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R. N. WYSE, Newcastle, N. B.

Wholesale and Retail.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

N Sept. 1st last we promised a premium of \$25.00 in Cash, to the customer purchasing the largest amount of goods from us, up to and including Dec. 23rd inst. Mr. Robt. Parks, of Red-bank, was the fortunate man, and we have great pleasure in announcing the same.

TO-DAY

WE LAUNCH another scheme as follows:—We will give one day's total sales during the month of January, 1903, to the customer making the largest individual purchase (wholesale customers excluded). During January, 1902, the largest purchase was in the vicinity of twenty dollars, but whether the readers of this paper take an interest in this scheme or not, the largest individual purchase will take the prize:—One day's total sales in cash. We cannot tell how much that will be until Jan. 31st. It may be twenty, thirty, forty or possibly one hundred dollars. This is purely an advertising matter and will cost you nothing to try, only buy your Dry Goods HERE. We offer you a stock of clean, good, and reliable goods, and assure you the lowest prices for cash. You run no risk buying here as "your money back if dissatisfied" is a fixed rule with us.

We wish you the Compliments of the Season and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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JEWELERS.

NOTICE.

All persons selling MEAT and POULTRY, or PRODUCE of any kind in the Town of Newcastle, are required to have a CERTIFICATE from the NEWCASTLE BOARD OF HEALTH. Said Certificate will be issued by the Secretary. In order to procure the above Certificate proof must be furnished that the meat and poultry or produce of any kind so peddled does not come from a district where SMALLPOX is prevalent. A certificate from a known person will be taken as proof. By Order of the BOARD OF HEALTH. R. L. MALTBY, JOHN CLARK, Chairman. Secretary. Newcastle, N. B., Dec. 16, 1902. P. S.—Smallpox is prevalent in the Parish of Rogersville in Northumberland County, and also in different parts of Kent County.

GIRL WANTED.

For General house work. Liberal wages paid to experienced girl. Apply at once to MRS. E. A. McCURDY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The general annual meeting of the High School Society of New Brunswick at Miramichi, will be held at the Bowser House, Miramichi, on Tuesday the thirteenth day of January next at eleven o'clock in the forenoon. D. D. Amos, Secretary.

Provisions

1000 bbls. Manitoba and Canadian FLOURS.

From which intending purchasers can select with the assurance they will get good value for their money. The thrifty housekeeper never buys flour at random and run the risk of having a dark flat loaf, she invariably buys the brands that have an established reputation such as are enumerated below. FIVE ROSES, JERSEY LILY, TILSON'S PRIDE, QUEEN CITY, WHITE COAT, GILT EDGE, SUNLIGHT, LILY QUEEN. Prices of the above brands range from \$3.50 upwards. A full stock of Feed Stuff for Horses, Cattle and Hogs, together with a complete line of Groceries. All will be sold at the lowest price possible.

Wholesale and Retail. P. HENNESSY.

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The butcher business conducted by the late E. Holohan, will in future be conducted by Holohan Bros. We respectfully ask for a share of the public's patronage. Prompt attention given to all orders. HOLOHAN BROS.

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During the next two weeks we want 2,000 boys and girls to buy their SCRIBBLERS AND EXERCISE BOOKS from us.

SEE OUR Lined Exercise Book FOR ONE CENT. Also our three, four and five cent books.

We are giving two five cent Exercise Books or Scribblers and a pencil for ten cents.

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Until you have seen the Year Book of the Fredericton Business College outlining our Commercial, Shorthand and Typewriting courses. Send your name and address on a post card and you will get it without delay. Address—**W. J. OSBORNE, Principal** Fredericton, N. B.

MORE KILLED.

Terrible Railway Accident on Grand Trunk.

TWENTY-FOUR KILLED

And a Large Number Seriously Hurt—Head on Collision.

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 26.—An awful accident occurred at 10.10 o'clock last night at Waukegan, a station on the Sarnia branch of the Grand Trunk railway. It was a head-on collision between the Pacific express, No. 5, and an east-bound freight. Twenty-four persons are said to be killed. The express was proceeding west at its usual high rate of speed. The freight was under slow headway and was to have taken the switch at Waukegan to allow the passenger train to pass. Apparently neither engineer saw the danger ahead in time to avoid the accident, for the two engines came together near the west switch with a frightful crash, overturning into the ditch. The baggage and express cars telescoped into the smoker, with appalling results. The wreck was complete and it is thought that hardly a single passenger in the smoking car escaped injury.

The other cars of the passenger train remained on the track. As soon as the accident occurred word was sent to this city.

Doctors were soon on the scene, and the work of removing the dead and injured was then proceeded with.

Engineer Gilles, of Sarnia Tunnel, and the fireman on engine No 980 of the express are among the killed; the remainder are passengers.

Later reports give the figures as 24 killed and 18 injured.

MONTREAL, Dec. 27.—F. H. McGuigan, superintendent of the Grand Trunk Railway, at 10.30 this morning was not in a position to give out a list of the killed and injured in the accident at Waukegan last night. His information was that there were about 25 killed and 30 injured. A reliable list had not reached him. "I cannot understand how the operator, who is charged with the blunder, came to make such a mistake. He is one of the oldest and most reliable men in the company's service. He went into the service with the Great Western in 1871, and has been with that company and the Grand Trunk ever since."

It appears he failed to give the order to the passenger train to meet the freight at the station. Everything possible has been done for the injured, and has been sent from Sarnia, London and other points. Waukegan is a post village in Lambton county, Ontario, on the Grand Trunk line, twenty-one miles from Stratford. The population is about 150.

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 27.—The following is a list of the wounded at Victoria Hospital, London: A. M. Stewart, Chicago, formerly of Wingham; Robert Jackson, Petrolia, gone home.

William Morse, Sarnia, fractured arm and injured chest, cuts on hands and face. Frank E. Baker, Rideout street, London, dislocated shoulder, laceration on face and legs.

Thos. Coote, Chicago, injured on hip. James A. Ramplin, Toronto, bruised and shaken up.

Earl Stewart, Oshkosh, Wis., fractured hip.

Hobart Stewart, Oshkosh, Wis., broken arm.

Mrs. J. M. Stewart, Oshkosh, Wis., fractured jaw and laceration.

Mrs. J. J. Cuthbertson, Port Huron, Mich., wounds on face, head, hands and internal injuries.

Flissie Cuthbertson, Port Huron, fractured jaw, fractured skull, lacerated and bruised face.

Lottie Lynch, Port Huron, internal injuries and shock—likely to die.

Mrs. Thomas Coote, Chicago, bruises and injuries.

Max Samuel Cummings, Port Huron, cuts on head and face.

Mrs. Hattie Northey, Young's Point, Peterboro, bruises.

James Northey, Young's Point, Peterboro, lacerations, wounds on face and shoulders.

James Barnes, Woodstock, Ont., injured leg and hip.

Dol. Basil Harvey, Chicago, lacerated wound on head and bruised.

Edward Boyce, of Prescott died in London hospital.

John Bird, Chicago, fractured arm, injured leg, scalp wound.

J. A. Lamont, Wyoming, Ont., fractured leg, lacerations.

Mamie Morse, Sarnia, fractured leg.

IN AFRICA.

Chamberlain Talks Plainly to Dutch and British.

DURBAN, Natal, Dec. 25.—Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and Mrs. Chamberlain left Portsmouth, England, Nov. 25, on the board of the armored cruiser Good Hope, landed here at 10.30 this morning. They received a warm welcome from large crowds of people.

DURBAN, Natal, Dec. 26.—The long speeches made by Mr. Chamberlain in the course of the reception, were notable for their strong tone of conciliation and as expressing his confidence in Lord Milner, British high commissioner in South Africa. Bearing in mind, seemingly, the rumors that his visit would lead to the displacement of Lord Milner. Mr. Chamberlain declared his belief that his visit would have the effect of strengthening the hands of Lord Milner, who, he hoped, would be as great in conciliation as he had been in the maintenance of the rights of the Empire.

Referring to the war, the colonial secretary said the Dutch and the British had fought in courageous rivalry. Between the two races, not kindred in origin or nature, such a struggle for supremacy had been inevitable. From that struggle, two proud and kindred races would grow in mutual respect, appreciating and lasting friendship. "Victor and vanquished," said Mr. Chamberlain, "bravely played their parts and scorned to glory in our triumph; the enemy need fear no humiliation in their defeat. Let us see, as Britons worthy of the name, that nothing be done to revive the animosities of the past. We must give our fellow subjects equality of position with ourselves. We ask, however, something in return. It is with them that issue lies. We hold out our hand and ask them to take it without a thought of the past, but frankly and in the spirit in which it is offered."

Mr. Chamberlain elaborated his theme with eloquence and was loudly cheered. He announced incidentally the acceptance of the Boers' offer to fight in Somaliland.

Marconi Message Instantaneous.

When the Key was Depressed at Table Head Station the Receiver at Poldhu Answered.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The representatives of the Marconi Company say they have been receiving transatlantic messages for a week. They add that the messages to King Edward and others came through without a hitch and practically instantaneously. The instant the key was depressed in Nova Scotia the receiver at Poldhu, Cornwall, answered. It is calculated that the company will be able to handle 1,000 words an hour. So soon as it is able to get the post office authorities to connect Poldhu with the land telegraph the company will begin regular commercial business between Cornwall and Nova Scotia.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Naval officers interested in wireless telegraphy have been watching with great interest the experiments conducted by Marconi in sending messages across the sea. All applaud his success, but the consensus of opinion is that nothing has been developed to warrant the belief that the wireless system will supplant the cable for commercial purposes.

THE CHRISTMAS FARMERS ADVOCATE.

We have been favored with a copy of the Christmas Farmer's Advocate, published at London, Ont., which is a handsome and interesting publication. Some 30 or 40 specially written articles on every phase of agriculture and kindred themes, by the most eminent writers on this continent and in Great Britain, appear in its 80 pages, which are embellished with over 100 photographs and reproductions of many of the best of modern painting. It is a unique production, every page disclosing something of interest and value. We congratulate the Farmer's Advocate on its success, and the farming interests of this country on having such a splendid exponent. With a large and competent staff, thoroughly understanding the practical needs of all departments of agriculture, the Advocate has laid plans for 1903 that make it indispensable to the man who wants a reliable and high-class farm paper at a very modest outlay.

ONTARIO PLEBISCITE.

Over Ninety Nine Thousand Majority for Prohibition.

