LOCAL NEWS.

TEACHERS LICENSES. — Twenty-five candidates presented themselves for examination for teachers' licenses at the Normal school this week. The examinations were concluded on Friday.

AT THE QUEEN.—The barber's shop connected with the Queen hotel was re-opened this week. John Murchie, from Vanceboro, has been engaged in the absence of the usual attendant, who is sick and confined to his room.

THE F. C. B. CHURCH. — The Rev. Mr. Ninsh, of Sussex, will occupy the pulpit of the F. B. church in this city, during the absence of the Rev. Fred. Hartley. The latter goes on a short visit to his old congregation at Sussex.

DEER PLENTIFUL. — Advices received from up river, report deer as generally plentiful along the eastern side of the St. John. They have made their appearance at several of the settlements. Wolves have also been noticed in several districts.

ABLE TO BE ABOUT AGAIN. — A. W. Street, of the Inland revenue department, who slipped and injured his leg on Sunday last at the city depot, has been unable to attend to business the early part of the week. He is now able to be about again.

NEW RELIGIOUS WEEKLY.—The Methodist, a new religious weekly will be issued on or about the 7th of January next. Sample copies will be sent post free to all who will send their address on a post card to the publisher E. A. Powers, St. John N. B.

CONCERT AT ST. MARY'S.—A concert will be given at the Church hall, St. Mary's, the first week in January, by the choir of the parish church, assisted by prominent local amateurs. The committee meets this evening (Saturday) to organize the program.

CURLING RINK.—There will be an interesting match between two local teams on Christmas day in the curling rink. Good sport is promised, the ice is in good condition, and the match will, no doubt, draw a good attendance of the lovers of the bonspiel.

A SNEAK THIEF.—A few evenings ago a sneak thief entered a house on Government lane, in this city, and stole from thence $200 in money, an overcoat, and a pair of boots. The theft was done during the absence of the inmates. No clue has as yet been discovered. The police are working on the case.

VEGETABLE NIGHT. — On Thursday evening the salvation army held a well attended meeting in their barracks on King street. Most of the visitors brought presents of vegetables, which were deposited in receptacles stationed near the entrances. These it is understood will be given to the deserving poor.

ESCAPED FROM THE ASYLUM. — Jesse Williams, of this city, who was some time ago confined in the Provincial asylum, escaped from that institution last Monday and is said to be making his way to his old home here. No intelligence of his recapture has been received up to the time of going to press.

ANTI-TOBACCO SOCIETY. — An entertainment was given on Tuesday night last at the St. John Institute by members of the anti-tobacconists, a society which is making a crusade against the inervating narcotic. Among the performers present was Robert Ross, of this city, who gave some highly diverting whistling solos.

MORRISON'S MILL.—Business is rushing at the active mill below town, a large number of orders having been received ahead. It is intended to start four new shingle mills going at the commencement of the new year. J. A. Morrison jr. despatched another crew of men last Monday to work in the lumber woods above Edmundston.

INTERESTING LECTURE.—One of the features presented at the teachers' institute was the reading of a paper by Mrs. Steadman, of the W. C. T. U., on Narcotics, in which the baneful effects of tobacco were discussed in a scientific and interesting manner. The paper was listened to with great attention, and a vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer.

SERIOUSLY ILL.—On Sunday morning last, John W. Barker, residing on Charlotte street, was stricken with paralysis. Dr. T. C. Brown attended, and reports that his patient is in a serious condition, and that skilful nursing and attention is needed. Mr. Barker has never entirely recovered from the accident which he sustained about a year ago.

BEAR SHOOTING. — Frank O'Conner the famous hunter and guide, who resides on the old Bathurst road, writes to a gentleman in town to say that he has been very successful in bear shooting and trapping during the last two months. He shot a magnificent specimen a few days ago, and Edward Baten captured a similar prize. The Tracadie district is affording fine sport this winter.

GAVE HIMSELF UP.—Private Hale, of the R. S. I., who has been a deserter from the battalion since April last, arrived in the city on Monday morning last, and gave himself up to the military authorities. This is the fourth time Hale has deserted from the corps, and his re-appearance here has given rise to much comment. It will probably go hard with him, as his case has been reported to Ottawa.

FIRE AT WOODSTOCK.—Thomas Allen, residing just outside Woodstock on the Houlton road, had his barn, shed, and ell all destroyed by fire on Thursday morning. The fire originated in the barn, and the high wind made the work of extinguishing the flames very difficult, but the local firemen worked with a will and succeeded in saving the main building. The insurance, which does not cover the loss, is $400.

THE CHRISTMAS STAR.—It will be a very great disappointment at home and abroad to hear that the publishers of the Montreal Star are unable to publish a Christmas Star this year. It appears the publishers have been more than ordinarily busy with their regular business of subscriptions and advertising and do not feel they have time to publish such a paper as would sustain the magnificent reputation that the Christmas Star has justly earned.

LOSS OF A PROMISING TROTTER. — John McConnell, of Marysville, who has been giving some lively exhibitions of speed with his lately bought trotter, Driver, was out driving along the government lane on Tuesday afternoon, when suddenly the animal came to a full stop. A minute later and the horse fell to rise no more. It is surmised that heart disease was the cause. The horse was a famous old trotter, and at one time was valued at five thousand dollars.

