy sod,  
And sting the luckless foot that presses them?  
There are who in the path of social life,  
Do bask their spotted skins in fortune's sun,  
And sting the soul.

SAID TO BE THE "ANTLER MOTH."

An esteemed correspondent volunteers some interesting information regarding the "grub phenomenon" between the Torbay and Portageal Cove Roads, the other day, and to which Mr. R. J. Parsons compared the present Government, in his speech in the Assembly on Wednesday afternoon. Our correspondent says:—"The caterpillars mentioned in your paper, some of which I have before me, are, in my opinion, from the 'antler moth,' and eat the shoots of the grass as well as the roots. They are said to be most destructive in Germany and North America. In Sweden, in 1741, their ravages were so great as to be almost a national calamity. Their habit is to advance in battalions; but as to how they arrived on the snow, and at such a season, must be left to imagination, and there is much room for it."

RAPIDLY DYING OUT.

INDICATIONS that the Thorburn sentiment is rapidly dying out are multiplying at a rate that must be very disheartening to the friends of the mercantile Premier. There will be none of it left by the next general election, and there will probably be no attempt to repeat the unpopular experiment of nominating candidates at the Commercial Rooms. Next time, the people will nominate their own candidates and elect them, too.

CAPTAIN SERVICE, of the barque *Beltrees*, brought his ship up from Pernambuco in good style this trip—a twenty-six days' run. It was a fair weather and a good service trip, as it were.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY NOTES.

The Address Committee Raised After Tea.

ELOQUENT EFFORT OF MR. MORINE.

The Sealing Captain Dawe Brings in a Sealing Bill.

THE House met at 4 p.m. yesterday. After the Speaker took the chair, it went into committee on the address. The chairman, Mr. Godden, took the chair, and Mr. LeMessurier, who is in charge of the committee, sat close to the table. Nero fiddled while Rome was burning, and so the Government of this colony are purposely delaying public business while our fishermen are starving. Thus, again yesterday, the address committee was raised immediately after tea, and the House adjourned at 8 p.m. Precisely at 4 p.m. Mr. Morine arose to address the House, and made, perhaps, one of the most eloquent speeches ever heard within its walls. He occupied the close attention of the House during the two hours and a half of its delivery, and it would be impossible for our reporter, in the limited space at his disposal, to give anything like a comprehensive synopsis of the numerous matters therein treated. He commenced by remarking that the Government were bestowing upon His Excellency the same dull flattery as they had given his predecessor. His predecessor they had induced to write a despatch on the Bait Bill, which commented so unfavorably upon the resources of the country that they disavowed and repudiated all responsibility for it. Our present Governor has pledged himself to administer upon constitutional principles. Had his predecessor done the same, we should have no bye-elections sprung upon the people in which the candidates stole away at the midnight hour. We should have no amalgamation in defiance of written pledges: we should not have thousands corruptly spent to gloss over the outrage, and we should not have any railway built on Executive responsibility, in contemptuous disregard of a vote of the House.

Of all our fisheries the small, unimportant industry of lobster catching is the only fishery that is fairly successful. The cod, salmon and herring fisheries were failures, and the Bank fishery was not equal to the previous year. The prices were raised only at a late date, when the fish was all sold, and so the merchants and not the fishermen were the gainers, and thus the rich were made richer and the poor poorer. The increased bounty for ship-building, ordered in November last, all goes into the pockets of the merchants, and is paid by the destitute fishermen of the Shore and Labrador fisheries to the well-to-do young men who go out upon the Banks. There has been also a delay in putting on steamers to enforce the Bait Bill, and St. Pierre bankers have already purchased a complete supply for the Spring fishery. Even up to date the notice has not been given to owners of steamers.

Although there had been 25 per cent. added to the taxes, the revenue was short \$100,000, as he had told them last year. The limit of taxation had been reached, and unless economy were practised we would be ruined. This year's road grants had been lost, and now there remains not a dollar in their hands. The mention of new steamers for the coastal service was made in the address, as had been expected. Larger boats were not so much required as frequent trips. It is also provided that western boats call at St. John's after the Placentia railway was built, and not, as argued in favor of the Placentia railway last year, that Placentia, having been made the western terminus, a saving in time and money would have been effected. He then commented upon having steamers in the bays—unfavorably upon the Allan contract, and showing how a saving of \$60,000 might be effected. The Placentia railway was promised for this year, but will not be completed till next summer. On the municipal affairs of St. John's, three bills had been introduced, all of which failed. He hoped to see a measure put through this session that would give the ratepayers of St. John's full control of their own affairs, regardless of creed or class.