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—Latest returns from the vote on the liquor act as received by Secretary Spence of the Dominion Alliance are: For the act, 194,700; against, 101,234; majority for, 93,466. Seventy-six constituencies forwarded complete returns, but 134 constituencies are not officially reported.

WATERWORKS.

The Corporation Tapping Machine has Arrived.

TAPPING BEING DONE.

The Generator for Electric Lights Expected Jan. 7th.

Very little progress has been made in waterworks and electric light matters during the past two weeks. The tapping machine which was ordered early in the fall has arrived and connections are now being made. The official test of the system has been postponed until next spring.

Engineer Chipman while here tested the pumps and they were found satisfactory. The impossibility of procuring the dynamo from the manufacturers has delayed the completion of the electric light plant, but we understand that word has been received that the dynamo will be here about Jan. 7th, in which case lights will be turned on about Jan. 20th.

E. W. Cameron, a former Douglastown boy, who has been for years in the United States has been appointed electrician.

Address and Presentation.

Previous to the closing of the Harkins Academy for the Christmas holidays, the pupils and teachers assembled in the Assembly room where Miss McLachlan, the retiring teacher was presented with addresses, together with a handsome table, mahogany and gilt; and a richly upholstered Morris chair.

The pupils address was read by Miss Katie Donovan, and that of the teachers, by Miss Dunnet.

We are sorry that lack of space will not permit of the publication of the addresses.

St. John's Day.

The regular annual meeting of Northumberland Lodge, A. F. & A. M., was held in their Lodge room last Saturday evening, Dec. 27. After the business of the year had been wound up the officers for the following year were installed.

After adjournment, Bro. S. W. Miller, who has been chosen W. M. for the next year, invited the members present to the Waverley Hotel where mine host, McKean served a sumptuous supper. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

PARLIAMENT IN MARCH.

Hon. Raymond Prefontaine Announces Date—He is Fresh From Laurie's Boom.

MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—Hon. Raymond Prefontaine announces tonight that parliament will meet early in March. Among the leading questions to be taken up are the tariff, the re-distribution bill, the Atlantic fish line project, and the Grand Trunk Pacific trans-continental line.

Sixty-eight Lives Lost in two Disasters.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 28.—News was brought by the steamer Tatar which arrived today of a disaster in the Malacca Straits, as a result of which 60 lives were lost. The Tokio Ashi publishes a telegram from Hong Kong stating that the steamer Rungang was in collision with the steamer Kiangyan in the Malacca Straits and the latter was sunk, 60 sailors and passengers being missing.

Despatches from Hakodate report that an outbreak of fire occurred on board the Iwanai Steamship company's steamer Hokuon Maru, off the coast of Su Tsu on Dec. 3 and the vessel was sunk, 18 of the crew losing their lives.

Bronchitis

"I have kept Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in my house for a great many years. It is the best medicine in the world for coughs and colds." J. C. Williams, Attica, N. Y.

All serious lung troubles begin with a tickling in the throat. You can stop this at first in a single night with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Use it also for bronchitis, consumption, hard colds, and for coughs of all kinds.

Three sizes: the small for an ordinary cold; the medium for bronchitis, hoarseness, laryngitis, etc.; the large for consumption, and for coughs and colds of all kinds. J. C. Williams, Attica, N. Y.

Doesn't Look on Blockade as Meaning a State of War—Gastro Threatened on Land by Revolutionists.

Grays Syrup of Red Spruce Gum

is carefully prepared from Red Spruce Gum, retaining all its healing, soothing properties. It is pleasant to take and is always effective. 25 cents. At All Druggists.

Coughs, colds, hoarseness, and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Vapo Creso-
lae tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists

sleep. Behave yourself. Keep away from the doctors.

put me clothes in that?"

drawing room.

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THE LIEBIG CO., 179 King street west, Toronto.

Maid—Oh, that's nothin' ma'am! 'Ow about me? I've just smashed the large glass in the drawing room.

Soft Harness

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St. John, N. B.

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Repairing of all kinds and vehicles made at short notice.

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Stoves, etc.

My stock of stoves is new complete, the variety is very large and consists of: Ranges, Heating stoves, Stove Pipes and Elbows all sizes and everything that is required to make you comfortable during the long cold winter.

J. H. PHINNEY,

Newcastle.

'Your majesty,' advised the head physician to the cannibal king, 'had better abandon your meat diet for a few weeks.'

'What shall I do?' muses the king, a hungry look spreading over his countenance.

'Ah,' he smiles as a happy thought strikes him, 'those last missionaries who came to the island said they were vegetarians.'

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take **Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets**. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25 cents.

A Frenchman was paying his first visit to London and was walking through Hyde park on one of the many foggy metropolitan mornings with an English friend.

Fog! Ha, ha, mon fren, ejaculated the Frenchman, now I understand what you mean when you say *le soleil se cache* behind your dominion. Mr. foi, it does not rise.

STOPS THE COUGH AND WORKS OFF THE GOLD.

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents.

CRUSHING A BORE.

The Authority on Natural History That Sydney Smith Quoted.

Sydney Smith jokes have a delicate flavor of age, but an anecdote in "Memories of Half a Century" has not been told so often as some of the classic tales. Sydney was a guest at the dinner of an archdeacon, and a fellow guest, whose hobby was natural history, was a bore if once started on his subject. Smith promised to try to keep him in check. The naturalist got his opening.

"Mr. Archdeacon," said he, "have you seen the pamphlet written by my friend, Professor Dickenson, on the remarkable size of the eye in a common house fly?"

The archdeacon courteously said he had not. The bore pursued his advantage:

"I can assure you it is a most interesting pamphlet, setting forth particulars hitherto unobserved as to the unusual size of that eye."

"I deny the fact," said a voice from the other end of the table. "All smiles save the bore."

"You deny the fact, sir?" said he. "May I ask on what authority you condemn the investigations of my most learned friend?"

"I deny the fact," replied Smith, "and I base my denial on evidence wedded to immortal verities well known to every scholar at least at this table."

The emphasis laid on scholar nettled the naturalist by its implication. "Well, sir," he said, "will you have the kindness to quote your authority?"

"It will, sir. The evidence is those well known, I may say immortal, lines:—

"Who saw him die?"

"I," said the fly.

"With my little eye!"

The guests roared, and during the rest of the dinner nothing further was heard on the subject of natural history.

THE COOKBOOK.

Peel, chopped tomato sprinkled over lettuce, the whole covered with French dressing, makes a Russian salad.

To steam potatoes peel them and when very clean put them in a colander over boiling water. Cover tightly with a lid and leave them until done.

Tarragon leaves are most useful in salad and should be scalded, squeezed in a towel and chopped fine. This herb gives a zest to the salad that is always appreciated.

When making beef tea, never add the salt till the meat has been cooking for several hours. Salt acts upon the fiber and prevents it giving out all its nourishing properties.

A steak one inch thick requires to be broiled seven minutes; one inch and a half, twelve minutes; two inches, twenty minutes, near the fire at first and then four inches away.

A substitute for caper sauce is made by boiling some sprigs of parsley slowly to let it become a bad color. Do not chop it. Set it in melted butter, season with salt and a dessertspoonful of vinegar, boil up and serve.

A New Profession.

Young Mr. Insulin was hurrying blindly along the street toward a chemist's with a bottle in his hand when young De Trop hailed him.

De Trop—Hello, Insulin! I've scarcely seen you for a year. Where have you been keeping yourself since you were married?

Insulin—Oh, busy—busy all the time. De Trop—I say, what are you doing mostly?

Insulin—I've got a new profession. De Trop—What is it?

Insulin—Humorist.

De Trop—You don't say. I didn't think you were much in that line.

Insulin—I'm not a very glittering success.

De Trop—What—er—what sort of success do you do mostly?

And then young Mr. Insulin leaned over and whispered softly in young De Trop's ear:

"I'm spending most of my time trying to humor a baby that's engaged in tooth culture."

Then he plunged madly on again toward the soothing sirup shop.—London Answers.

The Expense of Canary Birds.

The keeping of canaries seems to be a fairly expensive luxury. To start with, a really good bird will cost \$50. You can easily spend more, but \$50 will buy a fairly good Norwich bred bird. The food the bird requires consists of various delicacies in the form of eggs, bread, rice, meal and vegetables. Canaries are liable to all sorts of ailments, and this, of course, necessitates further expense, for the treatment of these complaints is anything but cheap. Of course, no fancier of canaries would be content with one bird; he must have at least a dozen, and the cost of some of these will certainly run to \$75. Fifteen hundred dollars per annum could easily be spent in this manner without a very big show for the money.—London Tatler.

The Baird Company's

Wine of Tar

Honey and Wild Cherry

A Lubricant to the Throat.

A Tonic to the Vocal Chords.

In the Night

Sudden disease, like a thief in the night, is apt to strike confusion into a household. Crises, cholera, cholera infantum, cramps and colic, come frequently in the night, and are very dangerous. The remedy for such emergencies is **JOHNSON'S Anodyne Liniment**. It is a powerful sedative, and relieves all kinds of sudden disease. It is sold in two sizes, 12 and 24 cents. The larger size is more economical.

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Though man can guard and scatter, move, mix and unmix, yet he can destroy nothing. The putrefaction of one thing is a preparation for the being and bloom of another. Thus a tree gathers nourishment from its own fallen leaves when they are decayed, and something gathers up the fragments that nothing is lost.

A Color Clash.

"Madam," said the maid, "the dyer has brought your silk dress back and says it is impossible to dye it to match your hair, as you requested."

"Well," said the lady, "ask him what he would charge to dye my hair to match the silk. The colors clash as they are now."

Possession Is Proof.

A name on the handle of an umbrella is not sufficient identification at a bank.

BODILY WEAKNESS.

A Distracting Condition

That is Permanently Cured by **Ferrozone**. A Pleasant Remedy in Tablet Form to be Taken After Each Meal.

All lagged out ideas come as slow as molasses in January. You think of things just a minute or so too late. Soap is gone, and the buoyancy and strength that makes life a pleasure, that's gone too. The doctor would say that you are run down and you don't eat or digest enough. Your stomach requires some aid and probably your digestion needs a brace. The blood should have phosphorus and iron to strengthen and purify it.

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Ferrozone will make you strong and capable of doing a heavy day's work. It is a marvelous remedy and does marvelous things as the following testimonial proves.

