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## CHIGNECTO POST AND BORDERER.

SACKVILLE, N. B., DEC. 29, 1887.

The first number of the *Empire*, the new Liberal Conservative paper, was issued at Toronto on Tuesday.

The recent blizzard in Kansas was the worst ever known in the state. The number of deaths from freezing, and starvation is believed to be at least 60.

Mr. Norquay has resigned the premiership of Manitoba and a new cabinet has been formed with Mr. Harrison as Premier. The new cabinet is Liberal-Conservative.

Three steel steamers of 3,000 tons each are to be built at the Fairfield yard, on the Clyde, to run in the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Japan and British Columbia service.

The writ for the election in Quebec, has been issued. Nomination January 11th, polling 18th. Joseph Hosen, of Gagetown, is returning officer. The candidates will be Messrs. Baird and King, as at the general election.

The Yarmouth barque Antoinette has completed the round trip between New York and Hieago, Japan, in less than ten months. The distance covered is over 42,000 miles, or nearly twice the circumference of the globe.

Attorney-General Winter, of Newfoundland, is at Ottawa consulting the Canadian Ministers regarding new proposals to be submitted to the United States Commissioners in connection with the Fisheries negotiations.

According to the Bangor (Maine) *Commercial*, the value of free lumber received at that point from the Maritime provinces during the month of November and October was \$22,995. The value of hemlock bark sent over the border in the same time was \$12,532.

It is rumored that the Pope intends to make Archbishop Williams, of Boston, a cardinal. Bishop McMahon, of Hartford, is also a candidate. The Pope is also expected to raise Vice-General Williams, of Boston, to the episcopacy, at Hartford as his see.

A despatch from Victoria, B. C., says Mr. Noah Shakespeare, M. P., Conservative, has resigned his seat in the Commons to accept the Victoria postmaster's office. Mr. Postmaster Wallace being superannuated. Mr. Prior, M. P. for Victoria, intends running in the Conservative interest.

Exported to the United States last fiscal year, worth of merchandise, as with \$768,000 in the previous year. Of this aggregate, \$447,000; dried fruit, \$100,000; \$34,000; \$99,000; and \$100,000 of the next year.

The Canadian snow has been a great blessing to the people of the Maritime Provinces this season. It has done good sleighing, but it is reported that six to eight inches of snow fell throughout Louisiana and Mississippi last Saturday. Snow is scarcely regarded as a blessing in the Southern States.

Frank C. McNeally, the Saco bank embezzler, was arrested in the Halifax hotel last Wednesday night, and held a prisoner till Sunday when he was liberated on the request of his brother, who bore letters that the prisoner be delivered to him. The embezzler arrived at Halifax on the Polynesian, and according to his story his travels have extended as far as Egypt.

The mining industry of Nova Scotia furnishes the Provincial Government with its most important source of income, aside from the Dominion subsidy. In 1886 the receipts of the Department of Mines in that province were \$126,856, and the expenditure \$13,242, leaving a net revenue of \$113,614. This year, owing to an increased output of coal, the net revenue will probably amount to \$122,000.

Judge Alley has given a decision in the Scott Act election recount at Charlottetown. He found that there were 669 valid ballots for the petition to repeal the Act, and 689 against it. The majority in favor of the Act has, as a result of the scrutiny, been increased by three votes, and is now 20. The judge dismissed the petition, and ordered the costs to be paid by the petitioners.

Returns from twelve gold mines in Nova Scotia for the month of November show a total of 2,517 tons of quartz crushed, with a return of 1,055 ounces of gold, valued at \$21,100. One mine gives the enormous yield of 191 ounces of gold from 611 tons of quartz crushed, while another the small return of 384 ounces from 299 tons of quartz. An association of gold miners has been formed, the annual meeting to be held in Halifax on 3rd February, 1888.

The Springfield collieries continue to develop their seams and increase their output. The daily output averages from 1,600 to 2,000 tons, and the demand still exceeds the supply. Over 1,400 men and boys are employed, and the pay roll amounts to upwards of \$50,000 a month. The men are paid fortnightly in cash. The company proposes to sink a vertical pit 1,200 feet deep, and another one 900 feet. These two will afford facilities for raising a million tons of coal each year. Extensive wharves have been built at Parsons, from which 50,000 tons of coal has been shipped to the New England States this season, notwithstanding the duty of 75 cents a ton.

