

LOCAL MATTERS.

Freezers
Messrs R. D. Southwood of Newcastle, are manufacturing fish freezers for J. C. Loggie & Co., of Chatham.

Hotel Dieu.
The collection taken up at the pro-cathedral on St. Patrick's Day for the nuns of the Hotel Dieu reached \$140.

To Advertisers
We are obliged to hold over Messrs Sutherland and Creaghan's advertisement of spring and summer goods till next issue.

Hurt by a Birch Limb
A young man named Swete working for Messrs Murray in the lumber woods, was engaged chopping in one of the late storms: a dead birch limb, blown down, struck and felled him to the earth. He was severely injured.

Jubilee.
We see it stated by some of our exchanges that the Pope has issued an Encyclical letter proclaiming a jubilee to extend from March 15th to 1st November in Europe, and to the end of the year in the rest of the world.

The Streets.
Now then surely, snows or canoes would be a luxury on some of our streets. Parties of men too, coming from the woods, cover the foot-paths and corners, and insult ladies, and jeer at the decrepid as they pass. Last fall sometime we saw the police, but not since. If they ever come into town, they ought to try to prevent at least the grossest indecencies from taking place on the open streets, and in the open day.

Game in the Lumber Woods.
Lumbering parties from the Renous say that foxes were plenty there this winter; and that several were brought into the camp of Lynch and McCarthy. Beaver is also plenty not far from where the parties operated, but little attention is given to hunting. There are a few hunters camps to be found here and there on the upper waters of the Miramichi, and in each is generally some hunter who goes in the fall with his gun and traps, and does not come out till the spring.

Venor and the Weather.
Much as Venor has been ridiculed, his predictions have been not far from the mark several times this winter. He predicted heavy snow-falls for Sunday and Monday, and in some quarters there have been heavy snow storms. He says there will be "one cold dip" yet; and that, "March will end with rain and slush."

A Lecture.
A Fredericton paper says "Mr R. B. Adam's lecture on Ireland past and present, in Chatham, Patrick's Eve, is said to have been quite a triumph for the young gentleman."

All true with this difference, that Mr. Adams did not lecture in Chatham or anywhere else on St. Patrick's Eve.

Nelson Briefs
Mr Gorman is building a fine residence. He will use the building when finished, also as a business stand.
Mr Daniel Baldwin of Douglasfield, is putting up a building for business purposes. It will soon be completed.
Daley's Hotel is filled with parties coming out of the woods. Mr Daley is a popular hotel keeper.

Business Notes
Mr Peter Loggie has commenced to fit up his mill.
Mr Alex. Morrison is also repairing and improving his mill.

Mr. J. Forest of Chatham is fitting up Hatchisons mill for next seasons operations.
Mr Jas Desmonl intends opening a general business store in the Winn building the coming summer.

Mr Maher of Halifax, will open a variety store here in the early summer, it is said.
Messrs Staples & McAllister of Newcastle intend opening a variety store in Chatham in a few days. We are sure these gentlemen will get their share of public patronage.

Lower Newcastle Notes.
A correspondent writes us from Lower Newcastle: There was a very interesting entertainment in the School House, District No. 5, Wednesday evening last. The programme consisted of songs, reading, recitations, etc. Reading by Mr Robert Snow "The practical joker," recitation by Master James Currie; song by W. J. Nugent, "In America," songs by John McHardy, by Andrew Irving, "The Beautiful Towns," Song and clog dance by John Currie; song by John Cassidy, "Larry O'Gaff." There was a large audience present and the performance was very well appreciated and applauded throughout.

Provincial Tobacco
A number of Frenchmen from Kouchibouguac, Kent, were in town the other day, and went into Mr Strang's to buy enough tobacco to bring them home. They did not like the "boughten tobacco" they said as well as their "own raising." On being interrogated by a STAR reporter they stated that all along French River they raise their own tobacco, plant the seeds in spring, and in the autumn pluck and dry the leaves. Thousands of pounds of excellent tobacco leaf is so raised, and when it is dried, it is equal in strength and flavor to the best imported tobacco. Very few of the people spoken of chew—and "their own raising" supplies the smoking demand.