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You can't spend 50c to a better advantage than on a box of **Ferrozone**, and the more you use the more you get. Don't accept a substitute, but insist on your druggist supplying the genuine **Ferrozone** which sells for 50c a box, or three boxes for \$1.50. By mail from N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Two Dinners, One Meal.

"I have a dinner friend whose name is not Henry Ford, but it might be," said a city official.

"Last week my wife and I were invited to his house for dinner, and you never saw finer silver and china on a table, but food was at extreme low tide. My wife gave me a significant glance, and I saw the color rise to the cheeks of our host, but he played the agreeable without a word of look of disapproval.

"Both my wife and I were awfully hungry when we started for home, and she at once accepted my invitation to enter the first restaurant we saw for a good square meal. We were no sooner seated than we saw our dinner host come sneaking in and take a seat in an obscure corner.

"Make believe that we don't see him," said my wife, with a woman's tact. We did make believe, and the funny part is, so did our late host. By the friendly aid of a mirror I saw when he first observed us the color come to his cheeks, as it had at his own table. He turned as far from us as possible and ate as though he were not enjoying his meal very much."

The Word "Cafe."

It is really difficult to understand how the word "cafe," a French term, has come into such general use in this country and how it happens that it is so grossly misapplied. The term means coffee, or a place where coffee is sold, and what relation there is between a coffee shop and a place where liquors are sold we are at a loss to know. It is not improbable that the idea comes from combinations of bar-rooms and restaurants, in the latter of which of course coffee is sold, but to our mind nothing seems more absurd or more emphatically marks the modern disposition to follow blind custom than sticking up on the window where only beer, liquor and wines are sold the word "cafe," and that in a foreign language. Were it not that an age of misnomer gives recognition to this anomaly we would just as soon the word "meat" or "bread" signified places where liquors are sold. Either would have as much sense and logical application as "cafe."

Justifiable.

"Johnson writes that he's just killed the hero in his new novel."

"Well, he needn't worry over that; any jury will acquit him!"—Atlanta Constitution.

FEAR OF THE FUTURE.

Most people who dread the future are victims of some terrible disease. Mrs. W. Francis, 224 Colborne St., Kingston, was in a bad state with kidney disease. She had severe pains in back and legs, was gradually losing flesh and fat, a dread of the future. A friend recommended Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, and the result was a complete cure. There is no medicine more reliable, none so certain to produce a thorough cure. One pill a dose, 25 cents a box.

Madge—I hear you take your sister to the matinee every week.

De Garry—I do.

Madge—If you'll take me there as often as that, I'll promise to be a sister to you.

Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere.

It is a curious fact that, while many ancient manuscripts are almost illegible from the ink fading, manuscripts of the fifth and twelfth centuries have so far show hardly any trace of fading.

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Yours truly,

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Carriage maker, St. Antoine, P. Q.

How did your correspondence end with Miss Jimp?

I wrote to her, and she couldn't think of anything to say in reply.

Circumstances Alter Cases.

Anxious Daughter—Mother, did papa have his salary increased when he was married?

Mother—No, my dear. I don't suppose he had any money saved up, had he?

Mother—Not a penny. He spent all he earned.

Anxious Daughter—Did you get along comfortably?

Mother—We were very happy.

Anxious Daughter—Well, you know, George hasn't been able to save a penny, but—

Mother—Now, Maria, if that poverty stricken fellow dares to show his face here again I'll get your father to turn him out!

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FILIPINO FUNERALS.

Picturesque For the Rich and Pathetic For the Poor.

One of the most striking things to be seen on the streets of Manila is a Filipino funeral. If the deceased was wealthy and had hosts of friends, the funeral will be headed by a band playing selections from comic operas. The body of the deceased follows in a hearse covered with black cloth arranged in a groomsman design and drawn by six black ponies, each decked with headgear of long black feathers. The hearse will be followed by men on foot wearing knickerbockers and cocked hats, and after them follow innumerable vehicles of every description. If the body is to be interred, the gravediggers will precede the band, with their tools over their shoulders.

Most Filipino funerals, however, are more pathetic. The father of a few weeks old baby will trot out to the cemetery entirely alone, with the little white coffin balanced well on his head, and if a man had not the price of a vehicle his remains will be carried out on bamboo poles by four Chinamen, and the coffin will be one that has seen service before.

The natives have different ways of burial. Some bodies are put into the ground, while the larger majority are placed in niches in the wall of the cemetery. A slab cemented into the opening of the niche contains a brief biography of the deceased.

Some Survivals of Fashion.

Man is unquestionably a highly rational being. Still, if you travel and observe the month of the Danube to the Golden Gate you will find most men wearing a coat with a useless collar marked with a useless V shaped slash and decorated with two useless buttons at the small of the back and one or two more useless buttons at the cuffs. The collar, the slash and the buttons are there in answer to no rational need. It is not a common climate nor a common racial need of protection against climate that they represent, but a common civilization whose form and ritual they mutely confess. Over this entire area those who aspire to be of the Brahmin caste deck their heads for wedding, funeral and feast with a black cylindrical covering, suited, so far as we can discern, neither to the heat of the sun nor to provide a seat whereon man may sit and rest himself. And as for the women contained within this same area we behold that the amplitude of the sleeve, the disposition of the belt and the outline of the skirt all obey the rise and fall of one resistless tide which neither moon nor seasons control.—Benjamin Ide Wheeler in Atlantic.

The Certainty of Fate.

The Mohammedans have a fable which they repeat to illustrate the certainty of fate. The Philadelphia Times quotes it as having been told by Mr. Robert Barr, the celebrated lawyer.

A Sultan was once asked by his favorite, the grand vizier, for permission to leave at once for Smyrna, although a brilliant court fete was then in progress. Upon being asked his reason for such haste the vizier replied:

"Because I just saw the angel of death yonder in the crowd. He looked at me so earnestly that I know he has come for me. I wish to escape him."

"Go! Go at once!" said the sultan, who then beckoned to the angel and asked why the latter had looked so earnestly at the vizier.

"I was wondering," replied the angel of death, "why he was here, for I have orders to kill him in Smyrna."

Nelson's Only Defeat.

Nelson, like all the greatest commanders on sea or land, made his mistakes and his failures, but there is only one instance on record of his having been actually defeated in a direct attack. This occurred at Santa Cruz, in the Canary Islands, on July 21, 1797. The place was very strongly fortified, and Nelson, in the face of a fire of fifty guns from the batteries, attempted to storm the town by boats. The attempt was frustrated by the strength of the mole and the nonappearance of a land force which should have co-operated. A hundred and fifty men were killed and a hundred wounded on the British side, and Nelson lost his right arm. Two flags were also captured, and these are still kept in the cathedral of Santa Cruz.

The Scotch Sunday.

As an instance of the observance of the Sabbath in Scotland, an English paper tells of a postman having a route between Stirling and Blair Drummond. He was observed to ride a bicycle over his six miles on weekdays and to walk the same distance on Sunday, and when asked why he replied that he was not allowed to use the machine on Sunday. An investigation followed, and the postman's explanation proved to be correct.

The Poet Turned.

Office Boy—I told that poet wrot called that you wuz out of town.

Editor—Good! What did he say?

Office Boy—He said he thought he noticed an improvement in de paper.

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We wish all our readers a happy and prosperous New Year.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Although we have not been officially informed we understand that a meeting of the Board of Trade will be held early in the new year to discuss questions of interest to the welfare of the town. As a good resolution we ask our business men to resolve to attend this meeting and endeavor to make it a success.

And while we are making good resolutions let us resolve that we will do all in our power to advance the welfare of the town in all respects, that we will ever keep its interests to the fore. Let us all work with a will and endeavor to place Newcastle in the place among Maritime towns she deserves.

AN INTERESTING MOVEMENT.

The determination has been reached by a number of representative Liberals in this city to run the next local election on Dominion party lines. It does not appear yet whether or not this movement will be general all over the province, but it would be quite in accord with views constantly expressed in this journal to so have it. Northumberland is a county which is particularly desirable should send to the local legislature staunch and tried Liberals, and there are others. The Liberal party should devote itself to the task, the duty and the privilege of securing a local government in which they can feel confidence; and the Liberals elected should feel it their duty to secure such a result. This, indeed, unless they feel wearied with the effort to keep up with the procession—for at one time they were told that to run local politics on Dominion lines is unnecessary, dangerous, and even politically heretical.—Globe.

Why is it particularly desired that Northumberland send "staunch and tried" Liberals any more than any other county that has at present both liberal and conservative representatives? Is this a reflection on Messrs. Tweedie and Burchill?

We think that the majority of the electors of this county are content to adhere to the old rule and elect the best men of both parties to represent them in the local legislature.

The "representative liberals" of St. John may be able to boss their own ring in that city but we doubt if they will be able to change the order of things in this respect on the North Shore.

ST. JOHN FIRE.

A Business Block Destroyed Early Yesterday Morning.

St. John Dec. 30.—The three story brick building, No. 86 German street, owned by the McLaughlin estate, was discovered to be on fire about 2 o'clock this morning, by a man named Fowler who with others was returning from a dance which they had been enjoying in McLaughlin's hall on the corner of German and Princess streets.

An alarm was sent in from box 22 and the department, responding, found the building to be afire in nearly every portion. The stores on the ground floor were occupied by A. L. Spencer, fancy goods, etc. James Patterson, tailor; J. J. Christie, leather, etc., and a shop in which were stored Christmas dry goods belonging to Lambin House wholesale. On the second floor was the office of Mr. Sealey, commission merchant; Geo. Daig, printer, and the office of the Monitor Publishing Company.

A COSTLY X'MAS GIFT.

Two Englishmen, one of them accompanied by his wife, were recently looking at the show of cars in a big St. John store,

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MURDERED AND ROBBED.

Terrible Deed on Christmas Night, Near a Georgia Town.

MATTHEWS, Ga., Dec. 26.—At a late hour Christmas night an unknown man called at the home of J. H. Gay, six miles from here and asked him to change a bill. Mr. Gay, not having the change, walked with the man to his store. It is supposed that while there the stranger forced Mr. Gay to open the safe, which contained \$1,200. He then probably murdered Mr. Gay and set fire to the store to hide his crime. The store was completely gutted. The safe was found open and the skull of Mr. Gay was found in the ruins. There is no clue to the perpetrator of the crime.

WHITNEYVILLE.

Christmas passed away quietly. The roads were in a very poor condition for sleighing on account of the rain storm a few days before.

