

# LOCAL MATTERS.

To "A" Alwick. Thanks for excellent notes. Will appear in next.

Held Over. Conclusion of "1880," and other interesting matter—till next.

Think of it. The most important question ever before the Commons, and he in England!

Smash up. Mr. Tait and his groom smashed their sleighs owing to the roughness of the road coming from Bay du Vin.

Shook Making. Mr. Peter Loggie's mill has ceased making shooks for the present. Messrs. Wilson & Lammond have also discontinued.

The Wrong Person. Certain parties at or from Tabusintac or theabouts does a Chatham gentleman who visits their neighborhood an injustice when they accuse him of writing certain newspaper correspondence relating to matters in that locality.

Smelt Notes. Smelt fishing is at present good on Tabusintac. Mr. Irvine took a ton and a half with one net there on Friday night. Six sled loads of smelt came up here on Wednesday morning. These were also owned by Mr. Morrison of Newfie.

Personal. Mr. Moses Brown of Fredericton was in Chatham Wednesday in the interest of his business. Mr. Brown is a large dealer in boots etc., and we are glad to say he got some handsome orders for the few hours he was in Chatham.

In consequence of Senator Muirhead's ill health, his son Mr. Henry Muirhead left for England to-day in his father's place.

We are pleased to learn that Hon. Senator Muirhead's health is improving.

A Frightful Cancer. Mr. Terence Cook of St. Margarets, is at present in a frightful state with a neglected cancer. The tumor has eaten away the bridge of his nose and his left eye. It came upon him about three years ago but the poor man neglected medical aid until he fears it is now too late.

The Coming Concert. The choir of the R. C. Church are to hold a sacred concert of vocal music, the latter part of this month, under the efficient management of Mr. Timothy Harrington, whose musical talents are well known. The concert promises to be a most pleasant and enjoyable affair.

Xmas Festival. The ladies of the Church of England held a Christmas festival on Thursday in the Church. There were about 150 present including the children. After tea the presents were taken from the Christmas Tree and distributed to the number of over 80. The presents were provided by the teachers, and the little ones were very happy.

Police Court for 1880. The following is a memorandum of cases tried at the Chatham Police Court in 1880:— Drunkenness, 83, Assault and Battery, 26, Abusive language, 8, Violations of liquor law, 5, Wilful damage to property, 4, Resisting police officers, 3, Larceny, 3, Refusing to assist police officers, 2, Shouting on streets, 1, Obstructing side walks, 1, Coasting, 1, Felony, 1. \*Ought not this be 1,000? Ed. STAR.

Canned Fruit. It seems very strange, doesn't it, that in a county like this, abounding with strawberries, raspberries, cranberries, etc. that our grocers should import their canned fruit? There is no use in having a policy to aid the people, if the people do not make a half way effort. We are glad to say that Mr. Marquis, one of the most enterprising of our townfolk, has begun to put up sample cans of strawberry, raspberry, currents, etc. etc. We have seen samples, and have no hesitation in saying they were equal and in some cases superior to any we have seen imported. It is not unlikely, however, that Mr. Marquis will, before this time next year, be doing a large business in canning fruit.

BEANS. It is hard to believe, yet true, that our farmers about the North seem not to think that the soil can produce such a thing as a bean. Though beans might be raised here in abundance, not a farmer has ever given them the trial. Why we speak of the subject now, is because we think a Bean Canning Establishment ought to be started here; as there is a wide market for the article, it being a quarter from which so many lumbermen procure their outfits. There are hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of canned beans imported from Boston to New Brunswick, when the beans might be raised and put up at our very doors. A few of our farmers at any rate ought to make the experiment and that done it would be next in order for some of our enterprising people to try the canning process. In Fredericton there is a canning establishment, but judging from a sample we saw, there must have been a slovliness in putting up the article, so that we could not from said sample recommend it to anyone. But there is money in the business even though the beans had to be brought here.

