

**MAYOR FENETY RETIRES.**

His Worship's Valedictory To the Citizens of Fredericton.

As it is not my intention to offer again (on the 8th of January next) for re-election to the office of Mayor, I take this opportunity to return thanks to my fellow citizens for the confidence they have reposed in me during the four successive years I have had the honor to fill the office; and thus I retire from public life carrying with me lasting and grateful recollections.

I also take this occasion to remark, that during my administration, I have had the pleasure of being associated with gentlemen at the Council Board, from whom the Chair has always received the utmost courtesy and forbearance, so that the conduct of the public business has always gone on without jar, or friction, and with great satisfaction to myself, and I believe to my country—and in the interests of the public.

To our City Council, I have been also greatly indebted for his aid and assistance and advice on many and trying occasions, without which I should have been frequently embarrassed in the discharge of my duties in and out of the Council Chamber.

My successor, whoever he may be, will, I have no doubt, be equally, if not better, qualified to discharge the duties of the office; but I may be allowed to question, whether it is possible for any man to possess more zeal and earnestness for the welfare of our city and citizens, than has the undersigned—whether successfully or not, others are to judge.

G. E. FENETY, Mayor.

Fredericton, Dec. 12, 1887.

**THE CHRISTMAS SHOPPER.**

(Dedicated to Farmer advertisers.)

You must wake and call me early, call me early mother dear, For Christmas tide is coming on and shopping time is here; I'll order groceries at Hatts and china at Lemonts, I ought to start at once, mother, I ought to start at once.

McMurray has the cards, mother, and Lottimer the shoes, And Edgcombe has such fancy goods as no one can refuse; I'll sample silk at Sharkeys, at Dever's find the frills, And Pa will pay the bills, mother, Pa will pay the bills.

At Weddall's there's the muff, mother, and Haslin has the shawl, And Harvey offers photographs, at Schleyers too I'll call; To Nell I'll go for Tommy's skates, to market for the fowl, But I'll fairly howl, mother, Pa will fairly howl.

I'll send the spice from Morrison, from Miller send the tea, That new affair for heating eggs at Chestnuts I will see, That suit of tweed at Howie's will suit us to a charm, We'll make it warm for Pa, mother, we'll make it rather warm.

Vanwart will have the fruit, mother, LaForest have the tin, And Hodge will send the flour when the cooking you begin, The pair of pants for Pa will be in Jennings' latest style, And Pa will have to smile, mother, he'll really have to smile.

I'll smell the soap at Willey's, at Everitt's price the knives, And just drop into Nealis', who sells at tens and fives, I'll try the Thomas necktie and the Adam's woodenware, But I'm certain Pa will swear, mother, I'm certain he will swear.

I'll send the cap from Smith's, mother, or send it home to you, The pipe I'll buy at Hawthorn's and express it on to "Loo"; At David the toilet set, the gloves at Tennant's firm, But Pa I'm sure will squirm, mother, he's certainly will squirm.

The sugar I will buy, mother, at Randolph's handsome store, The "Raymond" at McCatherin's who occupies next door, If Campbell has the slippers and Walker has the serge, I rather think that Pa, mother, will dance a lively dinge.

At Fenety's I'll find, mother, the volumes, For Jimmy, Jack and Tommy, and at the Golden Fleece, I'll ask for ribbons and from Allen's send a box of coal, But I'm afraid that Pa, mother, will jeopardize his soul.

And oh! I'd most forget, mother, the puss in silver boots, That I must get from Fowler and the pickledish from Shultz's, A thousand more things I would get if I could only dare, But Pa will rip and tear, mother, Pa will rip and tear.

So you must call me early, not too early mother mine, But after you have got your washing slung along the line, Then polish up my shoes, mother, and brush my ulster fine, And I'll go a-shopping as becomes a girl of thine.

BILDAD.

**Town and Country.**

The Metropolitan will celebrate his 84th birthday on the 10th inst.

Mr. G. Fred. Fisher is the Reporter's candidate for the mayoralty.

MAUD S. CONDRON POWDER is a capital thing to mix in food for poultry.

J. E. Dever, a former University student, is now on the reportorial staff of the Standard at Syracuse, N. Y.

Surgeon Brown, R. S. of I., says that Master Taylor O'Donohue is recovering from his recent dangerous illness.

John Morrissey was elected to the Assembly in Northumberland yesterday, defeating John O'Brien by a small majority.

The cheapest place to buy in Fredericton is at Samuel Owen's, Queen street, opposite the Stone Barracks—Adrt.

The Fredericton Brass Band, assisted by the best talent in the city, will give a concert in the City Hall on Monday evening, 2nd of January, 1888.

Mr. John Bebbington has for sale nice celery, parsley, herbs and everlasting flowers. Call on him at his residence and hothouses, Charlotte street.

