

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

UNFORTUNATE.—A Mrs. McDonald, a poor woman living in the lower part of the town, fell on the icy street on Friday last and broke an arm.

DEATH.—Dr. Clark will return to Chatham on Tuesday, 26th November. After that date he will be found at his office, ready to attend to all who require his professional services.

IMPROVED.—We are pleased to note quite an improvement in the Times since its enlargement, though we are sorry it got angry with us because we did not praise it as much as some of the other papers.

LECTURE.—"Odities of Humanity" is the title of a lecture to be delivered by Mr. A. G. McGillivray, P. E. L., and Lady of Truro, in Masonic Hall, Chatham, on Friday evening next. The prices of admission are 10 cents for ladies and 15 for gentlemen.

CAPT. J. J. BROWN of Chatham has been appointed Surveyor for the American Shipmaster's Association, his District including all the North Shore and Westmoreland. Those requiring their vessels classed, examined, or insured will give notice to Capt. Brown at Chatham.

IN THE RIVER.—Mr. Mathews, of the Bank of Montreal, while skating on the river last Saturday, broke through the ice and got a thorough ducking. He had a fortunate escape from drowning. Mr. Henry Patterson, who was near him at the time, also broke through, but did not go as deeply in as Mr. Mathews.

COMMERCIAL COLLEGE, ST. JOHN.—Messrs. Eaton & Kerr will resume their classes (after Christmas Holidays) on Thursday, January 2nd. Their College is now in very successful operation, and they are doing excellent work. Students are requested to present themselves as soon after re-opening as convenient.

FISH SHIPPERS will find their interest in consulting the International S. S. Co.'s advertisement which appears in another column. It is generally conceded that water carriage between St. John and American ports is the most reliable, as the quickest transportation, in which snow-blocks and their delays, as well as the jolting of cars is avoided. The rates are also lower by boat which, with the other advantages, ought to secure them all the trade.

Dramatic.—The Members of the Dutch Reform Club Choir of Chatham intend to give a dramatic performance on New Year's eve. They ought to have a bumper house.

A Worthy Undertaking.—A new paper has appeared on the Miramichi. Its proprietors are said to be residents of Newcastle, Douglastown and Chatham who are organized under the name of the "Snowflake Club," their object being that of rendering assistance to the poor and needy among us whose necessities may come under their notice. It is the intention of the club to make the Snowflake as interesting as possible, entirely free from politics and other controversial matter and of a pure and elevating tone. The editorial staff is said to be composed of ladies and will, no doubt, embrace the best literary talent on the river. The first number is issued to-day (Christmas) and will be distributed among those who are expected to become subscribers. It is not expected that these will limit their contributions to the ordinary price of a small monthly paper, but that they will not only pay for the paper but also contribute to the funds of the club with such liberality as their own circumstances and the praiseworthy objects of the organization will permit. It is intended, we believe, to continue the publication monthly until May next.

Newcastle Items.—THE GOVERNMENT LIGHT SHIP has been beached on the shore below Watt's wharf, where she is to be overhauled and repaired before the spring.

THE FAIR in aid of the Methodist Church, which was held in the Masonic Hall on Thursday last, proved satisfactory to all concerned, about \$100 being realized.

SAD DROWNING ACCIDENT.—On Thursday last, James Cassidy, a lad of 16 years, son of John Cassidy, policeman, was skating on the river above Park's mill, with a companion, from whom he separated for a short time. The latter had scarcely turned to go towards the shore when he heard cries for help from Cassidy, which he said he was afraid to render. The poor fellow was drowned. The body was found on Saturday afternoon and an inquest held by Coroner Bishop. The jury, through their Foreman, Gavin Copeland, Esq., rendered a verdict in accordance with the above facts.

Presbytery of Miramichi.—The Presbytery of Miramichi met according to adjournment in St. Andrew's Church, Chatham, on Friday last, at ten o'clock. The first business before the court was the resignation of the Rev. W. McCullagh of the congregation of Redbank. The congregation and session were represented by Mr. Stewart, elder. After parties were heard the Presbytery decided to release Mr. McCullagh of his charge forthwith and to grant him the usual Presbytery certificate. The Presbytery arranged for the supply of Redbank pulpit during the winter.

At eleven o'clock the congregation of St. Andrew's having assembled, the clerk of Presbytery appeared before them and asked if any person or persons had any objections to release against the life or doctrine of Rev. Dr. Jardine, with certification that if no objections were now offered the Presbytery would forthwith proceed to induct him into the pastoral charge of that church.

