Miramichi and the Morth Shore.

THE DUTCHER REFORMERS are to organise at Newcastle to-night. MR. LEO BUCK, son of Walter Bug

Esq., C. E., late of Chatham, is about opening a drug store at Hopewell Corner, Albert Co. MRS. Bowser, the deservedly popular

landlady of the Bowser Hotel, received a very handsome and valuable present from her guests on Christmas Day.

THE COUNCIL. - Ernest Hutchison, Esq., has been returned as councillor for Ludlow parish. He was an excellent member of the Board when representing Newcastle.

HIGHLAND SOCIETY.-We understand that the Highland Society's general annual meeting is to be held at the Waverley House, Newcastle, on Monday evening, 14th

M. C. CLARK, DENTIST, can be found in Newcastle at Mrs. McAllister's residence every Friday and Saturday, where he will be prepared to attend to those desiring his services, commencing Friday, Oct. 5th, '77. ACCIDENT .. - We ommitted to mention last week that as Mr. Wm. Wyse, accompanied by one of his little boys, was | Caraquet.

driving on the river on Christmas day, his horse broke through the ice and narrowly | Escuminac. escaped being drowned. RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.—The last Royal Gazette says that His Honor, the

Lieutenant Governor in Council, has been pleased to accept the resignation of John Campbell as Parish Court Commissioner for the Parish of Ludlow, in the County of Northumberland. OBITUARY. - The death of Mr. Wm.

Casey of Newcastle is recorded in another column. He was the oldest member of Northumberland Lodge, F. & A. M., was very much esteemed in the community and left behind a host of friends who will long bear him in kindly remembrance.

IMPORTING A CANDIDATE. - A Richibucto correspondent writes us that "a certain class of Kent politicians are talking of importing a man from Westmoreland County as a candidate for the representation of Kent in the Dominion Commons.' He characterises the movement as "an absurdity of a most degrading kind."

CATERPILLARS IN DECEMBER. - As an instance of the extreme mildness of the winter we may mention that Mr. James Mowat, who lives in the neighborhood of the Masonic Hall, Chatham, found a brown butterfly caterpillar in his garden on Thursday morning last promenading without the least consciousness of being

bear to town, which he and three others had killed the previous day at the head of tion Napan River. A similar carcase was brought to town the same day by other parties, living in the same direction, we

CHIMNEY CLEANING. —Chimney cleaning has long been one of the lost arts of St. John; though lots of men during hard times might have made a good living by it. All that is required for the work, in most cases, is a long rope and some brush at the end of it. The same remarks would also apply to Chatham, where letting chimneys

GUNNING ACCIDENT. - On Christmas day as a lad of 16, son of Mr. John Rice of Guy, Stewart, & Co's Mill, Black Brook, was out shooting rabbits at Napan, on firing at one of these animals, the gun burst and shattered the lad's left hand taking off part of the third finger. He went to the Hotel Dieu, has since being doing well, and will probably retain the use of the injured hand.

of Mr. Joseph Jardine of Napan, while had kindly volunteered their services, door of their father's house. While one entertained the audience with a variety of was aiming a blow at some wood, he struck airs. his brother with the axe just above the hip bone on the left side, making a wide | pied the chair and was supported by the and deep wound, from which however, no Vice President, L. J. Tweedie, Esq. M. very serious consequences are anticipated. P. P.

day last, as Mr. John McLaughlin, in the Gordon, the Choir gave the "Carnival" employ of the Hon. Wm. Muirhead, was returning to the lumber camp, on a load of hav, after spending Christmas in town, when in the vicinity of the Northwest Bridge, he suddenly lost his balance and fell from the load on his face. Mr. Mcteam to stop, but before he could do so, one of the hind wheels of the wagon had it was thought Mr. McLaughlin was occupying the interval with vocal and to town, but on medical aid being called in it was found that no bones were broken Nicol and received an encore, after which although severe contusions of the spine | Master Alexander Templeton gave a recihad been sustained. The patient has tation "The practical Joker," and ressince been doing well.

BENGOUGH !- By advertisement in another column, it will be seen that J. W. Bengough, Esq., the leading Humorist of Canada, is to deliver one of his very attractive lectures in Masonic Hall, Chatham, on the evening of Thursday 17th inst. The following extracts will convey an idea of the attractiveness of Mr. Bengough's entertainments :-

night to listen to Canada's cartoonist, and to witness the products of his art as he calls them into life, amply testified by the appreciation and delight which they renated with sly but not ill-natured shots at popular follies, and choice tit-bits of sound as usual afforded material for abundant merriment, as did the lecturer's vocal caricature of the average operatic singer. Altogether both Mr. Bengough and his audi-Globe, Dec. 29 1875.

