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The weather continues to be extraordinary enough to demand passing notices. After two months of unusual severity the Maritime Provinces on the evening of March 2nd experienced a violent thunder storm, accompanied by a gale and heavy wind. Though brief, it reduced the depth of the snow by several inches. No damage is reported in this vicinity, but in the extreme west of the province a number of buildings were struck by the lightning.

The session of the Nova Scotia Legislature just closed has attracted little attention, but has nevertheless taken up and passed some legislation that may prove of great importance to the future of this country. The new acts of most importance to this part of the province are the regulations looking toward the better protection of the forests, and the decision to appoint a good roads instructor for the province.

In connection with the latter, the Goods Roads Association, through its President, Alex. McNeil, of Halifax, has called a convention of the Association to meet at Truro, March 24th. The work that the Association cut out for itself is that of reconsecrating the public to the change from the present to the proposed system. They are likely to receive strong opposition from rural voters and non-progressive men generally.

As it is a matter of local opinion whether a system of better road construction is introduced or not, this sentiment will no doubt have to be overcome. The movement should therefore have the hearty support of all intelligent enough to understand its necessity. A circular letter from the President to the county representatives asks for the largest delegation possible from each county, the first object aimed at being to secure the co-operation of the county councils with the efforts of the instructor. It is expected that a Nova Scotia press association will be formed at Truro at the same date.

The "Morning Chronicle" estimates the forest and waste land of this province at 81,000,000 acres, and says: "If waste, it ought to be put in a productive condition. A domain exceeding two-thirds of the total acreage of the Province, is a large territory, and if placed to-day in a productive condition by re-forestation would in the course of thirty or forty years, yield large revenues to the province. To make it a productive asset is worthy of the highest and best 'stewardship that our country affords. No public man can address himself to a more worthy object and one in which the interests of the country are more identified than the 'preservation of the forests that yet remain and the re-forestation of lands that have become useless by fire and 'razz.' We desire to proclaim our 'Heart Heart!' to the expression of such sentiments. We believe, however, that this word 're-forestation' is one that is capable of misconception, and if dwelt on at too great length may lead to much misdirected effort in the recently launched effort toward forest protection. In old countries where the forests have been entirely killed out, much good work has been done by tree planting. There is also scope for such work on the plains of Western Canada. When, however, we come to Nova Scotia and examine carefully into conditions we find 'Markland' still true to her name. Of the immense tracts now designated by the name of waste lands, nine-tenths will promptly re-vegetate itself with forest if protected from fire. This is the key to the question of forestry in this province to-day. Prevent the forest fires and soil and climate will do the rest.

The following is a copy of the letter accompanying the medal presented by the Crystal Palace Co., of London, Eng., to the Nova Scotia Government for the display of Nova Scotia fruit to be seen at the Crystal Palace during the fall and early winter. It was addressed to J. Howard, Esq., agent general for Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir, You will be interested to learn that my Directors have decided to mark their sense of the very excellent and attractive exhibit of Nova Scotia Fruit which was held in the Canadian Court at the Crystal Palace during the months of November, December and January, by presenting a special Commemorative Medal to the Nova Scotia Government, who we understand, in conjunction with the Fruit Growers' Association of Nova Scotia were responsible for the display.

I am directed therefore to forward this medal to you as the representative of Nova Scotia in London and to request you to be good enough to transmit it to the proper quarter. There is no question that such periodical special exhibits do much to maintain a lively interest in the Canadian Court, and my directors are sanguine that the other Colonies will follow Canada's practical example in utilizing the undoubted educational and commercial advantages which the Crystal Palace offers for promoting the interests of our Colonial Empire among the 2,000,000 visitors who come from every part of the United Kingdom and of the world.

Yours faithfully, J. H. COLENS, Secretary.

To Sunday School Superintendents. It becomes my duty to call your attention to the Temperance lesson for Sunday, March 13th. The special subject is "The Cigarette."

You are well aware that, for boys especially, this is one of the most pernicious evils of the day; an evil that must be earnestly combated. The "Quarterly Temperance Lesson Leaf" of the Ontario W. C. T. U. will be a great help in teaching this lesson. Copies may be had from Mrs. Frank White, 457 Pall Mall St., London, Ont. Let a faithful effort be made on March 13th to enlist all our young people for temperance.

BENJ. HILLS, County Superintendent.

Local and Special News.

The Provincial Legislature was prorogued on Thursday, the third inst.

Councillor J. R. DeWitt was declared duly elected by the Town Clerk, yesterday.

The back-bone of the winter, thick though it was, has been fairly broken this week.

H. F. Williams shipped two carloads of beef to the Halifax market yesterday.

The St. James' Church adult Sewing Circle meets to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon, at Mrs. George Ruffe's, Church street.

Take your horse to Marshall's Livestock Lawncetown and have him clipped by John Kirley's clipping machine there for a few days only.