Personal.
Mr E E Phair of the Kent Northern R.R. is in town on Railway matters. He returns to Richibucto towards the end of the week.

Oysters.
Capt. Johnson of schooner "Safe" has shipped 200 bbls. of oysters within the past two days to St. John. There are fourteen persons engaged in the oyster fishery in Bay du Vin at present. These include parties from Chatham.

Fatal Accident.
On Friday last, at Eel River, two little fellows, sons of Mr. R Williston were coasting down a bank over the river. Their sled ran out on the ice and into a hole, throwing both of them in. Before help came one of them nine years old, was drowned, and the other was taken out quite exhausted.

Bay du Vin Bridge.
Commissioner Brown went down to Bay du Vin last week and made an examination of the bridge. His report entirely exonerates the contractors from all blame in the matter. It is thought \$500 or \$600 will effect the repairs; and that the bridge will be put up immediately.

A Lecture for Thursday Evening.
Mr. A. W. Straton of Fredericton, has announced that he will deliver a lecture in Temperance Hall, Chatham, on Thursday evening next. The title is "Old and New," and the synopsis is a contrast of the present with the past aspects of some prominent Natural and Historical features, the latter including the future outlook of Canada and touching upon the subjects of "Annexation" and "The Federation of the Empire." We are quite satisfied that those who attend this lecture will find it a rich treat—and we judge from the reputation of the young lecturer, and the subject with which he proposes to deal. We hope he will have a full house.

STAR BRIEFS.

—Mr F. O. Petersen of this town, lost an infant son Monday, in a fit of whooping cough.

Mrs. Thos Carl of Bay du Vin a short time since lost a mare, and a colt by the distemper.

—Mr O'Malley will occupy the Connors building this season. Mr. O'Mally is in town now.

—Fox skins are still coming into town. Mr James Clowry has purchased a number this week.

Messrs Moran & Gratten got out a million and a half of lumber on the North Branch of Renous for Mr Alex. Morrison, this winter.

Mr E A Strang purchased nearly two hundred bushels of oats from down river parties within the past two days. Mr Strang buys always for cash.

—Messrs Moran & Gratten have ceased operations on the Renous for the season. They have commenced to build dams and boats for the springs brook driving.

—The late storm seems to have been more damaging up river than down. Roads used by lumbering parties were completely blocked up and were only rendered passable after 5 hours shovelling.

—A dead horse belonging to a magistrate was hauled out on the ice, and thrown off a little below Middle Island the other day. Overseer Wyse heard the fact, and promptly ordered the owner to have the carcass removed. This was done. The penalty for such transgression is \$100, and not a dollar less than it ought to be.

ST JOHN NOTES.

Concert and Dinner.—On Monday evening last, the St. Joseph's Society celebrated its eleventh anniversary by a very successful entertainment in St Michael's Hall, in which Messrs J. L. Carleton, C. J. O'Reilly and Will T. Carleton particularly distinguished themselves. After the entertainment the performers and a few friends sat down to a social dinner. After the usual loyal toasts were honored, "The St. Joseph's Society" brought out a well worded speech from President Carleton. Mr J Boden in one of those brief but happy speeches for which he is attaining quite a local celebrity, did ample justice to "Our Guests," and "The Ladies" found an able advocate in their favorite Mr O'Reilly. Speeches were also made by Messrs Gleeson, W. T. Carleton and A. Wallace, at the conclusion of which the merry party adjourned.

New Post Office.—Our Portland neighbors are just now rejoicing in the possession of a Post office. The enterprising little town is keeping pace with the times. It has a full set of aldermen, a fire department, its debt is rapidly approaching and bids fair to eclipse the no insignificant city debt of St John; and it sends a delegation to lobby the Assembly every year.

Returned.—Our Ottawa members are home once more, and, notwithstanding all the dining and winning, and the long arduous debates that we read so much about and the more than fiendish snags and jokes telegraphed us, they looked remarkably well and I doubt not the scavenger who cleaned the streets through which they walked would willingly have exchanged places with the poor, over worked, large bearded and large footed member of parliament.