What they say of Mr. Anglin. At the whim of one gentleman Mr. Anglin was called to speak in Halifax against the Syndicate, as all the public speakers in the representative line had gone to Ottawa. Mr. Anglin was easily induced to stay and "make a speech"—yea, and was delighted at the opportunity. Nearly all the papers are down on him for it and the *News* after saying he speaks fluently on all occasions adds:—"But he is perfectly well-known as a regular stick-in-the-mud—a born obstructionist in the matter of public improvement—in almost all things outside of a certain, by no means large circle, the foci of old Tories, were he to call himself a Liberal or a Reformer twenty times over." Mr. Anglin was five years speaker of the Commons at Ottawa, and though during that time nearly every member from New Brunswick had partaken of his hospitality, he never once asked Mr. John Costigan his table. Mr. Anglin does not like clever Irishmen unless their name happen to be Anglin. New Brunswick can only afford one able Irishman, or tolerate one, as Asia could have only one Alexander. This is why Mr. Costigan was ignored when the Speaker gave his parties and entertained. When Mr. Sullivan took office as leader of the P. E. Island Government, Mr. Anglin abused him for weeks in his paper. Mr. Sullivan had the misfortune too of being a Catholic and an Irishman. The Maritime Provinces are barely large enough for Mr. Anglin.

STAR BRIEFS. —Mr. Peter Loggie's mill is to be thoroughly overhauled this winter. —Five men have gone down from Chatham to fish oysters in Bay du Vin. —Two sled loads of oysters came up here yesterday for shipment to St. John. —Miss McEarn of Chatham will take charge of the school in Lower Bay du Vin next week. —A visit to Newcastle Court House speaks volumes to the visitor for the efficiency and good management of Mr. Deputy Cotcher. It is a pity that the High Sheriff does not reside in the Shiretown. —Service was held in the R. C. Church at 9 and 11, a. m. Thursday. High mass was celebrated by His Lordship Bishop Rogers, and Rev. Father Bannon preached an able and instructive sermon. Service was also held in the Church of England in the forenoon and in the Methodist Church in the evening.

Bass Fishing. Some of the Chatham fishermen fishing bass on the Northwest have taken fifty pound of bass each for two or three nights running of this week.

Bathurst Briefs. Much indignation is felt among the teachers of the lower part of this county because their drafts have not yet been forwarded to them from the education office. To say that there is a screw loose in the education machinery of this Province would be expressing the general feeling very mildly. Last year the Board of Education cut down the Government allowance \$20.00 in each term, and made that amount depend on the rack which the inspector gave the school. The Inspector's action was limited by cast iron rules and the consequence is that many hard working teachers cannot by any possibility have their schools ranked at all, so of course lose \$40.00 per year which often amounts to fully 25 per cent of their whole annual salary. Now to make matters worse the Government or Board of Education or whoever manages this affair has kept back this miserable pittance granted by the Government nearly a month longer than the usual time or nearly three months after it has been earned. This must be considered by any unprejudiced person as most unfair. With your permission Mr. Editor I shall revert this matter as some future time.

The proceeds of the Tea and Fancy Sale held by the ladies of the congregation of St. Luke's Church amounted to \$260 which is to be devoted to liquidating their debt on the church.

On the morning of St. John's day the following were installed officers of St. John's Lodge, No. 27, F and A M for the current year:—

- Robert Miller, W M
- G W Mersereau, S W
- W R Payne, J W
- G M Duncan, M D, P M Chaplain
- James Hickson, P M, Treas.
- CH Mann, Treas.
- Alfred G Gammon, S D
- William Pride, J D
- John Kerr, S S
- W S Bateman, J S
- P Welsh, I G
- William Rogers, Dir. of Cer.
- H C Carter, Tyler.

Messrs. Creagan, J. Fish, W. Park and Charles Sargeant, all of Newcastle, are registered at the Wilbur House today.

JANUARY 4, 1881.

The Florence Nightingale of the Nursery. The following is an extract from a letter written to the "German Reformed Messenger," at Chamberburg, Penn:— A BENEFACTRESS. Just open the door for her, and Mrs Winslow will prove the American Florence Nightingale of the Nursery. Of this we are so sure, that we will teach our little ones, by blessing on Mrs Winslow's for helping her to arrive on the gripping, colicking and teething sieges. MRS WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP relieves the child from pain, and cures dysentery and diarrhoea. It softens the gums, reduces inflammation, cures wind colic, and carries the child safely through the teething sieges. It performs precisely what it professes to perform, every part of it—nothing less. We have never seen Mrs Winslow—know her only through the preparation of her "Soothing Syrup for children teething." If we had the power we would make her, as she is a physical saviour of the whole infant race. Sold by all Druggists. 25 cents a bottle.