Mr. W. W. Whitney, of West Superior is spending a few weeks at his home here. Miss M. J. Dunsmuir is spending her vacation at her home here.

Messrs. Benj. Dunsmuir and Frank Menzies paid a flying visit to Cassville Christmas evening.

and the unmarried man said to his friend's wife: "I'm going to make you a Christmas present, and suggest that you take it now. Select any one of these furs as my Christmas gift." She lady, without asking any questions as to price, made her selection and the gentleman in the Lordly English way, asked no questions, but merely directed that the bill be sent to him at his hotel. The merchant delivered the goods to the lady and sent the bill to the gentleman. He was another surprised wife, instead of its being the hundred or hundred and fifty dollars he supposed it to be, he found it to be \$1,000. The lady says it seemed to him that a "jumping Frenchman", instead of a wild-blooded Englishman, was in the room for the next quarter of an hour. The gentleman had to cable for funds to pay the bill, and will, no doubt, not take it for granted, in future, that furs are always of high value abroad.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Buckley of Rogersville, in the loss they have sustained by the death of their only son, a bright and talented boy of fifteen years, who had been attending school in Montreal and was taken ill there with appendicitis. The combined efforts of Drs. Brooks and Ferguson proved of no avail and he passed away on Friday morning the 18th inst. after an illness of seven weeks. His parents and little sister were with him all through his illness. A solemn funeral service was held in Montreal after which the remains were conveyed to Rogersville for burial. Danie's many qualities endeared him to all who knew him and all are grieved at his early death.

The debate in connection with the Y. M. C. A. will be taken up as soon as possible after the New Year comes in. Friday night, the ninth, is the time set for the first debate, which should be one of great interest to every resident of our town. The subject is "Resolved that it would be to the interests of our town to subsidize local industries." It is hoped that a large number will attend, and each one come prepared to say something on this subject. A meeting was held on Sunday evening last which was largely attended. Rev. Mr. Brown gave an able address.

Porton has organized an Athletic Union, which is to be known as the M. A. A. Its object is for the promotion of sports. Weldon Robinson has been elected president, E. Crocker, vice president, and Rev. A. M. MacLeod, secretary. Two hockey teams, composed of Crocker, have been organized and will play in the new rink, which was opened on Christmas morning. J. W. Miller was appointed official referee, and the first match will be played New Year's morning.

St. Andrew's Church was suitably adorned with evergreens, etc., for Christmas. The four o'clock service on the Communion Table was filled with white chrysanthemums supplied by the Guild. The service on the morning of the 26th was well attended. The singing was excellent, and the sermon, "There were Shepherds," exquisitely rendered. Mr. Geo. Archibald presided at the organ and a sermon suitable to the season was preached by the pastor.

DIED.

At Nelson, on Dec. 20th, Mr. William Fitzpatrick, aged 70 years.
At Janeline, Saturday, Dec. 20th, Mrs. Richard Ellis, in the 92nd year of her age.

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JANEVILLE.

Janeville, Dec. 21st 1902.—December has arrived again and the holidays also. Very soon Santa Claus will be around again to fill the stockings. The lumbermen have already commenced to come out of the woods to spend Christmas at home.

The weather is very dull with snow falling nearly every day, which makes the roads very dirty. The roads are very good now and a great deal of travelling is being done on them. Farm produce of every kind is being taken into the market and very good prices are ruling. Eggs appear to be very scarce and are 25 cts per doz, geese are up to 75 cts each, ducks 80 to 90 cts per pair and chickens 40 to 50 cts per pair.

Beef is very plentiful throughout the country and is a fair price 6 cts per pound. Mr. John Eddy killed an ox last week, which weighed over 500 pounds, it was only 2 years and 6 months old.

The lumbermen are rushing their yarding operations, never in the history of this place has their been such a good year for yarding the logs and never in the history of this place has there been so much lumber cut. P. G. Mahoney was on here a few days ago. He will have both Wm. O'Brien's mill and A. E. Chapman's mill to saw for him this winter and spring.

Mr. O'Brien has removed his mill from the railroad to the woods. The boiler was hauled in on Saturday by three teams of horses. It is a heavy load for three teams to haul five miles as it weighs about five tons.

Mr. Robert Caldwell who is spending a few weeks with friends here spent a few days in New Bandon, last week.

Our teacher Miss Bella Mody is spending the holidays at her home in Clifton.

We regret very much the absence of notes from Clifton to the Advocate, could not the correspondent write some notes next week.

There are a great number of cases of mumps now in Clifton.

Mrs. H. A. Cate and Mr. Clyde Cate spent last Saturday in Bathurst.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith spent last Saturday in Bathurst.

We regret to note that our popular lumberman Mr. Heber Buttner has a very sore hand. He went to the Doctor last week.

Messrs. Wilfred and Henry Roy spent last Sunday in Janeville.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

JANEVILLE, December 27, 1902.—We are having finer weather now, at least not so cold, as before a heavy rain fell on Monday last which froze making everything very icy.

The lumbermen are all out of the woods for Christmas making everything jolly.

Mr. P. Foley spent a day of last week with friends in Janeville.

Mr. Reggie Jennings arrived on Christmas morning from St. John where he is attending the business College, to spend the holidays at his home here.

Mr. Heber Buttner spent Wednesday last in Bathurst. We are glad to hear that his hand is improving under the treatment of Dr. Duncan.

The death of Mrs. Richard Ellis took place at her home on Friday December 19th in the 93 years of her age. Interment took place in the church of England cemetery at Clifton on Sunday.

The Carquet train has a hard time at present to get along there is such a quantity of ice on the Railroad they have been delayed several times on the grade by the station here by the ice which in some places is very high.

Messrs Chapman & Daley have 18,000 logs up now they will not be done yarding for some time yet.

A basket social was held in the Orange Hall at Clifton on Christmas Eve. A large crowd from Janeville were down.

I wish all readers and subscribers of the Advocate also the Editor a happy and prosperous 1903.

BATHURST.

Our readers may think it favors of repetition to again refer to the glorious weather the North Shore of New Brunswick is being favored with this winter, but really it is well worthy of remark. The slight snowfall which came the day after Christmas only added to the already excellent state of the roads by covering up the more icy portions and as present the travelling is splendid. The clear sunshine with just enough frost in the air to clear it and make walking exhilarating and driving such a pleasure that it seems a sin not to take advantage of every available chance to spend an hour out of doors. Generally we venture to say if we had the ordering of a perfect winter's day, nothing more pleasant or agreeable weather conditions than today (Monday) at Bathurst could be produced.

We hear of a very constant stream of visitors seeking southern climates as soon as winter weather sets in, in the North, but really we doubt very much if on the face of the globe anything more fine than our Christmas weather in 1902 has been experienced.

Christmas, by the way, has come and gone and old and young, the latter particularly are sorry. Someone says that half the pleasure of a thing is in anticipation, and perhaps this is never realized more fully than at Christmas. We always have a feeling of pity for homes in which there are no children, when Christmas comes around. The story of the little one in itself an education. At no time of their lives can the true character of the boy or girl be judged better than then. For weeks perhaps months before they have been saving their pennies with the hopes of buying something to please each other or for their favorite friends or companions and they are all given on Christmas eve. The younger ones who blidly trust to Santa Claus are easy study compared to the others to whom the giving of a certain amount of money they have to spend in the department. Jack hides behind the door while Sally takes from the tree the little parcel he has placed there for her, and awaits with shivering expectations for the words of praise which he supposes the girl must bestow on his present. Can pity describe his feelings when the greedy little wretch grabs the parcel and tearing it open, exclaims, "Oh! is that all Jack gave me?" or the light which springs into his face if Sally is pleased and shouts, "The very thing I was wishing for, where's that dear Jack?" Ah! Christmas is a reality indeed to the children and as it comes only once a year it seems to us no sacrifice for a moment's thought of, as far as we can judge Christmas day in Bathurst passed off very quietly and happily. Smiling faces and cordial greetings at church, on the streets and in the homes of the people gave evidence of quiet happiness. No doubt some homes were sad and some chairs empty even some of the smiling faces may have hidden sad hearts, sad at the remembrance of other and happier days at Christmas times now passed forever. Let us hope these were few.

The merchants generally report a very good Christmas trade, which indeed is keeping up very well, owing perhaps to the good roads and the fair prices for all kinds of country produce. The fact that all laboring men are this winter earning good wages, a fair proportion of which is paid in cash has also no doubt an effect on the trade of the town, and while there is no boom or rash, we notice a good healthy feeling among our merchants and traders.

The lumbermen are in good spirits, for over in the history of the country have they had such a favorable season, and such good prices as are being paid for deals for next season's shipment. In this connection we are sorry to note quite a heavy fall in the price of laths in United States markets, a fall of about 60 cents per thousand with indications of a still lower price being paid. This may be connected with the business of trade in building operations at present, but it is not usual for laths to fall at this particular season. The unsettled condition of the English deal market, owing partially to the holidays, is yet in evidence, and brokers in Liverpool and London also report that buyers are holding off owing to the reports from Canada of a very heavy log cut during the present winter, which coupled with the fact that the region are to the effect that owing to the excellent weather conditions the logs are perhaps costing less than for some years. With this information before them perhaps it is not so strange that buyers should hold off to see if sellers on this side will not sell cheaper when they get into competition at the time it is necessary to realize on their stock.

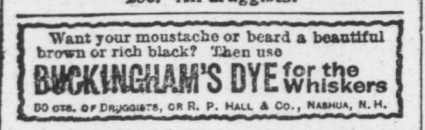
We hear that the smelt fishing throughout Gloucester has not been even fairly good, and we fear it is only a question of time for the poor little smelt to be a thing of the past as the Bay Chaleur oyster and lobster is becoming.

Some one said the other day that about \$30,000 had been paid for blueberries in one district in Eastern Gloucester last season—is this possible?

The store of Mr. Jacob White was broken into last week and a small quantity of tobacco and other things taken. These robberies in Bathurst are happening with alarming frequency it seems to us, and no person seems to have any idea of whom the

Constipation

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culprit is. Surely some of our local constables should be able to ferret out this thief.

What might have been a serious accident was happily prevented by N. A. Landry Esq., County Treasurer the other day, Mr. Landry heard some commotion among the heating apparatus in the new county building and on going down seller, discovered that someone had started the fire without seeing that there was water in the boiler, or that something had occurred to drain it. A few minutes more might have sufficed to bring on an explosion sufficient to wreck the magnificent building of which Gloucester is justly proud. So far we have not learned if the real cause of the irregularity was discovered.