The trotting horses of the town had some friendly brushes on the river on Saturday, and were out on the ice again Monday for exercise.

The members of the Baptist Church choir were very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Messenger, Centreville, last Saturday evening.

Mr. Knowles, of Toronto, rendered a baritone solo, with violin accompaniment by Mrs. W. A. Warren, in the Baptist Church, Sunday evening last. It was greatly enjoyed.

Attention is called to the advertisement of auction sale of the household goods of the late Mrs. J. R. Kinney, which takes place next Wednesday afternoon, beginning at one o'clock.

The Y. M. C. A. entertainment at Lawrencetown, which was set for last evening, was postponed on account of weather, till to-morrow (Thursday) evening. A program has been prepared that merits a large attendance.

Revisors' court met here on Saturday last, and was the means of bringing quite a crowd to town. Party workers on both sides were busy, and enough interest was manifested to assure warm times ahead.

Mr. John Lowe, keeper of the County Poor House, met with a bad shaking up by being thrown from his sleigh on the street here, Saturday. He sustained no serious injuries, however, and will probably soon be around again.

R. C. Douglas, Dominion Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, passed over the line of the D. A. R. between Kentville and Yarmouth last Thursday. Reports have been circulated that the bridges were unsafe and the engineer was sent out to make a report.

Quite a serious fire occurred at Halifax last Saturday morning. Five wooden buildings on Water St. were destroyed, involving a property loss of about \$50,000. Patrick Shelly, one of the veteran firemen of Halifax, dropped dead while on his way to the fire, from heart failure brought on by excitement.

It was "Ladies' Night" at Olive Branch Division last Monday evening. At the close of an entertaining program the ladies brought forth baskets well filled with "good things," which were distributed to the "brothers."

Next Monday evening the program will consist of a discussion of the Eastern question.

The little child of Raymond Amiro, of West Pubnico, had a narrow escape from death by lightning during the thunder storm of last week. The little one was lying in its cradle when the house was struck. The room in which the baby lay was badly shattered, pieces of the window falling across the cradle. Strange to say the child was unharmed and the house did not catch fire.

Mr. William Chipman, who with his family is wintering at Coronado Beach near San Diego, California, sustained a serious accident recently while driving with his little son. They were both thrown from the wagon, but the boy escaped uninjured, while the father had three ribs broken and was badly lacerated. Last accounts received by friends report favorable progress toward recovery.

Quite an important meeting of the Town Council was held Monday evening.

Three new firemen were appointed, viz. J. H. Hickey, Frank Charlton, and Gordon Goldsmith. The rate of taxation for the current year was also fixed. It is no higher than last year. The question of providing the firemen with waterproof coats and helmets was introduced, and it was unanimously agreed that they should be secured as soon as possible. Town Clerk, F. L. Milner, was instructed to begin correspondence to ascertain where they can be secured to the best advantage.

Bridgetown Fireman Banqueted.

If prompt and hearty recognition of the valiant services performed by the Bridgetown Fire Department on the morning of Feb. 28th, can be any compensation, then they must feel rewarded. Besides the prompt measures taken by the Town Council toward providing them with a proper uniform, they were banqueted by Mr. M. W. Graves at the St. James Hotel last evening. The Mayor and City Fathers were also guests at the festive board. The spread was a credit to Mr. Neily's popular hospitality, and nothing was lacking to make it thoroughly enjoyable. After the good things were discussed, toasts and speeches were the order of the day.

Mr. L. D. Shafner acting as toastmaster. The usual round of toasts were proposed and responded to, including "The King," "Bridgetown," "The Industries of the Town," etc.

The Banquet was not only a most enjoyable function, but it effected incalculable good by creating a better understanding between the Town Council and the firemen. The fire department promises to be even more efficient in the future than in the past.

Boys' Gymnastic Exhibition.

The people who attended the Boys' Exhibition in January, were so well pleased with it, that it has been decided to hold another next Monday night beginning at 7.45. The program will be somewhat different from the last one. The regular drills will be given, but there will be some different games. There will be a basket ball game between the Bridgetown boys' team and the Lawrencetown boys. Torch swinging will also be an added feature.

OBITUARY.

FOSTER. Mary E., beloved wife of Ernest Foster, passed away at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Jordan, of Upper Granville, on Saturday, the 6th inst., at the early age of 23, a victim of the dread disease consumption. Her untimely death bereaves a young husband, her parents, and one sister who remains at home. Other members of the family are away from the home. The funeral services were conducted by Pastor Hills, of the Methodist church, the interment taking place at the Bridgetown cemetery on Monday afternoon.