Our Lobster Fisheries. From time to time for some years past we have heard complaints by disinterested parties respecting the destruction of the lobster fisheries on certain portions of the New Brunswick coast by reckless fishing. The law is that no lobsters shall be taken after the 20th of August, and the object of the regulation is to prevent soft-shell fish from being taken, and spawn-lobsters as well. We have made extensive enquiry of persons familiar with the fishery, and from one observing gentleman in particular, and from such sources we learn that this regulation is of very little use. For these reasons. There are thousands of soft shell fish taken before the 20th of August, and hundreds of thousands of "spawn lobsters." Early in July those who have fished and watched the lobster, say the female lobster comes in upon the spawning beds, where they are taken in thousands, the fishery officers never, or hardly ever making a complaint, and never so far as we can learn obtaining a prosecution. In this way every summer, hundreds of thousands of spawn lobsters are murderously killed, and the result is, that already the fishing in the bottom of Bay Chaleurs, and various other parts of the coast, is rapidly declining, and in a few years the great lobster industry will be a thing of the past. At one place in the heart of Bay Chaleurs, the fishery is completely extinguished in consequence of taking the fish from the spawning beds and in two or three places too nearer home.

The lobster is very stationary in its habits, and will resort to a bed or certain grounds, till fished out. Every week we hear of a new lobster factory being put up, each of these packing from 40,000 to 70,000 cans in a summer, and employing directly and indirectly from 20 to 40 men each. When we then consider that from Kent County to Gaspe there cannot be fewer than 100 lobster factories, we easily predict what the consequences must be in ten years from now unless the Marine and Fisheries department grapple with the question. We do not find fault with the present and past management without seeing what we think means which might be employed towards remedying the evil. First and foremost then the female lobster comes upon shallow beds, invariably, to spawn. Seldom is a spawn lobster taken in deeper water than three fathoms. Here then a remedy suggests itself. From the first of July or perhaps earlier, the Government should allow no fishing in less than three fathoms. This would meet the great and only objection to the present arrangements—if the regulation were carried out. To do this would require the appointment of a head officer for so much of the coast. He to appoint for certain nights or times unknown to the fishermen special wardens who would make sudden visits among the fishermen. The prompt and vigorous punishment of offenders would do the rest. At present the fishery officers are mere sinecures, and the result is a valuable industry is every day hastening on to its end.

One point or two referred to above can not be put too plainly or stated too often. The large proportion of lobsters taken now, are spawn lobsters, because these fish are found upon the beds, in shallow water where it is easiest to fish them. Few spawn lobsters are found in deeper water, though it is there most of the males resort. And once a lobster district becomes barren, it remains so, because the lobster is a fish that remains for years in the same place, unless driven out or killed out.

NEWFOUNDLAND LOBSTER FISHING. Of late lobster fishing is being carried on rather extensively in Newfoundland, and the great proportion of the packers there are New Brunswickers. Why do not some of the Newfoundlanders themselves turn away their eyes from the declining cod fish industry and commence packing lobsters? About \$1,500 capital would give a man a good start, and the abundance of lobsters would do the rest.

## Ottawa News

THE DEBATE ON THE CONTRACT, —MR. CAMERON'S FROTH, —AND MR. PLUMB'S SOUND SENSE AND CUTTING SATIRE.

MR. EDITOR,— Of course you have seen the statements made by the Opposition that the Government were afraid to allow the people to hear the question discussed before the contract was put for passage. Well, Sir, the enemy has been spouting on the subject now for eight days, and the contract is about as safe as ever it was. Nova Scotia has not gone into rebellion though Mr. Anglin went there and tried to raise a disturbance, the Upper Provinces are all right, though Blake packed his meetings, and refused to meet an opponent. New Brunswick is so easy about the matter that no Grit has raised a platform voice against it. The contract will pass, and the Reformers can't help it. They tried for poorer terms themselves and failed. They beat the Government once before on the Pacific R. R., their hope was, it is their last hope, their last ditch, their only reliable, oaken plank, to defeat them on it the second time. They can't!

