MRS. SANTA CLAUS. (Edmund Vance Cook in Little Folks.) How on earth did the fiction grow That Santa Claus is a man? Hu, ho! Santa Clause is a woman. There! I make the assertion fair and square And you can blazen it everywhere.

How do I know that the thing is true? 'Tis simple enough. I'll leave it to you. Who knows what you want for Christ-

Is it a man who goes away Right after breakfast and stays all day?

Or is it a woman who's always by With the light of love in her watching

Why, a Santa Claus man would bring white rats To a girl whose chief delight was cats,

And books to a boy who wanted bats!

And the Christmas stocking-can you dream That a man conceived that clever scheme? A man would have got a clumsy box And bothered with nails and screws and locks,

Or, at best, would have hung up socks. And then the name. Who ever heard Of a man named "Santy?" It's absurd. But everyone knows how little folks name A dear friend "Aunty," just the same

As though they really had kinship's claim. And so it happened that people came To think 'twas really her given name; And this, by a natural error was Altered into "Santie" just because

She was known as "Mrs. Auntie Claus."

MARITIME PROVINCE NOTES

Six cases of what is supposed to be smallpox have been discovered at Port Elgin. The houses have been quarantined | the car, The case was tried by the Chief and the County Board of Health has order- Justice, who withdrew it from a jury and ed compulsory vaccination.

A mad Newfoundland dog drove the crew of the schooner Golden Rod into the rigging while the ship was running before a fierce gale. The schooner was on her way to Gloucester with 1050 barrels of frozen herring from Newfoundland. Sea sickness developed into hydrophobia. Barking with terrific vigor, the dog ran at two of the crew, whom he bit severely. From the rigging the others lassoed him, great preparation after using one box. It and he was thrown overboard. But he made a terrific struggle for his life. Captain Ross, as well as John Keonghan Ask your neighbors about it. Your deal and Joseph Scott, who performed the ac', er has it. were severely bitten in this operation. The captain's oil coat was torn off his! back. With some bushels of coal tied around his neck and a look of piteous frenzy in his eyes, the poor beast swam behind the schooner for some time, the crew looking upon his grand struggle with admiration and pity. The vessel put into Sydney, C. B., where a physician cauteriz ed and dressed the men's wounds.

Moncton Transcript: A business meeting of the first Baptist Church Thursday night was held to consider the question of calling a pastor. The pulpit committee reported in favor of extending a call to Rev. David Hutchinson, of Brantford, Ont. The recommendation was unanimously endorsed by the large number of members present. Rev. Mr. Hutchinson has been pastor of the Baptist church at Brantford for fifteen years and is an able and eloquent preacher. He supplied the pulpit here for two Sundays a little over a year ago and made a most favorable impression.

John Johnson, Glace Bay, has resigned his position with the Dominion Coal Company to become manager of the Port Hood Coal Company's mine at Port Hood. The work of equipment at the Port Hood mine will be pushed forward rapidly and the company put in a position to ship coal in large quantities in a few months. The slope is down over 1100 feet and levels are now being opened out. A shipping pier about 1400 feet long, is nearly completed and when navigation opens next spring, the company will be put in a position to ship by large steamers. The present output of the mine is being sold to the Inverness and Richmond Railway -which passes close to the mine-and to supply the local demand in the town of Port Hood.

Moncton Transcript: Moses Leaman, aged 75 years, passed away at his nome, Turtle Creek, A. Co., Thursday morning Deceased was a brother of the late John Leaman who died in this city on Dec. 2nd Mr. Moses Leaman was born on the Salisbury road six miles from Moneton. He leaves a family of two sons and two daughters. The sons are Alex. and Moses, at home; daughters, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Arthur, of Boston. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon at 14 o'clock.

St John Globe: The fishing schooner Dorothy, before reported ashore on Gull Rock Bar, has been towed to Freeport by the steamer Westport. The schooner is badly dama; ed and it is supposed her side is gone. The Dorothy is own d by E. M. Robinson, of St. John, and Capt.