Why were we not represented at the Washington commission? Had former commissioners incensed the British Government? Why did not Government refuse to attend at Washington upon unequal terms? He then referred to the Railway judgment, and said Evans must be bought out and the line built north. It was the Jubilee ball—its cost, character and result, that drew forth all the force of his denunciation. A few sentences were bestowed upon Sir William Whiteway's manifesto, its need promises and effect. White's resignation was treated, and the Government condemned for not issuing a writ. Our hopes, he said, shall be fulfilled: the day of prosperity is dawning—the day the land so much needed is at hand; or, as Mr. March would say:

There's a midnight blackness changing into gray:  
Men of thought, men of action; clear the way.

The hour was 6.30 when he brought his speech to a close. The House then adjourned for tea; for notwithstanding the great interest our legislators take in the affairs of the country, they never forget meal hours. When the House came back the committee was raised and Capt. Dawe, with a short, practical speech, moved the second reading of his sealing Bill. The House adjourned until 4 p.m. to-day, a little after 8 p.m.

Mr. Murphy will be on this evening in all probability.

THE MUNICIPAL QUESTION.

How is the Bill to be Framed?

WHAT ABOUT THE WATER COMPANY?

Who Are to Control the Police Force?

THE MATTER OF PROPERTY TAX.

Other Very Important Matters

I hear that a bill will be brought in this session to incorporate the city of St. John's, and, as a matter of course, to place in the hands of the citizens the control and management of all their local affairs; they, the citizens, finding the funds for all our town expenses and electing a competent staff of officials to carry out their views. In the first place who is to frame the bill? Is it the Government or is it the citizens? What does the bill or what will the bill aim at, and how is the machinery to carry out the provisions of the bill to be set in motion? I would ask a few questions which I have no doubt some persons more conversant with this subject may answer satisfactorily for the public benefit.

In the first place, is the town to be really severed, not in a mean manner, but on a scientific and reliable basis? If so, how is the money to be raised to pay for this necessary work for preserving the health of the inhabitants and of those who either on business or pleasure visit us? In the second place, how are the water rates to be met? Will the Government hand over to the corporation, when it is embodied and properly legalized, the stock and trade of the Water Company for the sole use and benefit of the city? How will it affect the shareholders, and will they be willing to take the corporation as a security for the payment of the interest, or will they hold the general government as a security for their stock? We must bear in mind that a sum of money must shortly be raised to give increased power to supply the higher parts of the town; but this need not trouble us as regards monetary means; as the consumption increases, so will the means be raised from the consumers to meet any interest which may fall on the city. How is the expense to be met for lighting the town, which we cannot do without? and from what source are we to get the means for cleansing, and repairing our streets?

The next point is, if St. John's be incorporated, it will have to support its own poor, whether permanent or otherwise. This, I think, can only be done by assessment on property and collected like the water rates. This will not be a great hardship, because, if the metropolis supports its own poor, each and every district in the Island will have to follow suit. Let each district be compelled to provide for their poor, and you will soon find poor relief a thing of the past. The representatives will not then be coerced into begging or demanding relief from the Government, and the cry that the representatives and their hangers-on are fattening on the poor will vanish. The cormorants of all and each government who have been eating the vitals out of the toilers of the sea will be a myth, and we shall usher in the millennium. Every man and every district must take care of themselves, and what is it, after all? Instead of paying taxes into the general fund, we pay it out ourselves, and among ourselves. One thing I notice, that representation and starvation go hand in hand. The districts of Burgeo and LaPoile, St. George's Bay, St. Barbe's—the French Shore—and later on, the Labrador: as soon as these districts got represented, poverty and starvation immediately set in. How is that? Before a member was given them, the fearful cry of poverty, starvation and distress was not heard of. Would it not be a mercy to disfranchise them, so that they might return to the old state of peace and plenty, and not burden the colony with an extra debt to support them and their members?

The next point is the police force. I think this should be left in the hands of the Government, and the expenses defrayed out of the general revenue. I mean for the whole island. I would not place the control of this body under any corporation or body of men. The public wharves and landing places should receive the serious attention of the municipality, and provision made not only for the citizens to land their goods, but also for our out-port brethren, and afford them every facility to land their produce and take in supplies, without any unnecessary delay. Labrador, not yet being represented, cannot fairly be taxed with much outlay, but as it most likely will soon receive that honor, we can well see how the land lays. Yours truly, ALPHA.  
St. John's, Feb. 24, 1888.