"Bildad," the Farmer's funny man, breaks out in poetry in writing up-our advertisers. "The Christmas Shopper" will repay a careful perusal.

Miss Mabel Estey, had to submit to a difficult surgical operation at the hands of Dr. Conlhard, Friday, to remove a cancer bone which had in her throat.

Wm. McCleay died Saturday morning and his remains were interred Monday with Military honors, by Capt. Cropley's company, 71st Batt., of which he was a member.

Burglars entered Abern Grass' premises at Wests, the other night, and stole a pig that had been killed the day before. Grass chased the burglars half a mile and compelled them to drop their booty.

Will anyone who has copy of the article entitled "The Straw-Topper" Wedding," which appeared in the Fredericton Star in November 1879, kindly communicate with this office?

**A PUBLIC MEETING.**

Ratepayers of Fredericton are invited to attend a public meeting in the County Court House this evening at 8 o'clock, to nominate a candidate for the Mayoralty.

**A Soldier's Letter.**

(To the Editor of the Farmer.)

Mr. Editor.—In the Reporter of the 10th inst. there appears a communication signed "Christian Woman," in which she states "she was greatly surprised on visiting the city prison to see two soldiers of the Military School there undergoing a sentence for drunkenness, and since then another soldier for a like offence." Now, sir, I would like to inform this Christian woman, that the first two soldiers spoken of left the barracks sober and were brought in drunk by the picket sent out after them, and in the case of the latter he was undergoing punishment for striking a non-commissioned officer. If these Christian woman and temperance workers would only turn their attention to the dozen or more "canteens" that must be aware exists in this Scott Act city, where the vilest of stuff is sold for liquor, and which she states "is his victim every time, they would confer a great favor and humane act," on the military authorities. If they do this, I will guarantee that this "Christian Woman" will not meet any more soldiers of the Military School (and I may add civilians) undergoing punishment for drunkenness in the County goal.

Yours, respectfully, A CHRISTIAN SOLDIER. Fredericton, Dec. 13, 1887.

**Births.**

At 66 Garden Street, St. John, on the 6th inst. the wife of A. I. Trucman, Barrister-at-law, of a son.

**Marriages.**

At the Manse, Fredericton, on the 7th inst. by the Rev. A. J. Mowat, John Mayor of New Kincardine, Victoria County, to Mary A. Stewart, of Prince William, York County.

At the Parsonage, in this city, Dec. 13th, by the Rev. F. D. Crawley, Adolphus Joseph of the Infantry School Corps, to Lennie C. Welton of Grand Lake, Queens County.

At the Free Baptist Parsonage, in this city, on the 12th inst., by Rev. Dr. McLeod, John W. Williams of Douglas and Sarah Ann Allen of Fredericton.

**Deaths.**

In this city, this morning, 14th inst. Elizabeth, relict of the late Oliver E. Burden, in the 88th year of her age.

Funeral to-morrow, Thursday, at 4.30 o'clock, from her son's residence, George St. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

At St. Mary's Ferry, York Co., on the 5th inst. Miss E., aged seven weeks, only child of Jeremiah Flemming.

At Upper Southampton, York Co., on the 4th inst., Mrs. Bartlett, widow of the late Chas. Bartlett.

**FREDERICTON MARKET PRICES.**

CORRECTED WEEKLY FOR THE FARMER BY MR. JOHN E. PERKS, MARKET CLERK.

Table with market prices for various goods like Pork, Beef, Mutton, Hams, Sausages, Butter, Cheese, Lard, Turkeys, Ducks, Eggs, Potatoes, Turnips, Carrots, Hay, Straw, Oats, Buckwheat, Socks and Mitts.

**New Advertisements.**

TEAS and COFFEE! On Hand, and to arrive in a few days, from London.

A LARGE STOCK of choice selected NEW SEASON'S TEA, of extra quality.

STOVES and STEAM ENGINES FOR SALE.

WE have on hand a very large stock of stoves, comprising, Cook, Cylinder, Close, and other stoves.

GEO. TODD & SONS, Fredericton, December 12, 1887—3m.

**IMPORTANT.**

Watches, Clocks, AND A FINE LINE OF JEWELRY, MARKED DOWN in prices to suit all condition of the people for the

XMAS TRADE.

F. J. MCCAUSLAND'S, Opp. the Bridge.

N. B.—All my goods are new, Fredericton, December 14, 1887.

FOR A Good, Substantial, Sensible XMAS PRESENT

FURNITURE!

ADAMS', AND GET An Easy Chair, A Platform Rooker, Splint Rooker, Carpet Rooker, Student's Chair, &c.

CHILDREN'S PRESENTS: High and Low Chairs and Rookers in Carpet, Can, Perforated Willow and Splint, Rocking Horses, Bedsteads, Bureaus, etc.

BARGAINS.

A large variety of Fancy and Useful Articles in Woodenware, from 25 cents, upwards.