Bengough's lecture was most enjoyable. His fun has a streak of good sense in it. grew under his hand. In a minute or two he with his crayons drew excellent likenesses of persons whom he could not have seen more than once or twice and then only for a few minutes. His happy hits were greeted with shouts of laughter and applause. GRIP left a good impression behind him in Charlottetown, and, if he ever comes again, we can promise him a a bumper house. - Patriot, Charlottetown P. E. I.

Mr. Bengough will appear at Newcastle Wednesday evening, 16th inst.-not 26th as stated, by mistake no doubt, in the local paper of that place.

Masonic.

The following are the officers of North- was good when she was "well shuck out," umberland Lodge No. 17, Newcastle for said that was the case with the people of the current year, Wm. A. Park, W. M., Chatham, and the New Year was the best E. Lee Street, & W., Chas. Maltby, J. W., time. All that was wanted was a little Rev. Edw. Jenkins, Chaplin., Jas. John- enthusiasm and he urged that they should stone, Treasurer., R.R. Call, P. M. Secty., rise equal to their geographical position and Wm. Fenn, S. D., Robt. Copeland, J. D., commercial importance. There had been John Bell, S. S., C. A. McKeen, J. S., C. no temperance movement like this before F. Bourne, P. M., D. of C., Anthony Ad- in Chatham, and though some might imams, I. G., Thos. Maltby, Tyler.

J. D., Hugh Marquis, S. S., Wm. Sinclair, J. S., James V. Benson, I. G., C. B. Coigley, D. of C., Wm. C. Smythe, Tyler.

There are now 155 vessels, of 15,236 tons, registered at the port of Chatham,

Barques-Tikoma, 810, Richibucto, J. & T. Jardine, Richibucto. Richard, 531, Richibucto, H. O'Leary,

thurst, R. S. DeVeber, St. John Alliance, 115, Shippegan, A. Hacquoil,

St. Helois, Jersey. Scott, Kingston.

Comet, 15, Escuminac, Joseph Jimmo,

Curling.

in turns, some days. The first match game of the season is to come off on Mono'clock p. m. and last until half past four.

and celebrated Holy Communion.

More Bears. -On Friday last Mr. John | subject by the Rev. Mr. McKeown. Fitzpatrick brought the carcase of a large | After silent prayer, the meeting closed after mid-night with singing and benedic-

> THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.—At the Roman Catholic Church the usual early morning service was held, and at 10.30 solemn High Mass was celebrated. NEW YEAR'S DAY AT BLACK RIVER. -New Year's Day at Black River passed off

TERIAN CHURCH.—A Union Service was burn themselves out, is particularly unde- held in St. John's Presbyterian Church on the morning of New Year's day, when the Rev. J. C. Herdman preached from Isaiah 21st, 11th and 12th verses, and was followed in a supplementary discourse by the Rev. Mr. McBain. There was a good con- began to appear. All the dresses were, ne-

Dutcher Reformers' New Year's Night Entertainment.

On the evening of New Year's day the Datcher Reformers gave their special en ACCIDENT. On the afternoon of the 24th | tertainment as announced. The band of ult., a serious accident befell a young son the 73rd Batt. under Mr. John Templeton cutting wood with his brother, before the and before the President took his seat

The President, D. Davidson Esq., occu

which was received with applause.

An address was next given by the Rev. Mr. McKeown in which he dwelt upon this being truly a Happy New Year to many, and stated that even the leading business men in Chatham acknowledged Laughlin called out to the driver of the benefit which had resulted from the

cannot forget," was next given by Mrs. ponded to an encore with "Love and the

"Think of your head in the morning" and responded to an encore with "Whiskey John, my Jo John." Mr. Tait of Black Brook gave a reading,

"The Cotter's Saturday Night," which though well read, proved somewhat too serious for the audience.

J. R. Goggin, Esq., delivered an address in which he spoke of his own past experience, and exhorted those who had signed

me," and responded to an encore with "Jock O' Hazledean."

John Shirreff, Esq., then delivered a ence should feel well satisfied. - Toronto short address, speaking as a moderate drinker in the past, and after reviewing what had been done by the society, urged It may be said of those who laugh at his that delegates should be appointed to visit jokes that they laugh and grow not fat but country localities and extend the move- Church for the purpose of presenting the

Ettie Loudoun and Annie Davidson, next Fox," which received an encore; this was followed by a temperance reading "A document found in a garret," by Miss pencil case and penholder, &c. Minnie Thompson.

Signers to the pledge were again invited to come forward, the Band and Choir

occupying the interval. Vice President, L. J. Tweedie Esq., after relating an anecdote of a driver he for the deep interest you have taken in once travelled with, who said his mare promoting our welfare.

stand up and afterwards those who had not, the latter shewing a very small

by Mr. L. Desbrisay and Mr. H. Patter-Native Home.

received. there was in the temperance cause, and ment should take along with it that Caroline. 9, Kingston, F. Arsineau, berland Division, and the Young Men's Christian Association of Chatham.

