Town and Country.

The York County court opens next Tuesday.

The York Municipal Council meets on the 18th inst.

The Sunbury Municipal Council opened yesterday.

Mr. J. J. Weddall advertises dry goods remnants.

Mr. Edward's toboggan slide is the popular place of amusement.

The Infantry School Corps will be three years old on Friday.

Alex. Paulsen, the great Norwegian skater, is on his way to Canada.

Mr. David Irvine, M. P. for Carleton Co., was in the city yestarday.

Mr. A. B. Connell, Barrister of Woodstock, is a guest at the "Queen."

Mr. John McLaughlin of West Glassville, Carleton County, is in the city.

See Mr. Fred. B. Edgecombe's new advertisement of seasonable dry goods.

Mayoralty election next Monday. There is no opposition yet to Mayor Fenety.

Lt. Donkin has gone to his home at River Phillip, N. S. He made many friends here.

A horse belonging to Mr. Richard Bailey Douglas, dropped dead in harness one day last week.

Fredericton has 931 qualified civic electors, including 85 married women, widows and spinsters.

The York Circuit Court, His Honor the Chief Justice presiding, opens on Tuesday, the 18th inst.

Mr. W. W. Street, who spent the holiday season with his brother in Chatham, returned home Monday.

The Young Peoples' Association of St. Paul's church will hold a prayer service tomorrow evening.

Bandmaster Hayes of the I. S. C., received the handsome donation of $50, Xmas, from the officers and men of the corps.

Mr. Robt. Landells, principal of the Woodstock Grammar School has resigned and is succeeded by Mr. J. T. Horsemen, a University graduate.

Prof. C. G. D. Roberts of Kings college, N. S., lectured before the Canadian club, New York, last Thursday evening. Subject: "Echoes from Old Acadia."

The rural deans of the Diocese of Fredericton are in conference with His Lordship the Bishop Coadjutor at the Queen Hotel, and they will dine with him there this evening.

Mr. John B. Grieves, with his customary pluck, is actively engaged in preparations to repair the Waverley Hotel. The *debris* is now being cleared away from the wrecked building.

Alds. Thomas and Wiley have both signified their intention of retiring from civic politics. Both were good men, and St. Ann's Ward will regret losing their services in the Council.

Next Sunday, Rev. Mr. Mowatt in St. Paul's church will preach sermons commemorative of the opening of the new church, and a special collection for the church funds will be taken up.

The Women's Christian Union entertained one hundred poor children to dinner in Temperance Hall New Year's. A Xmas tree was also provided much to the delight of the youngsters.

New materials for evening wear at F. B. Edgecombe's.

The firemen desire through the FARMER, to warmly thank Mr. J. A. Edwards of the Queen Hotel, Mr. J. A. Lynch and Mrs. Christie, in so kindly entertaining them to breakfast after the fire.

Friends of Rev. H. B. Montgomery, Rector of Kingsclear, invaded his home during the holiday season and left behind them substantial evidences of their good will towards him and Mrs. Montgomery.

Contracts for supplying the Infantry School Corps for the current year, have been awarded as follows; groceries, Geo. Hatt & Sons. meat, James Boyle, bread, H. O'Neill Jr., cordwood, Wm. Estey.

Owing to the proposed change of term at the Normal School, teachers eligible for examination for advance of class will be permitted to undergo it in June next, instead of the following December.

The curlers meet at the Rink this evening to challenge several outside clubs for matches here. They expect visits this year from the two St. John clubs, Newcastle, Chatham and possibly St. Stephen.

The Church of England Temperance Society will hold its regular monthly meeting, next Monday evening in the Church Hall. A parlor concert and tea will be given in connexion therewith. Admission 20 cts.

The numerous friends of Adjutant Young, I. S. C., will be glad to learn that he is recovering from the affection of his knee, which has confined him to his quarters for so many weeks. He is able to walk around the Barracks with the aid of a stick.

Messrs. Black & Hazen, Barristers and Insurance Agents, have presented the FARMER with a very handsome calendar, the most convenient for office use we have seen. It was printed at McMillan's, St. John, and the work is done in first-class style.

Sec'y-Treasurer Wilson has called a meeting of the ratepayers of the new town of Marysville, to be held in Mr. Gibson's hall on the 10th January, for the purpose of making arrangements for holding the election of Mayor, Aldermen, and Assessors.

Messrs. Eben Miller & Co., have completed a very handsome sleigh of mammoth proportions for Mr. George I. Gunter. The workmanship is highly creditable to the firm. The new vehicle has been christened "Colossus" and will seat forty persons.

A most enjoyable time may be expected by all who patronize the farmer's supper at Norman Hallett's, Douglas, to-morrow evening. The distance from town is nothing for a comfortable sleigh drive on a moonlight night. All should go who can make it possible.