## Commercial Union Progress.

A remarkable fact concerning Commercial Union is that it is making its greatest progress in parts of the country remote from the papers advocating it. The disciples of Erasmus Wiman in the Maritime Provinces tell of wonderful advances the cause is making in Ontario, and in support of their statements cite the adoption of indefinite resolutions by political associations thinly disguised as farmers' clubs; while the papers in Ontario which support Commercial Union inform their readers of the increase of union sentiment down by the sea. Judging by the statements of the great papers the great majority of the electors of the Dominion are anxious for an opportunity of depositing their ballots in favor of unrestricted trade with the United States, but when the test of an election is applied the people do not seem in any great hurry to declare in favor of Commercial Union. In Shelburne, according to some of our contemporaries, Commercial Union was the sole issue in the recent by-election; but the result was that an opponent of the which was to reverse the decision of the people, has increased General Laurier's majority. The results in Nova Scotia have not been remarkably encouraging to the Commercial Unionists, but there does not appear to be much consolation to be derived from the Upper Provinces. There has recently been an opportunity of testing the question in an Ontario constituency, and the result can scarcely be regarded as a Commercial Union victory. In the general election last February Dr. Mallory was elected in East Northumberland by a majority of twelve as a supporter of the Opposition. He was unopposed for corrupt practices, and in the election of last Thursday was again a candidate. This time he came out as a straight Commercial Unionist, and claimed to be independent of all other parties. He was opposed by Mr. O'Connell, who was defeated in February, and who on both occasions was the standard bearer of the Liberal-Conservative and a pronounced supporter of the National Policy. The Commercial Union cry did not prove any more successful in East Northumberland than in Shelburne, for Mr. O'Connell was elected by a majority of 126. At the present rate of progress the question is not how soon Commercial Union will be carried at the polls, but how long will it take to annihilate the Grit party.

## N. S. Railways.

Nova Scotia has just entered into an era of great activity in railway building. The Cape Breton railway, so long clamored, has been commenced, and will, before many months, bring the industrial centres of that island in close connection with the mainland. On the Short Line, between Oxford and Pictou the contracts are signed. The contract for Pictou-Barnaby was to have been signed on Tuesday night. Work this winter is proceeding on the clearings and outcrops. Nearly 400 men are at work. A large number are at work at what is known as the Oxford branch, reducing the grades to one in fifty. In this four miles there will be 40,000 cubic yards of excavation. The eastern section from Pictou to Mingo Road, 23 miles, is in charge of Mr. R. H. Cushing, C. E., who is located at River John, and has Messrs. Wheaton, Taylor and Eaton as assistants. The western section—over 40 miles—has Mr. J. A. Dickie in charge. His headquarters are at Wallace. He has Messrs. Sargent, Jones, Archibald and True as assistants.

In addition to these, the Spring Hill and Oxford Line—14 miles—has Mr. L. C. R. at St. John's, and the Cape and Railway Co., to Messrs. Chandler and Pearson, who have 200 men at work. The line runs from Spring Hill and connects with the Short Line at Oxford. It crosses the Cape and Railway Co. line, and will be completed early next season.

The passing of a subsidy act by the N. S. Government in the session of 1886, has greatly stimulated local railway enterprise, although the subsidy is very small (\$3,200 per mile) in per cent. debentures, which are below par. The first company to avail itself of this aid is the Joggins line, from which the Government is likely to be more than repaid in a very short time by the payment of interest. The line, one for which the line is surveyed and located, but not commenced, is the Halifax and North Eastern, from Dartmouth to Westville, Pictou Co., distance 89 miles. Another is the Stewiack and Lansdowne, from Brookville to L. C. R. to Lansdowne, distance 85 miles. This line is also located and the sleepers are out. Still another is the Hants Central, connecting Brookville with Newport, Hants Co., 45 miles long. These are all, without exception, advantageous lines, rendering valuable districts of agricultural capabilities or of mineral resources, that are now shut out of the markets. Any line that can be constructed with the above mentioned Provincial aid, has intrinsic merits of its own that amply justify the investment of public money.