> for, the Band playing in the interval. A Duet, "The Larboard Watch" was next given by Messrs. Jas. Nicol and H.

quested by the Executive Committee to

THE OFFICE BEARERS ENTERTAINED. -After the meeting, Mr. William Johnstone of the Canada House, entertained the office-bearers of the Association and

all so much enjoyed, and of good wishes for their future prosperity.

Carnival.

The Carnival held at the Rink on Thursday night last was, in every way, most successful. Fears were entertained at first that it would have to be postponed, owing to the mild weather, but Wednesday night being cold, put the ice in fair

The first masquers to arrive were numbers of children, many of whom were very well got up, and after they had been on the ice some time the older masqueraders cessarily, got up without any help from costumers, but some of them were really handsome and showed a great deal of work in their composition. It would perhaps be invidious to particularise when there were many deserving of praise, therefore we leave criticism to those more particularly interested. The list of masquequeraders is as follows :-

Miss Jessie Johnstone, Gipsy Countess.

- " Annie Shirreff. " Minnie Thomson, Weawaska.
- " Loggie, Gipsy Countess. " Mary Johnstone, Goddess of Liberty
- " Jennie Shirreff, Gipsy Fortune-teller. " Ada Johnson, Night.
- " Lula Smith, Italian Flower Girl. " Nina Benson, Red Riding Hood.
- " Nellie Benson, Old Woman.
- " Ethel Benson, Fishwoman. " Fanny Gillespie, Snowflake.
- " Sadie Gillespie, Grandmother Small-
- " Fanny Blair, Red Riding Hood. GENTLEMEN.

Donald Loggie, Darkey Swell. Peter Loggie, Clown. A. A. Bartlett, Sitting Bull. A. G. Ridling, Winter. Ed. Johnson, Devil. A. J. Loggie, Sailor.

Alex. Loggie, Chinaman. H. A. Allison, Garibaldi. Dr. Clark, Night and Day. J. W. Fraser, — A. S. Ullock, Bro. Jonathan

Thos. Ullock, Jockey. Jas. Johnstone, ----R. Fairey, Neapolitan Brigand. Wm. Johnstone, ---- Miller, Snow Shoe Costume.

J. McMullin, Cricketer. W. T. Carman, Sailor. Geo. Letson, Darkey. Chas. Patterson, " Geo. Johnstone, " Thos. Griffin, Man of War Sailor Willie Shirreff, Sailor. Ernest Blair, Cricketer.

Ernest McKay, Book Agent. Chas. Kelly, Santa Claus. Ernest Murray, Highlander. Chas Blair, Sailor. Stafford Benson, Night and Day. Willie Gillespie, Midshipman Easy.

Presentation.

On the afternoon of New Year's day, about 2 o'clock, a number of the scholars and teachers of St. Andrew's Sunday School, assembled in the vestry of the Rev. J. C. Herdman, who has, for some during the absence of the Rev. W. Wilson, with a handsome dressing case and writcompletely furnished and the latter containing a supply of stationery and a gold

Miss Mary Davidson, in presenting the testimonial, read the following Address:

To the Rev. J. C. Herdman, Dear Sir :- On behalf of the teachers and scholars of St. Andrew's Church S. School, we wish to thank you sincerely By your sympathy with every thing connected with our Church, and your Christian zeal in carrying on its work,

you have endeared yourself to every mem-

and anxiously, in stirring us up to our duties as S. S. Scholars. We trust you will accept the accompanying, New Year's Gift, and though trifling mind you of our regard and esteem.

Chatham, New Year's Day 1878.

be even a more pleasant one to them than the past. They had tried to make it a happy New Year for him, and he cordially wished it might prove the same to them. He would say, however, that it was chiefly owing to the valuable assistance rendered by Mr. Creighton, that he had been enabled to do anything which had met was much touched by the testimonial they A recitation "A cheap dinner" was had presented to him and wish them

Opening of St. James' Sabbath

School, Newcastle. On New Year's night the building lately completed for the use of the Sabbath School of St. James' Presbyterian Church, Newcastle, was formally opened in the presence of an appreciative social gathering. Many congregations besides St. James' were represented in the audience, which numbered about 400 and filled the hall to overflowing. The service of sacred song through the evening was led by an excellent organ. The chair was taken at The Vice President said he had been re- 7 o'clock by the Rev. J. Anderson, and the meeting opened by the singing of a hymn. After reading selected passages of Scripture and offering up appropriate prayer, the Pastor briefly referred to the auspicious occasion on which they were gathered together, congratulated the congregation on the possession of such shapely edifice, and defined the ends contemplated by its erection to be for the carrying on of the Sunday School, which hitherto, through the forbearance of the pewholders, had met in the church—and for other congregational purposes, especially the Prayer Meeting, which henceforward, be hoped, would be largely attend- clare in favor of prohibition at the next ed by the young.

