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The philosophy of prices is a plain one. Every merchant must sell a certain quantity of goods at a certain rate of profit to pay necessary expenses. Experience has told just what this rate is. When a merchant wishes to sell goods cheaper in December than November, he must make his calculations when marking the goods at the first of the season.

(Drop a peg.)

Now, all this applies to staple standard goods. What we have to say of stock that is neither staple or standard is entirely different. We are very strongly opposed to carrying these over from one season to the other.

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The result of this principle is that we have applied the pruning knife to certain lines of goods that should have sold ere this but have not. The knife is a sharp one, and has cut very deep into the lines it touched. Any daily paper you may happen to pick up will tell you what these lines are, for further information apply to

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

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ing the meeting of the deanery of Westmorland. Among those present are, Rev. Donald Bliss, of Westmorland, who is visiting his daughter, Mrs. John McSwaney; Rev. J. E. Campbell, of Dorchester, who is the guest of Mr. George Taylor, of the I. C. R.; Mr. Wiggins, of Sackville; Mr. French, of Fort Lawrence, and Mr. McKenzie, of Shediac, who are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Talbot. The deanery dinner takes place today at the rectory.

Miss Bessie Magee is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Williams, at their home on Highfield Street. Dr. De Bortman, of New York, spent a few days in Moncton last week.

Judge Brundage, of Ottawa, and Mrs. Brundage were registered at the "Brunswick" on Thursday. A number of the young boys of Moncton have formed a society of their own, a sort of club which has for its object the improvement of the moral tone of the rising generation. The members bind themselves never to touch intoxicating beverages of any kind, to use tobacco, or best of all boys, to take God's name in vain. I think of all places that I ever lived in, Moncton is the most remarkable for the awful profanity of her small boys. You pass a bright looking urchin on the street, and you say "well, son, how are you?" and the bright youth promptly invites you to retire to a climate where ice and snow are unheard of.

Mr. Joseph H. Dickson, of Riverside, Albert County, was in town last Wednesday evening. Miss Lyons, of Halifax, who has been spending a fortnight with her brother, Mr. J. M. Lyons, of the I. C. R. returned home last Wednesday. Mr. J. B. Suowall, of Chatham, paid a short visit to Moncton last week.

Rev. Father Bradley, Cape Bail, spent last Sunday in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Talbot. The Rev. Father officiated in St. Bernard's church on Sunday evening.

Mr. W. A. Lyons, of Halifax, has been spending a few days in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lyons. Mr. Lyons left this morning for a lengthened trip to the Western States.

Cecil Gwynne. HALIFAX. Dec. 5.—Mr. Humphrey is to be married on Wednesday to Miss Elliott of Dartmouth. The particulars of the interesting event will be forthcoming next week.

The Church Woman's Missionary Association has been at work all summer preparing for a sale of pretty things suitable for Christmas. December 10 is the date fixed.

Rev. W. A. Pratt, of the Church of the Redeemer, had a very large congregation Sunday night, all seeking information on the marriage question. The subject of his discourse was not exactly a Bible text, but I suppose you might call it a Bible precept, "Choosing a partner or thoughts upon marriage," certainly a most appropriate subject for the time of year. The marriage list in our daily papers, nearly fills a column, and the hints published in the various churches are very numerous. If it is in the spring as the poet says, that "a young man's fancy, lightly turns to thoughts of love," it is certainly in the autumn that he forges the fetters that his thoughts have been turned to in the spring.

Mr. Beaumont Boggs arrived on Saturday evening after a three year's absence in British Columbia. Everyone is delighted to see him and regrets that his stay in town is to be such a short one.

Mr. and Mrs. Watch, of the Dockyard, have gone home to England with their children. Mr. J. T. Payzant and his wife and family are coming to live in town. Their new home will be on Spring Garden Road. They will be much missed in Dartmouth social circles.

Mr. Harry Abbott and his bride are spending part of their honeymoon in town, at the residence of the groom's parents. Mr. Abbott married Miss Alma Curran, of Bouchette, N. B.

Durgan is certainly a clever little youngster for her tender years. The two new men, Messrs. Edison & Dowling, are doing splendidly in their respective roles.