The Albert *Maple Leaf* got out a most creditable holiday extra, full of interesting original articles, both grave and gay. Mr. Wood, the editor, is, as Mark Twain might say, "a versatile cuss" who can write both prose and poetry in a finished and popular style.

Miss Emma Whitlock of St. Stephen, a Christian scientist, is at present at the Queen Hotel where she proposes practising Christian science of health. Her office hours are from 9 A. M. to 12, and from 2 P. M. to 6 P. M. She will give treatments for both acute and chronic diseases.

Mr. George R. Atherton, father of Mrs. W. G. Gaunce, died at his residence, King street, New Year's day, and his remains were interred Sunday afternoon, Rev. Dr. McLeod conducting the services. The deceased was widely known and respected. He was seventy-seven years old.

Examinations to qualify for entering the Normal School were in progress Monday and Tuesday and the term opens formally tomorrow. Applicants to the number of 121 presented themselves, and there will be fully the usual quota who will enter under certificate or already hold licenses.

Ladies' and gentlemen's kid gloves for evening wear at F. B. Edgecombe's.

Four commercial tourists and a rink of all-comers competed at curling Monday afternoon, and the game ended in the triumph of the bagmen. The score was:—

A. A. Bartlett,	H. V. B. Bridges,
C. S. Everett,	A. G. Beckwith,
G. Y. Dibblee,	A. F. Street,
E. A. Smith, skip, 11	L. C. Macnutt, skip, 6

One of the axles of the tender on the train from St. John to Fredericton, broke this morning near Glasier's, and had to be left there with the cars, the engine running in with the mails. Word was immediately despatched to McAdam for another engine, and the passengers were brought in by a team sent out from the "Queen."

The superintendent of the Deaf and Dumb Institution acknowleges with thanks, the receipts of a large box of oranges, apples and candies, from Mr. G. T. Whelpley, parcels of raisins, apples and doughnuts from the Masonic Ball Committee, a parcel of warm under clothing from a friend, and a parcel of pinafores and woollen hood from Miss Moffat.

A correspondent at Tracey Station, Sunbury County, writes to the *Sun*:—Oliver D. Smith stated on a route through the woods from the Juvenile Settlement to his home the day previous to the heaviest fall of snow of the season, and has not yet been heard from since. No one here knows where the people reside. It is the opinion of many that he has perished in the woods.

Mr. Fred. Estey, youngest son of the late Shephard Estey of this city, and brother of Mr. H. G. Estey of the Peoples' Bank, has entered matrimonial bonds. He was married in Boston at the Ruggles street Baptist Church, Christmas eve, to Miss Geneva Anderson of Boston, Rev. Dr. Seymour performing the ceremony. Mr. Estey's friends in Fredericton, will wish him and his bride complete happiness.

Mr. A. A. Bartlett of Charlottetown, the popular representative of Mann, Byers & Co. of Glasgow, is in the city this week on a business trip. Mr. Bartlett represents a first-class house, he is a good fellow personally, and has made hosts of friends in Fredericton, by his manly social disposition.

Here are a few condensed statistical items in regard to Fredericton for 1886, as compared with 1885:—

	1886	1885
Dutiable goods imported,	$193,098	$193,129
Total imports,	307,784	270,016
Duty collected,	49,308	49,237
Value of Exports,	47,160	66,423
Marriages,	117	—
Deaths,	144	127
Crimes and offences,	425	367
Committed to jail,	82	106
C. T. Act violations, city,	59	—
Do do county,	42	—
Do fines collected,	$2,183	—

The marriage of Mr. Morris V. Paddock of St. John, and Miss Harriet Black, sister of Mr. John Black of this city, was quietly celebrated at the Cathedral, New Year's morning. The bride was supported by her niece, Miss Mauger, and Mr. W. H. Robinson of the Bank of Nova Scotia, attended Mr. Paddock. The bride was given in marriage by Mr. John Black, and after luncheon at Mrs. Black's, Mr. and Mrs. Paddock left for their home in St. John, followed by the good wishes of numerous friends.

A correspondent writing to the FARMER from West Glassville, Carleton County, states that all the crops this season have been good. Wheat was the best crop in quantity and quality ever raised in the parish. Oats were little short in the straw, but the grain was good, the yield a good average all through. Buckwheat was above the average; potatoes a good crop, and tuanips excellent, although there is a tendency to-wards decreasing average in that root. The hay crop was light. Produce shipments not up to those of last year as yet.

R. W. D. G. M. Harry Beckwith, accompanied by W. M., J. D. Fowler, P. W. M's, Alex. Burchill, S. H. McKee, Jr., and A. G. Beckwith, and J. W., A. J. Foley Parker of Hiram Lodge, F. & A. M., visited Gibson last night, and installed the officers of Alexandria Lodge for the current year, as follows: Whitman Brewer, W. M., J. E. Simmons, S. W., Alexander Sinclair, J. W., Whitman Haines, Treas., E. Hanson, Sec'y, P. M. Albert Boon, S. D., S. Butler, J. D., R. Moore, O. S., A. Dunphy, I. S., P. M. Jared Boone, D. of C., J. V. C. Wetmore, Chap., W. McFarlane, I. G., P. M. J. G. Hall, Tyler.