A LIVELY RUNAWAY.—On Tuesday morning as G. Eldridge, of Fred. B. Edgecombe's establishment in this city, was delivering orders on Brunswick street, the horse, for some reason or other, shied at some object, and started down the street. It had only proceeded a few paces when the sleigh struck against a hydrant, tearing off its top part. The frightened animal ran a short distance further before being stopped, when it was found that besides the above damage a shaft had been broken.

TEMPERANCE MEETINGS.—The meeting at Temperance hall on Sunday last was addressed by the Rev. J. Shenton, who gave a vigorous and instructive address on the work in general. The Rev. W. D. Manzer was the principal speaker at the meeting in Foresters' hall, St. Mary's. The church of England temperance meeting on Tuesday last, in the Church hall, was presided over by the Rev. C. H. Parkinson. There were good attendances at each meeting, and the speakers were listened to with great interest.

York County Teachers.

The York county teachers institute met in the Normal school on Thursday morning at 10 a. m., when were present, president Rogers, who occupied the chair; Supt. Crocket, Inspector Bridges, G. A. Inch, T. W. Day, B. C. Foster, W. E. Everett, and the Misses Hunter, Ross, Harvey, Cliff, and McLeod.

The president having spoken of the objects and work of the meeting, introduced the chief superintendent.

Supt. Crocket then gave a brief but vigorous address on the object of the teachers institute, the mutual advantages arising from interchange of thought, the practical results in matter and method as applied to school work, and the success of meetings held in the province.

The next business was the enrolment of members, fifty four names being subscribed to the roll.

Berton C. Foster, secretary, presented his financial account which was deemed highly satisfactory, there being a balance on hand showing the institute to be in a flourishing condition.

An interesting discussion on school matters next followed, and the subjects of punctuality, regularity, and uniform attendance occupied the attention of the teachers.

The advisability of awakening the interest of the scholars during lessons, and the best means of securing their attention, together with the methods pursued by various teachers was also discussed.

A very profitable session was spent and the objects discussed cannot fail to be of benefit to the teachers, and to all interested in the teaching profession.

Tableaux at Marysville.

The sandwich club at Marysville gave an entertainment on Monday last which was attended by a large audience. Tableaux were the chief feature of the program, which was as follows: Chorus, Jingle bells, the club; recitation, Doomed, J. Stevenson; song, Camomile tea, Miss J. Robertson; tableaux illustrating Miles Standish courtship, first scene, Miles Standish, H. Lint, John Alden, Dr. Peake; second scene, Priscilla, Miss Stella Clayton, John Alden, Dr. Peake; violin solo, Trovatore, Miss Alice W. Gibson; tableaux, Four stages of life: first scene, Childhood, Alice Day and Alexandra Tapley; second scene, Courtship, Miss Etta Murray and M. Duncan; third scene, Marriage, Misses Likely, Miles, Messrs. Rowley, Duncan and Lint; fourth scene, Old age, Miss Aggie Ramsey, M. Duncan; song, When the dew, Miss Maude Foster; reading, A. F. Rowley; song, Enniscorthey, M. Duncan; recitation, H. Lint; duett in costume, Darby and Joan, Miss Aggie Ramsey, Dr. Peake; recitation, Dorothy Sullivan, Mrs. A. G. Robinson.

The whole concluded with the tableaux of the Artist's dream: Artist, A. M. Gibson and the Misses Rowley, Foster, Miles, Day, and Gibson. The accompanists were Miss Alma Gibson, piano, and Prof. Cadwallader, violin.

Police Intelligence.

On Sunday last John Sears a young man hailing from Grand Falls, stole a gold watch from Elliott's hotel at St. John. He then started for this city, arriving here on Tuesday evening. Meanwhile Chief Clark of St. John having learned that a man answering the description of the culprit had been seen on the road to Fredericton came here on Wednesday, and as soon as he arrived, a railway conductor informed serjeant Vandine of the occurrence. It having transpired that the culprit formerly belonged to the R. S. I. corps the serjeant and Marshall Roberts had no difficulty in tracing the man to the barracks. The next step was to inform Chief Clarke, who had the man arrested by Vandine the chief having no warrant and taken before police magistrate Marsh.

On being searched a silver watch, a purse containing three dollars, and several small articles were found on him. He had traded off the gold watch for the silver one with one of the soldiers. Sears was formally taken in charge by Chief Clarke who removed him to St. John on Wednesday afternoon.

Xmas Services.

At the Cathedral on Xmas day, Holy communion will be celebrated at 8 a. m. Hymns 60 and 322; Gibbons' sanctus, Arnold's kyrie, and the gloria to gregorian tones will be sung. At the 11 o'clock service the carol "Come ye lofty come ye lowly" will be sung, and Tours' services in F. The anthem will be "Oh! Zion bring good tidings" Stainer.

At Christ church, at the 11 o'clock service the anthems. "Where is he that is born King of the Jews" Vince, "Behold I bring you good tidings," Hopkins, and "I heard a voice from heaven," Smith, will be rendered in addition to Xmas carols.

