

Correspondence, For the Colonial Farmer. Mr. Editor, - Having been detained a few days at Canterbury Station, I became somewhat acquainted in this locality with the surrounding country. The two principal business staples are Lumber, Sawmills and Thomas Fuller's, who do a considerable trade in Knives, Sheeps, Cordwood, and Bark, and up the line one finds in another business stand owned by D. W. Grant, Esq., who does a large business. The country is surrounded by lakes, where trout can be obtained in large quantities. The Little Station is quite a place of bustle, more so on account of the vast quantity of smuggled goods that pass through this loophole for York and Carleton Counties. It is somewhat strange that the Dominion Government does not put a stop to this illicit trade, and I made a remark of this kind to a gentleman and was told they are all neighbors at the Station. But I had some doubts in my mind that the Dominion Government would take the same view of the case much longer, and in conclusion I will say I wish the people at Canterbury Station much peace and happiness, and remain, Yours truly, F. F. P. O. No. 30, March 20th, 1877.

For the Colonial Farmer. Mr. Editor, - I saw a communication in your last issue about the School matters in Stanley, signed "K," and he hoped when farming commenced the Trustees of Stanley would have something else to occupy their minds. Now, Mr. Editor, I would ask in reply to "K" is it not the duty of the Trustees to talk of school matters to the management of the schools, or whose duty is it? Does "K" want to do it? If he does we will resign in his favor, or if not let him attend to his own duties and let the school matters drop, as they do not concern him in any way. J. C. & J. R. Stanley, March 20th, 1877.

We have omitted the concluding portions of our correspondent's letter as they have no bearing on the matter. We can assure our friends that they are in error as to the authorship of the letter in question, as the remarks omitted plainly show. -Ed.

The Hon. Mr. Mackenzie's suggestion to Mr. Chas. Burpee that flat-bottomed boats ought to be employed in the navigation of the St. John below Fredericton, and that a deepening of the channel would be unnecessary, has caused considerable comment among the people of this City. Not a little surprise has been expressed that the capacity of the second river in Canada, and the character of traffic, which will in the near future be done upon it, should not be better understood by the First Minister; and it was felt that however energetic Mr. Mackenzie has been to qualify himself to meet the political requirements of the various sections of the Dominion, he has not yet found leisure to inform himself as to their physical characteristics. In common with our neighbors we were staggered by the Premier's suggestion and the profound ignorance of the subject which it disclosed; but for this we might not have searched far to find reasons if not excuses, when however we asked ourselves the question, To what purpose have we sent representatives to Ottawa for ten years? the difficulty to find an answer became insurmountable. It certainly cannot be said that we have made the capabilities and requirements of our country better known. There are not wanting those in every community who deary the value of a talent for public speaking in public men, claiming that workers, not talkers, ought to be chosen for representative positions; and while one might be disposed to grant that the representatives of the river Counties do not talk much, few can be found who will give them credit for working at all. But the idea is a wrong one. A new and progressive county like New Brunswick requires stirring, enthusiastic representatives, who are able and not afraid to make the wants of their constituents known in Parliament. Of glib-tongued busy bodies, men who poke their noses in every debate whether they know anything of the subject or not, there are plenty at Ottawa, and in this Province need not hasten to add to the number; but of thoughtful, earnest men, who will inform themselves upon questions of public interest, and declare the result of their investigations in a forcible way, there never can be a surplus. A member of Parliament has facilities for making his constituency known which no one else possesses. A newspaper generally has only a local, or at the most, a provincial circulation; the intelligent member of Parliament has the care of the whole Dominion, and can bring the locality he represents under the notice of thousands who would otherwise have never heard of it. How well York and the other river Counties have been served in this respect, may be judged from the fact that the Premier knew so little of their facts as the suggestion with which this article opens inflicts. We have heard some say that our representatives do not wish to leave the House with their complaints. If this be the reason of their silence, they had better have a care, lest in their effort not to trespass upon the patience of Parliament, they may exhaust that of their constituents.

No steps have yet been taken by the Committee of the City Council to secure the holding of the Exhibition here next year. In doing this matter can do no good and may lead to loss. It will be a pecuniary benefit to the city to have the Exhibition here and as we have the best show grounds and building in the Dominion there ought to be little difficulty in procuring the choice of the Government for Fredericton. The first thing of course is to secure the use of the buildings. Now on this point we have only to say that the case appears to be one which ought to be readily settled. The Agricultural Society Committee either have or have not fulfilled the conditions upon which they were to have the \$10,000. If they have, they should get the money. While the citizens would hold the Council responsible if they pay over money without due authority; they will not excuse such a course as may lead to expensive litigation to enforce a just claim. A little careful investigation ought to disclose the facts of the case, and the Aldermen are not doing their constituents justice if they believe the popular vote would not ratify the payment of an honest debt. If the claim is a proper one it ought to be satisfied if it costs every man at the Council Board his seat at the next civic election.

We therefore respectfully request that your Excellency will take the subject into your consideration, and bring it under the notice of your advisers, in order that they may adopt such measures as will mature a plan for this improvement, and that the money for the Shoals, and appropriate such amount from time to time as are necessary to effect that object.

Fredericton, 30th April, A. D. 1877.

NEWS ITEMS.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The comparative failure in the wheat crop last season in the extensive cereal region of Western Canada resulted in higher rates for breadstuffs than had been maintained for some years previous. During the past month wheat has further advanced at Chicago from 5 to 10 cents per bushel, and a corresponding advance in flour has taken place of about 50 cts. per barrel. We cannot therefore look for any decline in the price of this necessary article coming in of the new crop, which will not affect us until about September, nor even then unless the present season should be much more favorable than the last. Meal has been maintained at reasonable rates, but the causes that affected flour have similarly operated on oatmeal, which will probably remain at its present price, or advance somewhat.

