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By Telegraph

"THE DARK CITY."

Lights Required All Day Long.

CLOSE OF RUSSIAN UNIVERSITIES.

Sentinels Frozen to Death

FOURTEEN MOONLIGHTERS SENTENCED.

Fearful Snow Storm in the States.

A UNIVERSAL RAILWAY BLOCKADE.

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 14.

Four days of dense fog have been experienced in London, and lights are required all day. Mersey shipping is at a standstill.

Russian universities are closed again till the 17th of March.

Lord Salisbury says that peace is secure for the present.

Russian troops continue arriving in Bessarabia. Forty Russian sentinels have been frozen to death.

Judge Murphy of Munster has sentenced fourteen moonlighters to imprisonment for terms varying from 18 months to 18 years.

Fearful snow-storms are raging in the Western States, causing a universal railway blockade. The cold is intense.

FROM CAPE RACE.

(Special to the Evening Telegram.)

CAPE RACE, This Evening.

Wind S.S.W., blowing a fresh breeze and snowing. No vessels have been sighted today.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Auction—beef, mutton, etc. Clift, Wood & Co. T. A. & B. Society's soiree. Patrick McGrath Annual meeting. Offy Club, Ltd. Edward Shea Annual meeting. Masonic Insurance. Jos. Wilson Dwelling house for sale. C. B. Rankin Prohibition meeting. Old Temperance Hall Wanted—silver. George Knowling

GLUTEN ENTIRE WHEAT PATENT FLOUR. We have a few bags, (price 20s. each) of this excellent whole-grain flour, made from the finest of the wheat, and invaluable to those who suffer from dyspepsia, indigestion, or any other of the ills that flesh is heir to. Makes a fine plump loaf of brown bread. Mixed half-and-half with white flour improves the bread. Apply at McBride's Hill. **JAMES MURRAY.** jan10,fp

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AUCTION SALES.

On **MONDAY** next, at Eleven o'clock, ON THE WHARF OF **CLIFT, WOOD & Co.,** 100 quarters Prime Fresh P.E.I. Beef, 20 carcs Prime Fresh P.E.I. Mutton, 5 carcs Prime Fresh P.E.I. Pork, 150 Geese, 75 Ducks, 150 Chickens. jan14 Ex schr. "Lizzie" from P. E. Island.

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THE :: NORTH :: SIDE

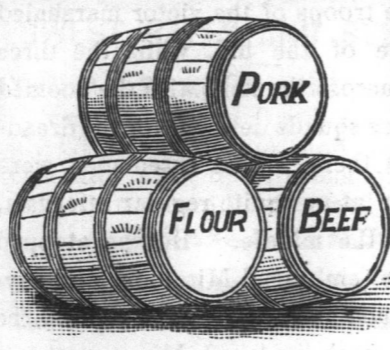
on the Currency Question.

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

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

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January 9, 2w, fp



150 HAMS

Ten Cents per pound.

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We are offering a good article of **CANADIAN CHEWING TOBACCO**, in half-boxes, at 1s. 7¹/₂d. per lb. Cheap **MOLASSES** at 2s. per gallon. **Barbados 42 cents. Best YELLOW MEAL 18s. per brl.** The best **No. 2 or FINE FLOURS 18s. and 19s. per brl. SUPERS 21s. and 22s. No. 2 EXTRAS 23s. GOOD SUPERIORS 24s. to 26s. BUTTER 9d., 10d., 1s. 1d. PIGS' HEADS 35s. SMALL JOWLS 72s. 6d. FAMILY and MESS PORK 95s.**

ALL FOR NETT CASH ON DELIVERY.

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January 9, fp

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A Bar of Really Good Soap for 2cts

CRYSTALIZED SUGAR FOR 9 CENTS. PER LB.—7-LBS. FOR 60 CENTS.

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Lime Juice Cordial.....20cts bottle Raspberry Syrup.....20cts bottle Raspberry Vinegar.....20cts bottle Lemon Syrup.....20cts bottle Cooked Corned Beef (2-lb. tins) 25cts each, Jams, Pickles, Sauces, Vinegar, Peaches, Tea, Sugar, Currants, Raisins, Biscuits, Butter, Bread, Flour—at lowest possible prices.