Morrell, of Freeport.

Michael Hillen, of St. John, while temporarily confined in a cell in the police station, was caught in the act of mangling his body with a knife Thursday afternoon, Hillen was arrested on Britain street for drunkenness and placed in one of the cells in the central station. Shortly after he was locked up Sergeant Campbell went down to the cell to see him, and it was lucky he did so, for when he arrived on the scene the drunken man was fort. cutting himself in a frenzy. With a knife



he was plunging the blade into his side and tearing his clothes into shreds. He was clad in thick garments, however, and | Indians the way they did. the wounds he inflicted on himself were not serious. He declared he would kill himself and requested the loan of a revolver for the purpose. Needless to say, ly. he was thoroughly searched and everything with which he might injure himself taken away.

Rev. T. Allen Hoben, son of Mr. Thomas Hoben, Gibson, York Co., superintendent of the Canada Eastern Rail way, was recently ordained at Milwaukee and has assumed the pastorate of the First Baptist church in that city. Mr. Hoben is a graduate of the University of New Brunswick and subsequently took the M. A. degree at the same institution He then attended Newton Theological Seminary, attaining distinguished honors in his studies. Milwaukee papers mention that he is engaged to be married to a daughter of Mr. E. J. Lindsay, a prominent member of his church.

An interesting case is being argued before the full bench in the Nova Scotia Supreme Court. The plaintiff is Jessie C. Smith, of Truro, and she is suing for \$7,200 damages for injury received while on a C. P. R. train. She was in an upper berth in the sleeping car, and she claims she was thrown out by a sudden jolt of gave judgment for the defendant, the C. P. R. Company. The plaintiff appealed from that decision.

SOME WON'T BELEIVE IT

Many people who have suffered the acute misery of itching or bleeding piles for years in spite of medicines and operation won't believe that Dr. Chase's Cintment is an actual cure. Their has never yet been a person to doubt the efficacy of this acts like magic in stopping pain and itching, and is postively guaranted to cure any case of bleeding or protruding piles

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"Do you take an interest in politics, Mrs. Golightly?"

"Oh, yes: I do wish my husband was running for something. Our porch is just lovely this summer, with all our new praieie grass chairs, hammocks, matting, rugs and t'ings."-Indianapolis Journal.

DETROYS WORMS

Mrs. John Lowe, New Germany, N. S. writes: -- "I have given Dr. Low's Worm Svrup to my children with excellent results. They are fond of taking it and it acts perfecely, requiring no cathartic after-

A SWEETER PARTING.

"So you wish to take my daughter away from me," remarked her doting fa

"Well -ah -that wasn't just exactly my thought," stammered the nervous took Milburn's Rheumatic Pills and have young suitor. "My folks could perhaps spare me with fewer pangs."-Philadel phia Record.

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THAT'S THE CHAP.

"What kind of a man is Duffer?" "Oh, he's the kind that would ask another man how much he paid for his wooden leg."-Detroit Free Press.

The pain, nausea and distress that Dyspeptics suffer after every meal can all be permanently removed by Burdock Blood Bitters.

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DESTROYED THE SUPPLY.

Mrs. Goodsoul- I think it's a perfect shame that the early settlers killed off the

Mrs. de Pretty-Indeed it is. Just think what lovely furs they used to sell for a few glass beads .- New York Week-

Pains in the chest and wheezing are promptly and completely cured by Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. It's the best cough remedy in the world. Easy to take. Price 25c.

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"Our flat isn't so crowded after all the housecleaning is over."

"Why is that:" "When my wife makes me belp I man-

age to smash a few things."-Chicago

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THE LOST ART NOT FOUND. "Yesterday our literary club discussed 'Conversation as a Lost Art.'"

"What was the final decision?" "Oh, such a hubbub arose that nobody heard what anybody said."-Indianapolis

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SO THE BABY THINKS.

