

Local Matters.

Personal. His Lordship Bishop Rogers went to Bathurst Friday last.

An Old Resident Gone. On Sunday last Mrs Peter Coughlin died at her residence in the lower end of town.

The State of Times. The stringency of the money market for the past few weeks in Chatham has passed away.

Not Recovered. It is just about a year ago, it will be remembered, since Mr Edward Hackett broke his thigh while working in Mr A. Morrison's mill.

A Voyage to Calcutta. We publish in another column an excellent letter written for us by a gentleman now in Fredericton, who has spent many years in Calcutta.

The Cathedral Choir. Since the departure of the Christian Brothers, a new choir has been formed at the pro-Cathedral.

St. Michael's College. Since the departure of the Christian Brothers, noted in a previous issue, the above College has been closed.

Cranberries. The women of Neguac are busy harvesting cranberries, which are said to be numerous in that locality.

No Sign. Buildings like the lunatic asylum and the penitentiary never have the name of the establishment over the entrance.

Military Matters. The Chatham Battery completed its annual rifle practice on Monday. All the officers and most of the men were present on this very important occasion.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Points. Lists scores for Sergeant Andrew Hay, Bombardier T. D. Houstone, etc.

STAR BRIEFS. Parties are remodelling the old post office into a law office for Mr A.A. Davidson, Jr., of Newcastle.

A VOYAGE TO CALCUTTA. AND What I Saw There.

At the time Cooper, the celebrated American novelist, was writing his pleasing romance, Calcutta, indeed I might say the whole of India, was terra incognita to the people of the provinces.

But to the trip. As in reaching that hot land of date and tiger jungle, some seven thousand miles from us, the ship sails around the stormy Cape of Good Hope.

We left Boston in a fine American clipper ship of about a thousand tons burden; there were but two first cabin passengers, a gentleman from Nova Scotia and myself.

In about a week from the time of leaving we entered the Gulf Stream. This was noticeable from the change in the appearance of the water and the difference in the temperature.

The Northumberland Circuit, His Honor Judge Duff presiding, opened yesterday, Tuesday, at 10 p. m. A good many persons at the opening of the Circuit gathered about the Court.

The Grand Jury was composed of the following persons: John Wish, Arthur A. Underhill, Matthew Russell, John J. Brown, John D. O'Sullivan, Robert Tweedie, Alex. H. Gillis, Alex. McFarlane, D. G. Smith, Jas. Russell, Joseph Lyons, Jas. J. Pierce, Thomas Lawlor, H. P. Marquis, Wm. Cliff, John Ferguson, James Brown, William Robinson, M. J. Thompson, Thomas Dempsey.

The Grand Jury, having elected James Brown, Esq., of Newcastle, as their foreman, were addressed by His Honor, who said he was glad to say he had been informed by the High Sheriff and Clerk of the Crown that there was no criminal business to take up their attention.

The following is a list of the Civil Docket: Richard Hutchison vs. Edward Sinclair - A. A. Davidson pro Plif; Adam & Lawlor pro Dft.

The R. C. Bishop of Chatham vs. the Western Assurance Company - Willet & Quigley, Dr. Barker and Wm. Wilkinson pro Plif; I. Allen Jack and S.R. Thompson pro Dft.

R. R. Call, Wm. Muirhead, Jr., and J. Sadder vs. Union Insurance Co. of Philadelphia - L. J. Tweedie and S. R. Thompson pro Plifs; C. A. Palmer and C. W. Weldon pro Dft.

James Robinson vs. Scott Fairley - E. P. Williston pro Plif; A.A. Davidson pro Dft.

Thomas Dickens and John Lohan vs. Jabez B. Snowball - L. J. Tweedie pro Plif; Wm. Wilkinson pro Dft.

John McDonald and Mary McDonald vs. Neill McDougall - A. D. Johnson pro Plifs; Adams & Lawlor pro Dft.

James Robinson vs. Chas. C. Watt - Adams & Lawlor pro Plif; A.A. Davidson pro Dft.

Notes From the Capital. The Capital has appeared and as is usual always with the first issue of a paper, or like a bride appearing on for the first time, it was at its very best.

The editor and proprietor as I predicted, intend having the people of the Capital go largely into manufacture. It is not stated what sort of industries they will have started, as there is a difference of opinion as to which would be most profitable, between Mr. Lugrin, and Mr. Cropley.

Mr. A. A. Sterling, gives a statement of what he sells his groceries for; and Mr. Cropley uses it as a Market report. The Editor is much "impressed" he says with the "all prevailing feeling of uncertainty" in business circles.

On the afternoon of the 7th Willie Clark, son of Henry Clark, was drowned while bathing at the Flats opposite the city.

The water is so low that Mr. Ruel will likely have to keep his ice over till next summer. Ice never spoils.

On the 28th of this month, the day you go to Andover on that "fishing trip" there will be a fair held at Stanley.

The University. The first term of the next Academic year begins on Thursday, 16th inst. For admission to the full undergraduate course, students will be examined in the Greek and Latin Grammars.

A PARLOR CONCERT was held at Dr. Rand's some evenings ago. Mr. William Wilson and Miss Fannie Richards, Mrs. Dr. Currie and Miss Pratie Hart sang charmingly well.

A NUMBER of parties have been fined here of late for violation of the Canada Temperance Act, viz., John Jamieson, fined \$50; Thos. Hackett, \$50; Patrick Bradley, \$50, and Andrew Holland, \$50.

The Steam Dredge St. Lawrence has been here the last few days undergoing some slight repairs. She is lying at Calls wharf.