No objection being made Rev. J. C. Herdman proceeded to the pulpit and preached a thoughtful and practical sermon from Jeremiah 28 ch. v. 20.—"Obey, I beseech thee, the voice of the Lord, &c." He divided his subject as follows: 1st.—What is it to obey the voice of the Lord? He showed that conscience as enlightened and guided by Divine teaching was the great voice to be obeyed. Duty must be attended to before pleasure.

2nd.—What are the results of obeying the voice of the Lord? This he would answer, negatively, (1.) Ease is not promised. Duty does not lie in a path of roses. Duty and hardship should be our motto. (2.) Popularity is not promised. (3.) Liberty will result. God is a better master than Satan, we must be either God's freeman or Satan's bondmen. (2.) Growth. (3.) Bliss and Joy. The bliss of conscience, and the bliss of purity.

At the close of the sermon Rev. Thos. Nicholson of Charlott charge and presided at the induction services proper.

He briefly stated the steps that had been taken to secure the service of a stated pastor. He put the usual questions to Dr. Jardine which were satisfactorily answered. Dr. Jardine was then inducted by the Presbytery with the pastoral oversight of St. Andrew's Church and received the right hand of fellowship.

Rev. S. Houston then addressed the newly inducted Pastor.

[He brought out distinctly some important aspects of the duties of a Presbyterian pastor. Instead of presenting a summary of his address we shall give it in full next week.—EDITOR]

Rev. John Robertson, of Black River then addressed the congregation on their duties, pointing out the importance and necessity of giving attention to the word—the whole word of God, looking to the Holy Spirit of God for the blessing; showing the duty of prayer for their pastor as well as themselves—and urging the great good that would flow from the hearty co-operation of all the people with their pastor in every good work. Thus, much good would be accomplished and God would be greatly glorified.

This brought to a close a most interesting and edifying service.

Nelson Notes.—Mr. George Flett of this place raised the past season on his newly cleared farm, five bushels of beans from four and a half quarters of seed. Can Blackville beat that? Mr. Flett's farm is situated about a half mile from Foley's Cove on the west side of the road leading to Nowland Settlement.

The Dutch Reform Club of this place is making rapid progress, and the meetings are largely attended. The programmes are admirably adapted to instruct and amuse the energetic friends of temperance here, and under the efficient and able management of our new President, whose temperance principles are based on total abstinence, will be a success. The work of the Society is doing much to strengthen the temperance cause in Nelson, and to awaken the voice which, in this nineteenth century, is demoralizing society to such a fearful extent.

A worthy divine from another county, a few days since having occasion to go from Newcastle to Chatham, to perform the high duties of his office, and the ice being in a very weak condition, was compelled to cross the Railway Bridge that spans the Southwest. Having braced himself up for the trying occasion he attempted to go over, but only got a short distance, when his faith gave out as to the strength and carrying capacity of the bridge, and he was necessitated to beat an inglorious retreat. Going in search of assistance he was successful in procuring a small boy with a hand saw, to which he securely tied himself and, covering his face, quietly resigned himself to the alarming situation. In due time he arrived safe on this side and proceeded on his way rejoicing.

Correspondence.—Black River and the New Temperance Act.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance, Black River, Dec., 20th, 1878. Sir.—The movement of the Chatham Reform Club, with reference to the adoption of the Canada Temperance Act, has met with favor amongst the Temperance people in this section of the County. At our last meeting which was very well attended—as all our past meetings have been—the subject of the adoption of the new Act was taken up, and a very unanimous feeling prevailed on the matter. A letter was read from the Secy. of the committee of the Chatham Reform Club requesting us to elect two delegates to attend the Convention to be held in the Temperance Hall Chatham on Friday the 27th, inst, and the request was complied with. The following resolution was on motion of T. O. McKay, seconded by Messrs. J. McKee and Allen Cameron, submitted to the meeting and unanimously adopted:—

Whereas this Society is well aware of the urgent necessity of the Canada Temperance Act in the County of Northumberland, for the purpose of adequately limiting the traffic in intoxicating liquors; Therefore Resolved that this Club will co-operate with the sister Societies for the purpose of bringing the matter before the people and to take into consideration the advisability of having a vote taken upon it as early as a day possible; And Further Resolved that we comply with the instruction received from the Committee of the C. T. Reform Club and appoint two delegates to attend the Convention to be held in Chatham on the 27th inst, and also two persons to solicit signatures to the Act.

On motion, Messrs. Hugh Cameron and T. O. McKay were appointed delegates and our President, Mr. Duncan McNaughton and T. G. McKay to solicit signatures to petition.