J. A. F. McBain, of St. John's Chatham, lately. I am late, Mr. Editor, in wishing Rev. Mr. Jenkins, Methodist Church my friends, the readers of the Advance a Newcastle, Rev. J. C. Herdman, Chatham, merry Christmas, and I am also afraid that and Rev. Mr. Munro, Baptist Church this will not get along in time for your Newcastle: all of whom were listened to next issue. Whether it does or not allow throughout with the greatest attention me to express a wish that the new year and appreciation on the part of the audi- will be a pleasant one for them all.

The Chairman considered that the likely that our County will have to go hearty thanks of the Sunday School were through the turmoil and the annoyances due to his reverend brethren for their of two General Elections. It is to be some others, to the number of 30, at sup- presence and greetings; to the building hoped that those who interest themselves committee who had persevered so faithfully actively in the canvass will guard well in their work, and to all their friends who their words, and treat those they have to McKeown, an excellent supper was en- had assisted them financially in the under- differ with in a gentlemany manner. This

After a few kindly remarks from Sam'l ents and Editors. To-day we are celepressive of their sense of the hospitality of Thompson, Esq. Q. C. and Mr. Hutchison, brating the birth of our Saviour, who has Superintendent of the Sunday School, the meeting was dismissed with the benedic-

> We may add that the hall is a very fine themselves, and not abuse people because one, reflecting great credit upon the build- they happen to get drunk, but rather, in a ing committee, and especially upon Messrs. Brander and Nicholson, to whose tact and perseverance, its architectural success and timely completion are largely due.

> DEATH OF POLICE CONSTABLE BULLOCK. -Mr. John Bullock, Police Constable, who has been connected with the Chatham Police for some time, died about roon on Sunday last. On Friday evening he went on his beat as usual, but during the night complained of being unwell and went home about two o'clock Saturday morning .-At seven o'clock the same morning Dr. Joseph Benson was called in, and found him vomiting with considerable violence, and after examination pronounced him to be in a dangerous condition. He continued to get worse until one o'clock on Sunday | tor's " letter in last Saturday's Gleaner. morning, when he commenced to vomit years of age and leaves a wife and five | simply because it is a dress commonly seen

and will be glad to publish anything that will advance the interests of our readers, individually, or n the communities in which they live. Local News Items, Notices of Improvements-either no ral or physical-Reports of Meetings, Agricultual, Lumbering, Fishing, Mechanical and other Industrial notes are especially welcome. We do not

proper shape.]

Bay du Vin, Christmas Day, 1877. To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance. Dear Sir,--A meeting to organize a Dutcher Reform Temperance Society was held at Hardwicke, in the Village School House—as stated in a previous issue of your paper—on Saturday, the 15th of December. Mr. Daniel Lewis acted as chairman, and songs were given by Misses Maggie Weston Williston, Maggie Noble, Miss Hanson, of Fredericton, and Mr. Thomas McMaster. The Chairman read the Rules of the Society and the Pledge, and he called upon all who had the cause at heart to step to the front and sign the pledge. After this was done the election of officers was gone into, and part of the officers were The Renous River Bridge Question chosen, the rest to be elected at the next meeting. The choir then sang "All people that on earth do dwell," and the meet- To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance. ing adjourned.

THE MEETING ON CHRISTMAS EVE. At seven o'clock the Chairman, Alexander Mills, Esq., called the meeting to correspondence in the Advocate, signed order, the choir sang an opening ode, "Friends of Temperance welcome here,"

and the chaplain said the Lord's Prayer. The Rev. Mr. Thomas then delivered an able and spirited address. I am not, I will not take much notice of what he Mr. Editor, going to detract in any way says concerning the matter, as I agree from your able temperance lecturers of with the community generally in the opin-Chatham, but I have attended two of the | ion that he knows but very little about Dutcher meetings in Chatham and I have the subject. He has been writing, as he not heard there, any speech that could says, Mr. Whelan's opinion. come up to that of Mr. Thomas in Hard-

the meeting. Mr. Williams and others in any way. then sang "Harvest Home." Miss Mag-

The Rev. gentleman briefly replied, say- of the Society, which now numbers 72.

The election of those officers not previously chosen, was then proceeded with. himself to suit his own purpose. I conand the complete list made up as follows:

President, Alex. Mills, Esq. Vice Presidents, James Gragan, J. B. Williston, and James McLean. Secretary, A. G. Williston. Assistant! Secretary, Daniel Lewis.