MR. CAMERON. The campaign has opened anew. Mr. Cameron opened it. He said he was going to sit Sir Charles statements through before he had done. He denied Tupper's assertion that the present contract was better than the Allan contract and said the times and circumstances had greatly changed since 1873. So they are; but the Grits haven't improved much since. There is too much of the ox movement about them for that.

MR. PLUMB. Mr. Plumb followed the vaporing Mr. Cameron. He referred to the various Grit indignation meetings that had resulted in being great Conservative successes. Mr Plumb then entered in a lengthy reply to the speech of the member for West Huron. He quoted the statistics of Texas of 1870, which exempted from taxation for a term of 25 years not only the road bed and station houses, but all rolling stock, lands and capital from all town, city, county, municipal, state or federal taxes. We, however, only exempt the Syndicate's land from taxation until sold. Minnesota exempted the road beds from taxation forever. The same is the case in Wisconsin and other States. Last year they declared the North West lands were not worth a dollar an acre; now they swear they are worth more than five dollars an acre. He did not believe that any possible agreement would be accepted by the Opposition. If Sir John had returned from London with the sealed contract of a Syndicate to build the road without a dollar in cash or an acre of land, to even give Canada a large bonus to be allowed to build the road, and agreed to operate it for ever, the Grits would have declared that such a bargain would "crush and ruin the country." [Loud cheers.] To use a homely illustration, the Grit party were very much like a Scotch terrier of his (Plumb's), which once saw a rat run out of a hole. The dog caught that rat and watched by that hole for seven years for another rat, but the second rat was not there. (Laughter.) The Grits would never get into power again. Mr. Blake was a special pleader. He could make speeches of equal brilliancy and eloquence on both sides. Look at his speeches on the question during the past two years. They were diametrically opposed to each other, but were equally eloquent and brilliant. From the bottom of his soul he pitied poor Mackenzie's position on this question. During Blake's speeches last year Mr. Mackenzie had sat in his seat, bound hand and foot and gagged. He had been politically executed by his own party, by the very men who followed him like wooden machines for five years; yet today not one among them was so poor as to do him reverence. Mr. Blake had spoken altogether seventeen hours on this question, the sum and substance of the whole being that if the Government would only build the Sault Branch through American territory then all his objections would cease. After Mr. Plumb ended, Mr. Mills arose, but owing to the lateness of the hour, the house adjourned.

## Communications.

"Who is he?"—asks the Hidden Hand

To the Editor of the STAR.

DEAR SIR—There is a person in this town, concerning whom I wrote a letter for you a short time ago; but on second thought I did not after writing it, deem it necessary to publish it. The public know of whom I write, a person whom I am determined to let alone, so long as he lets respectable people alone. I admire the way the man has worked ahead, bearing the load of dishonor and the shameful record that he does. I do not even object to respectable people suffering him inside their doors, for if he has mended his ways, and is now walking in honorable and virtuous roads, he is rather to be commended than blamed. But I shall not suffer such a man to try to blacken the personal character of other; and just the moment I see him begin an occupation so congenial to his low mind and morals, and his aforesaid associations I shall pull the cloak off his back. I have his record by me: a revolting record it is. I have no desire to pain either his or others' feelings, as the publication of what I know would necessarily do; unless indeed as I said he still will persist in trying to blacken the character of honorable and worthy men. A publication of his IMMORALITIES, of his abandoned life and disreputable associations, is the only shield for the characters of men who have incurred his hate and his displeasure; so far the threat of doing this has hushed his scandalous tongue. When he is at his highest flight, when he walks the streets holding his head up as one of the best people in Chatham, as occupying the first place in certain social circles, as the one whose dictum is the guide of some, just one little hint of his past immoral life humbles him to the very dust. Of late he has hinted immoral things, so I learn, against his neighbors, but his neighbors came forward with additional testimony—Dishonesty this time—of his immoralities and associations, then he becomes mute and mild, does not appear in his Chatham social circle for a few evenings but threatens and only "threatens," those who threaten to tell the truth with "Law." Who is he?