HALL. Mr. Charles Hall, a highly respected resident of Beaufort, died suddenly at his home there, on Sunday, the 6th inst. He was smitten with paralysis two days before, and was unable to rally from the shock, having reached the advanced age of 80 years. Mr. Hall was a brother of Councillor Jas. B. Hall, and also of the late Thomas Hall, of Yarmouth, whose death was noted in these columns a couple of weeks ago. He was a deacon of the Baptist Church, and is highly spoken of by all who knew him for his upright integrity. He leaves quite a large family to mourn their loss. Two sons and two daughters live in this vicinity, the rest are in the United States. The funeral took place yesterday, the interment being at Centreville cemetery; Rev. E. E. Daley conducted the services. Mr. Hall will be greatly missed in the community where he resided.

EDMUND WADE. One of Bear River's oldest and most highly respected citizens, Mr. Edmund Wade, passed away on Friday last, Feb. 26th, aged 79. He was a native of Bellisle, Annapolis Co., where he still has a brother, Mr. Will Wade, living. He came to Bear River over a half century ago, and built up a fine business as a carriage builder, acquiring a wide reputation for excellence of work. Shortly after coming to the town he married Miss Eleanor Douglas of Port George, who survives him, with two sons, W. W. Wade, well known merchant of Bear River, and Bernard Wade, who has in recent years carried on his father's business. Besides the brother mentioned above, he also leaves a brother, W. A. Wade, living at Calis, Me., and two sisters, Mrs. Zebulon Blakeley of Malden, Mass., and Mrs. Busby Gates of Middleton.

He was a member of the Methodist church, and the funeral on Sunday afternoon was conducted by Rev. J. E. Donkin.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS. Dr. W. H. Beckwith, of Halifax, was in town over Sunday.

Mr. Geo. Shipton has returned from an extended visit in England.

Miss Blanche Spurr, of Deep Brook, is visiting her friend Miss Lizzie Marshall.

Miss Maud Smith, of Kingston, N.S., who has been visiting Mrs. J. Hickey, returned home on Thursday last.

Miss Clara Willett, of Tupperville, left on Saturday on a trip to Bermuda for the benefit of her health.

Mrs. Huntington, of Wolfville, has been spending a few days in town, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Neily, of Regina, after an extended visit with friends here, leave to-day for their home in the west.

Mr. Frank Kinney, of Fargo, North Dakota, arrived on Saturday, and will spend a few weeks with his sister, Miss Maud Kinney.

Mrs. H. E. Brown and daughter, Muriel, attended the wedding of Mrs. Brown's niece, Miss Clark, at Woodville, Kings County, this week.

Miss Katherine Piper, after an absence of several months, during which she visited friends in Dover, N. H., and Boston, returned home on Saturday.

Mr. Louis Bath, of Boston, is in town, called home by the serious condition of his mother, Mrs. Chas. Parker, who, we regret to state, has suffered collapse in consequence of the injuries received by her fall, reported some weeks ago.

Basket Ball. There were two basket ball league games played at Lawrencetown last Friday evening. The game between the Aletas of Lawrencetown, and the Clerks of Bridgetown, was won by the Aletas by a score of 50-12. The Bankers again defeated the Forwards by a score of 10-5.

The Bankers will play the Clerks to-night at Bridgetown. As these are the two leading teams in the league, the game will be an interesting one. The last time they played the Clerks was by only two points. Should the Bankers win to-night this would leave them at the far first place.

There will also be a Volley Ball match to-night between the business men and the professional men. Each team has won a game, and this is to play off the tie.

Several other features will be added to the evening's program to make it interesting.

To Increase the Output at Port Hood "It is possible," says the Mining Record, "that the Port Hood Coal Company may make a trial of the coal cutting machinery in their colliery at an early date."

It is hoped that the output will very greatly increased during the present year. The difficulty to supply Port Hood coal as fast as the public is willing to consume it will, to some extent at least, be overcome by the installation of coal cutting machinery, but the popularity of the article, however, may increase even faster than the output. There is no house coal on the market at present superior to selected Port Hood.

WANTED A man to do farm work. For full particulars apply to S. S. RUGGLES, Bridgetown, Me., 9, 1904.—59 21

BARGAINS!

We have on hand a few OVERCOATS, RAGLANETTES, ULSTERS, REEFERS, SOONER than to carry these over, we will make a big discount for cash.

A. D. BROWN Bridgetown, Feb. 17th, 1904.

BARGAINS!

You can fool some people all the time, You can fool all the people some times, But you cannot fool all the people all the time."

Call on SANCTON and see his \$3.00 gold-filled glasses, and stop fooling with pedlars that sell you any Old Trash.

New Goods!

Razors, Knives and Forks, Cobblers sets, Cartridges, Sled Shoe Bolts, and a fine lot of Sad Irons, for general laundry work.