Clement Ryan the boy who was injured by the bursting of a gun is improving.

The Cricket Match between the Intercolonials of Moncton and our town club was decided on the result of the first inning, owing probably to the lateness of the hour when Newcastle finished their second innings.

While many of our citizens blame Policeman Cassidy for neglect of duty, all parties agree that our police force to-day is inadequate to cope with the rowdism of our young bloods.

In this way you could do something in the line of duty—and perhaps cause the roughs to be afraid of you—and at the same time not be so frightened yourself.

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Communications.

THE BIBLE AND THE PRESBYTERY.

To the Editor of the Star. Sir,—I see our Minister denies that ever he said in the pulpit or out of the pulpit that the scriptures were not all inspired.

I said as little about him as I could. To justify my own character, I feel compelled to give some more reasons for withdrawing from his teachings.

I may mention that before Rev. Dr. Jardine and a number of others in the church, he attacked me for not coming to church, he said he had told the Dr. of our difference and the Dr. fully agreed with him; I said if he still held those views and those were the Doctor's views, I would not come to hear neither him nor the Doctor.

A day or two after he called at our house and told me before a stranger that the members of the Presbytery agreed to discuss the question of inspiration, and that he wrote out his views fully and clearly and that they were highly approved of by the most learned and talented of the presbytery.

He says I should have brought my grievance before the presbytery. If they were what he represents, I wouldn't have got much satisfaction there, but I have chosen to judge him by the bible, whether it pleases him or not, and I think it there where the shoe pinches.

I can assure him I wish him spiritually and temporally well. It is not a very pleasant subject to write upon, and I hope it will not be necessary for me to trouble you any more on the subject.

Yours, very truly, ONE WHO BELIEVES IN THE BIBLE.

DR HOUGH IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

The United States Forestry Commissioner, Dr F. B. Hough, who is connected with the Department of Agriculture at Washington, has been in Fredericton for a few days, collecting information as to the terrible pest that is ravaging our spruce forests.

Dr Hough visited Mr Gibson's mills, and premises with the general appearance of which he was much pleased. In company with Messrs Pugh and E. Jack, he went up to the pond and on the boom, where he remarked that nearly 25 per cent. of the logs appeared to be from dead trees.

Lifting up the bark adhering to the log, he found the remains of beetles between it and the solid wood. The insect which is doing so much damage works between the bark and the tree, and attacks trees which are apparently healthy and sound.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

Northumberland Circuit.

(Special to Star.) NEWCASTLE, Sept. 15. Call, Muirhead and Sadder, vs. Union Insurance Company. Verdict for defendants.

James Robinson, vs. Scott Fairley, has just been called on.

SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF NEWCASTLE.

Sept. 8 - bk Habet, 421, Halvorsen, Greenock, bal R & J Stewart. bk Gistav, 417, Rior, Newry, bal, R & J Stewart.

Sept 9 - bk Striker, 406, Keith, Arrol, bal, R & J Stewart. bk Hanna G, 247, Elgar, Maryport, coal, R O'Call.

Sept 10 - bk Langat, 538, Peterson, Rotterdam, bal, R & J Stewart. Sept 11 - bk Struan, 480, Simonsen, Bordeaux, bal, R & J Stewart.

Sept 12 - bk Bell, Gallitons, 740, Probok, Liverpool, bal, R & J Stewart. bk Fladora, 774, Carter, London, bal, R & J Ritchie & Co.

Sept 13 - bk Passat, 639, Pedersen, Tunis, deals, etc, R & J Stewart. Sept 10 - brig Antio, 634, Sahlstrom, Flawood, deals, etc, R & J Ritchie & Co.

Sept 11 - bk Constable, 434, Kasseison, Liverpool, 250, R & J Stewart. bk Lammerfort, 674, Watafala, Belfast, deals, etc, R Hutchison.

Sept 13 - Progress, 349, Olsen, Gen, deals, etc, R & J Stewart. Sept 14 - Paul, 378, Klatt, Liverpool, deals, etc, R & J Stewart.

PORT OF CHATHAM.

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PEOPLE'S HOUSE.

NEW GOODS.

JUST RECEIVED: 100 Ladies' Long Jackets. They are nicely cut and beautifully trimmed.

275 Men's Reefing Jackets and OVERCOATS. The best value ever shown in Miramichi.

1500 Tweed and Worsted Coats, Pants and Vests. In Men's, Youth's and Boy's. This lot comprises the largest amount of CLOTHING ever seen in Miramichi, and every person can get suited at a price to please themselves.

50 doz. Men's Drawers and Lunders. Bought before they went up in price and will be sold low.

75 White, Oxford and Flannel SHIRTS. As low as 40 cents, and all will be sold cheap to clear them out.

30 pcs. White, Scarlet Grey and Lama Flannels. SPLENDID VALUE.

30 pcs. Black and Coloured Lustres, Cashmeres, French Merinos, &c., &c., &c. Must and will be sold low.

75 pcs. Grey & White Cottons. As cheap as ever.

90 pcs. PRINTED COTTONS. Commencing at 6 cents per yard.

500 bundles Parks St. John WARRPS. At lowest price.

My stock of STAPLE and Fancy Dry Goods is large and will be found WELL ASSORTED. My Motto is, "Quick Sales and Small Profits."

BOOTS, SHOES and RUBBERS, a fine stock. A good assortment Choice Groceries, Yankee Notions, Hardware, Jewelry, Paraffine Lamps, Oils, etc.

CHEAP CASH STORE. JAMES BROWN. Newcastle, Sept 11, 1880.