Prince Duhaup is said to be engaged, but as he denies the soft impeachment he has revived in the hearts of the fair sex of the town. Miss Gertie Kinnear was married Tuesday to Mr. W. Wallace of the Bank of Montreal (Montreal). The wedding took place in St. Luke's cathedral and the ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. B. King. Mr. Arthur Wiswell gave the bride away. Mr. Wallace was accompanied by his brother Mr. Henry Wallace. The bride looked charming in a white corded silk costume with tulle veil and orange blossoms. The bridesmaids dresses were tasteful being composed of green tulle and cashmere with trimmings and sashes of red silk. Miss Stephenson, Miss Dot Lawson and Miss Mamie Wallace held the positions allotted to them. They had red laces with green trimmings and carried bouquets composed of red flowers and green ferns and smilax tied with red ribbons. The groom's gift to the bride was a gold watch with a chain. The church was not overcrowded owing to an edict having gone forth that henceforth no one should be admitted unless they had obtained a ticket from the rectory. Mr. Reginald Wallace and Mr. Grigor Wainwright acted as ushers.

The guests were handsomely and warmly entertained during the season. Some very good wine was noticed, and surely they are nothing more becoming than sea-skin and sable, velvet and silk. Our florist's skill must have been taxed to the utmost to provide the bouquets and boutonnières that were so observable. After an elegant repast at the house of Mr. W. J. Wallace, South Park street, the happy couple left for Turco, St. John, Boston and New York, intending finally to take up their abode in Montreal. Many good wishes follow them. The presents were lovely and included a dinner set from the Bank of Montreal, table linen, house linen, salt cellars, rose jars, knives, forks, spoons, cushions, table covers, curtains, and all manner of useful and ornamental articles.

Tuesday afternoon witnessed another wedding, the couple in this instance being Mr. Charles Hole, son of Rev. Charles Hole, D. D., and Miss Harriette Beamsish, daughter of Mr. Francis Beamsish, barrister. Rev. J. Scudrett Edwars performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. N. Lemoine, rector of St. Marks. The bride looked very pretty in her bridal robe, which was composed of white silk, tastefully trimmed with lace and orange blossoms. The bridesmaids were Miss Maud Abbott, Miss Louie Beamsish and Miss Blanche Beamsish. They were composed of white Swiss muslin exquisitely embroidered; they wore pink sashes and ribbons, and carried bouquets. Both bride and bridesmaids received gifts of fans from the groom. Mr. Hole and Mr. Stayer were groomsmen. The newly married couple have gone to St. John and on their return will reside at Mrs. Rigby's, Morris street.

ST. STEPHEN.

Dec. 4.—The snow storm on Thursday evening did not prevent a goodly number of guests gathering in the pleasant parlors of Mrs. E. G. Vroom, to enjoy an evening of drive whist. The greatest interest was shown in the game and not until 12 o'clock was the word given to count "the beans" when Miss Hattie Grant and Mr. E. J. Ganong were pronounced the fortunate winners of the prizes. Among the guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. F. Todd, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Ganong, Mrs. and Mrs. Joseph Meredith, Mr. and Mrs. George J. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Moore, Mrs. B. K. Ross, Mrs. Bolton, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Arthur Hill, Miss Grace Sterns, Miss Bolton, Miss Vroom, Miss Celia Brown, Miss Mary Abbott, Miss Alice Robinson, Miss Hattie Grant, Miss Diblee and Miss Beatrice Vroom. Mr. John D. Chipman, Mr. John Stevens, Mr. J. Vroom, Mr. J. E. Ganong, Mr. C. N. Vroom, Mr. F. M. Marchie, and Mr. W. F. Vroom.

Mr. W. H. B. Sandler, of St. John, was registered at the Queen on Friday and Saturday. Mayor Grimmer visited St. John last Thursday.

Mr. J. W. Huestis succeeds Mr. John Mowat, in the bank of Nova Scotia. Mr. Frederic Sullivan has gone to New York city to study music during the winter months.

Miss Annie King, of Calais, is making an extended visit to friends in Chicago. Mr. James Mitchell and Mrs. Henry Graham, went to Fredericton last Wednesday, for a short visit, returning home on Saturday.

Dr. Charles Swan, of Calais, is still visiting his brother in New York city. Mrs. C. H. Clerke and her daughter, returned from St. John on Friday last.

Mrs. Frank Todd and her niece, Miss Margaret Todd, left on Monday morning for Boston, where they will spend a week. Miss Eliza McBride, who has been absent during the past three months, visiting New York and Philadelphia, has returned home.

Miss Mary Stuart and Miss Celia Brown left this morning in the train. Miss Stuart will visit during the winter in Chicago, while Miss Brown will escape the cold winter in San Luis Potosi, Mexico, where she visits her sister, Mrs. A. S. Burdette.