R. SHIPLEY. BARGAINS

We have a few bargains to offer in CLOTHING

3 Men's Overcoats, reduced to \$3.50

3 Men's Reefers, reduced to \$3.00

1 Men's Reefer, from \$6.00 to \$4.50

3 Men's Ulsters, reduced to \$3.50

3 Boys' Ulsters, reduced to 2.75

1 Boy's Ulster, reduced to 2.50

JOSEPH I. FOSTER.

Bridgetown High School.

Results of the examinations for February. The values are based on 100. A dash indicates that the pupil was absent; a cipher, that the pupil was present but handed in no paper. The days lost and the number of times tardy during February are also given.

Table with columns: GRADE XI, Name, History, Geography, English, Algebra, Geometry, Physics, P. Math, Days Lost, Times Tardy.

Table with columns: GRADE X, Name, History, Geography, English, Algebra, Geometry, Arithmetic, Book-keeping, Days Lost, Times Tardy.

Table with columns: GRADE IX, Name, History, Geography, English, Algebra, Geometry, Arithmetic, Book-keeping, Days Lost, Times Tardy.

MARRIAGE

We would like to have a talk with you on the matter of FURNITURE. It will pay you to call and SEE US. Write us. W. E. REED, Bridgetown, N. S.

BARGAINS!

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week the balance of my Winter Hats will be sold at and below cost.

MISS ANNIE CHUTE.

FURNITURE FOR SALE AT LAWRENCETOWN!

The subscriber will sell at private sale the following articles of Household Furniture:

- 1 Hardwood Bedroom Suite. 1 Feather Bed. 1 Haircloth Sofa. 3 dozen Haircloth Chairs. 3 dozen Case-seated Chairs. All-Wool Carpets, etc.

Goods may be seen at residence of W. E. Palfrey, MRS. ARTHUR MUIR, March 9th.

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JOSEPH I. FOSTER.

We are opening quantities of NEW GOODS. Do you realize the Cotton situation? Raw Cotton selling around 16 cents per pound, and every possibility of it going to 20 cents per pound. Our Spring Cotton purchases were made when Cotton was selling around 12 cents per pound; therefore we feel we are in a position to offer our customers as good value as can be found in America. New Sheetings, New Prints, New Pillow Cottons, New Zephyrs and Gingham, New White Cottons, New Grey Cottons, Beautiful Cotton Waistings in Fancy Stripes, Chevviots, Damasks, Matte and Hopsack Weaves. Make up your mind what you think you will want in Cottons for spring sewing and buy now. We think we can save you some money. We know we can give you extra value, as all repeats will cost us from 15 to 20 per cent. more. SEE OUR NEW DRESS GOODS, CARPETS AND CURTAINS. J. W. BECKWITH.

CASH CLEARANCE SALE FOR Two Weeks Only! 20 per cent Discount. Heavy Colored Dress Goods, Ladies' and Children's Underwear (Vests Drawers and Combination Suits), Wool and Cashmere Hose and Gloves, Knitted Goods, Fancy Flannelettes, Flannelette Underwear, Ladies' Umbrellas, Ladies' Fur Ruffs, Collars, Muffs, Children's Fur Collars, Ruffs and Sets, Fur-lined Capes, Quilts and Wool Blankets, Walking Skirts, Men's Cardigans and two best grades Winter Underwear, Men's Fur Coats, and Robes. 30 per cent Discount. Ladies' Wrappers, Blouses and Whitewear, Ladies' Dogskin Jackets, Men's Dogskin Jackets, Men's and Boys' Underwear, Sweaters, Gloves, Men's and Boys' Winter Caps, Children's Suits ages 4 to 13. 50 per cent Discount. All Ladies' Jackets and Capes, Misses' Jackets and Reefers. JOHN LOCKETT & SON

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Meat & Fish always in stock. Wm. I. Troop GRANVILLE STREET. SPECIALTIES THIS WEEK AT THE Central Book Store "The Delineator," "Belcher's Almanac." B. J. ELDERKIN WOOD WANTED. Tenders will be received up to the 1st day of March next, by the International Harrow & Co. Ltd., at their office in Bridgetown, for the supply of 100 cords of wood for the year 1904. The wood to be delivered in accordance with the terms at the back of the card. Tenders must state the price per cord delivered at the site and whether bark, soft refuse, or slab wood, also the quantity which each tender will supply. Tenders will also be received for the repair of the wheel at the port, also for 200 feet square of spruce plank and boards. The measure of spruce plank and boards. The company reserves the right to reject all or any tender. JOHN KEVIN, Manager. FOR SALE A New and Shingle Machine in good order. Apply to W. H. REED, Beaufort, Nov. 24-25

NEWS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY.

TUPPERVILLE.

Mr. T. B. Chipman has returned home from his tour in the States. Miss Pearl Ingles, who has been away in the States for some weeks past, intends remaining there for a while yet.

BEAR RIVER.

(Telephone, March 4.) Mr. Harris, the chemist, who is to have charge of the new drug store, arrived at the Bear River Hotel yesterday.