The Allan steamer *Parisian* is the one bearing the present outward mail to Halifax, and, being a swift-footed messenger, she will likely be on time, so that our local mail-boat *Newfoundland* will be pretty certain to leave at the appointed hour for this port—noon of Tuesday next.

REPORT

Of the Officers of the Junior Benevolent Irish Society, for the Year Ending Feb. 5th, 1888.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE JUNIOR BENEVOLENT IRISH SOCIETY,—

A meeting of the pupils and ex-pupils of the Christian Brothers' schools was convened in St. Patrick's Hall on the 1st of March last by the Rev. J. L. Slattery, who stated that it had been decided by the Benevolent Irish Society to establish a junior branch. Those present being in accord with the intention stated, a requisition was immediately drawn up and presented to the Benevolent Irish Society, asking the privilege of walking with them in their annual procession on St. Patrick's Day.

A deputation consisting of seven members of the Benevolent Irish Society, who stated that the privilege asked for had been granted, was afterwards received in the Christian Brothers' Schools. The members of the deputation, who were also appointed to act as directors of the junior branch, immediately organized the society, and those present, to the number of two hundred and three, were enrolled. We are deeply indebted to those gentlemen whom the adult society appointed directors, and we take this opportunity of returning them our sincere thanks.

On St. Patrick's Day the junior branch met in St. Patrick's Hall at 9 a.m., accompanied the senior society in its annual procession, and attended High Mass in St. Patrick's Church. After the ceremony, they marched to Government House and, having paid their respects to His Excellency the Governor, proceeded to the Episcopal Library, where they were received by His Lordship the Bishop of St. John's, who addressed them in words of encouragement, and gave to them his blessing. On returning to the Hall, the President of the Benevolent Irish Society, R. J. Kent, Esq., Q.C., expressed his delight at their manly bearing, and congratulated them on the success which attended the first procession.

The meeting for the election of officers was held in May last and resulted in the appointment of the present officers to their respective positions. On the fifteenth of August an excursion in connection with the society was held on the grounds of the late William Boyd, Esq., near Irvine Station, Topsail. It was participated in by a large number of the members and their friends. From the success which attended it, and the enjoyment it afforded, we sincerely hope that the members will be encouraged to hold annually a similar excursion.

The Concert Club, which was organized in September last, produced during the following month two concerts which, considering the brief time given for their preparation, and that the majority of those who took part were only beginners, proved very successful. We take great pleasure in recording, as the most important transaction of the year's proceedings, the establishment of the gymnasium and reading-rooms. A portion of the basement of St. Patrick's Hall being allotted by the senior society for the erection of the gymnasium and reading-rooms, a committee was appointed to carry into effect the wishes of the society. The labors of that committee were attended with the most satisfactory results.

The gymnasium has been fitted up with several athletic appliances, and it is very gratifying to note that the members are taking advantage of this means of physical development. The intellectual advantages derived from the reading-rooms are also very apparent; it is supplied with a good selection of the current newspapers and magazines. As the support of this department will necessitate a large annual outlay from the funds of the society, any contributions of periodicals, magazines, etc., will be very acceptable.

In recording the death of Wm. J. Colfer, one of our foremost members, we must express the deep regret which we feel at his being so suddenly called from amongst us. That the society recognized the loss which it had sustained, was evinced by the adoption of a resolution tendering the heartfelt sympathies of its members to the relatives of the deceased.

The sociable and dancing assembly, held on the 6th of January last, was very successful, and we look forward with pleasure to the enjoyment of many more of these happy reunions. At the establishment of the society the number of members was two hundred and three. At the various meetings held since, fifty-five were added, making the aggregate at present of two hundred and fifty-eight. By the inducement of the reading-room, library and gymnasium, we anticipate that the roll will be largely increased.

Considering the great expenditure necessitated by the erection of the gymnasium and reading-rooms, the financial condition of the society, as may be seen by the report of the Treasurer, is very satisfactory.

We cannot allow this opportunity to pass without expressing our sense of the deep obligations which we owe to the Christian Brothers for the interest continually manifested by them in the welfare of the society.

In retiring from the positions you were pleased to confer upon us, we trust we have fulfilled our duties in a manner satisfactory to you all.  
Respectfully submitted,  
JAMES GALWAY, President.  
JOHN W. WHITE, Secretary.