ADAMS, County Court House Square,

**194 GRAND HOLIDAY SALE OF Staple and Fancy Dry Goods, AT EDGECOMBE'S.**

Every Department filled with Choice Goods, imported for this Season's trade, at prices that will satisfy the closest buyer. In addition to regular lines, we have placed in our

SHOW ROOMS, UP STAIRS, The Finest Display of Christmas Goods ever shown in this city.

This department should be visited by everyone interested in Holiday and Xmas Goods, where young ladies are ready to attend to their wants, and where everything is marked in plain figures. Call early and often.

Respectfully yours, FRED. B. EDGECOMBE, 194 Queen St., Fredericton.

Also, at Branch, St. Marys.

**NOW'S THE DAY!**

—AND—

**NOW'S THE HOUR!**

TO BUY YOUR

**CHRISTMAS GROCERIES, FRUITS, ETC.**

**GEO. HATT & SONS,**

HAVE RECEIVED A NEW SUPPLY OF Sugar, Flour, Tea, Raisins, Currants, Extracts, and Fruits.

**BOSTON CANDIES,**

which will be sold AWAY DOWN LOW. Give us a call before purchasing elsewhere.

Choice goods, reasonable prices, and prompt delivery.

**HOLIDAY PURCHASERS!**

DO NOT BE DECEIVED, BUT CALL AT J. D. FOWLER'S IF YOU

WANT A GOOD WATCH, we have them in GOLD, SILVER, GOLD-FILLED and NICKLE CASES, at prices

Suit all. In SILVERWARE our stock is now full in all lines, consisting of TEA SETS, ICE PITCHERS, CAKE BASKETS, FRUIT DISHES, CARD RECEIVERS, CASTORS, JEWEL CASES, VASES, NAPKIN RINGS, ETC., in looking for a Christmas Present you cannot

MAKE Any mistake in examining my stock before purchasing elsewhere. We have a full line of CLOCKS, FRENCH ENGLISH and AMERICAN, all styles and prices, ranging from \$1.25 to

\$100.00? REMEMBER THE PLACE

JAMES D. FOWLER, Directly Opp. Post Office.

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JOHN HASLIN.

NEW WOOL GOODS, Christmas Groceries.

Wool Shawls, JACKET VESTS, FASCINATORS, HOOD CAPS, Toques Gloves, GARTERS and HOSIERY, FUR MUFFS

Christmas Groceries. Raisins, Currants, Walnuts; Filberts, Confectionery, Pickles; Canned Corn, Canned Peas; Canned Tomatoes, Canned Beans; Spices, Poultry Dressing; Canned Salmon, Canned Oysters; Canned Lobsters, Corn Starch; Cheese, Pepper, Ginger, Mustard; Royal Baking Powder; Allspice, Cassia, Ground Cloves; Flavoring Extracts; Cream Tartar, Nutmegs, Pickling; Pure Gold Baking Powder.

I have a large stock of Cigars ranging in price from \$2.00 to \$6.50 per hundred.

JAMES HODGE.

25 DUG MACHINES, first-class in every respect, just what is required for making rugs and rug makers. For sale low by R. CHESTNUT & SONS.

**SELLING OFF ENTIRE STOCK OF FANCY GOODS.**

Bargains. Bargains.

GEO. W. SCHLEYER has decided to go out of the Fancy Goods ENTIRELY, and persons wishing to get BARGAINS in Fancy Goods for Christmas Presents, can do so by calling at the corner store of F. J. MCCAUSLAND, opposite the Post Office. Terms Cash.

GEO. W. SCHLEYER, Opp. Normal School.

**1887 CHRISTMAS, 1887**

**W. H. VANWART,**

has a large, well selected and assorted stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries, Etc.,

which will be sold CHEAP FOR CASH, and to compete with any in the trade regardless of what they advertise, proof of which can be had by calling and seeing for yourselves.

I regret that I cannot give you 25 lbs. of sugar for \$1.00 this year as I did last, but want you to bear in mind that I will not be outdone by any doing a legitimate business.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all. Yours truly, W. H. VANWART.

**GENERAL INSURANCE AGENCY.**

WE are prepared to insure all kinds of Insurable Property in the City and County, at the lowest current rates, in any of the following old and most RELIABLE Companies:— THE IMPERIAL, of London, England; THE NORTHERN, of London, England; THE HARTFORD, of Hartford; THE FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, (Limited) of London, England; THE CITY OF LONDON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, (Limited) of London, England; "THE MUTUAL LIFE," of New York.

Representing in Capital and Assets upwards of \$100,000,000 Detached Dwellings and their contents in Town and Country, insured on the THREE YEARS plan, at very low rates. In case of loss, a FAIR and satisfactory adjustment guaranteed, and the amount PROMPTLY PAID.