W. J. Cragg Esq., manager of the Royal Bank of Canada at Dalhousie, accompanied by his friend, Dr. Rowley, spent Christmas at Bathurst.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Byrne are spending the holidays with Mr. Byrne's people in Sussex.

A. G. Bishop Esq., manager of the Royal Bank, returned on Friday from a trip to Boston.

Mr. Whistons, who has been relieving Mr. Bishop has returned to Halifax.

Mr. Charles Stewart of Dalhousie is visiting his brother A. J. W. Stewart at Bathurst.

We hear that the Masses of Dalhousie instead giving a ball on New Year's eve. The engagement is announced of Miss Cassie McGinley of Bathurst, to Mr. Edward Quigley, formerly of Newcastle, but who has lived for several years at Indian Head near Regina N. W. T. Miss McGinley is one of the most popular young ladies in Gloucester County and as it is reported that a happy event will occur on or about the 8th of January next by which Bathurst will lose her, the whole community rejoices that the young gentleman of her choice is so well known to be worthy of the best that fortune can bestow on him.

Doctor MacLean was called to Foster's camp on the Tracadie to day (Monday). It is said one of the men was badly injured by being kicked by a vicious horse.

Mr. Lane Bishop has returned to Montreal.

Miss Helena Burns has returned from a visit to friends in Halifax.

Mrs. W. F. Pepper is improving slowly. Owing to the ice on the roads here, recent snowstorms, accidents were frequent, but fortunately few were serious. A horse belonging to Mr. MacLean (Courtier), and driven by Mr. John J. MacLennan fell and broke its leg on Christmas Eve, necessitating the killing of the poor animal. There was considerable trouble among the local sportsmen's horses on the ice on Christmas day, and rumors says a race will be arranged for New Year's day.

The article in reference to the school closing at Bathurst at the foot of our Bathurst news last week was not written by our regular correspondent but was supplied by another. A dash was placed between the two to make this clear.—Ed.

TRACADIE.

Some very good hauls of smelt have been made these last few days.

Mr. Robert Loggie manager of the J. B. Snowball Co. in this place, left on Monday for Chatham.

The Christmas midnight mass will be celebrated this year as usual.

Dr. Diloron is now residing in this place. His office is at Robert Arsenault's.

Many of our boys have already returned from the lumber camps. Andrew has come out with a red face and an appropriate mistake.

A new clerk has entered business at the Klondyke store. Mr. Frank Drysdale is there now, with also Mr. Benet White of Bathurst.

One of our fair girls lost a letter the other evening while coming from the post office with her dude.

The schools closed Friday for the Christmas holidays, which was gratefully accepted by her scholars.—World.

CASSILIS.

After wishing you a happy Christmas and a pleasant and very prosperous New Year, I will ask space in your valuable paper to insert the following.

The ice is sufficiently strong for good banding and the lumbermen are taking advantage of this and are rushing supplies to the camps.

Bats are scarce, but occasionally we hear of a good haul. The buyers are nearly discouraged.

The school term ended Thursday, Dec. 18th. The examination passed off very creditably to both teacher and pupils. The school was very tastefully decorated with flags and evergreens. Miss May Dunavon the teacher, and the scholars are to be congratulated on the success of the programme and examination.

The town authorities have bushed the road leading from the public slip to the ferry slip at Chatham Head, and have again bushed the road down the ice to—well, nowhere we should say—as the absurd practice of bushing a road put way to Chatham has again been indulged in. Why could not the Mayors of Newcastle and Chatham come to terms and have the roads bushed all the way to Chatham. If no agreement could be made thus, why not bush the road to somewhere, say to Douglastown.

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Smoking Jackets	3 50 to 7 00
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HER CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

TIME—Evening, Dec. 26.
Place—Boarding house bedroom.
Actors—Nellie Cox, artist; May Lovell, stenographer.
Nellie—Thus are my sins visited upon me. Did you ever see such an ugly, fantastic collar as this orange thing with the red freckles?
May—No; unless it is the purple tie in your other hand. But the blue and the yellow collars are both pretty.
Nellie—Neither harmonizes with my blue shirt waist and my complexion.
May—How did you happen to receive so many collars? Did you ask for them?
Nellie—Ask for them? Hardly. I never wear anything except linen collars. As I said, however, it is my own fault. Last year my aunt sent me an expensive but hideous collar which I immediately donated to a church rummage sale.
May—Then wrote your aunt that it was just what you wanted.
Nellie—My conscience would not allow me to do that. I filled up four pages, however, on the one redeeming feature of that collar. I spoke of the texture of the silk and dwelt on its wonderful richness.
May—Should have thought your aunt would have seen through that.



"SHE OUGHT TO SEE YOU NOW."

When a girl goes into raptures over some detail of a gown I know she does not like the thing as a whole.

Nellie—My aunt's education has been neglected, for she doesn't know that. Let me read you her letter:

My Dear Child—There was so much pathos in your note of thanks last year I could see how you loved and longed for the beautiful, and I know that I am not making a mistake in sending you one here pretty thing to go with you all through the year. I have told your cousin how you enjoyed the collar I gave you last Christmas, and they are going to send you some. We have hired a poor seamstress to make them, so I have added pleasure to my own life in holding out a helping hand to two dependent women.

May—She must have a sense of humor if she calls you dependent. She ought to see you now.

Nellie—I'll have to waste 16 cents postage in writing letters of thanks, and I have already paid 20 cents extra for postage on the packages. I could have treated myself to a good magazine or a box of chocolates for that amount.

May—Last year I learned that an aunt was going to give me a year's vacation to a journal which develops a passion for telling girls how to treat their employers and how to dress on \$50 a year. I got all that kind of thing I wish without reading about it. So I took time to criticize the paper before her and at the same time displayed my own clothes.

Nellie—And she gave you a pair of gloves? Lucky girl!

May—I thought she would, but she sent me a housekeeping magazine and wrote telling me that I ought to learn to cook, as if a business girl has half a chance. She said that I might not like the magazine at first, but would be attracted to it in time. I be attracted.

Nellie—What do you mean?

May—I sold it for 50 cents on the dollar, went to the theater and wrote about it. I had derived more pleasure from its presence than from any other one and ever sent me.

Nellie—Total depravity!

May—No; only good business management. I suggest that you sell your next presents.

Nellie—I'll do it. I know a girl who likes fussy things, especially if she thinks she is getting them cheap. I will tell her the collars are too elaborate for my plain clothes, but will sell her.

May—Thank you, dear. After all, there is nothing like making the best of things.—Chicago News.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

Where America's Supply of Mistletoe Comes From.

Year after year Christmas comes and goes, its joys and merrymaking losing no whit of interest and sentiment for young or old, and, while always new each season in their giving of pleasure, the same old customs continue to prevail with alterations in detail only.

The day would hardly seem like Christmas without the hanging of Christmas greens, and, though a greater variety is offered in the way of decorations than formerly, those are still most liked and used that bear out the old practices and significance, and chief among them are the mistletoe and holly, whose very names carry one back to the days of ancient English cheer and Yuletide, with wassail bowl, Yule log and joyous merrymaking.

The most favored mistletoe comes from across seas, but some is sent from Canada and the south, where, particularly in Texas, it grows in large clumps on the live oak trees, always to the latter's gradual destruction, for, being a parasite, it saps the oak's lifeblood, flourishing luxuriantly the while. It is not so artistic in appearance as its English cousin, the leaves more common-place and the berries smaller and poorer in quality, though more in quantity.

Strange to say, the Texas mistletoe, like the prophet in his own country, is not greatly prized at home, and at a few of the Christmas festivities does it make part of the decoration, while in all other quarters a cluster of the oddly shaped green leaves and opaque white berries must almost of necessity be suspended in the doorway or from the chandelier when Christmas comes in, and it never fails to cause the same jesting and merriment, for a kiss stolen under the mistletoe is one's right, and the puffer cannot with justice receive rebuff.—Selected.

S. CLAUS' MAIL HELD UP.

Bushels of Letters That the Old Man Never Will Receive.

Sometimes the address on the envelope starts "Dear," which, of course, means "Dear," and again it is "Dear" or "Dear." But even these remarkable spellings are nothing compared with the two words that follow. They read "Santa Klaus" or "Saint Cloc" or "Saint Claus," and they are in hand-writings compared to which Babylonian cuneiform is as a primer.

They are coming into the dead letter office in this city by the hundreds these days, and, although the clerks in that division are the most painstaking of men and can decipher an actual address from a mass of hieroglyphs, they never have been able to learn the exact location of either the business office or home of one S. Claus, Esq., manufacturer of toys.

So these letters never reach their destination. They would be returned to the senders only for the sad fact that when they are opened the inclosures almost invariably look as if a spider had got drunk on a bottle of ink and had tried to perform a mixture of highland fling and cakewalk on the paper. The most that can be made out is the invariable beginning, "Please bring me."

Last year in the dead letter division there was a bushel basket of these missives, doomed never to be seen by Santa Claus. And this year letter boxes are furnishing additions at every collection.—New York Press.

THE YULETIDE LOG.

An Ancient Custom Still Observed in the North of England.

A custom at one time prevalent in England and still observed in some of the northern districts of the old country is that of placing an immense log of wood—sometimes the root of a great tree—in the wide chimney place. This is often called the Yule log, and it was on Christmas eve that it was put on the wide hearth. Around it would gather the entire family, and its entrance was the occasion of a great deal of ceremony. There were music and rejoicing, while the one authorized to light it was obliged to have clean hands.

It was always lighted with a brand left over from the log of the previous year, which had been carefully preserved for the purpose. A poet sings of it in this way:

With the last year's brand
Light the new block, and
For good success in his spending
On your presents play
That sweet luck may
Come while the log is a-burning.

The Yule log was supposed to be a protection against evil spirits, and it was considered a bad omen if the fire went out before the evening was over. The family and guests used to seat themselves in front of the brightly burning fire, and many a story and merry jest went round the happy group.—New York Mail and Express.

What He Heard.

Little Montague—I was awake when Santa Claus came, dad.

Father—Were you? And what was he like, eh?

Little Montague—Oh, I couldn't see him. It was dark, you know. But when he bustled himself on the washstand he said—

Father (hastily)—There, that'll do, Monty. Run away and play.—Punch.

Just Her Luck.

Mrs. P. Nurus—I dreamed last night that you gave me a diamond ring for Christmas.