Approaching old age, as indicated by baldness, and general physical disability, seem not to dull the lustre of the vigorous pen wielded by the immortal Clarke of the St. Stephen *Courier*. It is even said, that disregarding all signs of approaching senility, he will shortly enter the matrimonial field, and make amends for his past startling disregard of his duty in this connection. This sort of thing, however, ought to be prohibited, and if Mr. McCready of the *Telegraph*, will advocate a tax on old men entering the married state, instead of placing the imposition on bachelors, he can depend on the cordial support of the FARMER.

D. D. G. M., J. S. Withrow, assisted by P. G's, G. H. Simmons, J. Palmer, C. F. Morehouse, C. A. Sampson and J. F. Richards acting as Grand Marshal, installed the following officers of Victoria Lodge, I. O. O. F., Monday evening:—J. W. Tabor, N. G.; Joshua Limerick, V. G.; A. D. McPherson, R. S.; J. S. Withrow, Per. Sec'y; Henry B. Clark, Treas.; Charles Collins, War.; F. J. McCausland, Con.; Thomas Buchanan, I. G.; P. G., J. B. Hawthorn, O. G.; S. Mackay, R. S. S.; J. K. McPherson, P. S. S.; P. G., C. F. Morehouse, R. S. N. G.; J. D. Fowler, L. S. N. G.; J. Robinson, R. S. V. G.; W. N. S. Hooper, L. S. V. G.; G. I. Gunter, J. P. G. After the installation, the members of the Lodge had oysters and a social time at Leek's.

The Fredericton Temperance Convention met in the ladies' parlor of the Temperance Hall last night, and was attended by E. C. Freeze, H. C. Creed, Thos. Atherton, M. S. Hall, Geo. J. Burns, Jos. Sherwood, C. A. Sampson, Thomas Wandless, William Reid, John T. Clark, W. G. Gaunce, Jas. Burden and others. In the absense of Mr. D. F. George, Mr. Freeze occupied the chair. The committee from Wellington Ward reported the selection of Messrs. W. G. Gaunce and John McPherson to run in the temperance interest, and the convention ratified the choice. No positive information could be had from St. Ann's Ward, but the indications are that Messrs. George Gilman and J. W. Tabor, will be prevailed upon to accept the nomination. Although both the old Aldermen have signified their intention of retiring, it is difficult to find aspirants for the honors. In Carleton Ward, the names of Messrs. F. B. Edgecombe, George J. Burns and T. W. Smith were mentioned. In Queens it is understood that Mr. Martin Lemont will run single-handed. No candidates in the temperance interest are mentioned in Kings Ward, The Convention meets again Monday evening.

During the past ten days, Fredericton has been held by Jack Frost in a cold but close embrace. On the 29th and 30th ult., the mercury dropped to 24° and 19° below the cipher and at no time during those dates did it rise above zero. The 31st was nearly as cold, but the weather moderated in the afternoon. New Years day and Sunday were notable for mild temperature, but falls of sleet and snow. Early Monday morning the the thermometer indicated 10 below, and during the day it scarcely surmounted the cipher. Yesterday morning the festive element took a header for the record. At or about 6 o'clock various thermometers around town gave such readings as 28, 29, 30, 32 and 33° below zero. In St. Marys, Mr. Dayton's instrument indicated 33° at that hour. Mr Tilley's 32°. At noon the temperature had moderated to 10° below according to the testimony of several glasses on Queen street. Fortunately the air was dry and motionless and the effect of the cold were not felt to the extent that might have been anticipated. If, as we are informed, 30° below zero is the lowest record noted by Prof. Harrison since he commenced observations, probably Fredericton has not experienced colder weather for many years.

The following good curling story is of recent date. A laird in Strathaven who owned a quarry and was reported to be worth "a gey twathree bawbees, besides," was playing curling one day, and his foreman, whose name was Lawrence, was playing with him on the same side. The laird was very anxious he should make a certain shot, and he cried out in this fashion:—"Noo, Jock Lawrence, d'ye see whaur my broom is? Lay yer stane doon there, and, as sure as death, I'll gie ye my dochter Jean if ye do it." Birr went the stane out of Jock's hand, and went trintling along to the very spot where the laird wished it. "Capital! Jock, capital! Ye couldna hae dun better, and ye can get Jean the morn if ye want her." "Ye maun gie me something else than Jean, laird; I hae got her already. We were married at Gretna Green sax weeks since, but something aye cam in the way." The laird was dumbfounded when he heard the news, but he compromised matters by saying; "Aweel, aweel, Jock, I'll let by-gauns be by-gauns. A man that could lay doon a pat-lid like that is worthy o' the best and bonniest lass in Lanarkshire; keep her and welcome; and ye'll maybe get the matter o' sax hunner pounds wi her. Keep her Jock, and if ye hea ony laddie weans atween ye, bring them up in the fear o' the Lord, and be sure that ye dinna neglect to mak them a' guid curlers."