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I WILL GIVE IN TRADE—

50 Cents for American and Canadian Half Dollars. 25 Cents for American and Canadian Quarter Dollars. 10 Cents and 5 cents for small silver bearing that value.

WE ARE NOW OFFERING—

Specially Cheap Lines in Dry Goods & Groceries.

G. KNOWLING.

Jan 14, 11

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Masonic Insurance

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THE ST. JOHN'S Total Abstinence & Benefit Society's

ANNUAL SOIREE

:: Will be held in their Hall, on :: **WEDNESDAY, 1 Feb. 1st.**

TICKETS—Double.....\$1.70 GENTS (Single)..... 1.20 LADY'S (Single)..... 0.60

Caterer:—Mr. J. Wilson. Music:—Professor Bennett's Band.

TICKETS to be had from the following members of the Committee:—Messrs. W. Ellis, Chairman; Henry Simms, T. Redmond, H. Morrissey, E. Power, P. Wallace, P. Moore, J. Scully, E. Malone, P. Kennedy, Jas. Sullivan, S. Joy, and

PATRICK McGRATH, Secretary. **jan14,31fp,14,21,28**

Just Received, By AYRE & SONS,

—A Fresh Shipment of— **Hams and Breakfast Bacon,**

Specially put up for Family use; also, on hand, our usual stock of **PROVISIONS, FLOUR, BUTTER, &c.**

In qualities and quantities to suit all customers, **AND AT LOWEST CASH PRICES.** **REMEMBER!**—We take Canadian and American Silver at the old rates. **jan11,wts,fp**

Now Landing

Ex "Miranda" from Montreal via Halifax,

150 Brls. Fresh-Ground Oatmeal, 55 BARRELS ROUND PEAS, 50 BARRELS SPLIT PEAS.

jan10 JAMES MURRAY.

FOR SALE.

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WANTED! A PLAIN COOK and HOUSEMAID. References required. Apply at this office. **jan3,fp**

WANTED! Immediately—A GOOD COOK. Apply to **MRS. JAMES MCKAY.** **jan19,31fp**

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We have now a full range of

ENGLISH BLANKETS FROM THE BEST MAKERS!

We can give you full size, Heavy-weight Blankets

11s. 6d., 14s., 16s. 6d. and 19s. 6d. per pair

jan18,21

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1, 1 1/2, and 3-inch.

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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.

Plushes, Boas, Muffs, and Capes!

WILLIAM FREW, 191 Water Street,

Has just received, per "Peruvian," a splendid assortment of

BLACK & COLORED PLUSHES, FUR BOAS, MUFFS AND CAPES,

and a large variety of Fancy Goods, suitable for the season.

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

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—Beg to acquaint the public that they have now on hand a variety of—

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

and would invite inspection of same.

Orders left with us for either of the above will have our immediate attention.

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J. ANGEL, Manager.

Candles, Candles

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

Morrill's Celebrated Mould Candles,

6's and 8's—25-lbs. per box. Ex "Pioneer."

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RELICS AT QUERETARO.

Impressions of Historical Events on a Mexican Community.

QUERETARO, theatre of the closing scene in that tragic episode known as "the French intervention in Mexico," says a letter to *The San Francisco Chronicle*, was founded by the Aztecs about the middle of the fifteenth century, and in 1531, it was conquered by the invading Spaniards, commanded by Fernando de Tapia, one of the lieutenants of Cortez. A little chapel, close by the church, which was Maximilian's headquarters during the siege, marks the site where mass was first said in the city. The climate is temperate, though twice in the last fifty years a cold wave has deposited a deep snowfall. The cereals and other staples of the vegetable kingdom thrive and yield abundantly, and the fruits of Queretaro are something to be remembered with longing amidst the inferior and dearer varieties in Mexico. The water supply comes down from a mountain near by, along a stone aqueduct, in which some of the arches are ninety feet high. The city owes this convenience to his worship, the Marquis de Villar del Aquila, of whom it is told that his kinsman, another of the marquises who at one time lay around loose so plentifully in Mexico, but him that the water could not be brought in, and promised to erect a silver fountain in event of the projector's success. The fulfillment of this pledge was afterward changed to sharing the expense of the enterprise, some \$170,000. In the main piazza the fountain, at whose corners stand spirited figures of dogs lapping the water, bears a tall column, topped by a statue of the public-spirited marquis. The public buildings of interest are the churches and the ex-convents of San Francisco, San Antonio, Santo Domingo, El Carmen, Santa Clara, La Cruz, and Santa Rosa. The ex-convent at San Augustin has a patio whose ruins are among the most interesting in Mexico; the caryatides are human trunks and heads, with hands uplifted. No two pairs of hands are in the same position, and the various arrangements evidently express the signs manual of an alphabet. The meaning of the entire series could no doubt be readily deciphered, and it might prove important. Again, no two heads in the carving—and they are of more than life size—are alike in type and all are of exquisite finish, although now in a sad state of mutilation this building having been occupied as a barracks.