At St. Mary's parish church at the 11 o'clock service, the anthems "Behold I bring you good tidings," Goss, "Arise, shine," Elvey, and Sullivan's "It came upon a midnight clear," will be the special music on Xmas day.

Damaging Property.

Three privates attached to the R. S. I. corps indulged in a lively little racket a few days ago. Their room in the barracks happened to be situated opposite the office of the Gleaner of this city, and in this room the direful plot was concocted. What the unoffending paper had done is not recorded, but privates Smith, McElroy and Pace had determined to go for it, so they first let fly with a bottle from their window direct at the office, then a few stones, and sundry other missiles came hustling against the windows of the office. The privates are now languishing in their cells and before long they will find out what it is to offend the editor of a daily newspaper.

Lakes That Require Fish.

The Davidson lake in Dumfries, which is situated a short distance from the main road and is easy of access, is a charming spot and would be a favorite resort for sportsmen in summer time if it were well stocked with fish. It has been suggested that some steps be taken to carry out this idea, in order to attract the lovers of the rod and line to this pleasant retreat. The Erina or Yoho lake has also been mentioned as a place which it would be advisable to stock. This lake situated on the road from Fredericton to St. Andrews, affords a good neighborhood for sport, and is said by those who are in the secret to be a charming resort, but that it lacked one thing, viz: the absence of fishing.

C. P. R. Excursions.

The N. B. division of the C. P. R. are running cheap excursions to all points in the province, Ontario and Atlantic and eastern divisions (Port Arthur and east); also to northern and western divisions of the Grand Trunk; Kingston and Pembroke; Kingston, Napanee and western; Erie and Huron; Pontiac and Pacific Junction; central Ontario; and Michigan central (in Canada) railways.

The rates are at a fare and one third on Dec. 19th to 22nd, good to return until Jan. 5th next.

At a single fare on Dec. 23rd, 25th, and 25th, also on Dec. 30th, 31st, and Jan. 1st, good to return until Jan 5th '91.

Royal Arch Chapter.

At the regular convocation of Fredericton Royal Arch Chapter, held in Masonic hall on Wednesday evening last, the following were elected officers for the ensuing year:

Alex. Burchill, First P.
Harry Beckwith, Second P
S. H. McKee, Third P.
A. F. Street, Scribe E.
John Moore, Treas.
Nelson Campbell, C. of H.
William Lockhart, R. A. C.
James H. Hawthore, M. of 3rd V.
Austin Dunphy, M. of 2nd V.
Arthur Limerick, M. of 1st V.
Richard M. Pinder, T.

CLOSING EXERCISES.

Work Done at The Schools—Presentation to Miss Gregory — off For the Holidays.

The closing exercises in the city schools on Wednesday last were attended by some hundreds of interested parents and friends. Most of the schools were rendered bright with decorations of spruce, and the various drawings on exhibition, black board work, and written examination papers received great attention from the visitors. Much interest was shown in the work of the schools, and the visitors generally were pleased with the examinations. The following is a brief synopsis of the events at the various schools in the city.

At the collegiate school, with its bright decorations of spruce, the work of the term was reviewed in literature, history, languages, science, and geometry. That experimental chemistry had been taught in a practical manner was evidenced by the tests submitted. In English "Julius Cæsar" was taken as a class subject, and the questions showed that the pupils had been thoroughly grounded.

At the conclusion of the examination Miss Gregory was presented with a very handsome silver tea service, accompanied by the following address which was read by Jeanette Rossborough of the 3rd class:

DEAR MISS GREGORY, — A few short weeks ago we learned, much to our regret that it was your intention to leave us at the end of the term. The time has passed only too quickly and to-day we come to bid you farewell. We have profited greatly, more than we now know by your instruction. Not only have the lessons of the class room strengthened us but from you we have received many lessons in life, lessons which made us better boys and girls, and which will make us noble men and women lessons which as we grew older and by experience learn the ways of the world will ever remain fresh in our memories."

The address was signed by Berton C. Foster, Jas. M. Palmer, F. B. Meagher, W. Long, R. Sisson, H. Miller, L. Vandine, A. Blair, and I. Babbitt, and the gift was presented by Allen Hoben of the 3rd class.

Miss Gregory, who was deeply affected, briefly thanked the teachers and scholars for the handsome gift presented her. Dr. Harrison, and principal Foster in a few well chosen remarks spake of the universal regret expressed in all quarters at the resignation of Miss Gregory: Her enegetic and consistent services will always be appreciated in Fredericton. A chorus by the school children brought these interesting proceedings to a close.

At York street school the work of the term was reviewed, and principal Inch's examination was on English subjects generally.

The Model school was prettily decorated and the assembled scholars looked bright and animated. The examination took in the work of the term, and the programme which followed was rendered by the scholars in the hall, and was listened to with great attention by a large number of visitors. The items were:—My own Canadian home, scholars; composition, Xmas. Bessie Palmer; Kitty's Pie, Edith Davis, Elsies Soliloquy, Elsie Hatt; The Best that I Can Do, Helen Mullin. The Lilies, Four girl scholars; Four Pictures of Xmas. Mary Gunter; Going for the Doctor, Edna Golding and Bert McMurray; Six and nine, Daisy Weddall; Beautiful things, Bessie Blair; Xmas Carol, Scholars; What Baby Does, Lloyd Vanwart; The Reason Why, Nellie Richards; Why Pearly Cried, Gertrude Coulthard; The Young Sceptic, Louise Lugrin; Cantata, scholars.