PORT LORNE.

The following is the standing of the high school pupils for February— Grade XI, Winnie Foster 69, Frank Anderson 73, Stanley Hall 84, Laura Hall 85, Johnson Beardsley 86, Earle Kinley 86, Webb Milbury 85, Harry Salomon 85, Services for Sunday, March 13th: Preaching at Hampton, 10.30 a. m.; St. Croix, 2.30 p. m.; Port Lorne, 7 p. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.

SPRINGFIELD.

Miss Grace Grimm has returned from Lunenburg. Miss Lizzie Slocum, of Mt. Hanley, is the guest of her friend, Mrs. Avard Roop.

HILLSBURN.

The tempest on Thursday evening last was something terrible for this part of the year. Mr. Roy Longmire and Mr. Fred Halliday have gone away fishing in the Digby schooner Farnell O'Hara.

NICTAUX FALLS.

A very interesting session of Revisors' Court was held here on Saturday last, bringing a number of strangers into town. Among other cases, Counselor McNay, Counselor Gikan, of Springfield; Mr. Albert Oakes of Albany, and Frank Milner, Esq., of Bridgetown, Mr. Chas. B. Marshall of Falkland Ridge.

CLEMENTSVALE.

Mr. Enoch Beeler, of Berwick, visited his many friends here last week. Mr. Freeman, of Brookfield, Queens Co., was a guest last week of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Balcom. Miss Kennedy, who has been visiting here the past few weeks, returned to her home on Saturday.

HAMPTON.

Mr. George Anthony, of Lower Granville, was visiting friends here, over Sunday. He removed from here several years ago, but still retains his membership in Flashlight Division.

BELLEISLE.

Mrs. William Melanson, of Digby, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Robert P. Gesner. Mrs. Jas. B. Longmire, of Karsdale, Lower Granville, spent a few days this week with her sister, Mrs. M. O. Wade.

GRANVILLE CENTRE.

The members of Seymour Division, S. of T., take this opportunity of thanking the public who contributed towards making their social a success. The Division has undertaken the building of a new temperance hall.

WAR IN THE FAR EAST.

London, March 7.—A despatch from St. Petersburg says that a Vladivostok telegram dated Sunday, states that at 1.05 o'clock Sunday afternoon, a squadron of five Japanese warships began a bombardment of that town. The firing was of long range.

The forts did not fire a single shot, but were ready to open fire if the Japanese approached nearer. It is reported that a few Chinese in town were hit. It is believed that the Russian squadron did not suffer.

Some experts suggest that the fact that the Japanese ships were covered with ice points to the likelihood that the Russian squadron is frozen in, the breaker not daring to work recently.

The consensus of opinion is that the Russian fleet is completely useless for offensive purposes. Japanese merchantmen and transports are going to and fro unharmed and unsecured.

The Commandant at Vladivostok reports that yesterday's bombardment resulted in no serious damage to the port. The fortress did not return the enemy's fire.

Today at mid-day the enemy again entered Ussuri Bay and approached the point from which they bombarded the harbor on March 6. They left again, making for the open sea.

The Kentville Chronicle goes into considerable detail on the fact, which it is pleased to record, that the town can be practically called 'Temperance', and this before the Alliance need make a plea to come in and do their work.

The storm that passed over Summerside, P. E. I., Thursday night, was one of terrific violence and one long to be remembered. During the evening the wind, which was blowing from the south-west, gradually increased until it attained a velocity of about 20 miles an hour.

The suburban train from Digby for Annapolis, last Thursday evening, was five hours late, and was making the run in the midst of a blinding thunder-storm which had crashed into an empty fat car standing on the main track.

Dear Sirs— I feel it my duty to tell you of the benefit I derived from the use of Empire Liniment. For three months I was at the point of death with pain in my limbs and feet. I had the doctors attending me, but they all gave me up.

That's fair \$5.00 for that Chair! Why? because the joints may become loosened or the woodwork defaced, and anyway, it does not look as fashionable as the more modern chairs that are finished to perfection.

WE POINT WITH PRIDE. J. H. HICKS & SONS TO THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY.

Our Special Sale which we advertised two weeks ago will continue throughout this month, and for a short time we are giving away some Potted Palms with every purchase of \$10.00 or over.

PARLOR SUITES, HALL RACKS, IRON BEDS, COUCHES, TABLES, ODD CHAIRS, BEDROOM SUITES, SIDE BOARDS, MATTRESSES.

Those capable of judging say that our stock of FURNITURE equals in quality and design that carried by city stores, while our prices are much lower. If you are furnishing this spring, see our goods which please, and obtain our prices which save you money.