I am,

## FOUND.

Found on Water street New Years eve a muff. The owner can have the same by proving property and paying for this advertisement. Chatham, Jan. 8th '80.

## WAVERLY HOTEL.

ALEXANDER STEWART, Proprietor.

NEWCASTLE, N. B. August 30, 1880.

## TO OWNERS OF HORSES!

One dose of Chamber's Epizootic Powder Price \$1 00, and One bottle Chamber's Epizootic Liniment Price 50 cents. Is warranted to cure the worst case of Epizootic, Induena, Cough or Cold. Prepared by J. Chambers, Veterinary Surgeon, No. 555 Main St, New Orleans, and formerly Veterinary Surgeon to the Royal Stables, England. J. W. Wiley, Brunswick-St, Fredericton, Agent for the Dominion of Canada. For sale by all druggists. These preparations have been in use in York county for the last three months and have given general satisfaction in all cases. JOHN WILEY.

TESTIMONIALS. Fredericton, Oct 27, 1880. John Wiley, Esq. Sir—We have used Chamber's Epizootic Powder and Liniment, and take pleasure in recommending it as a speedy and certain cure for the distemper now prevailing. Gunter & Atherton Livery Stable Robert Orr Proprietors, &c Wm A Gannon Chas E Smith

\$10 Outfit furnished free, with full instructions for conducting the most profitable business that anyone can engage in. The business is so easy to learn and our instructions are so simple and plain, that anyone can make great profits from the very start. No one can fail who is willing to work. Women are as successful as the men. Boys and Girls can earn large sums. Many have made at the business over one hundred dollars in a single week. Nothing like it ever known before. All who engage are surprised at the ease and rapidity with which they are able to make money. You can engage in this business during spare time at great profit. You do not have to invest capital in it. We take all the risk. Those who need money should write to us at once. All furnished free. Address True & Co, Augusta, Maine. oct30 adwly

## Cooley Milk Cans.

I am sole manufacturer for the agent for the Cooley Patent Milk Cans in the four northern counties. No dairy should be without this excellent article, which is now used entirely by the Dublin and numerous other creamery associations. For sale low. H P MARQUIS, Cunard St, Chatham, N B Chatham, Oct 16, 1880—tf

## GRANITEWARE.

I have received a large stock of granite-ware, consisting of all articles hitherto in the tin line; among which are Pans of all kinds, Preserve Pots and Kettles, Tea and Coffee Pots, &c, &c, glazed in a porcelain, and guaranteed never to rust. H P MARQUIS, Cunard St, Chatham

## Farmer's Helps.

The Montreal "Weekly Witness" is a paper that devotes especial attention to the Farmers' needs. The Agricultural Department is edited by W. F. Clarke, Esq., Lindenbank, Guelph, who is widely known as at one time the editor of the "Canada Farmer" and more recently the "Witness" lecturer on agriculture. His editorial articles, and "Agricultural Letter Box" are especially attractive. The "Witness" Markets are all perfectly reliable and very full. Hardly less valuable is the veterinary column conducted by D. McEachran, F. R. C. V. S., Principal of the Montreal Veterinary College and the Dominion Inspector of live stock. His name stands in the front rank of veterinary surgeons on this continent, and the prompt replies given to correspondents are valuable. A "Poultry Column" has just been added, and promises to be of great assistance to poultry farmers, who are growing in number. In the cities and towns especially the raising of fowls is increasing in popularity. While those departments are of especial value to the farmers, the cultivators of the soil in a smaller way and the gentlemen and ladies who are fond of gardening, are not neglected. The Legal Department, in which all legal questions are answered by one competent to perform this work, is a valuable assistance to all men of business. And then the paper is full of information of especial interest to the family, even the little children having a column to themselves. An especial feature about this paper is that every department is carefully edited, not thrown together hap-hazard, so that those relying on any information given are not likely to be misled. Every subscriber of the Montreal "Weekly Witness" can tell of special offers whereby old and new subscribers are benefited.