If the president of the Curling club badly defeated the vice-presidents Christmas, the latter had some satisfaction New Year's. It was a splendid game all day. The ice was in the best possible condition, and the play, almost without exception, good. In the forenoon's contests, the president had a lead of two shots, one in each rink, but in the afternoon, skip Hazen and his rink of bankers, succumbed to the hosts of skip Rutter, and lost the game for the president. Among the remarkable features of the match, were the superior play of the new members, including Mr. E. L. Wetmore, the defeat of so good a skip as Mr. W. K. Allen by the comparatively inexperienced but plucky Hodge, and the rattling play of Mr. H. C. Rutter and his supports. Mr. E. H. Allen had no easy contest with "Hans" Hawthorne, but after a well fought fight, succeeded in downing him. Annexed is the score:

PRESIDENT.		VICE PRESIDENT.	
E. L. Wetmore,		H. M. Campbell, (sub)	
F. I. Everett,		W. E. Miller,	
F. S. Hilyard,		T. C Allen,	
A. F. Street, skip,	16	J. S. Neill, skip,	15
Lee Street,		A. W. Edgecombe,	
L. W. Johnston,		G. S. T. Bliss,	
L. C. Macnutt,		R. Inglis,	
G. W. Hodge, skip,	13	W. K. Allen, skip,	12
W. Berry,		H. V. B. Bridges,	
J. D. Fowler,		J. T. Jennings,	
R. S. Parker,		Geo. Hatt, Jr.	
J. W. McCready,		E. A. Smith,	
E. H. Allen, skip,	18	J. Hawthorn, skip,	8
F. B. Gregory,		A. G. Beckwith,	
W. H. Robinson,		H. M. Campbell,	
D. L. Babbitt,		Geo. Hodge, (sub)	
A. H. F. Randolph,		J. D. Macpherson,	
J. D. Hazen, skip,	8	H. C. Rutter, skip,	24
Totals,	55		59

SHOT BY A BOY.

Mrs. Luke Lawson's Tragic Death at Lake George.

Rumors were prevalent in the city on Monday, of the accidental shooting of a woman at Lake George, Prince William, and soon they were corroborated. A lad named Allen Ballentyne, fifteen years of age, arrived in the city and offered to give himself into custody for the shooting of Mrs. Luke Lawson, a few hours before. On the advice of the Attorney General, Col. Marsh sent the lad to jail to await further proceedings. Ballentyne states that on his way to school Monday morning, he was attacked by Mr. Lawson's dog; that he returned home and procuring his brother's revolver, again passed the place, and this time fired at the dog; the bullet passed through the window and into the right breast of Mrs. Lawson, who was standing within sight of him at the time. No one witnessed the terrible affair but the lad and his unfortunate victim, whom he left writhing on the ground, while he ran to a neighbor's house for help. Dr. Mott was called in, but the unfortunate woman died almost immediately, the bullet having penetrated the breast in a lateral direction, and lodged in the region of the heart. The deceased was only 22 years of age, and was married recently. She was a daughter of ex-Coun. McCormack of Prince William. Coroner Edward Estabrooks is holding an inquest. Detective Roberts visited the scene of the tragedy on Monday. The story told by the boy is believed by all the neighbors. He seems to fully appreciate the terrible results which have attended his thoughtless act. A deep widespread sympathy is manifested for the unhappy young husband.

THE RECORD BROKEN.

An Eggstraordinary feat in Fruit Culture.

It has always been the belief of the FARMER, that York County is well adapted for the raising of winter fruit. Some of our contemporaries who know almost as much about fruit culture, as they do about the date of the general election, have scoffed at us, and hinted that our experience in the fruit business was limited to such pumpkins and cabbages as were donated by our admiring subscribers on Hallow E'en. What then will our friends Payne, and Clark, and Milner, and Stewart, whose envious insinuations have been cloaked with a ghastly semblance of friendship, say, when we announce, as we hereby do, that Mr. Peter Haining of this town, court crier and constable in Her Majesty' service, entered our sanctum Monday morning, and deposited an egg weighing 3½ ounces, and measuring 8 inches fore and aft, and 6⅔ inches amidships? How now about winter fruit? Mr. Haining says that the hen which laid the egg is of Plymouth Rock extraction, and belongs to Mr. Wm. Rosborough of Shore street, this city. He states that he was not present at the accouchement. In fact no intimation of the interesting episode was conveyed to him or any member of either family. It was the first attempt the bird had made to break the record, and the mercury being 10 below zero at the time, it was not a good day for eggs either. Mr. Haining further says, that the hen is doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

Wedded at Queensbury.

(*From our own Correspondent.*)

KINGSCLEAR, Jan. 3rd, 1887.