Mr. P. Nurus—That's just your luck. Dreams always go by contraries.

With Apologies to Riley.

There's a Christmas touch in the air,
I feel it somewhere, everywhere,
I feel it at home; it makes me blue,
My bank account is thinned with care;
There's a Christmas touch in the air.

—Life.

CHRISTMAS CLASSICS

At Christmas play and make good cheer,
For Christmas comes but once a year.

—Tusser.

'Twas the night before Christmas, when
all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.

The stockings were hung by the chimney
with care
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there.

—Clement C. Moore.

The time draws near the birth of Christ,
The moon is hid; the night is still;
The Christmas bells from hill to hill
Answer each other in the mist.

—Tennyson.

This is the month and this the happy
morn,
Wherein the Son of heaven's eternal
King
Of wedded maid and virgin mother born,
Our great redemption from above did bring.

For so the holy sages once did sing:
That he our deadly forfeit should release,
And with his Father work us a perpetual
peace.

—Milton.

In December ring
Every day the chimneys
Loud the gleemen sing
The streets their merry rhymes
Let us by the fire
Sing them till the night expires!

—Longfellow.

No trumpet blast profaned
The hour in which the Prince of Peace
No bloody streamlet stained
Earth's silver rivers on that sacred morn.

—Bryant.

What Babe new born is this that in a
manger cries?
Near on her lowly bed his happy mother
lies.
Oh, see the air is shaken with white and
heavenly wings!

This is the Lord of all the earth; this is
the King of kings.

—R. W. Gilder.

The mistletoe hung in the castle hall;
The holly branch shone on the old oak
wall.

—Thomas Haynes Bayly.

For little children everywhere
A joyous season still we make;
We bring our precious gifts to them,
Even for the dear child Jesus sake.

—Phoebe Cary.

His Delicate Proposal.

Gladly (on a winter morning)—
What a dear little child! Who gave you
that?
Marjorie—George, of course.

Gladly—Is it going?
Marjorie—Oh, no! George wishes me
to understand that I may set my own
time.—Smart Set.

Strap George.
"Are you going to hang up any mis-
tletoe?"
"No, I'm not. I put some out last
year, and George asked if it wasn't as-
paragus."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

THE TRUTH ABOUT SANTA CLAUS

Of course there's a Santa Claus! Every one knows it—

That is, every one who has good sense
and a heart of gold.

There are those who doubt love and reli-
gion and morals—

Those people who always are seeking for
quarrels.

On questions of faith and are ever lament-
ing.

The existence of things to which there's
no dissenting.

They would have all the dear little chil-
dren believe.

There isn't a Santa, but their aim's de-
ceiving.

He's jolly and big, and his nickname's
"Kris Kringle."

God pity the child who has not heard the
jingle.

Of his silver bells as he comes swift
a-sleighing.

When his annual visit of love he's a-pay-
ing.

He's round, and he's fat, and his whiskers
are white.

With centuries' snow, but his good face
is lighted.

With the cheery warm nature that keeps
us cheerful.

And with make dear old Santa Claus last
time eternal.

So, children, don't think when you hang
up each stocking.

That there's no Santa Claus—that would
be shocking.

Because while you're snug and cozy
slewing.

He'll come with his reindeer all madly
slewing.

And from his rich load in a trice will
be taking.

And leaving the gifts that will gladden
your waking!

—Washington Star.

NEW YEAR'S BLUE RIDGE

SPEAKING OF New Year's," said the Navadan, "I always call to mind this time of year the blizzard we boys give a young doctor chap who came up to Blue Ridge just at the time that camp was the liveliest, to which I might add that though the days of the Ridge were few in the land, as the book says, while it did last there was no camp on the Pacific slope from Puget sound to the Rio Grande that could furnish as much fun in a week as transpired in Blue Ridge every twenty-four hours.

"But the sport didn't need no medicine. It was not, as you might say, a sickly neighborhood, which it seems



PLANNING A SURPRISE FOR THE DOCTOR.

peculiar to remark, seeing as how we had the most likely looking graveyard, considering the population, as you would find in all the Sierras. But the gents as populated the graveyard was mostly a lively and healthy lot up to and inclusive of the moment of their demise.

"That's what the boys was speaking of when the doctor came into camp. "Louie Bill remarked to me that the boys who was hurt ought to make an effort to last until the doctor could arrive, which would give him a legal claim on any dust they might leave.

He was just the kind of a chap for the camp if it is to be best, but there was any trade for him, for he was quiet, nifty, had more book learning than the editor and was cheerful and obliging, especially obliging, for he preached a beautiful sermon over the dead dealer at the far bank, though the said dealer had died of his wounds before Doc arrived.

"Some said as how we ought to send down in the valley where they were all shaking eternally with malaria and Doc to pound on the shakers for Doc to pound on and pay him so much for the cleanup. He laughed when we proposed this and said it would be unprofessional, because he knew the party as had the practice in the valley.

"Then we proposed that thereafter, any party dying of his wounds before the Doc could arrive, the said party's effects should be levied upon for a fee to be paid to Doc.

"All the boys agreed to that, and we got so worked up over the prospect that a disagreement resulted that very night, in which a Wells-Fargo shotgun messenger blew all the Latin parts out of a friend with a ten gauge duck gun, which the same, for purposes of stage robbery, was of a saved off character.

The party was shot was mostly missing between his hips and his chest, the remains being only two-thirds, but we joyfully sent for Doc just the same.

"Well, he came, and when he saw the state of the case he said as he wasn't an undertaker he couldn't be of any service.

"Then we told him of the new rule and offered him the pile of the deceased, which was in a canvas sack behind the bar. He wouldn't take it, not even a sample for assay, and the disappointment of the boys was sad to see, especially the shotgun messenger, whose intentions had done honor to his heart and aim.

"It was a few days before New Year's that the editor showed us a piece in a San Francisco paper, which was a kind of local notice, stating that our Doc was going to be married to a lady in that city. That sets us thinking, and we thought harder than ever when the Doc tells us that he was going to leave us on New Year's day to take up his practice in San Francisco.

We held a meeting and discussed the state of affairs, having a pretty good idea of how the land lay financially with Doc, because his money was on deposit with the express agent and he was chairman of our meeting.

"Well, at that meeting we laid out a plan that worked as slick as a diamond drill. On the day before New Year's Doc was sent for by Long Bill, who told him that Perkins was working again like a forty stamp quartz mill. Doc prescribed, and when Bill asked what was the auto Doc said it would be \$5. Bill said he'd

hand it to him when he bid him good by at the stage office next day. Then I sent for Doc and said that old bullet wound in my leg was on strike again, took my prescription and promised to pay next day.

"I don't suppose any doctor in the world ever had as busy a day as ours did that day. It seemed like every man in camp was sick. There was trouble about noon because the boys ran out of names of diseases, but I went up to Doc's office and copied out a lot of names from one of his books, and then we kept things booming. Some of the younger boys got stuck on the names of sicknesses I dealt out to them to make a choice from and played the whole deck, which seemed to puzzle Doc somewhat.

"Well, the next day we met and marched around to the stage about starting time, and there was Doc, looking a little worried, but he looked a lot more surprised when he saw all his patients so callous.

"We gave him a sendoff and an envelope. "Did you ask what was in the envelope? I disremember the old dollars, but it was enough over \$5,000 to leave him that clear after he had paid his expenses down to the bay."—New York Journal.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS.

Old Fashioned Greens Were Rosemary, Ivy and Bay.

The old fashioned holiday greens were rosemary, ivy and bay, but in the 2,000 tons of wreathing and decorating material which it is estimated that we now use every year there is a much greater variety. Best loved of all is the glossy red berried holly.

"Holly" was the old English name for it, and it is thought to be identical with the "greenwood tree" of British ballads and of Robin Hood fame. On our side of the Atlantic the American holly, Ilex opaca, is found from Maine, where it grows as a shrub, to North and South Carolina, where it lifts a symmetrical cone of dark, shining leaves set with scarlet berry clusters along a beautiful trunk of gray and silver to the height of seventy or eighty feet.

Delaware and Maryland are usually credited with furnishing the best grades of holly to the holiday market, but their "Three X" brand, as seen

enter shipment to northern cities, is not so finely berried as the Carolina holly, so finely berried as the Carolina holly, so finely berried as the Carolina holly.

plentiful in the regions around Asheville.—Country Life in America.

New Year's Calls.

New Year's calling in New York was purely the outgrowth of an early Dutch custom, yet strangely enough many of the descendants of the early Dutch settlers fought against the continuance of a practice which they declared had long since passed beyond the bounds to which the fathers limited it and had been made the excuse for great excesses on a day which ought to be given over to the forming of good resolutions.

In the early days of Manhattan Island the male Dutch settlers every New Year's day started out as a matter of duty to visit the houses of all their friends. The good wives who received them were arrayed in their Sunday finery and had bowls of steaming hot punch upon the "best room" table.

The latter day Dutch descendants denied the punch and said it was coffee. The irreverent latter day champions of New Year's calling denied the punch also and told their opponents that their forefathers would not know a punch if they saw it and that they drank nothing but ill smelling hot gin.

Whatever it was that the good burghers drank, they succeeded in calling within the compass of the day upon every family of any note on Manhattan Island.

A New Year's Cyclone.

Is that a cyclone raging down?
Is the roof a-tumbling down?
Is that an earthquake shakin'
All the windows in town?
Is that the river roarin'?

Has Gabriel blown his trumpet
To make the dead serene?
They stood and heard in terror
While the loud noise arose,
Like the warwhoops of the Indians,
The shouts of foreign foes,
But a voice brought better comfort
(Let not the sainted scoff):
That's a bit of trouble,
That's a daddy swearin' off!

—Atlanta Constitution.

A Time of Peril.

Clarissa—I'm always glad when New Year's day is safely over.

Fidella—Yes; it is a saddening anniversary.

Clarissa—Oh, I don't mean that. Clarence and I always have a horrid quarrel suggesting improvements in each other's conduct.

To Naughty-ty.

Come in, New Year, come in, come in;
Don't stand out there in the cold and grin.
Put on some clothes; your legs are bare;
You haven't half enough to wear.
The old man's gone; the count is clear;
The world's your oyster, kid New Year!

—Chicago Tribune.

Stock on Hand.

Brads—Going to make any new resolutions this year, Spikes?

Spikes—New ones? I should say not. I've got a lot of old ones I've never used, by Jove!

Wreckage.