The Exodus.—Papers here are in an agony to discover if somebody is not leaving the country. The general impression is that they who left their country did it for their country's good.

Bid Gas.
The gas is becoming so bad, several persons speak of turning to kerosine. Grit gas is always bad.

Lobster Business, etc.
The following are the names of new parties about to engage in the lobster business on our coast, and the quantities they will put up this season. R. Young esq will put up 75,000 cans; Messr Leslic of Halifax will put up about 75,000 on Miscou Island; Mr McGregor of Dalhousie intends to run an oyster establishment on our river. Shank and Burbridge of Chatham have manufactured 125,000 cans for this seasons work. We may add the latter put up 200 bbls of herring, and 150 quintals of codfish last year besides their lobster business. Messrs Millan and Alexandra of Gloucester will put up 100,000 cans this season on our lobster grounds. Messrs A. & D Loggie of Black Brook will put up 125,000 cans at their establishment this season. This firm will put up 2,000 quintal of codfish this year at Neguac Gully.

THE NORTH-WEST.

We have received the first numbers of the *Rat Portage Progress*, a sprightly, well Edited and newsy paper published at the above named place daily and weekly by Jas Weidman, Esq. The paper seems to be well filled with advertisements, and it seems as if it will take no few advertisements, and no small patronage to run the paper: for its first page contains a column of special telegrams, and the proprietor furnishes 7 or 8 columns of reading matter every day to his patrons. One of the numbers before us is March 12, and it announces that "the ice every day is becoming more and more unsafe," which speaks something for the nature of the weather at Rat Portage.

It has the following item, but candidly we don't believe it.
"Mr Henney brought two trout from Hawk Lake yesterday, weighing together 42 1-2 pounds."
Possibly our sprightly contemporary means sturgeon, not trout.
One here and there runs against an item like this,—
"Rich gold discoveries on the Peace River, N. W. T., are reported."
Respecting the policy of the Syndicate, we find in the *Progress* the following extract:—
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NORTH SHORE "MINER."

We have copies of the North Shore *Miner* published by Mr. C. A. Everitt, at Prince Arthur's Landing, Thunder Bay, before us. The *Miner* was first issued on September 7th, and has been improving in every issue since. It is an eight page paper, and is brimful of matter, readable to people all over the Dominion. Its name being the *Miner*, the chief feature is its mining news, and in this respect it is a complete success. It has items of mining news, and excellent articles on the various mines, gold, silver, copper, iron, &c., for hundreds of miles round, and judging from these at no distant day, Thunder Bay and its vicinity will be furnishing economic minerals, and precious metals no less, to thousands of people soon to inhabit the up-springing nation in the West. Judging from the geological reports which Mr Everitt is republishing, there is an important metal bearing belt in this region, and numerous out-croppings from the main belt. One thing is certain where there are so many finds reported, so many actual mines working, even though a little work often show the end of the vein, there must be a main, and a large vein of mineral near to account for all these branches. In this view we may be mistaken but it is not likely that we are. In No 10 of the *Miner* we find a diagram occupying a full page, of the Silver Islet mine, a valuable property which has already proved a bonanza to the owners. The diagram shows the locations of the ore at the different levels, and turning to its reading columns you find the description just as graphic. Anyone interested in mines ought to have a copy of the *Miner*, for it is most assuredly the best paper we have ever seen devoted to the subject. We wish Mr. Everitt still further success in his creditable newspaper.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The March term of the Circuit Court opened yesterday in Newcastle, Judge Wetmore presiding. The Grand Jury was as follows:—
J P Burchill, Foreman; Geo. Searl, Samuel Russel, Daniel Crimmen, W S Brown, Geo McLeod, Timothy Daly, John Fay, Geo Watt, Wm. Robinson, Wm. McNaughton, James Burchill, Wm. Beattie, Daniel Desmond, James Russell, D G Smith, Thomas Flett, John Ellis, Jr., Alex. C Atkinson, Jos. King, George Savoy.