Last Wednesday evening, there was a large gathering of friends and relatives at the residence of Coun. Alanson McNally, Queensbury, for the purpose of witnessing the marriage of his eldest daughter Mattie, to Coun. Cliff of Kingsclear. Despite the cold snap, there was a general response to the invitations sent out, so that by sundown the house was well filled. Several of the guests came from Fredericton, including the relatives of both parties. Dr. Lee Cliff of Boston, brother of the groom, was present. The ceremony was performed at 5 o'clock by the Rev. Thomas Hicks, Methodist clergyman of Kingsclear. The happy couple received the warm congratulations of the company, so that if there is anything in kind wishes, they have a happy future before them. At the conclusion of the ceremony, the guests sat down to a sumptuous repast, to which ample justice was done. As soon as this important matter was attended to, the evening rapidly passed away, enlivened by music and conversation. The young folks amused themselves by participating in innocent games. The table on which the presents to the bride were placed, presented quite a dazzling appearance. They were not only numerous and useful, but some of them were very costly. Later on in the evening the happy pair left for their home, attended with the good wishes of all.

Burning of the Waverly Hotel.

A Popular Hostelry gutted by Fire Thursday Morning.

With the mercury reposing at 20° below zero, the firemen were routed from their slumbers at 3.30 o'clock last Thursday morning, by a serious fire at the Waverly Hotel, Regent Street, of which Mr. J. B. Grievss is proprietor. When the firemen reached the scene, the building was enveloped in smoke and flame, but by their well-directed exertions the fire was confined to the premises and the adjoining building. A great deal of damage was done by water, and such of the furniture and effects as were saved were recovered in an injured condition. Prior to the arrival of the firemen, many exciting scenes were presented by the efforts of the half-suffocated inmates to escape from the hotel. David Douglas, C. H. Gatchell and others escaped with difficulty by means of the windows. Mr. Grieves with unselfish thoughtfulness for the safety of his guests, from the outset, devoted his energies to their welfare, rather than the rescue of his property. Hence his loss is a heavy one, and it is not surprising that sympathy, sincere as it is universal, is expressed for him. John is an enterprising citizen and a model landlord, and it is the wish of everybody that the Waverly may speedily rise from its ruins to be the dispensary of comfort and good cheer to its wide circle of patrons.

The insurance claims in connection with the fire have been adjusted. The building itself was insured for $1,500 by the Grieves estate in the Fire Insurance Association; the piano and organ by Mrs. J. B. Grieves in the City of London for $450; the building adjoining by Miss Margaret Grieves for $2,000 in the Imperial; the grocery stock in the store by Mr. J. B. Grieves in the Guardian for $250. Messrs. Black & Hazen represent all the companies save the last named, of which Mr. John Richards is the local agent. The claim on the hotel was settled in full; that on the building adjoining at $740.

MONTREAL WINTER CARNIVAL.

A Magnificent Programme to be Carried out in February.

The executive committee of the Montreal winter carnival have issued their preliminary programme, The dates for the carnival are February 7 to 12, inclusive. The toboggan slides, the Victoria skating rink and the snowshoer's club house, concert hall, and gymnasium will be open to all visitors. There will be a grand fancy dress skating carnival, in which visitors are invited to join, subject to costume regulations. Hockey matches, races and fancy skating exhibitions will take place during the week. The ice castle this year will be of an entirely new design, enclosing an area of 14,000 feet, the tower rising over 100 feet. Within its walls will be an extensive exhibition of the agricultural and other products of the Dominion. The attack on castle and the defence by the garrison will occur as usual. It is intended to have a winter Mardi-Gras, which will consist of magnificent sleighs, equipages all sorts, ancient and modern, platform cars filled by the representative clubs, decorated, while the living arch manned by hundreds of snowshoer's in costume, will form living tableaux of a striking character. A maze of labyrinth in ice, a reproduction of the historical maze at Hampton court, will probably be one of the incidental attractions. Grand ice structures will be erected in various parts of the city. The Montreal Hunt club will throw open the kennels (said to be the finest in America) to visitors. The different museums and conservatories will be free for the week. An Indian's village and lumberman's camp will be found in full operation. A full dress ball will be given at the Windsor hotel. Horse races will also take place on the ice, and a grand concert given by the snowshoers in costume. The city will be illuminated by electric light, and fire-work displays will be given every evening.

New silk broche, laces, for evening wear at F. B. Edgecombe's.

Re-election of Mayor Howland.

As Toronto's Chief Magistrate for a Second Term.

His Worship's Vigorous Address at the Nomination.

Readers of the FARMER who made the acquaintance of Mayor Howland of Toronto, or had the pleasure of hearing his addresses during his visit to Fredericton last autumn, will be interested in perusing an account of the proceedings at Toronto the other day, when he was renominated for the position. Mayor Howland is a brother-in-law of Sir Leonard Tilley, and this fact will lend additional interest here, to the contest on Monday, in which he was successful.