FOR THE SPRING CURTAINS, PORTIERES, JAPANESE MATTINGS

J. H. Hicks & Sons. Queen St. Bridgetown, N. S.

NOTICE. ALL persons having any legal demands against the estate of ROBERT H. HUFF, farmer, deceased, will tender the same daily at noon, from the 10th inst. to the 15th inst. at the office of GEORGE A. WHITMAN, Trustee.

A new lot of FOOD CHOPPERS, NICKLED SAD IRONS, BUCK SAWS, CHAIN TRACES, etc. S. KERR & SON, Oddfellows' Hall.

W. R. CALDER'S INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY TENDER FOR CAR REPAIR SHOP. Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside "Tender for Car Repair Shop, Sydney," will be received up to and including TUESDAY, the 15th day of MARCH, 1904.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY TENDER FOR DOUBLE TRACKING. Sealed Tenders, addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside "Tender for Double Track," will be received up to and including MONDAY, the 17th day of MARCH, 1904.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY TENDER FOR STATION AND DWELLING. Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside "Tender for Station and Dwelling," will be received up to and including THURSDAY, the 17th day of MARCH, 1904.

YES there are other schools. BUT you should go to the best. WHY always regret because you did NOT attend that good school. The Maritime Business College, Halifax, N. S., KAUBACH & SCHURMAN, CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS.

Jump over the Counter. B. C. SHAW, Local Agent, Box 411, Yarmouth, N. S.

Hot-Water Bottle. Every home should have a Hot-Water Bottle. It is a whole medicine chest in its self and is so inexpensive that every family can afford to have one.

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LADIES' Coats, Rain Coats, Under-vests, Wrappers, Fancy Winter Dress Goods, Hose and Winter, Gloves,

MEN'S, YOUTHS' & CHILDREN'S Raglan Overcoats, Reefers, Ulsters, Suits, Underwear, Hats, Caps, Winter Gloves, and Hose,

and all lines of Winter Goods.

Ladies' Trimmed Hats at half price.

A line of Fancy Waist lengths, all staples, regular prices 55 and 60c., reduced to 39c. per yd.

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Invitation to All! to examine our stock of Groceries, Crockeryware and Fancy Goods.

Holiday Specialties. Dried Fruits, Figs, Dates, Grapes, Nuts, Confectionery, Fancy China & Lamps.

C. L. PIGGOTT. At the People's Boot and Shoe Store

W. A. KINNEY. PRIMROSE BLOCK, BRIDGETOWN.

BRIDGETOWN FOUNDRY CO., Ltd. BRIDGETOWN, N. S.

Cornwall Range. The most up-to-date. CALL AND INSPECT.

BRIDGETOWN BOOT AND SHOE STORE. Sole Leather for the shoemakers and repairers. Also a good stock of Half Soles for all sizes of Boots.

E. A. COCHRAN. PHOTOS! N. M. SMITH, Photographer. Bridgetown, Annapolis Royal, Bear River.

Have You Bought your PORT HOOD COAL. Go to ROSS' for all kinds of LIGHT and TEAM HARNESSES. They are all Hand-made.

GOOD STOCK. Men's Fur Coats, Robes, Horse Blankets of all kinds, Sleigh Bells, Ox Bells, Whips, Trunks and Bags, good stock, at low prices.

J. W. ROSS. Bridgetown, Nov. 17th, 1903. Farm for Sale! The subscriber will sell his valuable farm, situated in North Williamston, Annap. Co., 1/2 miles from Brickton station, centre between Middleton and Lawrenceville.

For further particulars apply to H. S. CHARLTON, North Williamston, Terms easy. November 10th, 1903.

Cold Weather is Coming! We have leased Mr. W. A. Kinney's Coal Business, and, as we have lately received cargoes of both Hard and Soft Coal, will be able to give you what you require with satisfaction.

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The Monitor's Agricultural Department For the Use and Benefit of Farmers.

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Canned and Evaporated Goods Trade.

ARTICLE II.

Mr. A. W. Grindley, agent of the Department of Agriculture in Great Britain, gives the following information in regard to the trade in canned and evaporated goods during 1903, in addition to the extracts from his annual report published last week.

FRUIT PULPS.

There is a good demand for the following fruit pulps which can be put up in Canada: Strawberry, raspberry, gooseberry, black currant, peaches, pears, apricots.

The above pulps are largely used in jam factories in Great Britain.

Canadian packers of fruit pulps should observe the following points: 1. Use a heavy grade of charcoal tin plates for making the cans.

2. Do not use rosins for soldering the inside seams, as the least portion imparts a bad flavor to the contents.

3. Use gallon tins as preferable to cans holding five gallons, chiefly because there is less loss in case of puncture or other cause of damage.

4. For colored pulps an internally lacquered tin is very much preferred.

5. No coloring matter or preservative of any kind should be added.

6. Have cases holding cans made strongly and with tight covers, not slats.

TINNED MEATS.