At the Charlotte Street School

an interesting programe was presented by a bright assembly of intelligent school children: It was as follows: Piano Solo, Ina McCatherin; carol, Once in Royal David's City, scholars; Christmas exercise; recitation St. Nicholas, V. Lingley; song, Merry Xmas. scholars; recitation, Jane Strong; Ballad, Xmas. Day is Very Near, scholars; recitations by Gertrude Doak and Clara Gough; song, Come Children for to Sing, by Scholars; recitation, Santa Claus, Willie Parker; song, The Angels, scholars; recitations, by Amy Webb, Nellie Whitehead; and Stella Sherman; song, The meadows Gleam; recitation by Vinta Lingley and John Brittain; song, Happy New Year, scholars; New Year exercise, and song, Hark the Summons. The program conclnded with Xmas. by nine girls.

At the conclusion of the exercises the children were presented with cards by C. A. Sampson.

Honor List.

Certificates were presented by the trustees to the following pupils for the highest general standing in their respective departments for the term just closed. Highest possible marks, 500.

York Street School.

Mr. Inch's department — Nat. Dougherty, 499; Lizzie Dougherty and George Johnston, each, 497; Carrie Cowperthwaite, 496; Arthur Ryan, 494.

Miss Vandine, (C. S.) — Nellie Minto, 495; Annie Ross and Annie Blair, each 494; Katie Currie, 491; Effie Grace and Addie Green, each 490; John Brittain, 486.

Miss Duffy — George Dougherty, 499; Aggie Humble, 498; Ernest Porter and Edna Pollock, each 494; Ward Patterson and John Ryan, each 493.

Miss Everett — May Ryan, 469; Thomas Harvey, 465; Celia Tilley, 461; Mable McKenzie and Clara Watson, each 452.

Miss J. Harvey — Mary Estabrooks, 497; Archie Campbell, 496; Minnie Estabrooks, 493; Gertie Case, James Martin, and Fred. Ratcliffe, each 489.

Model School.

Mr. Rogers' department — Mary Gunter and Roy Vanwart, each 484; Edith McKeen, 481; Ethel Beckwith, 479.

Miss Ross — Hamilton McKee, 489; Helen Martin, 488; Chester Vanwart, 486; May Coy, 483; Laura Smith and Fannie Richards, each 482.

Miss Harvey — Edna Golding, 500; Mattie Cameron, 499; Lauristen Babbitt, Bertie McMurray, Robbie Vandine, and George Palmer, each 494; Audrey Blair, 490.

Miss McLeod — Edith Davis, 492; Daisy Weddall, 480; Edith Spurden, 479; Herbert Estey, 478; Atherton Coburn and Lloyd Vanwart, each 476; Rupert Mullin and Edna Brown, each 471; Hazel Edgecombe, 470.

Never tardy — Gertrude Coulthard, Daisy Weddal, Pearl Smith, Hattie Wilson, Edith Davis, Edith Spurden, Alice Sterling, Augusta Simmons, Pearl Babbitt, Mary Gunter, Percy Gerow, Bennison Rainsford, Erse Golding, Fred Peppers, Eldon Merrithew, Herbert Estey, Atherton Coburn and Guy Morrison.

Charlotte Street School.

Mr. Kilburn's department — Mary Miles, 494; Maggie Babbitt, 490; Carrie Babbitt and Bella Massie, each 489; Lorne Fowler, 488.

Miss Thorne — Nellie Glasier, 478; Laura Clark, 475; Lewis Long, 474; Jane Strong, 471; Bessie Whittaker, 470.

Miss E. E. Ross — Margaret Phair, 498; Jack Neill, 497; Alex Wilson, 496; Prudie Babbitt, 495; Jean Neill, 494.

Never tardy — May Millican, Lily Millican, Lizzie Doherty, Don Neill, Atwood Fisher, Jane Allen, Mary Sutton, Jean Neill, Prudie Babbitt, Alice Haining, Willie Hamilton, Carrie Tibbitts, Margaret Phair, Clara Coward, Willie Millican, Willie Malloy, Nellie Allen, Ella Sutton, Katie Beariesto, May Hilyard, Alice Coward, Vinta Lingley, Alex Wilson, George Pollock, Jack Neill, George Wandlass, Ernest Dayton, James Huey, Charlie Glasier, George Sleep, Henry Bailey, Donald Cameron, Millie Long and Vernon Thompson.

Miss Hunter — George Massie, 485; John McLenehan, 481; Stearns Morrell, and Hollingworth Wandlass, each 476; Etta Benham, 473; Wesley Harris, 472.

Never tardy—Maud Craig, Maggie Pollock, Etta Benham, Minnie Rodgers, Harry Clark, Norman Clynick, Donald Campbell, Charlie Babbitt, John McLenehan, Robert McLenehan, Percy Armstrong, Harry McPherson, Bertha Grass, Bruce Grant, Alice Pollock, Stearns Morrell, Fred Clark, Justin McPherson, Harry Morrell, Fred Bearisto Alfred Elliott, Leonard Coombes, Louis Thompson and Ellie Stopford

Miss McAdam — Ethel Smith and George Torrens, each 484; Robbie Colwell, 483; Nellie Colwell and Guy Whitehead, each 474; Gerald Loggie, 470.