La Cruz was used as the imperial headquarters during the siege. It is a fine old edifice, with curious paintings and relics of splendid antique carving. The cell which was Maximilian's chamber is difficult to find, but the lieutenant colonel of the garrison sent to me as my cicerone a man who had attended the unfortunate man and this person pointed out the spots where stood the various pieces of furniture, and the ledge where the emperor climbed to catch the proper light for a photograph before the end of the siege. The narrow room is roofless now, and in the chinks between the tiles grow thickly nicotineum and salvias, from which I gathered a handful of seeds as souvenirs. Another souvenir is one of the cannon-balls used toward the close of the siege, when the ammunition was about exhausted and the people were living on the flesh of mules and horses. The balls, of iron, were mounted in a rough wooden cup for wadding by means of strips of tin or zinc crossed over them and made fast by tacks to a groove in the wood. These are very hard to obtain in these days. The rooms of Miramon and Mejia are in a like state of dilapidation. Descending, we drove along on the avenue beside the churchyard, which was swept by a twenty-four pounder until treachery turned the muzzle and let Escobedo's men come swarming up across the fields to clamber into the garden through a breach in the wall, whose place is plainly shown by the different material employed in reclosing it. Queretaro people as a rule are devoted to the memory of Maximilian, and they scoff at the suggestion that Lopez did not betray him to Escobedo. They say, too, that the com-

mercial decadence which has fallen upon the city is in punishment for the shedding of Maximilian's blood there, and that the curse will lie for years. The chief interest at Queretaro is all in this connection. Turn where you will, there are relics of the unfortunate young man who was an instrument and a victim of royal ambition. At the palacio, that is to say in the state building, is kept the casket, still stained with his blood, in which he was brought down from the Cerro de las Campanas. The cell in the convent of Capuchins, in which he was immured, now forms part of a private dwelling, whose occupants have become quite reconciled to the intrusions of students of history and of sight-seers pure and simple. The Theatre Iturbide, where was held the court-martial, is another point of interest and most vital of all, the Cerro de las Campanas, where three granite shafts mark the spot of execution. This hill, something like a mile west of this city, rises perhaps one hundred feet above the plain. It was fortified by the imperialists, and here after the capture of the liberals under Escobedo the prince and his two chief generals were conducted for execution. Standing by those monuments, with an eye-witness of the scene, it was easy to see with the eye of the imagination the troops of the victor marshaled about the edge of the hill, while the three coaches rolled across the field with the doomed ones. The three squads detailed for the dreadful duty stood there. The three men were placed in order at not quite regular intervals, Maximilian in the middle. But he stepped from that place, embraced Miramon, and saying: "Men such as you are worthy to fill the place of a monarch," placed Miramon there. It is certain that Maximilian at the time of his death believed that Carlotta was dead already, and this, no doubt, made the thought of his own fate less bitter to him. But enough of such sorrowful recollections.

Perhaps Queretaro is best known to Americans as "the place where you can buy opals cheapest," and great numbers are carried thence. Unfortunately all travelers are not lapidists, and many buy any odd-colored stone, perfectly fireless though it may be, under the name of Mexican opal, to the prejudice of the reputation of genuine stones of that variety. The opal, it is not generally known, is a crystal, irregular as to form and size, imbedded in a calcareous formation. They are "chucked out," and, having been attached by wax to a short stick, are ground and polished, usually in Mexico, by hand-lathes. The greatest of the opal mines near Queretaro has recently been sold to a German company, who have suspended operations therein, so that the stones are much dearer than formerly. Here is also a great center for the manufacture of candies, or, rather, the preparation of crystallized fruits. Apples, pears, crabapples, nuts, quinces, peaches, figs, oranges, lemons, the thick succulent leaves of the cactus, and many other varieties, are put up in forms as pleasing to the eye as exquisite to the taste. Sweet potatoes also are converted into a delightful confection. All are well adapted to export, resisting perfectly the changes of climate. They are very delicious, equaling if not excelling the best French sweets. They are absolutely unadulterated, and they are very cheap. No doubt these fruits will be an important article of export, if ever the hang-fire reciprocity treaty shall become a fait accompli.