This movement Mr. Editor, is one in the right direction and is the most important one yet taken by the people of this County on the Temperance question. I remain Sir, very truly yours, ANON.

Entertainment of the Dutch Reformers, Nelson.—On Thursday evening, Dec. 19th, the Dutch Reformers held their weekly meeting in the School house which was well filled. The chair was occupied by the President, Mr. Wm. McKay, and after the meeting had been opened with prayer by the chairman the following programme occupied the evening.

"Hear the Call," by the Choir. Recitation—"Fight On," by Master Everett Bateman. Duet—"A Home by the River," by Messrs. R. and Vye. Reading—"The Best Liquor," by Miss Janie Appleby. Address—By Mr. Wm. McKay. Hymn—"Rescue the Perishing," by the Choir. Dialogue—"The Old and the New," by Messrs R. and C. Robinson, L. Vye, S. Appleby and Master Willie Robinson. Solo—"The Lord's Prayer," by Miss Annie Haines. Hymn—"The Palace of the King" by the Choir. Recitation—By Master Willie McKay. Solo—"I'll remember you love in my Prayers," by Miss Rebecca Vye. Recitation—"The Drunkard's Child," by Miss Mary Miller. Solo—"The Lover's Telegraph," by Mr. Richard S. Carr. Address—By Mr. Thomas Flett. During the evening signs to the pledge were called for and several signatures were added to the pledge-books. The meeting was brought to a close by the Choir singing the Doxology. AN OBSERVER.

The best known remedy for all affections of the chest, lungs and throat, is Gray's Syrup of Red Spruce Gum. It has been tried by thousands of persons suffering from the above diseases, and in every instance it has given immediate relief. In cases of troublesome, tickling cough, where the patient passes sleepless nights, one or two doses of the Syrup has such an effect that rest ensues, and the cough speedily disappears. See advertisement.

THE International Steamship Company, in connection with International residents will carry the following low rates for the winter of 1878-9, at the following low rates:

Table with columns: FROM, RAIL & STEAMER, Port, Fare, Return, New York.

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Habits of Bels.—Some of the papers express wonder at the fact that a large quantity of dead eels should have been recently found under a slab pile in Westmoreland County, on high ground, 150 yards from water. It is no secret that eels invariably leave the water in winter, either by burrowing downwards where the mud is sufficiently soft or by crawling away to some damp place out of the water. The lot of eels referred to either mistook their retreat under the slab pile for a frost-proof one, or if it was frost-proof, they were sought for its removal, it was rendered otherwise by the removal of a portion of it during the winter. Eels leave the water on rainy nights late in the summer season and sometimes go long distances over the land in search of winter quarters. In different parts of the Nova Scotia coast, where there are salt water meadows they have been found all distances, up to half a mile from the sea and harbor waters, where they had made small stagnant pools, their means of entrance into the salt meadow mud beneath, to the depth of, in some cases, 10 or 12 feet, where they lay in thousands in the mud, and in great masses. In such situations they are in a dormant state. When found in the mud at the bottom of tidal harbors, bays, etc., they lie only a few inches beneath the surface, because the water protects them from the frost, and when taken out with the iron "hook-spear" they are quite lively.

THE NATIONAL SCOURGE.—It is estimated that the annual damage caused by the ravages of insects and worms exceed \$150,000,000 in the United States alone. Truly an enormous loss! Yet it sinks into insignificance when compared with the ravages of that more terrible scourge, Consumption, which annually sweeps hundreds of thousands of human souls into eternity. The causes of consumption are various, depending in every instance for the development of the disease upon the scrofulous diathesis, or temperament of the victim. Thus, the same cause that will produce in one person an attack of acute disease or a light nervous prostration, will engender consumption in a person of a scrofulous habit. That consumption can be cured by proper treatment will be readily perceived from the exact nature of the disease is understood, viz: the accumulation and deposition of scrofulous matter (tubercles) in the lungs. Obviously, the principal remedies required are (1.) a powerful alterative, or blood purifier, to arrest the accumulations and also cleanse the blood of the scrofulous matter, and (2) a mild cathartic to clear the diseased matter from the system. The course of treatment, in conjunction with a strict hygienic regimen, has proved the most successful method of curing this disease. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and Pleasant Purgative Pellets are the best alterative and cathartic remedies before the public, and have been used in thousands of cases of consumption with the most marked efficacy. Dr. Pierce's Invalid Hotel at Buffalo, N. Y., affords special and unequalled advantages to consumptives, not only possessing the best medical and hygienic means of treatment, but being situated in a climate where the patients are notably free from this disease.

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