Treasurer, Jonathan Noble. Chaplain, Charles Anthony. Marshall. Alexander Wilson. Executive Committee, Mrs. Daniel Lewis, the Misses Maggie and Mary Jane Noble, Grace W. and Mary Weston Mills.

ing on Site No. 2, and going across by the Maggie Weston, Williston, Maggie Mc-Lean, Barbara Sargent and Mary Jane road to Fairley's, which he says is pass-Carroll, Mr. Thos. McMaster. John Lewis able and turnpiked. Senr., and John Williston. Visiting Committee, Mrs. Stephen White, the Misses Maggie Weston Williston, Mary Jane Carroll, Janet McLean,

Ellen T. Lewis, and Eliza McLean, Mr.

John, James, and Jonathan Noble, Charles

Anthony, Thos. McMaster, Daniel Lewis,

Senr., and A. G. Williston. After all the officers were elected, or as many as the meeting thought sufficient to keep the Society in good working order. Thos. McMaster and Maggie W. Williston sang "The little log cabin in the Lane, and the choir sang "Rescue the perishing." Mr. David Sadler of Chatham, then addressed the meeting. followed by A. G. Williston. The choir then sang "Hold the Fort." And a loyal subject of Her Gracious Majesty in the audience called for "God Save the Queen," which was sung by all present. The Rev. Mr. Thomas pronounced the benediction, and the meeting adjourned to meet again on Friday, Jan. 11, at 6 o'clock, when the friends of the cause are respectfully invited to attend.

The Dutcher's Society is working wonders in Hardwicke. The whole people have taken hold of the movement. The meeting on Christmas Eve was the largest that I have ever seen in Hardwicke, either political or for any other object. I am thinking the candidate will have to deelection, or he will not poll a large vote in Interesting addresses, interspersed with Hardwicke, if the temperance cause goes suitable hymns, were made by the Rev. on increasing in popularity as it has done

Before another year passes it is most advice can be taken by both correspondsaid "But this Commandment I give unto you," "That ye love one another." The friends of temperance also can take this to spirit of love, reason with our fallen brethren: let us not say that those who sell liquor are "sure of hell," but let us rather remember the command given us from the Mount, "Judge not that ye be not judg-

Wishing the Advance every success in the year to come, I am, Mr. Editor, Your respectfully,

Letter from the Secretary of the

Skating Rink. Снатнам, Dec. 31st. 1877. SIR:-I desire, through your columns on behalf of the Rink Committee, to make

brief reference to the matter of "Specta-The Committee regret that any thing blood, which in spite of all the remedies should have occurred at the late carnival that could be applied continued until his to give offence to any person, but they beg death at the time stated. The funeral to assure "Spectator" that he is labouring took place on the afternoon of New Year's | under an erroneous impression in presumday, and was numerously attended. The ing that the lady who assumed the dress body was interred in the Roman Catholic of a nun thereat, did so with the least in-Cemetry. The deceased was about 45 tention of giving offence: she wore it

> at masquerades elsewhere. The lady who appeared in the dress re ferred to is known to members of the committee and all other friends as one who would not intentionally wound the feelings

For the order which "Spectator" thinks insulted, all liberal minds have the greatest respect, it being composed of ladies whose lives are examples of self denial and Christian kindness, and which are, in every particular, deserving of that respect. "Spectator" makes a bold statement and one for which he has no grounds, in saying that the lady "allowed her religious prejudices to control her." It would, perhaps, be as well for him to cultivate a little christian charity himself instead of

censuring others-In conclusion I would say that the letter of "Spectator" would not have been noticed by us but for the fact of its maligning the lady who assumed the attire, and whose intentions we felt bound to vindicate The committee are assured that the more intelligent Catholics of the community do not attach any idea of ridicule to the fact of the personation of the character.

Yours etc. W. T. CARMAN. Sec'v to Rink Committee.

RENOUS RIVER, Dec. 31, 1877. SIR,—I observe in the last Advocate a communication signed by John L. Scofield. declaring him the writer of the previous "Renous," concerning the two bridge sites on the Renous River.

I feel satisfied, when I find that it was Scofield who had signed himself "Renous."