After the jury been sworn His Honor made a brief address. He congratulated the jury that there was no criminal business before them; and he was sure this was a matter of congratulation to them as it was to him. He would point out however, that though they were summoned for a particular purpose, yet if any matter of importance demanded attention, it was their duty to bring it before the Court. He then touched on

Hon. Edward Williston's resignation from the Bench; and said he had known the hon. gentleman in other days. When in political life he was a most industrious member, and always did his duty well. But since through ill health, which he had regretted to hear of, he had been obliged to withdraw from the Bench, he congratulated the judiciary on the appointment of Judge Wilkinson; and had little doubt but he would prove an excellent Judge.

The following cases were entered for trial.
The Municipality of Kent vs. Donald McArthur.—Richardson and McInerney for Plff., and Sayer and Hutchison for Deft.

John and Peter McLagan vs. Michael Donohoe.—Wm. A. Park, Esq., for Plff., Adams & Lawlor for Deft.

John Russell vs. Charles C. Watt.—Wm. A. Park, Esq., for Plff., and A A Davidson, Esq., for Deft.

Wm. Sinclair vs. John Sinclair and Robert Sinclair.—A H Johnson, Esq., for Plff., L. J. Tweedie, Esq., for Deft.

Randall vs. Watt.
Mr Thompson made an application to the Court to have this case stand over till next term and read affidavits in support of his application. The Court granted Mr Park time to prepare affidavits in reply. Application refused with costs.

The grand jury made the following presentation:—
ADDRESS:
To the Honorable A. Rainsford Wetmore, Justice of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick:

The Grand Jury of the County of Northumberland for the present term are glad to have another opportunity of meeting with your Honor, and share heartily in the satisfaction you have expressed on account of there being no criminal business to engage our attention.

In your remarks on the change that has taken place in the judgeship of the County Court for Northumberland, Gloucester and Restigouche we entirely concur. It was in rendering valuable public services to the Province in the Legislature and the Government and particularly to this county that the retired Judge, Hon Edward Williston, earned the distinguished position which he so creditably filled for fourteen years. It is therefore especially gratifying to us to have this opportunity of joining with your Honor in recognizing his seal and integrity in the performance of the duties which devolved upon him and we hope his retirement will have the effect of restoring his health and that he may long continue to enjoy his well earned freedom from official responsibility. We also congratulate his successor, Hon. Wm. Wilkinson, on his elevation to the County Court Bench of the Province, and believe that in the ability which he displayed at the bar and his high personal character we have guaranteed that his integrity, dignity and honor of the position he holds will be fully sustained.

J. P. BURCHILL, Foreman.

His Honor said he was obliged for the kind wishes expressed by the jury; and endorsed the references to the ex Judge, Williston and Judge Wilkinson. He said he would have a copy of the presentation sent to each of the Hon gentlemen.

Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly.
The April number abounds in highly attractive features, prominent among them being the first instalment of a new serial novel by the popular writer Frank Lee Benedict, it is entitled A Late Remorse, and promises to be of intense interest. There is an article on Thomas Carlisle, by A. H. Greenway, with eleven illustrations; A Journey through the Diamond Swamp, by Alfred Trumble, 4 illustrations; The Charitable side of New York—What it Does for the Young, 11 illustrations, Cricket as played in England, by A Robinson 8 illustrations; Glimpses of the Rhine, by Lady Blanche Murphy, 13 illustrations, etc., etc. The department of fiction contains, besides Mr. Benedict's novel, several brilliant stories and sketches by popular writers. Among the poems are, In the Bastille 1790, by Etta W. Pierer. After many years, by H Wellington Vrooman. The Fairy Revolver, an April song, The Rose etc, etc, most of them tastefully illustrated. Professor Duncanson has a most interesting article on Earthquakes, with 12 illustrations, and Janet E Rautaukes one on George Blott with 8 illustrations. The miscellaneous articles afford both entertainment and instruction. There are 123 quarto pages in the number and over 100 illustrations together with a handsome colored frontispiece. The Maniac Mother, from a painting by Merle. A single copy is only 25 cts. annual subscription \$5 postpaid.

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