LETTER'S LIVING AGE.—The number of the *Living Age* for the week ending Dec. 24th contains Gambler Parry's Ministry of Fine Art, *Edinburgh Review*; Josephine and Maria Louisa, *Temple Bar*; Jenny Lind, *Murray's Magazine*; A Health Resort out of the Season, *Cornhill Magazine*; Major and Minor, *Good Words*; Richard Cable, the Lightshipman, *Chambers Journal*; The Future of New Guinea, *All the Year Round*; with poetry and miscellanea. Fifty-two numbers of sixty-four large pages each (or more than 3,200 pages a year) for \$10.00 the publishers offer to send any one of the American \$4.00 monthly or weekly. The *Living Age* for a year, both postpaid. Little & Co., Boston, are the publishers.

Bear It in Mind. That pure blood is the life nourishment of the body, and means perfect health to one can deny. Cleanse the blood from impurities with B. B. B., the best blood purifier known.

## Is Promulgating Annexation Treason?

How far may one hold speculative views on Annexation without being open to the charge of disloyalty to our Queen and country, is a question raised by Mr. Ellis M. P., editor of the *Globe*, openly advocating in its columns Annexation. It is no empty boast that this is a free country—where neither one's opinion nor one's creed can be challenged. The days of church screws, the rack, and the fagot, are past and gone, and Mr. Ellis is free to hold any opinions he pleases, without let or hindrance. It is however the practical application of a man's opinions that society is obliged to take cognizance of as a matter of self protection. For instance, Brigham Young's free love opinions were of no account until he put them into practical operation, defying the laws of God and man. The sentimentalist who advocates the other Chicago anarchists were of no interest to anyone until they developed into bomb throwing and the wholesale destruction of life and property. So Mr. Ellis' opinions as to a change of flag and allegiance of this country are of no account until he undertakes to give practical force and effect to them, when they are mischievous in proportion to his power and influence. If one can advocate Annexation to United States, one can with equal propriety, so far as loyalty to the Queen is concerned, advocate the extension of Russian or French rule, or extend an invitation to any other foreign dominion to come here and rule us. And if one can do these things, of what value is the oath of allegiance by which Mr. Ellis bound himself, when he took his seat as a member of Parliament? Clearly there is something wrong, either in the oath or in Mr. Ellis' construction of it. But further, if Mr. Ellis esteems it his duty to advocate the extension of allegiance to the Queen he took, in no way hampers his political movements. This is not the position a high toned politician should occupy. Many of Mr. Ellis' former supporters—the *Telegraph* amongst the number—have been disappointed at his annexation proclivities at the last election—gained the votes of many strong loyalists—and after gaining his coveted seat in the House, used the honor conferred on him as a weight to be annexation views, which were announced at the time when the Fisheries Commission was in session in Washington and when every loyal man in the land, Grit or Tory was wishing God-speed to the members of the Commission. The complaint is that Mr. Ellis has done his little all to defer a settlement and to defeat reciprocity. His sympathies were not with our coal, iron, lumber and agricultural interests then, but with the annexationists. He was at Washington for a free market—he was exposed to all these if they stood in the way of his political aspirations towards the neighboring republic. These annexationist views have been a great weight to Mr. Ellis since his election, a sense of self respect will lead him to resign. It has long been the practice in England for a member who being elected on one set of principles and has reason to change, to promptly return to the people. It is contrary to the whole spirit of our system of representative institutions, for a representative to hold one set of views and his constituency another.

## Dorchester.

—Hon. P. A. Aubrey has gone to Fredericton, to be absent one week.

—Mr. Young, of St. Stephen, N. B., father of the resident Baptist clergyman, is here spending the holidays with his son.

—The Superior School examinations took place here last Friday, and were very satisfactory.

—The scholars of the Dorchester Literary and Musical Society to give one of their entertainments at the Corner. We bespeak them a full house.

—It is rumored that Mr. H. R. Emerson is making an effort to establish a pulp mill here. We trust he may succeed, and all citizens, irrespective of politics, will join him heartily in the enterprise. It will be of great benefit to all should the project be carried out. We wish Mr. Emerson "God speed."