Regent Street School.

Mr. Meagher's department — Andrew Farrell, James Collins, and Howard Crangle, each 485; Alfred Hanlon, 484; Daniel Daley, 483; Frank Flannagan, 482.

Miss Walsh (Sister Louis)—Edith O'Brien, 494; Agnes Sweeney, 492; Annie Lynn, 490; Mary Moore, 489; Alice Higgins, 488.

Miss Bourgeois (Sister Regina) — Bessie Hanwell, 475; Lizzie Gooney, Ellen Donahue and Maud O'Brien, each 473; May Walsh, 472.

Miss Duffy—Harry Strickland and Arthur McNeill, each 497; Fred Cormier, 496; Carl O'Brien, 491; Jeremiah O'Leary, 485.

Brunswick Street School.

Miss McLaughlin (Sister Redemption) — Annie Cormier and Stella Brannen, each 498; Ella Hanlon, 496; Lizzie McDonald and James Dolan, each 494; Joseph Hanlon, and Mamie Burns, each 490.

Morrison's Mill School.

Miss Hooper —Frank Duffie, 480; Stephen Dunn, 461; Minnie Kelley, 458; Claude Hoyt, 455; Ernest Ryan, 440; Amelia, Dunn, 439.

Doak Settlement School.

Miss Doak— Frances McGahey, 498; Mary J. Hewitson, 494; Cora E. Hewitson, 487.

Recent Deaths.

On Sunday last Miss Carrie Staples, daughter of John Staples St. Mary's, died after a lingering illness. Deceased had shewn remarkable fortitude and patience in her long trial of suffering, and died a consistent and faithful member of the English church.

On Wednesday afternoon the last sad rites were paid to the memory of the deceased in the church of England burying ground, the Rev. Mr. Nealis officiating. There were a large number of relatives and friends present from St. Marys and this city. Much sympathy has been extended to Mr. Staples in his sad affliction.

Mrs. Anne Gunn, relict of the late T. J. Gunn, died at St. John on Wednesday morning last. Deceased, who was well known here, was mother to J. G. Gunn of this city. The funeral which took place on Thursday last at St. John was attended by J. G. and Mrs. Gunn as chief mourners.

On Sunday last Susan C. McMahon died at her residence on Brunswick street after a short illness. Deceased who was an energetic worker in the R. C. church was beloved by all, and her death has excited much regret and sympathy, as evidenced by the beautiful floral tokens of regard and esteem sent by her friends in this city. The funeral which took place on Monday last was celebrated with a high requiem mass, the Rev. Father McDevitt officiating. A large assembly of relatives, friends, and citizens, was present. The pall bearers were H. C. Mackay, J. H. Barry, G. McGinn, H. G. Haslin, J. H. Fleming and F. B. Meagher.

The sad death of Henry Boone second son of Richardson Boone of Jones Fork, York county, has cast quite a gloom over the peaceful settlement in which he lived. Deceased, who was a fine young man of eighteen years, was working with a crew yarding logs at Dorn ridge near Douglas, and had just succeeded in placing a large log on the top of the brow with blocks. After the chain was removed he began to climb up to the top, when the log rolled down upon him and crushed him to death. He died in half an hour. The funeral service which took place at Jones Fork on Sunday last was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Kiel, and was largely attended by the relatives, friends, and fellow workmen of the deceased, many of whom were moved to tears.

On Thursday night at twenty minutes to 10 o'clock, John Edgecombe, one of the oldest and most respected of business men in this city, passed peacefully to rest at the ripe old age of 82. Deceased who had been afflicted for some weeks with dysentery, and had been attended by Dr. Coburn, was taken with a sudden hemorrhage of the bowels on Thursday night from which he could not rally.

John Edgecombe the pioneer of the well known firm of Edgecombe & Sons in this city was a native of Ashburton in Devonshire Eng. About sixty years ago he commenced business in this city, and his remarkable energy and pluck overcome every obstacle. The firm were thrice burned out, but difficulties were easily overcame by the indefatigable head of the house. and a business was developed which has created for itself a name throughout the Maritime provinces.

Deceased took an active part in public affairs, he was a trustee of the Methodist church, and lived and died a consistent member of the same. He was always interested in old country people, and ever willing to lend a hand to deserving young emigrants. The news of his sudden death has excited universal sympathy, and expressions of regret have been heard on all sides.

The funeral service which takes place on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 at the Methodist church will be conducted by the Rev. J. Shenton, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Payson.

PERSONAL.

Concerning People Known to Most Readers.

H. T. Estabrooks of Marysville, has passed for the diploma of the St. John business college.

Murray E. Gilbert and wife, accompanied by Miss Venning of Sheffield, were in town this week on a visit.

D. E. Crowe, who left this city a few days ago to attend his mother at Peterborough, Ont., now lies seriously ill at that place with typhoid fever.