His opponent is Mr. Blain, an ex-M. P., and this gentleman on being nominated, alluded to Mayor Howland with a feeling of warm personal friendship. He was certain that Mayor Howland had striven his utmost to do his best, but his efforts had been turned in a wrong direction. The Mayor had misconceived the duties of his office. It was the duty of a Mayor, he contended, to consummate the intelligent action of the Council, and the difficulty that at present existed in the conduct of public business was that the Mayor and the Council was not in harmony with each other. As to public questions, he complimented the Mayor upon the energy he had displayed in the public park matter. Touching on the Council, Mr. Blain said it might be possible, perhaps, for better aldermen to be obtained than the present body, but he would say this—that during the 44 years he had lived in Toronto, he had never seen a suspicion of dishonesty on the part of any one alderman. In conclusion, the speaker said that if the elements that had gathered around him and promised to support him, carried out that promise, the majority of 1,700 that Mayor Howland had last year would be a mere trifle in the contest he was about to engage in. This was not a personal contest in any way. He wanted to see Mayor Howland treated with entire respect by everybody, and should certainly so treat him, himself.

MAYOR HOWLAND

was received with loud cheers. He said Mr. Blain's ideas of the duties of the office evidently accorded with those of Mr. Manning—that they consisted mainly of the privilege of sending sick babies to hospitals and giving passes to tramps. He had had a year's hard work, and had discovered how important the duties of the Mayor really were. He denied that there was a lack of harmony between himself and the Council. With regard to the charge brought against him of not taking the Council into his confidence, he said that it was necessary sometimes to speak and act quickly. On the question of parks, the Mayor said he wanted to see the children of the city have plenty of playgrounds, and as to the extension of the park system in the plans on which Mr. Hallam was working at very little expense to the city, he thought they had as fine a system of natural parks, simply requiring development, as any city in the world enjoyed. But he wanted to develop the parks for the use of the people. In conclusion Mr. Howland said, with regard to the opposition he was receiving, that this was not a fight between Mr. Blain and himself, but a fight between those who wanted to have the city brought under the control of evil influences and those who did not. If Mr. Withrow or Mr. W. S. Lee, both of whom were asked to oppose him but had refused, before Mr. Blain came out, had concluded to run, he would have given up the chair to them without a struggle, because he would have felt assured that they would carry on the work of the city on the same lines as himself. Who were the men that were opposing him? Among them were all the worst characters in the city. There was not a man of evil life or character in the city but was against him—and he thanked God for it, for he loved the hatred of bad men.

The contest was very keen but Mayor Howland was elected by a majority of 2,277. A Toronto despatch to the *Sun*, says it was a straight fight between temperance on the one hand and the liquor interest on the other. The livery men supported Mr. Blain and almost every vehicle in the city was engaged for the latter. Each side worked for all they were worth. The total vote cast was 16,163, as against 13,868 last election, which shows how earnest the battle was. Lady voters worked energetically for Howland and aided materially in winning the victory. The Mayor received a great ovation from his friends, who met in Shaftesbury hall and were almost frantic with delight.

The last meeting of the City Council as at present constituted, was held last night, when quite a large amount of routine business was transacted and arrangements were made for holding the civic elections. The returning officers appointed were: for the Mayor's election, J. Alfred Turner. Aldermanic elections: Kings Ward, David B. Barker; Queens, John Woodward; Carleton, Daniel Jordan; St. Anns, Lewis Perley; Wellington, N. T. Wheeler. The Mayors election occurs on the 10th inst., and the Aldermen's on the 24th.

Marriages.

On the 1st inst., at Christ Church Cathedral, Fredericton, by the Most Rev. the Metropolitan of Canada, assisted by the Rev. Finlow Alexander, sub-dean, Morris V. Paddock of St. John, to Harriet, daughter of the Rev. John Black, late rector of Kingsclear.

At Ruggles street Baptist church, Boston, on the 24th ult., by Rev. R. G. Seymour, D. D., G Fred. Estey, youngest son of the late H. S. Estey of Fredericton, to Geneva B, youngest daughter of the late J. S. Anderson of Boston, Mass.

On the 28th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, St. John, by the Rev. Robert Wilson, H. P. Chestnut to Ada M., daughter of William Scott.

Deaths.

In this city, on the 1st inst., George R. Atherton, in the 77th year of his age.

In this city, on the 4th inst., of consumption, David Dennison, aged [illegible] years, leaving a wife and three children to mourn their loss.

At Springfield Settlement, York County, on the 5th inst., of consumption, Honorah Murphy, in the 48th year of her age.

Funeral will take place at St. Peter's Church, Springhill, on Friday, 7th inst., at 13 o'clock, noon.

At Upper Durham, York Co., Dec. 30th, Laimia, beloved wife of Fraser Fowler, Esq., aged 60 years.

New Advertisements.