Miss Hutton has returned to the Hotel W. and will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. M. S. Scovill. Mr. George F. Finner is away on a business trip. Hon. B. E. Stevenson was in town on Thursday.

Mr. Alex. Grant left yesterday morning for Florida, where he will spend the winter. Rev. W. W. Campbell continued to address a large audience in the schoolroom of his church, last evening. The subject of the lecture was "English Catholics," and was extremely interesting. The lecture was illustrated by stereopticon views of the cathedrals mentioned.

Mrs. W. F. Todd, accompanied by her daughter, Winifred, left on Monday morning to spend a week in Boston. A number of prominent and influential ladies in Calais, with Mrs. A. E. Neill as president, have formed a Memorial Society, to raise money to erect a monument in memory of the soldiers who lost their lives in the civil war. The society hopes to give an entertainment in aid of their scheme early in January.

Mr. Percy Gillmor made a brief visit in town on Saturday. Mr. Will E. King, left Calais last week for Tacoma Washington.

Mrs. W. B. Wetmore went to St. John on Saturday, on a sad errand, to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. W. H. Keane. Miss Jennie Barry is the guest of Mrs. Jed Duren, at the St. Croix Exchange, Calais.

Thanksgiving Day in Calais passed very quietly, the snow storm preventing people getting about. I heard of several family dinner parties, one in particular, when twenty-six of one family gathered round the festive board to discuss turkey and politics, and relate half forgotten jokes of other times.

Services were held in the different churches, the sermons and singing being appropriate to the day. I heard yesterday that there will be a wedding in Calais some time the last of the month, when a Brooklyn gentleman will take for his bride one of the most estimable and popular young ladies in Calais.

SACKVILLE. Some of our giddy young folk complain how dull our little town is, but I think they do not properly appreciate their blessings. Last week we had no less than two public entertainments, and we always have three or four prayer meetings, so what more could we want? A large crowd assembled to see and hear Mr. Bryan's talk. He came on behalf of the W. C. T. U., a fact he never seemed to lose sight of for his "talk" was a sort of ode to this worthy association. It sounded something like this: "This is the man who once was drunk but now is reformed by the W. C. T. U. The 'talk' was the least preferable by a long chalk."

The other entertainment was at Lingley Hall on Friday evening, given by the Eclectic society. It was an enjoyable performance, and reflects great credit on the young ladies of Mount Allison. They gave an exhibition of some of the different occupations for which woman is suited, and all was well done to the soul-inspiring strains of Yankee doodle, a symbol I suppose of the harmony that should pervade a woman's life. I should like the straggling-minded ladies to bear in mind that a ballot box was not among the exhibits.

Mr. A. Davis paid a short visit to Amherst last week. Mrs. Josiah Wood has returned from her visit to St. John. Mr. Wood is out again after his recent indisposition.

Mrs. Atkinson and Miss Norris paid a flying visit to an Amherst on Monday, the guests of Mrs. Biles. Mr. Charles Fawcett and wife went to St. John on Monday. Mr. Herbert Crosskill is spending a few days at Senator Botsford's on his way to his home in Halifax. Miss Huestis is visiting her sister, Mrs. Johnson Treuman.

Mr. Charles Scott, who has been ill for some time, has come to Boston for medical treatment. Conductor Pickard Treuman's daughters, Edith and Beatrice, went to Point de Bute, last Tuesday, to a young people's party at their uncle's, Mr. Johnson Treuman.

The Methodist congregation was delighted to see its pastor, Rev. F. W. Harrison, occupy the pulpit again on Sunday morning, after an illness of two weeks. Rev. Cecil F. Wiggins, of St. Paul's church, went to Moncton on Tuesday, to attend a meeting of the Sunday School association.

Mr. Thomas S. Kirkpatrick went to Halifax, on Friday. KINGSTON, KENT CO. Dec. 3.—Mr. J. A. Killam, of Moncton, was in town this week. Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Doherty spent Sunday in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith. An oyster supper, under the patronage of the Methodist church, was held in the Temperance hall last Friday evening. A few of the young people took advantage of the fine moonlight and good sleighing, last Monday evening, and had a driving party out to Mr. A. McNair's, Galloway. PICKLES.

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AMHERST, N. S. Mrs. Burns, wife of Rev. Dr. Burns, of Halifax, spent a day in town this week on her return from Fredericton.

Mr. George Y. Diblee, of Fredericton, is in town. Mrs. H. M. Coates, of St. John, is in town. Mr. A. M. Dickey, M. P., returned from Ottawa, Saturday night, and is ill at his home with rheumatic fever.