BLACK & HAZEN, Agents. MONEY TO LOAN On Real Estate security at low rate of interest.

**DEVER BROS.**

ARE OFFERING NEW JACKET CLOTHS, NEW DRESS GOODS, NEW SHAWLS, NEW PLUSHES, in all shades, NEW BLACK SILKS and JETTED SILKS for Trimmings, 1 case Grey Flannels, Red and White Flannels at very Low Prices, 2 Cases DRESS SUITINGS, in all Colorings.

**McMURRAY & Co.,**

Are now showing for the HOLIDAY SEASON, a very large stock of Christmas and New Year's Cards

**NOVELTIES,**

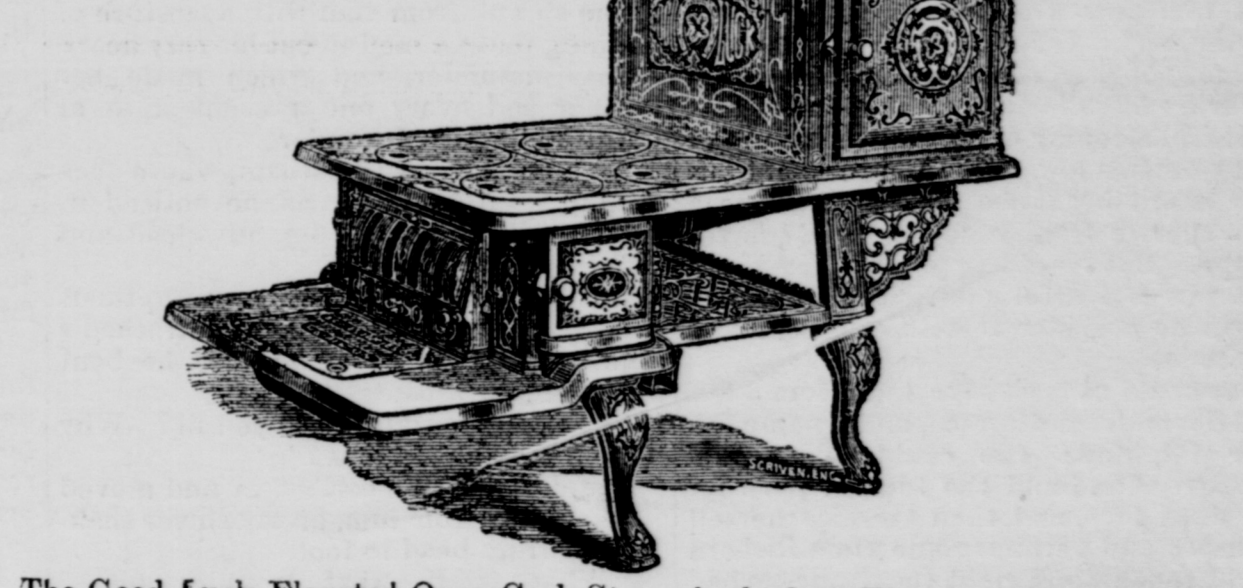
SUITABLE FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS, AND A CHOICE LINE OF BOOKS, ALBUMS, &c.,

which we are offering at very Low PRICES, a look over the stock will convince you of that fact.

We have on hand, a very LARGE STOCK of the CELEBRATED KARN ORGANS, which are still triumphant, leading them all in durability and tone, and a few NEWCOMBE PIANOS, which we are offering at SPECIALLY LOW PRICES for a few weeks. Also, a Large Stock of SEWING MACHINES, which will be sold at \$20.00 each. Every Machine warranted. If not satisfactory, money refunded. We employ no Agents, but give the large commissions paid Agents to the purchaser. Call and see these goods or write us for prices.

**The "GOOD LUCK."**

ELEVATED OVEN. OVEN 14 x 14 x 26. FIRE BOX 27 1-2 INCHES.



The Good Luck Elevated Oven Cook Stove, is the best Elevated Oven Stove in the market to-day. This Stove is guaranteed to bake faster than any Elevated Oven Stove in the market. The damper on top of Stove, gives complete control of fire, doing away with all necessity for a Damper in the Smoke Pipe.

EVERY STOVE GUARANTEED.

**FOR SALE AT NEILL'S HARDWARE STORE,**

Opposite County Court House. L. P. LaFOREST, Offers BARGAINS in all lines of his business.

**TINWARE,**

in all lines a specialty. FURNACES AND PLUMBING, of all kinds. Prompt and satisfactory work guaranteed. Phoenix Square, North Side, Fredericton.

JUST RECEIVED, two cases Table Cutlery suitable for the Christmas trade. For sale low at NEILL'S HARDWARE STORE, Fredericton, December 6, 1887.

JUST RECEIVED, 25 DUG MACHINES, first-class in every respect, just what is required for making rugs and rug makers. For sale low by R. CHESTNUT & SONS.