Break, break, break—
Not the waves of the sea—
Only the resolutions
That the foolish made, ah, me!

—E. Kiser.

As Good as New.

"How about those good resolutions you made the first of the year?"

"Oh, they are still good!"—Smart Set.

Footish Resolutions.

The New Year's vows that Perkins made
To keep will prove a strain,
He tried to shave himself this year

At 2.

NEW YEAR'S IN RUSSIA

In the smaller cities of Russia New Year's day is in the Twelve Days' festival. The Russians in many parts have held to the old ways from time immemorial. The preparations for the season begin early in November. The host of some great house begins to lay in stores of salted beef and sausages, liqueurs, etc. The hostess calls on all her friends and invites young and old.

Next day she is succeeded by the nitue, who makes the same rounds of visits. Her duty is to invite especially the young ladies. She is hailed with joy, and the lady of the house hastens to mix for her the cup of wine. She delivers her errand and is piled with questions as to the invited and rejected. But the most important question is, "Who are the elected?" These are the young men invited by the hostess for the girls, or "fair maidens," as they are called. The duty of the young man thus designated is to look after the amusement and pleasure of his "fair maiden" during the "twelve days." The responsibility of the choice lying with the hostess, she has to be careful in her selection.

But the invitation has again to be repeated, this time by the master of the house in the person of his servant, or "swat," who, with mace in hand, performs his mission. On entering each house he offers a prayer before the shrine of the saint to which it is dedicated. He then delivers the invitation in the name of his master and mistress. At first, according to etiquette, the invitation is refused, but after much pressing it is finally accepted. When the day arrives, the young ladies who are the heroines of the season appear in a sledge accompanied by their mother and favorite companion, generally a girl of inferior rank, who sits at their feet. This sledge is followed by another containing drowmen charged with caskets and dressing boxes. Other sledges follow—the longer the procession the greater honor to the house visited. On the arrival the host and hostess meet the guests at the gate, bow without speaking and conduct them into the house.—New York World.

Self Approval.

"Have you kept your New Year's resolutions?"

"Yes, I have faithfully kept a New Year's resolution that I made three or four years ago."

"What was it?"

"Never to make any more resolutions."—Washington Star.

An Arrested Intelligence.

"Charlie Binks isn't as slow as he seems."

"How is that?"

"He woke up yesterday and asked what year it is."

His Happy Calls.

Wilkins—How many calls did you make yesterday?

Dixie—Three, and, say, it was the best game of poker I ever sat in!

THE OLD and THE NEW

The New Year came to the Old Year's door.

When the sands were wasting thin,
And the frost lay white on the Old Year's thatch.

And his hand grew chill as he slipped the latch
To let the New Year in.

And the New Year perched in the Old Year's chair.

And warmed by the Old Year's fire,
And the Old Year watched him with wistful gaze
As he stretched his hands to the fading
And cinders of dead desire.

And the Old Year prayed, as Old Year will,
Of summer and vanished spring,
And then of the future, with grave advice,
Of love and sorrow and sacrifice,
That the seasons' round would bring.

And the New Year listened and warmed his heart
In the bloom of the Old Year's past,
But he gave no heed of the thorns that lay
In the bud and blow of a coming day,
And, nodding, he dreamed at last.

That Whoop!
Have you had it in your house? It's cough and cough and cough, and then that terrible whoop! Don't upset the stomach more by giving nauseous medicine. Just let the child breathe in the soothing vapor of Vapo-Cresolene. It goes right to the spot that's diseased. Relief is immediate, and in a very few days the cure is complete. You can't say the same of any other treatment. For asthma, catarrh, and colds it's equally good. Vapo-Cresolene is sold by druggists everywhere. The Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a lifetime, and a bottle of Cresolene complete, \$1.50 extra supplies of Cresolene 25 cents and 50 cents. Illustrated booklet containing physicians' testimonials free upon request. Vapo-Cresolene Co., 150 Fulton St., New York, U.S.A.

Foreign visitor (in Mexico)—What! Do you still have these barbarous bullfights in your country? Native—Oh, yes; so many American travellers want to see them you know, that we have to give now and then.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

20 YEARS OF ITCHING PILES.

Mr. Alex. McLoughlin, Bowmansville, Ont., writes that for twenty years he suffered terribly from itching piles. Seven years ago he asked a druggist for the best cure for piles and was told to use Dr. Chase's Ointment. He continued this treatment until entirely cured, and as he has never had any return of his old trouble considers his cure permanent and remarkable on account of the length of time he suffered.

Yeast—They say the darkest hour is just before the dawn. Crimmonbeak—Yes. Well, I know when I've gone home in the morning and knew my wife was waiting for me things have looked unusually black.

UNMISTAKABLE SIGNS OF CATARRH.

If you have a ringing in the ears, drooping in the throat, bad breath, headache, morning weakness, bad taste in the mouth—then it's catarrh. Use Catarrhone Inhaler four times daily and eradicate this awful disease from the system. Catarrhone kills the germs, heals the inflamed membrane, clears nose, throat and air passages by one application. Catarrhone quickly remedies the hoarse, noisy and deafness, prevents drooping, and is warranted to absolutely cure all forms of Catarrh, Bronchitis, Asthma, and Lung Trouble. Two months' treatment costs \$1.00; trial size 25c. Druggists or N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Hotel Clerk (to Colonel Cutter of Kentucky)—Will you have a pitcher of water sent to your room? The Colonel—Water! Great guns, ain't there any fire escape?

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On April 25, 1792, the guillotine was publicly used for the first time and beheaded a bandit named Follissier. This was in the Place de Greve, where some twenty years previously Damiens had been tormented for days in precisely the same way as Ravallac had been for the assassination of Henry VI.

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"Old war horse" has long been a complimentary and affectionate sobriquet bestowed on veteran political workers by their party conferees and admirers. A Washington correspondent once endeavored to compliment Susan E. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and other women suffragists by referring to them as "old war mares." He protested that he had heard them say there could be no opposition in sex, but the old ladies kicked like young fillies, and the correspondent lost his job.

A Tale of a Typewriter.
A quaint tale of a typewriter is told by an Anglo-Indian. An English judge in India, an expert on the typewriter, used it for the taking of judicial notes. The machine was taken into court, when a certain novelty was imparted to the proceedings by the click of the keys and tinkle of the bell. The prisoner was found guilty and sentenced. Promptly he appealed on the ground that instead of listening to the evidence the judge had whistled away his time by playing on a musical instrument.

After strenuous effort to live up to the expectations of her neighbors is what changes the roses from a woman's cheeks.—Chicago News.

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The Best House Coal in the Market
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In south America and Australia pasture is abundant and ozen of the finest quality are plentiful. Bovril is prepared from these ozen and the supply is so considerable as to enable the manufacturers to use the best materials at a nominal cost. It is prepared by a special process, which ensures the retention of both the stimulating and nourishing properties of the beef, thereby differing from ordinary meat extracts or beef tea, which merely stimulate without nourishing.
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There's a story in the paper tonight that will make your hair curl, said Dr. Snaggs to his wife. I wish you would read it to me, dear, replied Mrs. Snaggs, for this damp atmosphere takes all the curl out of it.

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is important. The pain and annoyance of Chilblains, Tender Feet, Corns, Bunions, Ingrowing Nails, etc., may be quickly relieved and cured by bathing well in warm water, dry well and apply thoroughly Kendrick's White Liniment. Try it and see.

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It stands at the top for purity. Most imitations are harmful for delicate skins.
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WANTED.—5000 HIDES, for which the highest cash price will be paid.
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I have lately installed a number of good horses, up-to-date harnesses and harness, and can supply the best turnouts in town.
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Hack to any part of the town to and from all regular trains.
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Along with cold weather comes Neuralgia, Rheumatism, Sore Throat and Lung, use the reliable Kendrick's White Liniment, which is safe and sure to relieve. Pains and swellings readily give way to this wonderful family remedy.

The WHIRL of the TOWN

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We want fifty loads of green and dry wood at the Advocate office at once.

It is expected the first week of January will be a week of united prayer in our churches.

There will be a watch night service in the Baptist church Wednesday night, commencing at 11.15.

Contrary to the announcement made at the closing of the schools, they will open as usual on Monday, Jan. 5th.

Teachers of all the schools are requested to read a notice, re vaccination which appears in another column.

The predicted hard winter has not yet reached the Miramichi, as up to the present it has been unusually mild. Of course we have had a few cold days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. McMurdo are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a welcome little stranger, who came to town about midnight Monday. It is a boy.

The Division of S. of T. will meet on Thursday, New Year's night. There are hints of a treat of some kind in store for the members who attend on that night.

The Canadian Jubilee Singers who made such a favorable impression on a former visit to our town are billed to sing here on January 22nd.

Mrs. Morris Whelan, relict of the late Morris Whelan, died at her home here on Saturday. She leaves a family who have the sympathy of the community.

St. Mary's congregation presented their pastor, Rev. P. W. Dixon with a new sleigh, robes, harness and a fur coat on Christmas. It is needless to say the gift was appreciated.

We have a few copies of New Brunswick Illustrated. This edition was published in St. John and as usual Newcastle and the Miramichi are entirely ignored in its illustrations.

A social will be held on Friday evening next, by the Ladies Auxiliary in the Y. M. C. A. rooms. A short programme of local and instrumental music will be given, assisted by the Orchestra. Refreshments will be provided. Admission 25 cents.

As there was so snow, many of our merchants were looking forward to a poor Christmas trade, but they were most agreeably surprised as it was an exceptionally good year. The advertisers of the Advocate were busy from early morn till late at night and extra help had to be employed in most cases.

Our stock of mating and colored card has arrived. Price 10c. per sheet.

Just received at the Advocate Office, ten cases of toilet paper in packages and rolls.

There will be Divine service in St. Andrew's church on New Year's day at 11 o'clock.

Mrs. Leighton was presented on Xmas eve with a very handsome silver and China fruit basket, the gift of her boarders.

A green Christmas at this year and consequently a very quiet one. The ice was fairly good and crowds enjoyed the skating. There was also a fair wind for ice boating.

A northeasterly blizzard set in on Friday morning, but during the night moderated and it rained hard Saturday. There is now splendid sleighing.

The St. John Freeman will not be discontinued but will be issued regularly as heretofore by a new management. It will be known as The New Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Kethro received a Christmas present—a beautiful lamp—from two of their boarders, Messrs. Simpson and Bell.