AN EDITOR ON DRUMMERS.

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"There is in our busy times no more interesting, no more romantic figure. He is destined to hold in literature a place as unique and honorable as he holds in commerce. Gay as the troubadour, gallant as the laureled hero of the tourney, loyal to duty, at once shrewd and chivalrous, gentle, and brave, undaunted by difficulty, defiant of discomfort, I dub him the knight errant of civilization."

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On Sale by Clift, Wood & Co.'y, Boston KEROSENE OIL, in barrels and cases. jan10

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ON SALE BY CLIFT, WOOD & Co., 50 carcasses Choice FRESH Pork, ex schr "Lizzie," from P.E. Island dec28

FOR SALE, One Cottage Piano.

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ON SALE BY P. & L. Tessier OAK PLANK, 1 1/2, 3, 3 1/2 and 4 inch, long lengths.

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Length of Dock, 600 feet Width at Entrance, 85 feet Width in Body, 125 feet 6-in. Draft of Water over sill, 25 feet

RATES OF DOCKING: Upon all Vessels owned in Colony, 25 cts. per gross ton Lay Days, Half Rate. UPON VESSELS NOT OWNED IN THE COLONY. Steamships under 1,500 Tons, 25 cts. per gross ton Lay Days, 15 cts. per gross ton Steamships of 1,500 tons, under 2,000, 30 cts. per gross ton Lay Days, 20 cts. per gross ton Steamships of 2,000 Tons and over, 35 cts. per gross ton Lay Days, 25 cts. per gross ton Sailing Vessels, 25 cts. per gross ton Lay Days, Half Rate. Lay days in each and every case to commence 24 hours after the dock is dry. All vessels docked with cargo on board will be charged 20 cents per ton for such cargo. Three cents per ton will be charged for use of shores and staging. Bilge blocks required to be moved, cost of moving to be charged to vessel. All keel blocks split out, at request of vessel, must be replaced by new ones at vessel's expense. All vessels requiring steam pump, for watering or washing, will be charged at the rate of \$10 per hour. All staging, shores and dirt must be removed from dock before the water is let in to float the vessel, at her expense. Electric lights furnished for night-work, at the rate of \$3 per hour per light. When work is done on vessels at night, dockage rate will be charged same as lay days. Special rates for wrecked vessels. Nothing Less than a Half Lay Day charged in any case. Ample wharf and storage room for the accommodation of vessels requiring the same, together with all necessary shops, tools, &c., for repairing iron and wooden vessels, at reasonable rates. All applications for docking must be made twenty-four hours in advance, at the office of the dry dock, at Riverhead. nov17,tf

NEW SULTANA RAISINS.

Just Received, At the City Auction Sale-Rooms, FORTY BOXES CHOICE NEW

Sultana :-: Raisins,

[ABOUT 17-LBS. EACH.] Which will be sold for the low price of 9s. 6d. per box. Remember, choice new fruit. JOHN B. CURRAN & CO.

Bond and other Storage

TO BE HAD ON APPLICATION TO JAMES R. KNIGHT, Commission Merchant.

FOR SALE, By Dryer & Greene,

Nova Scotia—TURKIES, GESE, DUCKS, FOWLS and SAUSAGES, per "Assyrian" from Halifax.

A : Bazaar

WILL BE HELD (D.V.) AT HARBOR GRACE JUNCTION IN FEB. NEXT. PROCEEDS FOR ERECTION OF A CHURCH there. Any contributions will be thankfully received by MRS. ROUSE, St. John's, or by REV. T. H. BULL, New Harbor.

Notice of Copartnership.

THE UNDERSIGNED have this day formed a Copartnership, under the firm, name and style of JOHN MAGOR & SON, succeeding to the business heretofore carried on in New York city in the name of Magor Brothers & Co. Dated at New York, October 1, 1887. JOHN MAGOR, WILLIAM ALBERT MAGOR.

The Evening Telegram.