—Mr. Harry Powell, of your town, delivered his lecture on "The Fall of Man" last evening. The hall was crowded, and the speaker was listened to with marked attention. The gentlemen who seconded the vote of thanks took occasion, in his remarks, to differ with the lecturer, but were calmly and very politely "sat upon" by Mr. Powell.

(From another Correspondent.)

—On Tuesday evening last H. A. Powell Esq., gave the fifth lecture of the course that is being delivered in Hickman's Hall. His subject was "Oliver Cromwell." True to his profession, Mr. Powell treated his hero as a lawyer treats his clients. As his client, he eulogized and knows no fault in him; as a special pleader, he admits nothing that does not make for his client's interests. This fact was referred to by the second of a vote of thanks, when he said that "there were many things in the lecture which would not be given. After demolishing, in admirable style, the High Church rascals and getting them well underfoot, the learned lecturer admitted, as he found with his desk within a very few feet, and apart from the fact that the other side of the shield was invisible, it was well worth going to hear."

"I was troubled with an eruption on my face, which was a source of constant annoyance when I was in company. After using ten bottles of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the humor entirely disappeared."—Mary M. Wood, 40 Adams St., Lowell, Mass.

—The verdict of the coroner's jury in the Carleton catastrophe attributes the cause of the disaster to the derangement of a portion of the bridge by the action of the ice during a storm, and censures both the Dominion and Local Government inspectors for accepting such a bridge.

Tamarac Elixir

Is not advertised to cure consumption, but it has made some remarkable cures of persons supposed to be in the first stages of that disease.

## Letter from Red Deer.

A Bad Season for the Farmer.—A Fine Country for Stock Raising and Dairying.—Progress Retarded by a Colonization Company.

DEAR SIR:—Allow me the privilege of a few lines in your paper, in order to give to your many readers a true account of the Red Deer settlement in the district of Alberta, its advantages and disadvantages. In the first place the settlement is situated on the Red Deer river (a clear mountain stream about 600 feet in width) about 35 miles north of Calgary. This summer of 1887 has been rather disastrous for the agriculturist, oats being the only grain that matured, and I must say they yielded enormously, in some cases as high as 75 bushels per acre and averaging about 40 lbs. per bushel, barley, wheat and potatoes were a failure. Now in 1886 all crops yielded prolifically, but whether summer frosts are the rule or the exception I cannot say. Take the country as one for producing beef and dairy produce, it cannot be surpassed under the sun. I have farmed many years in the east, but never saw better cream than which flows on the milk in this country. The grass grows in unlimited quantities, and clear water and springs abound. Wood is plentiful and large seams of coal crop out from the banks of the river. The progress of the settlement has been retarded seriously by the selfish and intolerant work of a Colonization Company known as the Saskatchewan Land and Homestead Co. This company places a certain sum of money in the hands of the Government as security, and in return the understanding that they would improve and colonize the lands they claim in this settlement. For the four years they have held sway in this place they have not cleared a single acre of land, and have only one family brought in by their help, and the head of that family had an interest in the company. Now, since the Government has abolished all coal companies, this company seems to have no business in the country, and the pick of all the best sections in the place of the security given to the Government.

This summer they have had a man here taking a survey of all swampy lakes and river belts, with the view ahead that the Government would not charge them for it, and now it is rumored that they are about to induce the Government to exempt their lands from taxes. If they are successful, it means that the land will be given to the company, and they will be able to issue deeds to parties desirous of purchasing, hence their landlocked property, the public. In the meantime the settlers are improving their land, opening up roads, etc., and are in the land enhancing the value of the company's old sections.

I am, dear sir, yours sincerely,  
A. SERRAN.

Red Deer, Alberta, Dec. 10, 1887.

## Christmas Events.

—No chiming of sleigh bells Xmas day.

—The editor of the *Sun* and wife spent their holidays with their friends at River Heights.

—The driving on Morio's Lake, on Monday afternoon, was rather a fizzle in point of numbers.

—The wife of the rector of St. Paul's received a well-filled purse on Christmas from their friends.

—The Salvation Army paraded on Saturday evening with their big drum and they made a big noise.

—Counsellor Russell and Councilor Tait, of Shediac, Christmased at Westcott this year with Captain Evans.

—Prof. Twissel discussed his Xmas goose at Sussex, and Mr. R. C. Boxall, with Mr. Almon, at Hampton.