CARD OF THANKS.

THE Members of Hose Company No. 4, desire to return their most sincere thanks to Mr. John A. Edyards, proprietor of the Queen Hotel, for his kindness in providing them with breakfast, on the morning of the Waverley House fire.

A. D. MACPHERSON.
Sec'y No. 4 Hose Co.

Fredericton, January 5, 1887.

J. A. McALLISTER, D. D. S.,
Graduate of Penn. Dental College, 1874.
OFFICE:—OPP. QUEEN HOTEL.
Offers for Cash; for Cash; for Cash only.
A Full Set of Upper or Lower Gum Teeth, the Best that can be obtained, for $10.00.
Gumless sets, plain teeth, for $8.50.
Extracting Teeth, 25 cents. Small Silver Fillings, 50 cents.
Do not be deceived about these rates; you will be told the work is inferior in quality, &c. THIS IS NOT SO. The rates only have been lowered, not the quality of the operation. Take advantage of low rates and good work.
Fredericton, December 29, 1886.

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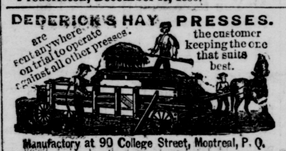
are fast anywhere equal to operate against all other presses. the customer keeping the one that suits best.
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N. B.—Other manufacturers combined against the original patentee (DEDERICK), to appropriate his continuous bale chamber, falsely publish challenges and premiums over Dederick. Get any of them if you can, on any conditions, to meet in the field the inventor of the press they copy. Dederick guarantees his press the best, or failing will buy the best for the customer. Give the inventor of the continuous press at least a competitor's chance during the time for which his patent was granted. Unquestionably the invention has greatly benefitted the public.

Whips. Whips.
JUST RECEIVED from the American Whip Co., 1 car Whips, for sale low at NEILL'S HARDWARE STORE, opposite County Court House.
January 5

MUNICIPALITY OF YORK.
Semi-Annual Meeting of the Council.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Simi-Annual Meeting of the COUNTY COUNCIL, for the County of York, will be held at the County Court House, in the City of Fredericton on TUESDAY, the eighteenth day of January next.
Dated at the City of Fredericton, the 18th day of December, A. D. 1886.
W. WILSON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

VOCAL CULTURE.
Mrs. JOHN BLACK
WILL GIVE INSTRUCTION IN
SINGING,
To a limited number of pupils.
Terms made known on application at residence corner of George and Sunbury streets.
Fredericton December 8

TEAS
IN STORE.
287 Half Chests Tea;
524 Boxes Tea;
5, 10 and 22 lb. Boxes.
These Teas have been carefully selected, and can guarantee good value to all intending purchasers. Samples furnished on application.
JAMES HODGE.
Fredericton January 5, 1887.

W. E. MILLER & CO.
ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS SALE.
Call and examine our fine stock of
GROCERIES,
which we are selling very low. Molasses, Sugar, Tea, Flour, Meal, Raisins, Currants, Citron, Lemon and Orange Peel, and all kinds of Pure Spices. Sugar has fallen in price.
GIVE US A CALL.
Fredericton, December 8

BEST ON EARTH
SURPRISE SOAP
THE GREAT SELF WASHER TRY IT
A marvel of efficiency and economy. Quality never varies. The purest and best for all household purposes; washing and cleaning without injury to hands or fabric. No boiling, scalding or hard rubbing necessary. The saving of fuel alone pays for the soap. Makes white goods whiter, softens woolen goods and makes colored goods brighter. One soap for all purposes. Toilet, Bath, Laundry, Scrubbing. Read the directions plainly written on each wrapper and learn the new "Surprise" way of washing clothes, saving time, money, labor and worry of the old way. Wash day is made a pleasure by the use of SURPRISE SOAP and joy and smiles take the place of tired looks. Save 25 Surprise wrappers, send to the manufacturers with your address and get a handsome picture for them. Ask your grocer to show you the picture. SURPRISE SOAP is sold by all leading grocers. If not obtainable at your home send 6 cents in stamps to us for sample bar.
The St. Croix Soap M'f'g Co., ST. STEPHEN, N. B.

DR. G. W. SMITH,
ALBION HOTEL,
Fredericton, N. B.,
CLAIRVOYANT PHYSICIAN!
HIS marvelous power whilst in trance of describing the physical condition and disease of a patient, either personally or by lock of hair with such unfailing accuracy, is remarkable.
All Hair may be sent from any distance by letter, and should be cut close to the head, and not handled if possible by any person but the patient. Most of his patients have been from the higher walks in life, having been consulted by two of our Lieutenant Governors and several members of the Legislative Council and Assembly, also Ministers, Judges, Lawyers, Government Officials and leading business men of this City and Province. But in order to reach a class that could not pay his former price of $5.00 for one examination and prescription, he felt it advisable to reduce the fee to $2.00. Patients unable to attend personally, can have lock of their Hair brought in or sent by letter, (with fee) and thus ascertain the condition of a patient and avoid the expense of sending for Doctors at a distance. His remedies are simple and mostly composed of herbs, a great many of which can be gathered in the country.
Inclose $2.00 with lock of Hair giving name and address, and I will give you an examination and prescription, or examination $1.00.
Examination personally or by Hair, 50 cents, or by Hair sent by letter with fee, $1.00.
Mention this paper.
Fredericton, December 29, 1886.