## Tinware. Tinware.

The Subscriber also offers a varied and extensive stock of Tinware, including Pails, Pans, Kettles, Saucepans, Stew Pans, Coal Hods, Lantrens, Milk Strainers, Milk Pans, Fine Sifters, Calanders, Tea and Coffee Pots, Patty Pans, Water Sprinklers, &c, &c. All at the lowest figures for cash; easy terms on approved credit. N B—I make most of my own wares and can afford to sell at bottom prices. H P MARQUIS, Cunard St, Chatham

## John W. Nicholson,

WHOLESALE IMPORTER AND COMMISSION MERCHANT.

Offers for sale the following goods in bond or duty paid:—

- Martell Brandy in Hh'ds and Quarter Casks—Pale and Dark
- Martell Brandy in cases—Pale and Dark
- Martell Brandy in cases, XXX—Pale and Dark
- Martell Brandy in cases, X—in pints, 2 doz each
- Hennessy Brandy in cases, X.
- John De Kuper & Son's finest quality Gin in Hhds and Quarter Casks
- John De Kuper & Son's Gin, in Green Cases.
- Wise's Finest Cork Malt Scotch Whiskey in Quarter Casks.
- Old Dublin [B] Whiskey—12 years old—in cases.
- Highland Malt Scotch hiskey in Qr Casks
- Finest Blended Glenlivet Whiskey in Cases
- Port wine, various grades
- Port Wine, Hunt's celebrated AY, AYA and XAY
- Sherry, various grades
- Sherry, Richard Davis' celebrated Wine
- Champagne, in baskets
- Goodman & Wort's finest quality Pure Spirits, in bbls
- Rye Whiskey, in bbls
- Bourbon Whiskey, in bbls
- Bass' India Pale Ale, in hhd's and bottles
- Guinness' Stout, in hhd's and bottles.
- And sundry other goods.

## VICTORIA WHARF.

Smyth St. ST JOHN, N B. Dec 1st—4m

## STOVES! STOVES! STOVES!

## Tinware, Tinware.

The Subscriber has opened a wareroom in the building known as

## FISH'S TANNERY,

Where all classes of the above goods are now on exhibition.

I can quote prices for these goods which will commend them to purchasers.

## STOVES

purchased at my establishment will be fitted up free of charge.

## CALL & INSPECT STOCK.

## Freezers & Refrigerators

a speciality.

R. D. SOUTHWOOD, Newcastle, Sept 27, 1880—sep20tf

## Just Received!

Layer Raisins

Currants &c &c

Essence of Lemon

Essence Peppermint

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## MYRTLE NAVY TOBACCO

and LITTLE MAJOR TOBACCO

For sale low by

NICHOLAS BARDEN Chatham—Dec22—tf

## JOHN R. MALTBY

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

NOTARY PUBLIC.

CONVANCER, &c. &c.

OFFICE:—Over the store of James Fish, Esq., Commercial Wharf.

## NEWCASTLE N. B.

Sept. 1, 1880.

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A Nice Assortment of Sundries

COMPRISING—

Hair, Tooth, Cloth, Hat, Nail and SHAVING BRUSHES,

LADIES AND GENTS' SHOULDER BRACES,

FINE TOILET SOAPS

Trusses, Nursing Bottles and Fittings, Hand Mirrors, Shaving Boxes,

LIME JUICE, (in Pts. & Qts.)

Canary, Hemp, Rape, Maw AND MILLET SEEDS

ALL KINDS OF

Horse and Cattle Medicines.

Prescriptions Carefully Prepared, and only the Purest Drugs are used.

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DENTAL ROOMS, Up Stairs. Entrance: Front Door.

MACKENZIE & CO. Chatham, N. B., Sept. 1, 1880.—tf

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## CHOICE BRANDS

—OF—

## Wines, Liquors and Cigars.

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## ENGLISH ALE & IRISH PORTER

Large quantities of which are always kept on hand and for sale by the dozen or the barrel.

T. F. KEAREY, [Rear of Customs House,] CHATHAM, N. B. Chatham, Aug. 20, 1880.—tf

## PETER LOGGIE,

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I am now prepared to supply the demand of the shippers and fishermen with shoes—assorted sizes. These are a better and cheaper article than can be obtained elsewhere. Orders from a distance will receive prompt attention.

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