ST. JOHN'S, JANUARY 14, 1888.

LICENTIOUS JOURNALISM.

Vile Attack on a Prominent Citizen.

ALL CLASSES EXPRESS THEIR INDIGNATION.

LAST evening's issue of the Mercury contains an attack on one of our most prominent and talented citizens—James Murray, Esq.—an attack which, for personal abuse and general malignity, fortunately has no parallel in the history of Newfoundland journalism.

As an excuse for outraging the moral sensibilities of the community with such a vile and slanderous effusion, the precious pair tell us, in effect, that they are "writing in defence of a principle." Exactly what that principle is we leave our readers to determine.

But, without further remarks as to the motive by which the Mercury is actuated in making the attack in question, let us briefly glance at the three persons mainly interested.

Now, what are the positions, in other respects, occupied by these parties in this community? The two first named—Messrs. Harvey and McNeily, it is true, claim a certain social standing, because, forsooth, they are "professional" men, and not on account of any other claims they may possess—so far as the public are aware—to favorable consideration.

One receives a pension of £300 a year from the good people of the Presbyterian Church, because he was once their "active pastor," and for the additional reason that they do not wish that he should ever be compelled to engage in secular employment to earn a living.

The other is in receipt of an enormous income from the treasury of the Commonwealth. What with his salary as Speaker, and his "sops" as Acting Attorney General, Solicitor General, Crown Prosecutor, and so forth, and so forth, we suppose that his pickings, by hook and by crook, for the past year, will not fall far short of FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

So much, then, for the "associate editors" of the Government organ and their abusive joint production of yesterday. Now, let us turn our attention, for a moment or two, to the object of their malevolence—Mr. Murray.

There are three very apparent reasons why he has been so vilely attacked by the above mentioned brace of subsidized sinners. 1st—Because he is a native of the colony, and a superior business man. 2ndly—On account of his success in commercial life. 3rdly—For the very evident reason that he is politically opposed to the present profligate Administration.

Of course nobody but one blinded by jealousy and spite would attack a gentleman in such a villainous manner for any or all of the reasons just stated. But jealousy and spite are prominent characteristics of Messrs. Harvey and McNeily. Hence the unscrupulous manner in which they apply themselves to their present congenial occupation.

Mr. Murray, however, can well afford to treat with the "respectable contempt of silence" all such vilifiers as those who now write for the licentious Mercury. He is a prosperous and enterprising merchant, as we have already said; he imports largely and, therefore, interferes considerably with the interests of a clique of monopolists whose object it is to charge fancy prices and make

fancy profits on everything they bring into the country. He employs a large number of people at certain seasons of the year and pays them for their labor, thereby scattering a portion of the money made by him in trade among the people generally. There is a marked contrast between Mr. Murray and his traducers in this particular. The former, by his commercial transactions, largely benefits the community in which he resides, while the latter are nothing better than obstacles in the path of progress, by reason of the leakage they are continually causing in the public treasury.

The fishermen of Newfoundland, too, will know how to appreciate the Mercury's malicious attack on Mr. Murray, especially when we remind them of the fact that he was mainly instrumental in pushing up the price of fish in our local market the past season until it reached a fairly-remunerative figure. A few supplying merchants and some of their tools in the brokerage business bitterly dislike Mr. M. on this account. But public sentiment will give the whole case an impartial hearing, and we are certain he need have no fear as to the popular verdict.

THE CURLING MATCH LAST EVENING.

A Decided Victory for the All-Comers

THE curling match between the Scotch and the All-Comers' teams in the Parade Rink did not bring out that degree of interest and enthusiasm or attendance which so notable a game should naturally arouse. The occasion was tame and dull, when one expected it would be lively and inspiring. Anything in sorrier contrast to the splendid sentiment and magnetism which distinguished the play of the old-time curlers on Quidi Vidi pond long ago, it would be difficult to imagine.

Table listing names and scores for the curling match, including categories like ALL-COMERS, SCOTCHMEN, and individual player scores.

A JUBILEE OFFERING TO LEO XIII.

WE are pleased to learn that S. H. Parsons, Esq., the Newfoundland artist, has received orders some time ago to prepare a considerable number of views of Roman Catholic Churches, and also some favorite spots of scenery throughout the Island.