FOR
CHRISTMAS GIFTS.
EASY Chairs, all kinds, Platform Rockers; Patent Rockers in Carpet and Splint; Camp Chairs and Rockers; Splint Arm Chairs and Rockers; Fancy Tables, Cabinets, Pedestals; Slipper Boxes, Foot Rests, Wall Pockets, &c.
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
FANCY WOODEN ARTICLES,
for Household use and Ornament, at your own prices.
CHILDREN'S FURNITURE.
Bedsteads, Bureaus, Rocking Horses, Chairs and Rockers in Willow, Cane, Splint and Carpet; Sleds, Waggons, &c.
PRICES VERY LOW.
ADAMS'
FURNITURE WAREROOMS,
County Court House Square.
December 15

Just Received
FOR THE
CHRISTMAS TRADE:
New Raisins,
London Layers,
Valencias,
Sultanas,
New Currents,
New Figs,
New Dates,
Preserved Peel,
Citron,
Lemon,
Oranges,
Pure Spices,
Allspice.
Cinnimon,
Cloves,
Mixed,
Nutmegs,
Also, a full line of Staple and Choice FAMILY GROCERIES at
S. L. MORRISON'S,
Opp. City Hall, Queen Street.
Fredericton, December 1

BAR IRON
AND
CABLE CHAIN,
all sizes, at
Neill's Hardware Store.
December 29

WANTED Ladies and Gentlemen to take nice light work at their homes. $1 to $3 a day easily made. Work sent by mail. No canvassing. Steady Employment Furnished. Address with stamp CROWN M'F'G. CO., 294 Vine St., Cincinnati, Ohio.

1886 FALL 1886
Dry Goods
AT
OWEN SHARKEY'S.
Ladies' Dress Goods,
in various Styles, Textures, Shades, and at all prices—suitable for Fall or Winter wear.
Wool Squares, Wool Jerseys, Ulsters, Mantles, Fur Caps, Capes and Trimmings,
Skirts, Corsets, Hose and Gloves, etc. etc.
Ulster Cloths, Mantle Cloths,
Scarfs and Ties, Suitings, Cretones, Prints Wool Flannels, Cottons, Swandowns, Dickies Towellings, Table Linens, Shirtings.
BLANKETS,
in Grey, White, Blue and Garnet. Wool, Hemp and Brussels Carpets, Floor and Table Oil Cloths. Men's Youths' and Boys'
CLOTHING,
in Ulsters, Overcoats, Reefers, Coats, Pants, Vests, Shirts, Drawers, Scarfs, Collars, Ties, Braces, Fur Caps, in Astracan, Persian Lamb, Baltic Seal and Cooney. Knitted Wool Gloves, Kid Gloves and Mitts. Canadian and Scotch Tweeds, Worsted Coatings, and Furnishing Goods. Hats, Caps, Trunks and Valise. Horse Blankets. A large stock of
Sleigh Robes.
Prices as low as the lowest in the trade.
Remnants of all kinds always on hand.
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CHEAP CHRISTMAS SALE.
Useful Presents for Old and Young.
BARGAINS FOR EVERYBODY.
Prices Sure to Please.
Wilmot's Block, Queen St., Fredericton.
DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT.
A LARGE Stock of DRY GOODS, comprising almost every description of Goods suitable for Ladies, Gents and Childrens' wear:
Ladies Jerseys, Velveteens, Fur Capes;
Fur Trimmings, Gossamer Cloaks;
Under Clothing, Corsets, Skirts;
Clouds, Hosiery, Gloves and Yarns in great variety.
CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.
A large Stock of made Clothing of superior quality, equal to custom work, in suits for Men and Boys:
Coats, Pants and Vests, Overcoats;
Reefers, Jumpers, &c., &c.;
Shirts and Under Clothing of all kinds for Men and Boys;
Collars, Ties, Braces, Umbrellas, &c.;
Hats and Caps, all kinds, for Men, Boys and Children;
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Superior Goods at very Low Prices.
FANCY GOODS.
Glassware, China Cups and Saucers, Vases, and a great variety of Fancy Goods, suitable for Christmas presents. All at very Low Prices.
Remember the Store, Wilmot's Block, Queen Street, Fredericton.
SIMON NEALIS.
Butterick's Patterns and Publications at New York prices.
Fredericton, December 22

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Christmas Goods!
WILEY'S
DRUG STORE!
Cut Glass Toilet Bottles;
PERFUMES
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