—Principal Davis denied the Academic families on Monday, and Principal Jordan reciprocates on next Monday.

—Mr. Parson, of the N. Y. Quarrying Co., of Wood Point, forgo to return to Brooklyn, N. Y., this year.

—The young folks are not forgotten this year. The Salem congregation, had a very enjoyable festival on Saturday evening. Last evening, the Sunday school children of St. Paul's had a Christmas Tree, and the little ones had their full pleasure.

## The Press in Heaven.

Some curious instances are given of extempore prayers. Here is one going the round of the papers, which is said to have been uttered by the Rev. John Allison when praying before the Minnesota Legislature:—

And now, dear Lord, bless the reporters, whose nimble pens catch every word almost before it is uttered. Like Thee, they are omnipresent, and almost omnipotent. If we take the wings of the morning and fly away to the uttermost parts of the earth, they are there. They meet us in the jungles of Africa, they waylay us in the solitary canyons of Colorado, and when at length we find the latitude of the magnetic pole, behold they are there. May their light be good to us, as the equal to their power, and in the general assembly of heaven let no reporter be excluded."

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## St John Letter.

St. JOHN, Dec. 28th.—Christmas has come and gone; its glories have vanished and Mr. Cheque Smith alone knows what it cost. Last week was happy and joyous in St. John. Everybody seemed bent either on looking out for No. 1 for himself or some one else. Touching upon the usefulness of happiness I will relate briefly what I saw on Christmas day in the public institutions where the weak, the aged, the orphan, and the pauper are cared for. In the General Public Hospital the tired and fevered patients appeared with renewed strength and health and after listening to the sweet tale of singers sat down to a repast which rivalled the Christmas dinner at the Royal, Dufferin, or the Victoria. The choicest fruit was set apart for the bed-ridden patients and none were forgotten. In the Marine Hospital the sight was even more touching. 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## Heavy Winter Goods!

Wool Blankets,  
Grey Blankets,  
Blanket Suits,  
Comfortables,  
Heavy Mantle Cloths,  
Men's, Youths' and Boys' Overcoats,  
Heavy Wool Shawls,  
Clouds, Squares and Mufflers,  
Muffs and Fur Tippers,  
5 pieces Oxford Grey Cloth,  
25 pieces Grey, Red, White and Black  
Flannel,  
Grey, Black, and White Factory Yarn,  
Silverware, Carpets, Trunks, &c.

Our Stock of Heavy Warm Dry Goods  
for Winter Wear is very complete, and we  
could ask all who need anything in the  
Dry Goods line to keep us in mind.

C. PICKARD.

Music Hall Block, Sackville, N. B.

## Christmas Presents

For Everybody, both Useful and Ornamental, to be found  
at the Roof and Shoe Store:

Overcoats, Velvet Slippers, Fancy Moose Moccasins, Snow-Shoes, Wig-  
wam Slippers, Skating Boots, Kid Boots, Misses' and  
Children's Universal Slippers.

I have the Nicest Slippers for Gentlemen ever shown in Sackville, hand-worked  
on Velvet and in different Colors; also the Best Moose Moccasins, for Men,  
Women, Misses and Children, made in Canada, both White and Brown. Be sure  
and see these Goods before buying your Christmas Presents.

Powell's Brick Building, A. C. SMITH.

## A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

We Wish our Patrons and Friends.

Yours Truly,

J. A. McQUEEN.

1888.

## Christmas Goods!

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED A FULL LINE OF

Fancy Goods for Christmas Presents, &amp;c.

New Felts, Plushes, Chenilles, Fillosoles, Aproneries,  
and Braides, for Embroidery.

Embroidery Cottons, in Red, Blue, and all Colors; Brass Panel Ropes and Match  
Sales, for Mounting; Perforated Pipe Racks; Jubilee Tiles; Night-  
Dress Bags; Toilet Sets; Splashes; Tray Cloths, &c.

Pongee Silks, Ponpons, Crescents, &amp;c.

Silk Braces for Working.

Silk Handkerchiefs, very cheap; also a Full Stock of other  
Xmas Goods, at  
**F. A. WILSON'S,**  
AMHERST, N. S.