If Mr. Harvey, as an ordinary clergyman, would be occupying a false position in acting as the ordinary editor of a political organ, and if Mr. Harvey, as a pensioned clergyman, is under peculiar ties and obligations to abstain from this false position, why does he not either give up the position or give up the pension?

THE coastal boats are both bound this way; the Falcon passed Fogo this morning. Both will, of course, lie in harbor till the present storm has passed.

THE lowest temperature last night was 3° below zero, the severest cold, so far, this winter. The barometer fell rapidly in the course of the day from 44° at 8 a.m. to 30.06 at 2 p.m., presaging the present snow storm and high wind, which is from the S.W.

THE change of the music stand to the centre of the northern gallery in the Parade Rink, is a decided improvement and ensures a more even distribution of sound. An excellent feature of the refreshment room is that spirits of all kinds are strictly tabooed, but warm tea and coffee may be had always; and temperance beverages are also served.

THAT WAYWARD OLD GENTLEMAN.

He Still Pursues His Fatal Course.

DEAR SIR,—Having read over the various articles and letters that have already appeared in your valuable paper bearing upon the relation of the Christian minister to politics and the press, especially as far as these articles affect the Rev. Moses Harvey, of the Presbyterian Kirk, in his capacity of editor of the Mercury, I must say that I cannot agree with all that has been advanced therein or concede that they cover the case at issue.

That case, as it seems to me, is simply this—Did Mr. Harvey, when he retired from the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church, impliedly agree to abstain from politics or from any position of a political character that would compromise the interests of his congregation? If he did, then he is obviously in a wrong position to be acting as editor of the Mercury.

In order to consider this question fully and fairly it is necessary that we should first ask, Is it right that an ordinary minister of the gospel should act as editor of an ordinary political newspaper—a paper that is avowedly engaged in ordinary political warfare and political work? If not, why is it not right?

Few persons will feel much difficulty in answering this question or in assigning a sufficient reason for their answer. They will no doubt say—No, a minister should not act as editor of an ordinary newspaper.

1st—Because to do his duty as such to those who employ him in a political capacity, such an editor must often act in a way that would be inconsistent with his sacred profession.

2nd—The profession of a clergyman is far removed from political warfare, from strife of all kind, from purely secular pursuits, such as political journalism necessarily is, and therefore, without any disparagement to the latter, an ordinary clergyman may not engage in it.

3rd—Politics always involve more sides than one. As the members of a clergyman's flock are not likely to be all of one political opinion in a country of free institutions, or as, even if they are so at one time, they are not likely to continue so always, and as it is not desirable that the differences engendered by politics should be introduced among them, therefore their minister should not be the editor of a political paper.

But, sir, apart from all these general reasons, there is the private and particular reason in this case that the Rev. Moses Harvey, now acting as editor of the Mercury, the political and acknowledged organ of the present government, has entered into a special contract with his late congregation, by virtue of the terms of which he has in honor BOUND himself to abstain from political journalism.

What is this special contract? It is the contract by which, in consideration of the payment of £300 for the balance of his life, Mr. Harvey professedly retired from the active service of his late congregation?

Now, sir, I would ask any reasonable man would his congregation have bound such a log around their necks as the perpetual payment of this large pension if we had considered that Mr. Harvey was immediately going to plunge into all the hot warfare and muddy slime of political journalism?

This question answers itself. Mr. Harvey's own erratic conduct proves that the answer is No. His repeated (but, alas! misleading) disclosures that he occupies such a position, in the shape of his successive "personal statements" or denials, all show that he himself feels and knows he is doing wrong.

To sum up, then, the gravamen of the whole matter is simply this:—If Mr. Harvey, as an ordinary clergyman, would be occupying a false position in acting as the ordinary editor of a political organ, and if Mr. Harvey, as a pensioned clergyman, is under peculiar ties and obligations to abstain from this false position, why does he not either give up the position or give up the pension?

As an independent man, which Mr. Harvey undoubtedly is—in circumstances—he has a perfect right to edit a political newspaper if he pleases. As a retired clergyman he has a perfect right to claim and obtain the pension we have pledged to give him. But he has no right to take the consideration while violating the terms of the agreement, and to wreck his church in order to do so.

The Present State of Newfoundland

CONFEDERATION.

THE miserable condition of this country, produced by a bad system of trade, of politics, or of both combined, demands a speedy remedy ere total ruin sets in. I have not seen in any of the arguments used against Confederation, or in any of the apologies made in favor of our present system, the shadow of a denial of this fact.