While making good resolutions, don't forget to resolve that you will in future have your printing done at home, will buy your paper bags, paper, twine, etc. at home and then live up to your resolution.

The inmates of the Almshouse enjoyed a good Christmas dinner, including turkey, pastry, fruit and other things. Two large cakes, the gift of Dr. J. B. Benson, made the spread that the commissioners provided complete.—World.

The entertainment in the Town Hall by the Coronation Choir last Tuesday was only fairly attended. Those who were present appreciated the performance very much. The committee who had charge of the arrangements will not much more than clear expenses.

The congregation of St. Michael's will hold a business meeting in the pro-cathedral Sunday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, to consider the question of ways and means for building a cathedral. The Hon. John M. Johnson has been asked of the site likely to be chosen.—World.

Yesterday we saw a volume of "The Mercury" which was published at Chatham in the year 1827. In casually turning over its pages we saw the following:—

SEVEN.—On Sunday next the Rev. James Thomson will preach at Beaubear's Point at 11 o'clock and at the Court House, Newcastle, at 4 o'clock, afternoon.

Mr. William Fitzpatrick died at his home in Nelson on Dec. 20th, after a lingering illness which he bore with great patience to the Divine will. Deceased was a well known stovetender, road commissioner, and constable. He was beloved by every one. He leaves a son in the States, two sons and two daughters home, three sisters, Mrs. Henry Kelly of Derby, Mrs. Peter Kelly, Mrs. John Harrigan of Upper Nelson.

Social & Personal

Mrs. T. C. Mullins is visiting her sister Mrs. E. T. Hartford of Bangor, Me.

Mr. Percy Clarke, of Ottawa, spent last Wednesday here visiting friends. He was on his way to St. John to spend Christmas at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chesman, of Halifax, are visiting Mrs. Chesman's home here.

Mrs. D. Chesman of Chatham, spent Sunday with friends.

Mrs. J. G. Kethro is slowly recovering from a bad case of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Loggie and their children spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Kethro.

Mrs. Minnie Black and children have returned to Bangor where she has accepted a position as nurse in the Eastern Maine Hospital of that place.

Mrs. Alex. Taylor and her daughter Miss Blanche have gone to visit relatives in Oxford, Nova Scotia.

Miss Effie Brander of Strathadam is visiting Mrs. Brownlow Maltby.

Misses Minnie and Pinkie Ingram are spending their vacation at Gibson, the guests of Rev. W. R. and Mrs. Robinson.

Mr. Robert Bell and daughter of Amherst, spent Christmas at Mr. Bell's home.

Mrs. J. B. Kethro has returned from Marysville, where she was visiting her mother, sisters and brothers.

Miss Alice Dalton of St. John spent a short vacation at her home.

Miss Gertrude Reid of Fredericton is spending the vacation at her home.

Mrs. McAuley has been called to Lawrence, Mass., by the illness of her daughter.

Mr. H. J. Morris has gone to St. John to spend Xmas and New Year's at his home.

Miss May McEachern is spending a few days with friends in Blackville.

Rebt. Hickey is visiting his old home here. It is twenty years since Mr. Hickey left the Miramichi.

We have received a budget of notes from Renous River, but although the writer's name accompanies them we do not think them suitable for publication as the writer evidently thought he would show his wit. We warn all such that we will expose them by putting their name after their witless so that our readers will be able to congratulate the writer on his brightness. The above notes were under the non de plume of Baldy Jack.

If subscribers of the Advocate will furnish us with the names of their friends who formerly lived in this county, but who are now in distant parts of the world, we will send them the Advocate for one month free. This is to introduce the Advocate where it is not already read. The paper will be promptly cut from our list at the end of the four weeks unless the party to whom it is sent wishes it continued. Send in your friends addresses at once.

The children of the Methodist Sunday School were treated Monday evening to an old fashioned tea in the Temperance Hall. After a bounteous feast, in which each child vied with its neighbor and all seemed successful, pandemonium reigned. After being called to order for a short programme which was much enjoyed by all, the children were dismissed tired and happy and still wishing for Christmas to come again.

A Dollar Saved is a Dollar Made.

Buy your boots at a bargain and save money. I am selling all boots and shoes left over after the summer at tumbling down prices. I also carry first quality of rubbers, hand made boots and larrigans.

Arrived to-day, 1 car Cream of Roses Flour, good for bread or pastry. Also on hand, 5 Roses, Gold Crown and other brands of flour, Meal, Feed, Fresh and Corned Beef, Pork, Canned Goods of all kinds and a full line of Groceries and Dry Goods.

M. BANNON.

Wholesale and Retail.

MILLINERY.

We have just opened another shipment of Camels' hair knock-about Hats.

Trimmed hats always on hand. In stock a nice line of Tie and sash clasps.

Mail orders will receive careful and prompt attention.

Mrs. H. A. Quilty,

THE SARGEANT STORE

Administration Notice.

All persons having claims against the Estate of Edward Holohan late of Newcastle, deceased, are required to file the same, duly attested, with Catherine Holohan, Administratrix, or T. W. Butler, Proctor, within thirty days, and all persons indebted to the said Estate are required to settle their accounts within the same date or suits will be commenced.

CATHERINE HOLOHAN, Newcastle, N. B., Dec. 30th, 1902.

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The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders, of the above company, will be held at the Secretary's Office, in Newcastle, on THURSDAY, the 15th day of JANUARY, 1903, at two o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of choosing directors, and to transact such other business as may be deemed necessary. The Directors will meet in the same place, on the same day, at eleven o'clock, a. m., to audit the Treasurer's accounts, and wind up the business for the year.

Newcastle, 26th, December, 1902.

ALLAN RITCHIE,

PRESIDENT.

STRAYED.

There is at my premises, Northesk, a stray heifer, which the owner can have by proving property and paying expenses.

ALEXANDER MULLIN,

Northesk, Dec. 29th.—3wpd.

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From serious throat and lung trouble depends on two things: First, securing the right remedy; second, using it in time. We are confident that the remedy most certain to give prompt and satisfactory results in the curing of colds and coughs is our Pine Tar Balsam.

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You are apt to have a cold this season. A cough will result and you will want to cure it as quickly as possible. We want you to try this remedy with the understanding that if it fails to give entire satisfaction you are to have your money back.

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SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SALE

Will begin on

Saturday, December 13th,

We have about 50 pairs of heavy wool hose, former price 25c. and 35c. Will sell for 15c. to clear. Just think of it!

Don't forget our ANNUAL SALE of Ladies' and Children's Aprons. We have a better variety than ever before, at prices that will astonish you. For the better lots we have nice velvet and cloth bonnets, prettily trimmed coats, dresses, etc.

A nice line of silk and linen handkerchiefs, ribbons, ladies' silk neckties suitable for gifts.

NOTE:—We have still a few of our Opening Hats left which will be sold at half price. Ladies' and children's knockabouts. Everything must be cleared so come and secure bargains.

Mrs. H. J. Morris.

Newcastle, Dec. 8th, 1902.

Newcastle Bakery

Received for New Year, a choice line of

BUTTER.

20 tubs Dairy and Creamery Butter, a good article.

ALSO

Raisins in Royalty, Bevan, Connoisseurs, Buckingham, Excelsior, Windsor Clusters, Loose California, Sultanias, etc., etc.,

AND

Everything that's good.

at HENRY WYSE'S,

Newcastle, N. B.

DEMERS' GROCERY,

THE RIGHT HOUSE.

THE RIGHT PLACE TO BUY.

Special Values in Wantable Goods for Christmas. This list will probably suggest one or more needed articles and the prices will interest you.

5 lbs. extra good tea for	\$1.00	Best ginger	25c. per lb.	7 lb. pail Jam	50c.
1 lb. extra good coffee	25	Best cream tartar	25c. "	Pulverized sugar	8c. lb.
3 lbs. best raisins	25	Best mustard	25c. "	Best molasses	40c. gal.
4 lbs. cleaned currants	25	2 lbs. Mixed peel	25c. "	Eggs	20c. doz.
3 lbs. evaporated apples	25	10 lbs. best onions	25c.	2 lbs. mixed nuts	25c.
2 lbs. apricots	25	3 cans beans	25c.	Walnuts	15c. per lb.
4 lbs. fresh dates	25	4 lbs. mixed biscuits	25c.	Peanuts	12c. "
3 lbs. large prunes	25	3 lbs. cakes	25c.	Filberts	16c. "
Fresh shelled almonds	30	4 lbs. pilot biscuits	25c.	Almonds	17c. "
Fresh shelled almonds	35	8 bars soap	25c.	Pecans	20c. "
Fruit syrups 20c. per bottle	35	Gillets lye 10c. tin	25c.	Butternuts	20c. "
2 1/2 lbs. mixed candy	25				

Besides the above we have a general assortment of Confectionery, G. B. Chocolates in bulk and fancy boxes. Also flour, meal, beef, pork, sausages, hams, bacon, turkeys, geese, chickens, canned goods of every description, Oranges, lemons, Malaga grapes, flavorings, spices, pickles, sauces, jams, jellies and marmalade.

Our Toy Department is complete. We have everything to please the children, from a five cent doll to an automobile.

We have some beautiful articles in China: Berry bowls, vases, statuary, cups and saucers, pitchers, lamps, etc.

Just received a carload of choice Ontario Apples which we are selling at a very low margin.

Demers' Grocery.

The Excelsior Life Insurance Company

Head Office Toronto.
Capital \$500,000.

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Insurance in Force \$5,000,000.

Extra amount for security of policy holders \$770,000.00. Lowest average death rate on record for Company of same age, viz., 3.12 per 1,000 men insurance in force. Interest income alone pays all death claims and Head Office salaries.

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Men's Lined Kid Gloves from 50c. per pair.
Sil Mufflers 50c. each.
Men's and Boys' Woolen Gloves 25c.
Cuff Lins from 25c.
Cuff Buttons from 25c. up.
Heavy Cloth Caps 45c.
Men's Larrigans from \$1.00.
Acme Club Sates 50c. per pair.
Briar Pipes 15c. each.

Ladies' Fur Neck Ruffs \$1.00.
Souvenir Hat Pins 25c.
Ladies' Purses from 10c. upward.
Maple Leaf Brooches 25c.
New Buckskin Moccasins.
Heavy Wool Hose 25c. per pair.
Ladies' Rubbers 50c. per pair.
Fancy Handkerchiefs from 5c. up.
Ladies' Gauntlet Mitts

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