Mr. Whelan, however, strongly denies

Mr. Scofield asserts that the road leadgie Noble then sang, "Dare to be a Dut- ing from Renous to Fairley's mills is pass- reports that in consequence of the rejection able for teams and waggons. In this I of the Turkish note by the Powers, a re-The Chaplin, Mr. Anthony, addressed positively assert he is mistaken, as I at- action has taken place in favour of the blood and sap the vital forces. It is highthe meeting, and was followed by a song tempted to go a short distance on that road war party. by Thomas McMaster and Maggie Noble, last summer, in company with Mr. Adams, The remainder of this week's despatches "I'll remember you in my Prayers." and could not go three hundred yards are generally meagre in news. A des-Then there was a speech by William James from the Renous River with a team. Con- patch dated Bogot, Dec. 21st states that Debility, emaciation, and all Impurities of Tait, and a recitation by the Rev. Mr. cerning his having a team hauling over it a vanguard of a Russian division after an the Blood. Itis particularly adapted to de-Thomas, "Larry the Rake," in which it last summer, I would ask him what it was exceedingly difficult passage over snowwas shown that after Larry became a hauling. Was it not hemlock bark peeled covered mountains, has occupied the Bal-Dutcher Man, or something like it, Mount on the south side of White Rapid Brook, kan passes, between Arabkonk and Sophia. Misery was changed into a land flowing and within two or three miles of his own The Turks were surprised and the Russian ber, and have worked for us so carefully with milk and honey. A song was next residence? If the road is passable what loss was slight. sung by Maggie Weston Williston and could induce settlers living at the Renous A. G. Williston, the Secretary, then and Scofield, to come down to the Hogan Russia's reply has not been published. in itself we hope it will ever serve to re- read the minutes of last meeting, and the Road, thereby making a circuit of 14 miles, Lord Derby has sent a note to Count Andpledge book was opened for the signatures instead of passing over this road which he rassy expressive of the hope of the co-operaof those who wished to become members says is to the Med and perfectly passable. tion of other powers in the interests of He san can be had who are the people fer- peace.

ried at Site No. 1, and then answers it sider it would be a difficult question for him to answer correctly. I do not deny that there are a great many people on Renous doing business with me whom I accommodate by ferrying. I make no difference, however, with them, let them deal with whom they will. There are a great many persons ferried here who are dealing with "John L. Scofield" and living on the north side of Renous. They often come for a passage over in order to cross by the Hogan Road instead of cross-

He says my arguments are flimsy, but I state they are facts, and for his benefit I append Mr. Whelan's statement.

I hereby deny ever having given John . Scofield permission to use my name in any manner concerning the two bridge sites on Renous River, or ever having had any conversation with him concerning the Best Barley, bridge. I further assert I never asked him to sign a petition opposed to bridge No. 1. never had any conversation with him concerning the length of the Renous River Settlement. I pronounce the statements of John L. Scofield concerning this matter absolute falsehoods, and I am willing to

I would be obliged to Mr. Scofield when writing to the Advocate or any other paper (although he may do his own writing) not to use my name without my authority. WILLIAM WHELAN.

There was another very heavy fire in St. John on Friday night last. Its location was among the business places on the south east side of Waterloo Street. Among the concerns wholly or partially burnt out were Crothers, Henderson, and Wilson, Carriage Manufacturers; Best Woollen Socks, not less than Samuel Myers, Machinist; Wisdom and Fish, Mill Supplies; J. H. Valpey, Boot and Shoe Manufacturer; James Guthrie, Livery Stable; Robt. McAndrews, Jr., Groceries; John Wilson, Soap Manufacturer. A dozen or more besides the above suffered more or less loss.

The Weather Almanac.

We have been favored with a copy of It will moderate to some heavy snow falls

are explanations of phenomena by which the weather may pretty accurately be predicted for short periods in advance, and these, with a large quantity of useful information bearing on that and kindred subjects such as: -the weather for next substitute for wine or brandy where a year; the weather of last year; how to stimulant is needed. Sold by all drugforetell weather by the clouds, by the gists. sunrise, by the sunset, by cats, by birds, by the moon, by the rainbow, by the goosebone, by tortoises, by insects, by almost everything in nature; meteorological instruments, their description and use (illustrated); earthquakes, aerolites, great storms, etc., render the almanac a valuable one to almost every person. The price at which the work is sold is 20 cents and there is a supply at the Miramichi Bookstore

The Sydney (Australia) correspondent of Bell's Life says :- "Trickett authorizes us to state, for the benefit of the United States champion and his backers, that he will row Courtney a three mile race straightaway for one thousand pound a side, two hundred and fifty pounds forfeit, on any neutral water in the United States, and that if Courtney will post the above select the referee and appoint the final stakeholder, he will leave for the United States to ratify the match as soon as

Referring to the above the N. Y. Herald OIL cured me of Bronchitis in one week." says:-There is little doubt that Courtey will close with his opponent on the above terms, and the match, as proposed, by eliminating the turn and substituting the English straightway race, seems in every way fair. One thing remains for Courtney to do, and the many and powerful boating organizations in and near this city ought to aid him in accomplishing it -namely, to insist that the race be rowed on the Hudson River from the ninety-

an assemblage of spectators many times larger than ever gathered at a race in our country before, approaching, if not equalling, that which annually goes out of London to see the English University struggle

WAR NEWS.

TURKS DYING AT PLEVNA. A London despatch dated Dec. 26th,

CAPTURE OF A TURKISH STEAMER. A despatch dated London, Dec, 27th, reports on Russian authority that the that he told him anything about the mat- Turkish Transport steamer Messina with The Rev. Mr. Williams then addressed ter, or gave him authority to use his name 700 Turkish troops on board as prisoners. THE FEELING OF THE PORTE.