It is an axiom, applicable to every order of things, that the same causes, acting under the same circumstances, will always produce the same effects. The axiom is singularly realized in our present condition, and prophetic of our future prospects, if a radical change be not admitted. If our political system has produced our distress, without being changed it will continue to produce it.

The question of Confederation will again be proposed to the people, but let it be proposed fairly and dispassionately. Whoever would influence them against a change, is bound in honour and truth to point out to them a pathway from the labyrinth of miseries that encircles and deludes them.

But, unfortunately, such has been the degrading influence of a system of things that some would fain preserve and perpetuate, that to a moiety of the people it were vain to appeal on any subject involving intellectual effort.

There is a German legend that tell how Frankenstein, a philosopher, having worked himself into the belief that man was gifted with the creative power, addressed himself to the task of producing a human being.

He had arrived at the object of his ambition. He had become a creator, but, lo! the thing he had called into life was a hideous monster. Day and night it haunted him. Endowed with the power of motion, it was destitute of voice and language.

He had sought the haunts of pleasure and dissipation—in the moments of his wildest forgetfulness the loathed creature appeared before him, and the light of its cold clammy eyes struck terror into his soul; go where he would, the spirit was his companion, his monitor, his spirit's master, though its most abject slave; it acknowledged his dominion, but instead of that unspcakable love and worship which do homage to a creator, its every gesture and attitude bespoke hatred and rage against the author of its existence.

The creature became destroyer, and the philosopher perished miserably from terror inspired by the work of his own hands.

"ME AND MY BROTHER," AGAIN.

DEAR SIR,—Some years ago, you will recollect, my brother attacked the learned and truly pious editor of the Mercury, as now is, in the then Telegraph newspaper, accusing him, amongst other things, of plagiarism, and other crimes and misdemeanors too numerous to mention.

I do not wish to mention this at present, as it might have the effect of weakening the force of yesterday's attack on you in the Mercury, but the fact is M. H. wants to secure the publishing of the debates again in his paper and I want to secure the supervisorship; but some of the party demur to having the debates published in a newspaper that is such only in name, having no circulation, as shown by its advertising.

—whose connection with the paper has had rather a depressing influence on the same—that we might get up a little sympathy and stimulate the popularity of the organ somewhat before the session opened. Besides, whether or no, if we could provoke you into taking an action for libel against either it or the government, we (that is, me and my brother) would be sure to pocket a few dollars for defending the same as the defendant's attorney.

P.S.—Please don't mention this till after the session is open and the thing fixed, as business is rather slack just now.

P.P.S.—"Me and my brother," all our friends, and the present sacred editor of the Mercury are all now rowing in the same heavenly political boat.

CENTRAL DISTRICT COURT

LAST year William Smithwick and Philip Grouchy cut ice on contract for a St. John's speculator, the former being the contracting party. Grouchy supposed that Smithwick received £20 for the job, but the latter said no, the amount was £16. This Grouchy took it upon himself to disbelieve and by way of forcing Smithwick's hand kept the ice-saw in his (G.'s) possession.

THERE were no foreign arrivals since yesterday. Several sail are ready for market but are detained by the storm.

THE mail-boat Assyrian need hardly be looked for till the present storm blows over; she will most likely lie till the sight of the coast becomes clear. She will be hurriedly despatched after she does arrive, for she is now several days overtime.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

SUNDAY, Jan. 15. GOVERNMENT STREET METHODIST CHURCH.—At 11 A.M. Rev. J. Parkins; at 6.30 P.M., Rev. G. Boyd. COCHRANE STREET METHODIST CHURCH.—At 11 A.M., Rev. G. Boyd; at 6.30 P.M., Rev. J. Parkins.

DIED. Last evening, after a short illness, George, third son of Thomas and the late Sarah Williams, of Bay Bulls, aged 38 years; leaving a wife and six children to mourn their sad loss.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

CLEARED 13—Dora, May, Pernambuco, Job, Bros. & Co.—3942 qts fish. Vidonia, Wilson, Pernambuco, Bowring Bros.—3928 qts fish. Fruit Girl, Fogwell, Demerara, Harvey & Co.—1702 qts fish, 150 lbs herring, 115 bds hoops.