We noticed last week the prompt adjustment of losses by the recent fire in Fisher's building. To-day we have much pleasure in stating that Robert Marshall, Esq., general agent for "The Imperial," "Etna," and "British American," telegraph Mr. Richards, the agent for those Companies in this City, to pay the claims at once without any deduction, which was done by Mr. R. on Thursday last. The claim on those Companies amounted to \$2,235.03. Such prompt payment of honorable losses reflects the highest credit upon the Companies and upon the agents doing their business in this Province, and must be productive of great advantage to them.

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TELEGRAPHIC ITEMS.

MONDAY.

Advices from Ceylon say the aspect of the threatened scarcity is daily becoming more gloomy.

The signing of the protocol has been officially announced.

The indications are growing stronger that Hanoi will be declared Governor of South Carolina.

Revenue Collector Patterson and two officers were killed by illicit distillers in North Carolina.

A cable despatch states that Oshay Hill, a tenement house at Rhine Cliff, N. Y., was destroyed by fire on Friday night, and Mrs. Burns and four children were burned to death.

TUESDAY.

A leading French journal says the signing of the protocol virtually abrogates the Treaty of Paris.

St. Petersburg journals say that notwithstanding the signing of the protocol, war is inevitable.

Nine vessels and 105 men of the Long Island fishing fleet are missing and are supposed to have been lost in the recent gales.

At a cabinet meeting held at Washington yesterday the Secretary of War was directed to prepare an order transferring the troops from the State House, Columbia, S. C., to their camp.

Some of Sioux Indians at Buffalo Range, Kansas, surprised a party of hunters at night, and killed sixteen.

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Notice.

THE subscribers being about to close their present business, request all parties having accounts against them to furnish the same for payment.

Parties indebted to us whose accounts have been paid in full, are requested to call on or to send the same to the undersigned.

Wm. A. ORR & RICHIEY.
Ft. on, April 9, 1877.—3w pd.

4 CASES, 2 BARRELS
HARDWARE,
FROM BOSTON.

CONTAINING, Blake's Traps, Chains, Cow Bells, Porcelain Frying Pans, Door Edges, Anger Bits, Gimlet Bits, Carpet Stretcher, Hat and Shoe Brushes, Patent Dryer, Brass Plates, Brass Flanges, Brass Sticks, Spring Measuring Tapes, Stocks and Dies, Cheever's Tubular Lantern Globes, Light T Hinges.

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A NEW THING!
MARBELIZED IRON WARE
consisting of
SAUCE PANS, Preserving Kettles, Tea Kettles, Children's Wugs, Wash Basins, Frying Pans, Butt Hinges, Loose and Fast Joints, Back Flaps, Carriage Bolts, Patent Dryer, New's Foot Oil, 3 Reams Sand Paper.

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3 BOXES, 1 CAN, 1 BARREL
containing
COLORED PAIN'S OIL,
Ac., &c., FROM BOSTON.

BUNDS OF SEVEN, Vandyke Brown, Indian Red, &c., Oil, Raw and Burnt Umber, all colors, in the best of PRINCE WILLIAM, County of York, granted to George West, and by him conveyed to the late JOHN W. A. CO., Ft. on, April 9, 1877. Druggists.

Land For Sale.

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Ayrshires
The Hills Here, Fredericton, P. Q.

FOR SALE choice animals bred with special reference to milking qualities. Catalogue furnished on application to
N. S. WHITNEY,
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Drunkards Warning.
Dramatic Entertainment
MONDAY, APRIL 9th.

THE members of ST. DUNSTON'S DRAMATIC CLUB, beg to announce that on MONDAY EVENING, APRIL 9th, they will give a GRAND DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT, at the request of St. Dunstan's T. A. Society, in the NEW HALL, REGENT STREET, on which occasion will be produced, for the first time in this city, the beautiful Temperance Drama in three acts, entitled
"The Drunkard's Warning."
This Great Moral Temperance Play should be witnessed by every one.
Bryson's Band will be in attendance.
Doors open at 7 1/2. Performance will commence at 8 o'clock.
Admission 25 cents. Tickets can be procured at the THEATRE ROYAL, or from the Secretary, and at the door of the Company on the evening of the performance.
For Cast of Characters, see small bills.

Customs Department.
Ottawa, 2nd February, 1877.

AUTHORIZED DISCOUNT on American invoices and bills of exchange, payable here, on
April 9
Commissioner of Customs.

NOTICE!
AT the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the NEW BRUNSWICK FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, at New Brunswick, held at their office on this day, the following gentlemen were unanimously re-elected Directors for the ensuing year:—
J. H. ROBINSON, President,
W. G. WATSON, Vice-President,
E. H. WILSON, Secretary,
JOHN EDWARDS, Treasurer.

Ft. on, April 9, 1877.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors on Sunday, 8th, S. D. McPHEESON, Esquire, was unanimously re-elected President of the Company for same period.

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W. M. McBEATH, Secretary.

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SELL CHEAPER
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American Danvers Yellow
ONION SEED.
Druggists and Seedmen,
Corner Queen and Regent Sts.,
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The Morning Hour. By Rev. A. D. J. H. EARLE, Pastor, St. John's Church, Fredericton. The great family newspaper, now in its 10th year, is published every day, except on Sundays and public holidays. It is published at the lowest price, and is in its 10th year. For full particulars, address, J. H. EARLE, Pastor, St. John's Church, Fredericton, N. B., April 9, 1877.

For Sale!
Possession given 1st of May next.
All that valuable lot of land in the City of Fredericton, containing 100 acres of ground, and running back towards Charlotte Street, and being the same premises now occupied by Mr. Murphy, and situated next below Capt. Light's, is offered for sale by
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