A despatch dated London, Dec 27th.,

England's note to Russia with regard to end of it, having business with the Fairleys | peace negotiations has been received, but

COFFEE vs WHISKEY .- Grip's cartoon for the New Year represents the Coffee Pot and the Decanter-two Female figuresstanding beside a New Year refreshment table. A look of consternation is on the face of Decanter, as the Coffee Pot says to her, "Now then, you can retire; I shall

MARITIME UNION. -The Toronto Globe thinks that the matter of arranging the conditions of Maritime Union might be left to the decision of the present Governor General, or to arbitrators, one from each Province, and is in favor of the one chamber plan, which is said to work well in Ontario.

Agricultural Society's Prize List.

The Northumberland Agricultural Society will hold an Exhibition of Grains. Domestic Manufactures, and Produce of the Dairy, at the Masonic Hall, Newcastle, on Thursday, 17th January, at 11 o'clock

A.M. The prize list is as follows, -GRAIN-PRICES AND PRIZES INCLUDED. Best White Bald Wheat, not less than

do. Best Red Bald Wheat. do. do. do. do. Second best do. do. do. do. Best Peas. do. do. do. do. Best White Oats. do. do. Second best do. do. do. Best Black do. Second White do. do. Best Timothy Seed, not less than 1 bushel, 5.00

Best Winter Potatoes, not less than 1 bushel, 1.00 do. do. Best Early Potatoes, not less than 1 bushel, 1.00 do. Second do. PRODUCE OF THE DAIRY - PRICES AND

Best White Beans, not less than half

do. do.

do. do.

a bushel,

4.50

1.00

1.00

Best Butter, not less than 25 lbs. nor more than 30 lbs., 25c. perlb. do. 22c. do. do. 21c. do. Third do. DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES - PRICES AND

PRIZES INCLUDED. pairs, \$2.00 DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES - (PRIZE ONLY.

Best Flannel, cotton & wool, do. Second Best Homespun, all wool, Second Best Homespun, cotton & wool, do. Best Blankets, all wool,

All articles exhibited, consisting of Grain, Dairy Produce, and Domestic Manufactures, must be the produce of the County, raised and produced by the exhibitor in the year 1877, and also the property of the exhibitor

All articles intended for exhibition must be at the Hall at or before 10 o'clock, A.M., and none will be received after 11 o'clock, excepting by the decision of the D. T. JOHNSTONE,

[Advocate copy.] Secretary.

The Peruvian Syrup Is an iron tonic, prepared expressly to supply the Blood with its iron element. Besides the weather predictions, there Being free from alcohol in any form, its energizing effects are not followed by corresponding reaction, but are permanent, ed to the Trustees of said Saint Andrew's Church infusing strength, vigor and new life into all parts of the system, and building up an iron constitution. It is an excellent

NO RISK.

Thomas' Eclectric Oil! Worth Ten Times its Weight in Gold. Loyou know anything of it? If not, it is time you did.

Pain cannot stay where it is used. is the cheapest Medicine ever made. dose cures common sore throat; ene dose cures Bronchitis. Fifty cents' worth has cured an OLD STANDING COUGH. One or two bottles cure bad cases of PILES and KIDNEY TROUBLES. Six to eight applications cure ANY CASE OF EXCORIATED NIPPLES OR INFLAMED BREAST. One bottle has cured LAME BACK of eight years' standing. Daniel Plank, of Brookfield, Tioga County, Pa., says: "I went thirty miles for a bottle of your Oil, which effected a Wonderful cure of a Crooked LIMB, by six applications" Another who has had Asthma for years, says: "I have half of a 50 cent bottle left, and \$100 forfeit, two hundred and fifty pounds, would not buy it if I could get no more." with the New York Clipper, which is to Rufus Robinson, of Nunda, N. Y., writes: "One small bottle of ECLECTRIC OIL restored the voice where the person had not spoken above a whisper in FIVE YEARS." Rev J. Mallory, of Wyoming, N. Y., writes:" Your ECLECTRIC

be deducted from the Stumpag It is composed of SIX of THE BEST OILS THAT ARE KNOWN. Is as good for internal as for external use, and is believed to be immeasurably superior to anything ever made. Will save you much suffering and many dollars of expense.

BEWARE OF IMITATIONS. -Ask for Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. See that the signature of S. N. Thomas is on the wrapper, and the names of Northrop & Lyman are blown in the bottle, and Take no other. Sold by all medicine dealers. Price, 25 cts. NORTHROP & LYMAN, Toronto, Ont., Proprietors for the Dominion. Note. - Eclectric - Selected and Elec-

CONSTITUTIONAL CATARRH REMEDY, the only certain, safe and effectual cure for Catarrh, builds up the system and cures all other diseases at the same time. Asthma, Rose Cold, Hay Fever, Bronchitis, Leucorrhoea, Diseases of the Kidnevs, Nervous Debility, take their leave when the Constitutional Catarrh Remedy is used as directed. Price one dollar per Newcastle, in the said County of Northumberland, bottle. For sale by all Druggists and Medicine Dealers.