There is a good demand in Great Britain for tinned meats, but complaints are made that Canadian tinned meats, etc., are often colored next to the tin by some acid action.

This may be caused by using light grade tin plates for making the cans.

These plates are usually rolled after being tinned, and so much of the tin being taken off the iron is exposed in spots and a chemical action sets in shortly after the goods are packed.

Some British firms who import heavy lines of canned goods from Canada, furnish the tin plates from which the cans are made, and also have an expert representative to supervise the packing of their goods during the season, the result being general satisfaction and increased demand for the brands.

The quality of Canadian beef and mutton is preferred to the imports from other countries, the packs of which countries are often filled with meat from which extracts have been taken to make fluid meat preparations.

Most of the Canadian tinned beef and mutton is put up in tin holding not over two pounds of meat. This is a good demand for tin holding six pounds especially for War Office and Naval Stores.

Whatever sized tins are packed be sure they contain correct weight.

TINNED LOBSTER.

There is a good demand for Canadian tinned lobster if properly put up. Only heavy tinned plates should be used for making cans (lobster weights quickly on light plates) the inside of which should be lined with heavy parchment paper and the lobster packed while thoroughly fresh.

This earth is full of plant food and is fit for the plants.

Fox Farming.

How the Work is Carried on by a Maine Breeder.

One of the most interesting farms in New England is that which is devoted to fox farming in Piscataquis county, Maine, where large numbers of foxes are bred for various purposes, largely for their pelts, but also for hunting clubs, menageries and zoos in various parts of the country.

The idea of breeding foxes occurred to the Maine farmer about three years ago. He owned a noisy, unproductive farm, and had concluded to abandon it and seek the west, when he was asked by a stray gunner from the city if he ever caught foxes to sell to hunting clubs. The question opened up to him a new possibility, and he set to work to capture foxes, which were fairly numerous in that part of the country.

His farm covers three acres, and this he had thoroughly fenced with heavy wire netting, seven feet high, and buried three feet in the earth, that Master Reynard may not burrow out of his corner. Scattered about the farm are a number of small buildings not much larger than dog houses, and in these the foxes may seek shelter if they do not care for their burrows.

There are about 100 foxes on the farm at a time. Those which have the finest pelts are killed off each winter at the time fur is at the least, and, as the foxes are very well fed, those pelts bring the highest market prices. These range from five to eight dollars, rarely surpassing prices when one considers that a good fox pelt, eight years ago, brought but \$2. The foxes that are not so good are sold at varying prices to hunt clubs, menageries, zoos, etc.

There is a steady demand for both the skins and the live foxes, so that business on the Maine farm is always good.

When the farm was started only the native red Maine fox was reared, but since the venture has proven such a vast success the farmer has obtained by exchange, numerous other varieties of foxes, including the silver gray fox and the Alaska blue fox, whose pelts bring the highest prices, being made into hats and muffs. No pelts of the silver fox bring less than \$100, and that of the Alaska fox not less than \$200. Some of the common red fox pelts are dyed brown or black, and thus bring a handsome price.

Minard's Liniment cures Burns, etc.

Advertisement for Minard's Liniment, featuring an illustration of a person and text describing its benefits for various ailments.

How Chopin Wrote His Funeral March.

(By Felix Ziem.)

As a young man I travelled a great deal. It was on one of my art-pilgrimages, and after I had been staying for some time at the Russian court, that I met Chopin first in a place much nearer to his own country than to Paris.

The common friend who introduced us to each other was Count Xavier de Maistre. Afterward Chopin and I became intimate, enough for him to take an interest in my painting and for me to become enthusiastic about his music.

It was only about twenty-five and he twenty-seven—I quite recognized all like the portraits shown me, but still a fine looking man—often silent, reserved and melancholy when we were together. He was a natural painter, very different from other celebrated musicians I knew—Liszt, Rossini, Paganini, the last of whom taught me what little I was ever able to play on the violin.

Yes, Chopin was a great master of music. I am no critic, but I know what good music is.

It was not in my present study that his wonderful "Funeral March" was composed. I was then (about 1837), in an inn established in another more Bohemian work-shop, if possible, than this one, situated in the Rue de Breda, No. 31.

As I used it for the three-fold purpose of painting, eating and sleeping, I had divided it into three compartments by means of tapestry hangings descending from roof to floor. The middle compartment was more properly my studio. In it were all my art paraphernalia, including a human skeleton, which I used for draping in various attitudes.

Of the furniture there were two articles that helped to constitute the scene I am about to relate—the one a large divan, standing against the tapestry of my sleeping compartment, the other a piano, which I had bought cheap from a second-hand dealer and from which I had sawn out the panels in order to paint pictures on them.

One of these is still in the possession of a friend of mine, Marcotte.