## CHRISTMAS SALE!

Black and Colored Silks,  
80c. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.40, \$1.50 UP;

Colored Dress Goods (11, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35c. up); Colored Dress Goods  
Grey Flannel, All Wool, 20c. per yard;

Cloth Jackets and Dolmans;  
RECEIVED TO-DAY ANOTHER LOT OF

LADIES' ASTACHAN JACKETS AND MEN'S FUR COATS;  
WE ARE OPENING A LARGE LOT OF

Fur Lined Circulars and Dolmans,  
At Prices from \$12 up.

**ETTER & PUGSLEY**  
Amherst, Dec. 7, 1887.

## NEW FALL GOODS.

We are now showing a Fine Assortment of Fall and Winter Goods, comprising  
230 Pieces of Dress Goods in Plain and Plaid, German Flannels at  
30c., Jersey Cloths, Cashmere Cloths, &c., Ladies'  
Jerseys in Great Variety.

—ALSO—  
Mantle Cloths, Astrachan and Fur Trimmings, Fur Capes and Coats.

Our Stock of Ladies' Hosiery and Gloves is the  
Finest in the Town.

Call and See Them and be Convinced.

E. J. AYER.

Amherst, N. S., Oct. 12th, 1887.

**R. S. FIDHAM, Photographer,**  
Gallery over "Gazette" Office, Next Baptist Church, Amherst, N. S.

W. B. FIDHAM, the Original Photographer.  
I beg to thank the People of Sackville and vicinity for their substantial patronage during the  
past year. We are now showing a Fine Assortment of Fall and Winter Goods, comprising  
230 Pieces of Dress Goods in Plain and Plaid, German Flannels at 30c., Jersey Cloths, Cashmere  
Cloths, &c., Ladies' Jerseys in Great Variety. —ALSO— Mantle Cloths, Astrachan and Fur  
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## Advertisements this Day.

For Property for Sale or Let, &c., see fourth  
page. "Business Cards" on first page.

Card of Thanks.....O. J. Trueman  
Goods.....E. H. Hickey  
Woodill's German Baking Powder.....  
Heavy Winter Goods.....C. Pickard  
Compliments of the Season.....J. A. McQueen  
do do do.....H. Dickson

To Advertisers.—Advertisements are requested  
to be sent to this Office before Wednesday noon  
if wanted to appear the same week they are sent

## Special Locals.

Go to G. J. Trueman's for Pure Spices,  
Choice Fruit Syrups at G. J. Trueman's.  
Acme Skates, cheapest in town, at H.  
Dickson's.

Freshest and best assortment of Nuts at  
G. J. Trueman's.

Finest assortment of Fresh Fruits at G.  
J. Trueman's.

H. Dickson has just opened another lot  
of that Mixed Candy. Only 15c. per lb.

Dress Goods, in endless variety and  
best value in Sackville, at H. Dickson's.

B. A. Keat has for Sale two Jersey  
Helfers, in calf, and a Jersey Bull Calf.

M. Leist, Watchmaker, has removed to  
the corner store in Music Hall Block.

G. J. Trueman has the best, purest and  
cheapest assortment of Christmas Groceries  
in Sackville.

Received to-day—3 case men's long  
rubber boots, light colored ag and heavy  
wool lined.—A. C. Smith.

Call and purchase at G. J. Trueman's,  
your Christmas Candles. The choicest  
and cheapest assortment in town.

Don't forget to call at H. Dickson's and  
save one dollar in every ten by securing  
the cash discount of 10 per cent.

Don't pay 75c. for a pair of No. 9 quality  
Acme Skates when you can get No. 10  
for the same money at H. Dickson's.

New Year's Presents.—Persons who  
have been fortunate in the Christmas  
Presents line, must not forget to return  
the compliment by selecting something from  
among the few nice articles C. Pickard  
and has left.

Christmas is Coming.—Santa Claus ar-  
rived at the Book Store Tuesday night,  
with an abundance of Toys, Games, Dolls,  
Skates, Sleighs, etc., and Presents for all  
old and young. New invoice of Silver-  
ware just received. Gold and Silver  
Watches, Chains, Jewellery, etc., Gift  
Cups and Saucers cheap in town. Can-  
not enumerate all our Goods, but please  
call and inspect them and save money by  
purchasing.