St. Patrick's Hall, Feb. 5, 1888.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year:—  
James Galway, re-elected, President; Thos. S. Carey, re-elected, Vice-President; John O'Neil, re-elected, Assistant Vice-President; Daniel Carroll, elected, Treasurer; Thos. B. McGrath, elected, Chairman Finance; John W. White, re-elected, Secretary; Wm. F. Graham, elected, Assistant Secretary.

By Telegraph

FROM ROSE BLANCHE.

Fishery Prospects Improving.

ROSE BLANCHE, This Forenoon.  
All the skiffs, ten in number, that use the Gut here have done well during the past few days, their daily catch averaging from two to four quintals each. They report plenty of fish; but, unfortunately, most of our skiffs are frozen up in the harbor. This circumstance sufficiently demonstrates the great need that exists for opening up the said Gut, so that all skiffs may be kept near Caine's Island. If a grant of five hundred dollars could be obtained, so as to make a good opening, the results would be a considerable saving to the Government and great benefit to our fishermen.

FROM CHANNEL.

Severe Frost and Ice Along the Coast.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)  
CHANNEL, This Afternoon.  
The weather here to-day is frosty, with a strong breeze from the northwest. A heavy cordon of ice stretches along the coast, only a short distance from the land.

LOCAL VARIETIES.

THE Masons are reminded of the meeting to-night for instruction.

THE steamer *Newfoundland* arrived at Halifax at 8 o'clock last night.

PASSENGERS per *Portia* from New York—Mrs. Wilson; from Halifax—E. Sinnott.

MR. M. A. DIVINE will lecture before the Academia this evening. Subject—"Something About Song."

THERE will be practice for the Benevolent Concert this (Friday) evening at 8.30 in the Methodist College. Basses and tenors will meet at 8 o'clock.

THE Dundee sealing steamer *Polymia*, Capt. Guy, will try to find where the seals are in the Gulf this season. If the ship can get within striking distance of the patch, her men may be relied upon to get them between decks. Captain Guy is a deservedly popular commander, and the wish is universal that he will "strike it rich" this spring.

THE race of six miles on skates round and round the Parade Rink, will be a great attraction in that place of amusement this evening. There are five competitors, each of whom will do his level best to win; and as they all have their admirers, the scene will be cheery decidedly and enthusiastic generally. Bennett has arranged a bouquet of musical gems for the occasion.

THE Sabbath School Festival in the basement of Cochrane Street Church last evening proved a really delightful affair. The attendance was large and the tables were fairly loaded with good things. After tea a charming musical and literary programme was performed, to the intense pleasure of all present. One of the most interesting incidents of the evening was an eloquent address by Miss Narrows, B.A., of the Methodist College.

In the Police Court, before Judge Conroy, Benjamin, Edward and Richard Garland were charged by Captain Reuben F. Pike with assaulting and ill treating him while he (complainant) was in John Garland's house, James Street, whither he went with the object of becoming reconciled with a member of his (the captain's) family, the two having been estranged for some time. His purpose was opposed by defendant, his brother-in-law, who forced on the quarrel which ensued. Two independent witnesses confirmed the complainant's evidence, and, though defendants tried to palliate their offence with the plea that they ordered the complainant peacefully to quit the house, which he refusing to do they forcibly ejected him, yet complainant's version was so much the more reasonable and truthful that the magistrate held two of the defendants—Benjamin and Edward—guilty of the offence charged, and fined them \$20 each or 30 days' imprisonment.

BIRTH.

At 29, Queen's Road, on the 23rd inst., the wife of Kyle W. Pinniger, of a daughter.

DEED.

To-day, at 2 o'clock, Herbert George, second son of R. H. and M. G. Rice.—*Twillingate Sun* please copy.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ENTERED.  
24—*Portia*, Dawson, Halifax, 3 days, Harvey & Co.—3509 bris flour, 196 tubs butter, 1280 bris pork, 10 bris hams, 70 bales hay, 156 qtrs beef, 315 bris beef, 25 bxs cheese, 1000 bris meal, general cargo. Bella Rosa, Bowden, Macelo, 32 days, A. Goodridge & Sons—ballast. *Beltrees*, Service, Pernambuco, 26 days, W. Griete & Co.—ballast.  
CLEARED.  
24—*Silver Sea*, Hoebeg, Barce'ona, P & L Tessler—4900 qts fish.  
LOADING.  
Feb. 14—*Stouehouse*, West Indies, Job, Bros & Co.  
24—*Ritel*, Brazil, Job, Bros & Co.

Auction—New Goods—Eggs—fr... Daily... New and... Codfish... Yellow... B. I. Soc... Grabs, s... Four... Daily... Prelim... Sydney... Wanted...  
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