The many relatives and friends, in this town, of late Mrs. Chandler, sr., who died at her residence, Rocklyn, Dorchester, yesterday, extend much sympathy to the near relatives and the church, of which the deceased was a valued member, for the loss they have sustained. OSCAR.

MARYSVILLE.

Dec. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Likely spent a few days in St. John this week. Miss Mary Gibson has been suffering from a severe cold, but is now convalescent.

Mrs. Colter, Miss Cora Reid and Miss Porter, of Fredericton, spent Sunday in town. Miss Alice Goodspeed has been visiting her friends, the Messrs. Murray. Mayor Gibson left for New York last Saturday.

Miss Gracie Fisher had a large skating party on Monday evening. Those who attended had a jolly time. I hear rumors of a bride being brought to our town soon after Christmas. One of the young gentlemen at least is not going to begin the new year "single-handed."

The Messrs. Ramsey entertained a few friends on Thursday evening last. Mr. James Gibson intends opening the rink soon after Christmas. SCRIBBLER.

DORCHESTER.

Dec. 4.—Miss Hay is in Amherst, visiting her friend, Mrs. W. D. Douglas. Miss Lovelace, of Amherst, is in town, the guest of her friend, Miss Nellie Palmer.

Mr. Fred Bliss, of Fredericton, has been in town since Saturday. All his old friends, and many new ones, are pleased to see him. Mr. R. B. Smith, of Moncton, was in town yesterday.

Miss Sarah Godfrey is visiting in Moncton, and is expected home Thursday. Mr. A. W. Bennett, of Sackville, was in town on Saturday.

Mrs. Wills, of Point de Bute, is in town, visiting Mrs. M. B. Palmer. Mr. William Backhouse, who has been quite ill, is gradually improving, and his many friends hope to see him out soon.

Mr. W. A. Russell, of Shediac, was in town Tuesday. Mr. E. G. Smith and family, of Shediac, were in town on Tuesday.

Mrs. Phoebe Chandler, widow of the late Governor Chandler, died Tuesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, after quite a long illness. Mrs. Chandler was in her 88th year, and up to her last illness was a remarkable lady. Her loss to the community is a heavy one, and especially so to the Church of England at this place, to which she has been a mother from its infancy. CHATHAM.

Dec. 4.—The Osceola Toboggan and Snow Shoe Club is preparing for the coming season's pastime. The officers chosen for the season are: Geo. E. Fisher, president; D. G. Smith, vice-president; Stanley Murray, secretary-treasurer. A managing committee was also appointed. Messrs. M. D. Snowball, Alex. McKay, J. M. Davy, W. D. Siskeman, and Robert Blair. Several new members were added to the list. The slide is expected to be ready for Christmas.

After a long illness, Mr. A. Marshall died on Friday last. Mr. Marshall was quite an aged gentleman having completed his 86th year. As he was a great invalid for the past two years, his was a happy release from suffering. His funeral on Monday, Dec. 2nd, was largely attended.

Dr. and Mrs. Street are making preparations to leave town for the winter. They will be very much missed. Mr. Lee, formerly of Canham, but now of Vancouver, is in town.

Mr. Robert Marshall and Mr. Whittaker of St. John, were in town this week. The ladies of W. C. T. U. propose opening a coffee room on Duke street, next week. X. Y. Z.

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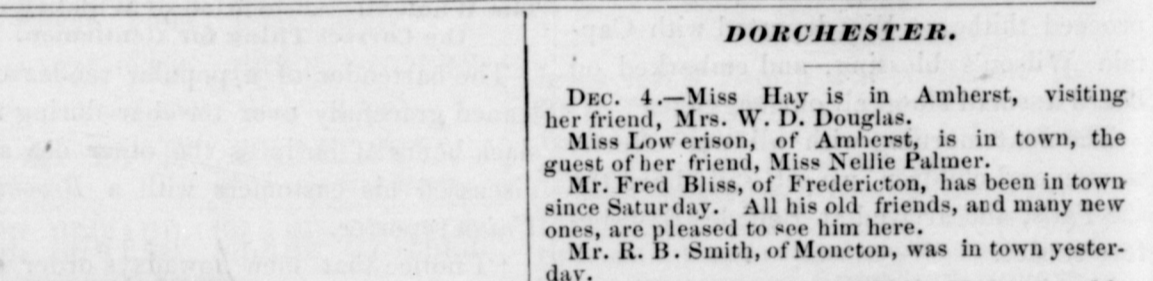
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