The sympathy of a woman who can sit Whiskey in Flasks, and cry over a novel while the baby in the next room is howling for its dinner is hardly worth having .- Chicago Times-Herald.

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A JURY'S WORK.

"I think," said the observant boarder, "that it is eminently proper to call the men who decide upon pictures for the art gallery a jury."

"Oh, yes," added the cross eyed boarder, "but what is your idea?"

"Well, they decide what pictures shall hang, you know."-Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

Palmist-Yes, you will live to see 30 It is plainly indicated by this line. Patron (eagerly)—Thirty years or 30

cent: ?- Indianapolis Journal.

Rheumatism in shoulders.

"I had the Rheumatism in my shoulders so had that could not rest at night. not had a trace of it since." John Kirton, Glenboro, Man.

Betting In Chapel.

"I don't believe in this compulsory chapel attendance at schools and colleges," a young college graduate was heard to remark to a group of friends the other day. "I know when I was at school there was more gambling among the students during one church service than there was at half a dozen ball games. They didn't post the numbers of the hymns, you know, and the boys used to bet on whether they'd be odd or even. The chances were about equal except at holiday services. Then, as they'd usually sing 'America,' which was No. 554, the backers of even numbers had to give long odds. I cleared what seemed a small fortune one Washington's birthday when the preacher upset the talent with an odd

"They don't play the game as much as they used to. A year or so after I left certain unscrupulous fellows got friendly with the organist and worked him for inside information before services. As soon as this leaked out the better class of students quit playing the game. You would think that a church game ought to never can tell, you see."

Toole Kept Cool.

J. L. Toole was once acting in London, when one of his company failed to come in answer to his cue. Amazed at his nonappearance, Toole commenced to gag, and then repeated the last line of the original scrip with great emphasis. Still no actor. So, turning to the house, he remarked coolly, "As my friend T- does not seem in the slightest way anxious to turn up. I will, with your kind permission, sit down and rest awhile."

Then, amid the roar of laughter which followed the speech, Toole calmly took a chair and seated himself. A second later the tardy actor dashed on to the stage, taking up the cue, now long gone by, with the words, "I was detained"-

"Thou sayest not so," remarked Toole gravely, rising. "I should never have thought it. Well, since you are here, we'll continue.'



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SHERIFF'S SALE.

There will be sold at Public Auction in front of the Court House in Richibacto, in the County of Kent, Province of New Brunswick, on MONDAY, THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF FEBRU-ARY, next, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon. All the right, title, use, possession, interest, property, claim and demand, whatsoever, either at law, or in equity of John Wallace, of, in, to, out of, or upon, the following lands and premi-

All and singular that certain lot of land situate in the parish of Weldford in the County of Kent, known as lot B, containing one hundred and six acres, on the West side of Molus River, East of Edward Walker's, grant being that lot of land recently granted by the Crown to the said John Wallace, together with all buildings thereon and appurtenances to the same belonging. The same having been levied and seized by me under and by virtue of an execution issued out of the Kent County Court, at the suit of Caleb Richardson against the said John Wallace.

AUGUSTE LEGER, Sheriff of Kent Co. Sheriff's Office, Richibucto, November 20th, A. D., 1900.

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that in virtue of THE ACT of THE DOMINION. be on the level if anything is. But you PARLIAMENT, '63 and 64 Victoria, chapter 103 and chapter 104, the name of The Merchants Bank of Halifax will be changed to

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General Manager. Halifax, 1st November 1900.

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JAS. CONWAY. Kingston.

