

**A Steamboat Service.**

**A Scheme to Run a Boat to the Falls**

Fredericton people are bewailing the fact that there is such a miserable apology for a steamboat service north of that city. A movement is on foot to organize a stock company to place a steamer on the river that can run all the season. This scheme should have the hearty co-operation of all the towns and villages up-country.

The Gleaner says: What is needed is a new steamer that can make good time and run from the opening until the close of navigation between this city and Woodstock, and even further up the river. Can such a steamer be had, is the important question naturally suggesting itself at this juncture. A leading merchant who has given the matter much thought and attention stated that there is a standing offer from an English shipbuilding concern to build a steel steamer capable of carrying 100 tons of freight that would draw less than 20 inches of water, that could go from here to Grand Falls in a day, and to land such a steamer in Fredericton for the sum of \$10 000.

The next move advocated by the gentleman talked with was for Fredericton men to organize a company, buy or build such a steamer as that indicated above, and to put her on the route.

**Christmas Holiday Excursion.**

Christmas holiday excursions have been arranged for as follows: at one way first class fare for round trip: To Pupils and Teachers in Schools and Colleges, between points in Canada East of Port Arthur, Ont. on presentation of Certificate from Principal, from December 10th to 31st, good for return until January 31th; To Commercial Travellers in territory as above, on presentation of their Certificate, from December 16th to 26th, good for return until January 7th. And to the Public between all points on the line of C. P. R. East of Port Arthur, Ont. from December 21st to January 2nd, all good for return until January 7th, 1899.

**Little News Notes.**

The 67th Batt. Band will give a concert on the 23rd. It is said that a drama of good class is to be put on by local talent. Fuller particulars will be announced next week.

Prof. Fox gives a concert in Kearney's Hall, at Florenceville to-night. According to the dodgers, he has a fine programme. Doubtless a number from Hartland will drive up. Prof. Fox will give a similar concert at Bristol next Saturday night.

At the regular meeting of the Wicklow, Wilmot and Kent Agricultural Society, the following officers were duly elected: W. J. Owen, pres; J. E. Long, sec.; H. T. Scholey, treas.

There was considerable dispute as to the ownership of the wire ferry at Bath, and between the contestants the wire was cut.

Dr. Welsh of Glassville, Rev. E. B. Gray of Royalton, W. H. Staten of Foreston, and J. W. Burns of Andover were in Hartland on Thursday.

**BROWNIES AT BATH.**

**They Serve Calvin Hatheway a Good Turn**

There is a peculiar state of affairs upriver, and the story of it as told the ADVERTISER is interesting.

For some years there has been a ferry a mile above Bath run by Calvin Hatheway. Mr. Hatheway rented a farm from W. L. Drier, and paid him, besides the rent, the sum of \$4 per year for the privilege of using part of the ground for the foundation of the derrick that supported the wire of his ferry. Since Mr. Drier died the ownership of the land fell to Councillor LeBaron Mooers of Connell, who has not proved so lenient a landlord as his predecessor. Mr. Mooers drove up to Bath one day to collect the rent for the derrick-ground, and demanded \$8, which Hatheway refused to pay, as he had made arrangements with Drier to keep the ground for \$4 a year. Mooers went away and a short time after came back with his son-in-law and cut the wire. This was a most daring piece of business and the end is not yet, though this ends chapter I of the story.

Mr. Hatheway built the house on the rented farm two years ago. As the rent was long since due Mooers ordered his tenant off. Of course to move out meant the loss of his house, and he grieved and grieved. The last night he expected to spend on his farm he took a last glance about the familiar place, smoked his evening pipe, and sighed, and went to bed, and fell into a heavy slumber. When the morning dawned Hatheway awoke to a changed state of things, and joy came with the awakening. Some unseen power had moved the house and its sleeping occupants across into the next lot, the proprietorship of which was in the hands of a friend Hatheway doesn't know how the strange condition was wrought, but the Brownies are really responsible; and it was a Brownie that told the ADVERTISER the story.

**Last Night's Concert.**

Madame Harrison's concert in Woodstock last night was highly appreciated by a crowded house. The prima donna's most taking pieces were "The Fairies" and a patriotic song, both of which were given as encores, but the real display of her talent was in the foreign songs. Her voice is truly wonderful. All the numbers on the programme were well received. Hartland assisted in the concert—Miss Hay and Miss Kelly giving readings, and Mr. Tracey taking part in the male quartette. A dozen or so of Hartland people drove down to attend the concert and all say they were well paid for their trip.

**Parcel Post Packages.**

The attention of Postmasters is further called to the fact that no parcel can be sent from Canada to any other country by Parcel Post unless it bear a Customs Declaration setting forth the nature of its contents and its value. As the acceptance by a Postmaster of a parcel addressed to any other country, and not provided with a Customs Declaration, will result in its being sent to the Dead Letter Office, Postmasters are specially directed not to accept such parcels without the Customs Declaration.—From the Departmental notice.

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