The Hon. P. G. Ryan and wife Bathurst, Hon. David McLellan St. John, W. E. Perley, M. P. P. Oromocto, C. H. Labillois, M. P. P., Dalhouise, and W. H. Murray, M. P. P. Campbelton, registered at the Queen Tuesday.

Among the arrivals at the Queen this week were: Superintendent Haggerty, of the McAdam works; Miss Sharp, Woodstock; H. C. Smalley, Boston; J. M. Coyne and T. Brown, Montreal; E. W. Pond, Fort Fairfield; W. Cameron, London, Eng.; T. A. Chudlum, Oshawa, of the Ontario carriage works; and J. C. McGibbon, St. Stephen.

A Serious Affray.

On Sunday evening last as Murray Scott of Douglas was driving home from meeting with a party of both sexes a quarrel occurred between him and Marvin Hawkins also of that place. The latter who had been interfer- with the girls brought things to a climax by overturning them in the snow, notwithstanding the repeated remonstrances of Scott. The latter, on stopping the sleigh, seized the practical joker by the neck, and gave him a good shaking up. Hawkins who had stood the onslaught quietly, on seeing his apponent resume his position at the reins, suddenly jumped to his feet, seized the board upon which he had been sitting, and brought it down with terrific force upon the head of Scott. The latter fell and was picked up unconscious. He was at once removed to Ross Currie's residence near by and Dr. Coulthard of this city sent for. The doctor pronounced his patient to be in a serious condition, and great care will be necessary to restore the unfortunate young man. There is a deep cut in the head, and the injury is serious. Hawkins will probably be placed under arrest.

Hoodman Blind.

The play of Hoodman Blind presented for the first time to a Fredericton audience by the Lytell dramatic company, was not very well patronized. This company has always been noted for producing first-class matter, but the play on Monday night fell rather flat. The emotional part of Jack Yeulett was a fine piece of character acting, and Jas. L. Edwards was seen at his best. The dual part of Nance and Jess by Miss I. Plowdsay was easy, natural, and telling. W. R. Lytell in the comedy character of Ben Chubbie brought down the house, and as Polly Miss [illegible] ably supported him. The piece was produced under the management of W. H. Stone.

THE TRACK AND STABLE.

A Few Items of Local Interest Concerning the Flyers.

Phil Logan, the black gelding at one time owned by J. B. Orr, and used for letting in his livery stable, was recently taken to Boston by D. Hanlon and sold for $2,000, after showing a trial mile in 2.27½. He was sired by Robert R. Morris, dam a sister to Lady Messenger, the dam of Sir Charles. There are hopes that next season he will be put in the 2.30, and by adding another to Morris' roll of honor increase the value of brood mares, that possess that strain of blood.

Dr. Bridges, of St. Mary's, sold at auction on Thursday last two Kearsarge foals, one a yearling, the other a weanling. The prices realized would indicate that the demand for Kearsarge blood is limited in this locality.

John McCoy, as reported in a former issue, was in the city looking after brood mares, and purchased the brown mare Duchess. He has been driving her on the Marsh road, where she has shown her ability to down many of the St. John flyers.

C. H. Nelson, the owner of the phenomenal trotting stallion Nelson, paid a visit to Woodstock a few days ago. While there he rode behind several of the flyers of the town and was much pleased with the performances of the two-year-old stallion Lord Dufferin. He offered Messrs. Murphey and Colter $2000 for the local champion, which was promptly refused.

The Latest Styles.

We would advise our readers to give Lucy & Co. corner Queen and Regent streets a call before making their Xmas purchases. They keep a very fine stock of footwear including American and Canadian overboots fancy slippers, felt wool lined skating and walking boots, and the finest stock of moose moccasins we have seen this year. Here is where you will also find a very large stock of fur, cloth and scotch knit caps. The latest styles of hard and soft hats. Men's, boy's and children's clothing in suits, overcoats, ulsters, reefers, cardigan jackets, shirts and underclothing, also a fine stock of rubber and waterproof coats, trunks and travelling bags, etc. The leading feature of this establishment is all customers get the very best value for their money. You can find hundreds of useful articles suitable for Xmas presents among their elegant stock.

The Fredericton Market.

There has been good markets this week, a large amount of country produce has been brought into town, and generally speaking business has improved. The ruling prices are: beef 3 to 5 cts.; mutton 4 to 5 cts.; lamb 6 to 7 cts.; pork 5 to 6 cts.; sausages 12 cts.; hams 11 to 12 cts.; turkeys 11 to 13 cts.; ducks 50 to 60 cts.; chickens 30 to 45 cts.; butter 14 to 16 cts.; lard 13 to 14 cts.; eggs 22 to 24 cts.; carrots 80 cts. to $1; turnips 60 cts.; potatoes $1.40 to $1.50; buckwheat $1.75 to $2; oats 45 to 50cts.; straw $5 to $6; hay $7 to $10; socks and mitts 20 cts. per pair.

Native apples were not bringing high prices this week in consequence of the large quantity brought in. The prices ranged from $2 to $2.50 per barrel.

The Metropolitan.