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HARDWARE

JOHN,

There will be sold at Public Auction in front of the Court House in Richibucto, in the County of Kent, Province of New Brunswick, on SATURDAY, THE THOS. FLANAGAN, TWELFTH DAY OF MAY, next, at the hour of 1 o'clock in the afternoon, all the right, title, use, possession, interest, pro-perty, claim and demand whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of Urbain Bab-ineau, of, in, to, out of or upon the fol-lowing land and premises:—

All that certain piece or parcel of land and premises lying and being on the south side of the Kouchibouguacies River, west side of the Post Road leading to Chatham,

in the parish of St. Louis, in the said County of Kent ard bounded as follows:—

Easterly by said Post Road, southerly by land owned by Adolphe E. Laundry and strip extending to the road leading up said river, westerly and northerly by land owned by Simon Daigle, containing one quarter of an acre more or less, and known as the Urbain Babineau store lot, together with all the buildings, improvements theron and appurtenances to the same belonging. And also all other lands and tenements belonging to the said Ur-bain Babineau. situated, lying and being within my bailiwick. The same having been levied and seized under and by virtue of an execution issued out of the Supreme Court against the said Urbain Babineau.

AUGUSTE LEGER, Sheriff of Kent County. Sheriff's Office, Richibucto, February

5th, A. D., 1900. The above sale is postponed until Mon-DAY, the THIRTEENSH DAY of AUGUST next, at the hour and place stated in the above notice.

AUGUSTE LEGER, Sheriff of Kent County. Sheriff's office, Richibucto, May 12th,

A. D. 1900. The above sale is further postponed until TUESDAY, THE 13TH DAY OF NOVEM BER, next, at the hour and place stated in the above notice of sale.

AUGUSTE LEGER, Sheriff of Kent County. Sheriff's Office, Richibucto, Aug. 13, 1900. The above sale is further postponed un til Wednesday, the 13th day of February next, at the hour and place stated in the

above notice. AUGUSTE LEGER, Sheriff of Kent County. Sheriff's Office, Richibucto, Nov. 13th,

SHERIFF'S SALE

1900.

There will be sold at Public Auction in front of the Court House in Richibucto, in the County of Kent, Province of New Brunswick, on MONDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, next, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon, all the right, title, use, possession, interest, property, claim and demand, whatsoever either at law or in equity of the estate of John McDonald, of, in, to, our of or upon

the following land and premises:-All that certain piece or parcel of land and premises lying and being on the West side of the Intercolonial Railway, Acadie ville Siding, in the Parish of Acadieville, in the County of Kent, Province of New Brunswick, and bounded as follows:—

On the East by the Intercolonial Railway, on the South by lot No. 111, granted to John Breau, on the West by vacant Crown land, on the North by lot No. 98, containing one hundred acres, more or less. Together with building and improvements thereon and appurtenances to the same belonging. The same having been seized and taken under and by virtue of a warrant issued by the Secretary of the Municipality of Kent County at the instance of the Collector of rates and taxes for the said Parish of Acadieville, against the said Estate of John McDonald for non-resident County taxes for the years 1898 and

AUGUSTE LEGER, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Richibucto, Oct. 30th, A. D., 1900

SHERIFF'S SALE.

There will be sold at Public Auction in front of the Court House in Richibucto, ESTABLISHED A. D. 1855 in the County of Kent, Province of New | SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$5,000,000 Brunswick, on TUESDAY, THE FIF-TEENTH DAY OF JANUARY, next, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon. All the right, title, use, possession, interest, property, claim and demond, whatsoever,

parcel of land and premises lying and be- or by instalments. ing in the Parish of Richibucto, in the said County of Kent, and bounded as ed. follows:-On the South by land owned by Robert Bell, on the West by land owned by Thomas Girvan, on the North by land owned by Thomas Cail, on the East by land owned by William McArthur, containing one hundred acres more or less, "The Royal Bank of Canada" and known as the Ropert D. McLellan property, together with all buildings thereproperty, together with all buildings thereon and appurtenances to the same belonging. The same having being levied and seized by me under and by virtue of several executions issued out of the Kent, Northumberland and Saint John County Courts, against the said Robert D. Mc- Manufacturer of CARRIAGES, TRUCK AUGUSTE LEGER,

Sheriff of Kent County. Sheriff's Office, Richibucto, Oct. 10th, A. D. 1900.

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