## LOCAL MATTERS.

THE TASTEMAN RINK was opened  
for the season on Tuesday evening.  
There was a very large attendance.  
The ice was good.

"TWAS EVER THUS."—An ex-  
change announces that Christmas  
and New Year's do not come on the  
same day of the week next year.

A POINTMENT.—Parish Com-  
missioner Cahill has been appointed  
commissioner for taking affidavits  
to be read in the Supreme Court,  
and also a commissioner for taking  
special bail in the Supreme Court.

ACCIDENT.—As Thomas Fillmore,  
of Dorchester Road, was driving down  
the hill this side of the Westcott  
Abolition, on a load of hay, yesterday,  
the ring of the breast yoke broke and  
let the pole fall to the ground. Both  
horses were thrown to the earth and  
the loaded wagon passed over one of  
them and then upset. Mr. Richardson  
was thrown from the load, but he  
and the team escaped without serious  
injury.

CALENDARS, ETC.—Scott & Bewne,  
of Belleville, Ont., proprietors of  
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wants New Shoes."—Hall & Fair-  
weather, of the same city, send out  
as a new year's salutation a picture of  
the old Strand, London. This firm  
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REAL ANXIOUS.—At the last  
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for next year:

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the exercises and the specimens of  
work exhibited.—The examinations  
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held in the afternoon, and passed off  
very successfully. The visitors were  
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—We wish the Post and its many  
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—Christmas falling on Sunday,  
Monday was generally observed,  
but in the absence of good sleighing  
there was not much sport.

—Do not forget the opening  
lecture of the "Young People's In-  
stitute" on next Friday evening, at  
Temperance Hall, by Rev. Mr. Mc-  
Kay. Subject: "Power of the Mind."

—The examination of our school,  
for the term just ended, took place on  
Friday last, in the school house, com-  
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tinuing, with the exception of a noon  
hour, until 4 o'clock. Quite a num-  
ber of visitors were present in the  
forenoon, and in the afternoon the  
number was greatly increased, espe-  
cially by the ladies, manifesting a  
deep interest in the educational as  
well as other matters pertaining to  
the well being of the rising genera-  
tion.

—On Monday, at ten o'clock A.  
M., some of the members of No. 6  
Co. 74th Infantry will drill, and con-  
stantly of Capt. Harter, met on Marsh  
range to compete for prizes con-  
tributed by different members of the  
company. The shooting, on an  
average, was good. The following  
are the names of prizes and winners  
respectively: 1st prize, gold lace  
pin, won by Corporal Byron Mc-  
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geant R. K. Oulton; 3rd, cash,  
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Ogden. As there are some crack  
shots in this company, it is to be  
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the next general competition, and  
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—A splendid concert was given  
at Temperance Hall on Thursday  
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Wm. Prescott, the indefatigable  
worker in this good cause, performed  
their respective parts in a highly  
creditable manner. Mrs. Bedford  
Harper presided at the organ. As  
soon as the concert was ended, re-  
freshments were offered for sale.  
The amount taken was over \$20  
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purchasing an organ for the B. F. H.  
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not occupying a conspicuous part in  
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cause for complaining, in carrying  
out of our, and as far as we  
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to them, sounding their own trumpet,  
for in such cases the old adage  
truthful saying "Self praise is no  
recommendation" will speak for  
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Westmorland Point.

—The holiday season has com-  
menced, and the young folks are  
merry than ever, while the old  
folks seem to have taken the new  
year of life.

—The "Mountain House" has re-  
ceived new tenants within the last  
fortnight, and it is rumored that the  
followers of Bacchus will find this  
resort even more congenial than in  
"days of yore." Friends of temper-  
ance, his ought not to be.

—We are again reminded that  
"old Father Time" waits for no  
man. Another year, with its joys  
and sorrows, will soon have passed  
away, and the new year, with its  
hopes and longings, will be ushered  
in.

—An audience of two or three  
hundred completely filled the Hall  
at Westmorland Point on Thursday  
evening, the occasion being an ex-  
hibition given by the district school  
at the close of the summer term.

The programme was made up of  
music, consisting of choruses, duets,  
solos and trios. A. O. dialogues,  
simultaneous readings by the differ-  
ent classes, and recitations by in-  
dividual pupils. Misses Bella Fil-  
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