A large bouquet of flowers was received at the customs department on Wednesday addressed to the most reverend the metropolitan. They were forwarded by the hon. J. J. and Mrs. Fraser, who are now in Atlanta, Georgia. The boquet was sent in honor of his lordship's birthday, which occurred Friday. His lordship, who is the oldest bishop of the Episcopal church in America, has entered upon his eighty seventh year, and the forty sixth year of his episcopate, and for sixty one years he has been actively engaged in the work of the church. That his lordship may live to see many birthdays yet is the hearty wish of his parishioners.

Made His Teeth Chatter,

An amusing incident occurred a few days ago at the Marysville shingle mill. One of the workmen, whose special vocation was to sap, that is remove bark from the logs, once neglected his duty, and presented himself at the machine with a partially stripped log in his arms. This was too much for the chief, who rejoices in the singular apellation of Whisperer, he made a dart for the offender and shook him so heartily the log fell from his arms into the machine, His teeth began to chatter, and to add to his discomforture, the chief ran him out into the yard, gave him a sound rating, and left him to muse over the vexations and trials connected with shingle mills.

NEILL'S HARDWARE STORE.—The Xmas advertisement received from this well-known firm having arrived too late for insertion in this issue, we would respectfully draw attention to the fine stock of imported cutlery received at this store. The assortment comprises all the famous Sheffield brands, and no finer present at Christmas time could be found than a selection from this magnificent stock. Be sure to call at Neill's hardware store.

WAS IT A MISTAKE.—The absent minded man has again struck the town and a few days ago a black sleigh robe was (by mistake it is said) appropriated by him when leaving the Marysville buss. As he is well known the matter has not been referred to the police at present but he is earnestly advised to return the sleigh robe at once, notwithstanding the weather.

VICTORIA ELECTION PETITION.—Solicitor general Pugsley applied to his honor judge Tuck at St. John Wednesday, to fix the date of the trial in the Victoria election petition case. Geo. F. Gregory appeared for Mr. Porter, and read affidavits of Messrs. Porter and Lawson. The solicitor general applied for time to prepare his answers to the affidavits, and the judge adjourned the hearing until Wednesday next.

Have you ever tried Imperial Cream Tartar Baking Powder? Do so; it is the purest and best, always reliable.

DEATHS.

At Malden, Mass., after an illness of four days, Laure E., beloved wife of Charles E. R. Pengilly, formerly of St. John, N. B.

STOVES!

JUST TO HAND and set up for inspection, our fall stock of STOVES.

SIXTY-FIVE

COOKING STOVES and RANGES, American, Canadian and Nova Scotia manufacture, all latest improved patterns.

☞ American Ranges are very nice.

TWENTY-FIVE

HALL STOVES for Hard and Soft Coal and Wood.

FIFTY-EIGHT

PARLOR and BEDROOM STOVES for Wood and Coal. Some very nice designs.

TWELVE

OPEN FRANKLINS for Hard and Soft Coal and Wood.

"CHARTER OAK," the King of Stoves, a full line always in Stock.

We are Headquarters on Stoves.

FARMERS BOILERS — 30, 40 and 60 gallons.

2 Ton Stove Pipe, 5, 6 and 7 inch; 50 doz. Elbows;
6 Dozen Pancake Griddles; 15 doz. Spiders;
25 Dozen Sheet Iron Oven Pans;
4 Dozen Tin Wash Boilers;
4 Dozen Stove Boards, round and square;
24 Dozen Stove Shovels, Long and short handles;
2 Casks Sheet Zinc;
Coal Hods, Pokers, Gem Pans, Ash Sifters and many other things useful and ornamental we cannot think of. For sale by

R. Chestnut & Sons.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Per S. S. "Damara."

95 BARS, 10 bundles best quality of SWEDISH IRON for carriage work.

Just received by

R. CHESTNUT & SONS.

CUTLERY.

JOSEPH ROGERS & SONS Celebrated Cutlery just received for my

CHRISTMAS TRADE.

48 Sett J. Rogers & Sons CARVING KNIVES and FORKS; 6 Sett J. Rogers & Sons GAME CARVERS; 24 doz. J. Rodgers & Sons IVORY and CELLULOID TABLE and DESERT KNIVES,

Children's Knives and Forks,

Steak Knives, Bread Knives,

BUTCHER KNIVES

In great variety.

Also, a fine assortment of the celebrated Wm. Rogers

PLATED WARE, SPOONS, FORKS, &c.

—ALSO,—

Granite Iron Teapots.

For sale at the usual low prices at

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G. T. WHELPLEY

HAS NOW IN STOCK:

NEW DRIED FRUITS,
NEW L. L. RAISINS,
NEW VALENCIA RAISINS,
NEW CITRON, ORANGE, and LEMON PEEL,
NEW FIGS,
GENUINE FRENCH SARDINES,
LIEBEG'S EXTRACT FLUID BEEF,
CANNED BONELESS CHICKEN.

—TRY THE—

German Preserves.

In Strawberries, Raspberries, Pears, Plums, Grapes, Mixed Fruit, &c.
They are extra nice.

Also Just Received, 2000 bushels

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Always on hand.

G. T. WHELPLEY,

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A FULL STOCK

—OF—

HAY

In Small Bundles.