It happened that on the day which has since become historic, I had invited a friend or two to dine with me. After the meal some other friends had joined us in the studio. I may mention Chevandier de Valdrome, Ludre, de Polignac, the musician Chopin, and Escard, who had painted my portrait. We were a gay party and prolonged our "causerie" into the small hours of the morning.

It must have been about two o'clock, I think, when, being for a moment alone with Escard in the middle compartment—the others were in the sleeping room beyond the divan—I seized the skeleton on the suggestion of some mad fancy passing through my head, and, shrouding it in the shawl cover, which Escard brought me, I whisked off for me, I raised the tapestry and made it jig before our friends on the further side.

At first they saw only the comic of the situation. They perceived my merriment grew louder and reached its maximum when de Polignac stalked forward, took the skeleton from me, insinuated himself beneath the shroud, and, sitting down at the piano, made the long fingers of the puppet play the notes of the "Funeral March."

It was a weird spectacle. All of us were fascinated by the grim humor of this skeleton man performing on what, with some truth, might be called a skeleton instrument. His naked hands looked like so many teeth, and his grin within a skull. We began to affect or to feel a sort of fright, for which rhythmic taps on the divan, recited administered by one of the company, were partly responsible. There were a repeat of Oh! one, at least, more repeated than the rest, proceeding from Chopin. We looked at him.

Moved by a sudden inspiration, he advanced toward the piano, seized the skeleton in his turns, and displaying the performer, himself sat down on the stool. The first chords that he struck were with the skeleton on his knees, but, warning to his theme, he let it clatter to the ground. A deep silence fell on us. It was the "Funeral March" he was playing. There is no need for me to enlarge on the applause and the great Chopin at its conclusion. We knew and he knew that he had composed a masterpiece. Before going to bed he spent four hours in putting out paper his new creation. It is possible he may have added to his provision some chords, some few bars even that rendered it more complete. But he changed none of its essential features. The music we heard on that memorable night was substantially what is contained in the written notes of to-day.

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Water Fruit Tree Pruning.

While the early Spring pruning and the summer pinching back of the small shrubs covers the main pruning of the fruit trees, much good work may be done during the open days of Winter, which will, at least, save time in the Spring.

Broken limbs may be removed and many of the inside limbs which are overlapping the fruiting twigs can be cut out during the Winter as well as in the Spring. The work of pruning should always be done with a saw on the inside of the limb first, finishing from the top. This will result in a clean cut and there will be no splintering as would be the case if a hand limb was used.

When the winter pruning of orchards keep your eyes open and note the condition of the tree so that at the proper time you have a remedy for any trouble found may be applied.

Well Again.

The many friends of John Blount will be pleased to learn that he has entirely recovered from his attack of rheumatism. Chamberlain's Pain Balm cured him after the best doctors in the town (Monro, Ind.) had failed to give relief. The prompt relief from pain which this liniment affords is alone worth many times its cost.

Return of Jews to Palestine.

The fulfillment of prophecy is at hand. Because of persecution—the others want of their adoption many Jews are taking their flight toward Jerusalem. It will be an immense undertaking to restore to Jerusalem to its former beauty, grandeur and utility. Perhaps the greatest obstacle is the want of water. It is an oblong quadrangular tract, 240 feet in length and 120 feet in width. It is a solid rock, and contains no water.

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A very few travellers survived the ordeal. But few had thermometers in those days to tell how cold it really was, but what few there were registered 40 to 50 below zero in Androscoggin, and in Aroostook county it was even lower.

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The Household.

LUNCHEON AND SUPPER DISHES.

Scientists tell us we should add indulgence in a meal of exclusively cold dishes, and one well made hot dish should always appear at the lunch table. It may be only a thick soup; but, if hearty, a potato or egg salad and a cup of cocoa or chocolate will make a satisfactory meal. So many combinations as well as omissions of courses are allowable that these should be little difficult in planning luncheon while the housekeeper who is fond of cooking and takes pride in originating dishes can make this home meal her trump card without any appreciable money expenditure.

If the other dishes are not very substantial in character they may be helped out by a hearty soup. Any number of cream vegetable soups may be evolved from the following general directions: Mash the vegetable and press through a sieve; if not sufficiently tender, boil or steam until it can be pulped. For each cupful of pulp make a half cupful of butter, one tablespoonful of flour, and one pint of milk. Add seasoning to taste, mix gradually with the pulp and simmer for five minutes.

Serve with this crotons or oyster crackers. In place of cream, gravy or any meat stock may be used, the flour being first browned in the butter.

Cold fish can be made into a scallop or omelette. The proportions used in making either white or brown sauce to be mixed with meats, fish or vegetables served cream or au gratin, are one tablespoonful of butter, one tablespoonful of flour, and one-half pint of liquid; this is sufficient for one pint of the material. If necessary aries, a cream sauce can be quickly transformed into a brown only by stirring in sufficient lichen