Middlings, Bran,
Cracked Corn, Oats,
Green Head Lime,
Land Plaster,
Calcined Plaster

—AND—

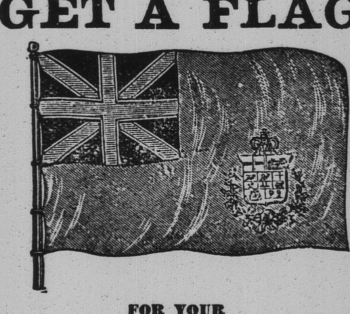
SUPERPHOSPHATE,

NOW IN STORE AT

G. R. PERKINS',

Phœnix Square.

GET A FLAG



FOR YOUR SCHOOLHOUSE

The movement for hoisting the Canadian flag on the schoolhouses on anniversaries of noted events in our history is spreading rapidly throughout the Dominion and evoking the hearty approval of all patriotic citizens. Already

The Empire

has done its share in helping on this movement, by awarding a handsome flag to one school in each county of Ontario, but the number of enquiries from all parts of the Dominion as to how flags can be obtained by other schools has determined the publishers of THE EMPIRE to offer a handsome

CANADIAN FLAG

of best bunting, 12 feet long (regular price $15), as a premium for 30 new yearly subscribers to the WEEKLY EMPIRE at $1.00 or eight new yearly subscribers to THE DAILY EMPIRE at $5 per annum, or a proportion of each, one subscription to Daily counting for FOUR Weeklies.

Every school in the Dominion ought to have a national flag, and this offer presents an opportunity for each obtaining it without cost, and with little trouble. Let those who are interested in getting a flag for their schoolhouse join in getting up a club, and while subscribers get full value for their money in the best newspaper in the Dominion, the school obtains its flag FREE OF COST.

The WEEKLY EMPIRE has recently been enlarged to twelve pages, and is now, without doubt, the best weekly newspaper in Canada, while the reputation of THE DAILY EMPIRE as the leading morning journal of the Dominion is well known.

Send for sample copies and special clubbing lists, and go in for a flag for your school.

ADDRESS THE EMPIRE, Toronto.

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YOU THINK OF BUYING YOUR

XMAS GROCERIES

Don't forget the fact that you can Get Good Value for Your Money at

W. R. LOGAN'S

GROCERY.

NEW FRUIT.	
Valencia Raisins,	Good Oranges, 25c. per doz.,
London Raisins,	Citron Peel,
Raisins in Clusters,	Orange Peel,
Currants, Dates, Figs,	Lemon Peel,
Malaga Grapes,	Essences of all kinds,
Florida Oranges,	Spices of all kinds,
Florida Lemons,	Pure Cream Tartar,
Baldwin Apples,	MINCE MEAT in Glass Jars. MINCE MEAT in Packages.

CHRISTMAS CONFECTIONERY at Lowest Rates.

Best Mixed Candy at 15 cts. per Pound. Two Pounds for 25 cts.

CHOCOLATE DROPS, the best Cream Mixtures, and all other Candies that go to make up a full assortment, will be SOLD LOWER THAN EVER BEFORE.

ALL NEW STOCK:

Almond Nuts, Grenoble Walnuts, French Walnuts, Hickory Nuts, Sicily Filberts and Peanuts.

GOLDEN SYRUP in 2 pound Tins.

Ontario HAMS and BACON.

CHRISTMAS SEASON, 1890.

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We beg to announce that we are showing a fine stock of

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Special Lines Suitable for Christmas Presents:

Also, several new attractions in Fancy Xmas Goods.

Black Silks;
Colored Silks;
Fur Capes;
Fur Boas;
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Ladies Fur Jackets and Cloaks;
Gents Fur Coats;
Ladies and Gents Lined Gloves and Mitts,
Silk Handkerchiefs, &c.

Show Rooms Up Stairs.

Inspection Respectfully Invited.

TENNANT, DAVIES & CO.

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Great Clearing Out

OF

YOUTHS and BOYS OVERCOATS,

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Ready-Made Clothing.

TEN PER CENT. DISCOUNT

Will be Allowed on All Purchases Until the First of January, 1891.

THOS. W. SMITH,

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Wishes a Happy Christmas to all, and if they Want to Buy

Boots, Shoes, Slippers,
Rubbers, Overboots,
Moccasins, Snow-shoes,

HE would invite them to Examine his Stock before purchasing elsewhere, as he claims to have the Largest Stock in the city. Come in and examine our SPLENDID NEW STOCK, so great in assortment, so pleasing in style, so reasonable in price.

Just think of it! We can furnish you with a Ladies' Fine, Stylish INDIA KID BUTTON BOOT for $1.00

We have sold a large quantity of them, and they have given good satisfaction.

Gent's FANCY SLIPPERS, suitable for Christmas Presents.
Ladies' FANCY SLIPPERS and SHOES, also suitable for Christmas Presents.
Ladies' and Misses WHITE KID SLIPPERS for Evening Wear.
Ladies', Gent's, Boys' and Misses' FANCY MOCCASINS.
SNOW-SHOES in Ladies', Gent's and Children's sizes.
Gent's LEATHER FOXED FELT LONG BOOTS.
Ladies' FELT BOOTS and SLIPPERS.
Also a lot of very handsome DOLL BOOTS.

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