ROBINSON'S PHOSPHORIZED EMULSION OF

COD LIVER OIL with Lactophosphate of

Lime, is prepared with the finest Cod

Liver Oil-one of the most esteemed remedies in the catalogue of the "Materia Medica"—Lacto-phosphate of Lime, which enters so largely into the formation of bone owned by the late Robert Mays deceased, and was Medica"-Lacto-phosphate of Lime, which material and other important tissues of the body,-Phosphorus, the great brain and nerve tonic and invigorator, in a form Steamer Rushland has lately returned to most desirable to obtain its fullest effects, Sebastopol from the Bospohorus, with the together with other valuable remedial agents. These are all intimately combined in one demulcent fluid of homogeneous appearance and delicate flavor, possessing remarkable power in arresting the decay and supplying the waste constantly going on in those abnormal conditions of the system, affected by such diseases as per vert and impair nutrition, vitiate the ly recommended for Consumption, Chronic Bronchitis, Coughs, Scrofula, Scrofulous and Syphilitic Ulcers, Tumors, Diseases of the Bones, Joints and Spine, General licate Females in those low states of the system that manifest themselves in so many of the ailments peculiar to their sex. To the aged and infirm its nourishing and invigorating properties will give renewed strength and buoyancy of spirit; while to every young children its continued use will be found of incalculable benefit, as its tonic and nutritive properties supply the blood with strength-giving materials for bone and muscle structure, and thus furnish the foundation for strong and ber, A. D., 1877. healthy constitutions. It is very pleasant Prepared only by J. & S. Robinson, St.

John N. B., for sale by Druggists and General Dealers. Price \$1 per bottle six bottles for \$5.

s. t. 20 MARRIED

At Indiantown, on the 27th December, by the Rev. T. G. Johnstone, Mr. Andrew Connors, to Miss Alice Holt, both of Blackville.

At the Manse Blackville, on the 29th December. by the Rev- T. G. Johnstone, Mr. Charles Grady, to Miss Emma Ketch, both of Blackville. At the house of the bride's father, on the 4th ult...

by the Rev. Wm. Fogo, Joseph Williston, of Chat-

ham, to Annie, daughter of William Johnstone. Backwoods, Tabusintac, Northumberland Co. At St. Andrew's Church, Newcastle, on the mornng of the 26th Dec., by the Rector Rev. H. H. Barber, E. P. Flewelling, to Sara J., daughter of Mr. John Sinclair, Douglastown.

DIED.

Suddenly at Newcastle, on New Year's morning. William Casey Saddler, in the 55th year of his age. (Funeral, with Masonic honors, on Thursday, 3rd

THURSDAY EVENING, JAN-

HE IS COMING.

THE MARVELLOUS MIRTH MAKER, MR. J. W. BENGOUGH, Cartoonist of "GRIP."

-IN HIS-Unique and Laughable Entertainment.

Introducing Life-like Caricatures of well-known LOCAL MEN.

BENGOUGH is growing in popularity."-Toronto

TICKETS 25 CTS. - RESERVED SEATS 50 CTS.

MO be sold at Public Auction on MONDAY, the in the STORE, situate on the North side of Water Street, in the Town of Chatham, known as the "LOUDOUN STORE," leased by Mrs. Mary Londoun and Hon. William Murhead to William H. Niddrie for the term of four years, from the first day of

ALLAN A. DAVIDSON, Trustees.

BETWEEN Black River and Chatham, A SMALL BOX OF BOOKS. Any person leav-

Chatham, Dec. 31st, 1877. NOTICE. Dublic Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next Session of the Legislature of this Province, for the passage of an Act

vest in the Trustees of Saint Andrew's Church

ichibucto, in connection with "The Presbyteria

of Welford, in the County of Kent, heretofore grant

the Tabusintac, Little South West, and North West Rivers, as per application, within the limits described in each License, will be sold at Newcastle on the Fifteenth day of January next, sub-

ject to the conditions contained in said Licenses. Upset price, eight dollars per square mile.

"th Side Tabus'tac River, 21 Wm. Murray, Chatham.

W. S. Brown.

Samuel Traviss. Sock Francis. Stumpage 80 cts per M

Mileage to the extent of \$8.00 per square mile to

Dep't of the Interior,) Indian Branch. Ottawa, Dec. 27, 1877.) Sup't Gen'l Indian Affairs

To BENJAMIN WILLISTON of the Parish of Hardwick, in the County of Northumberland, in the Province of New Brunswick, and MARGARET, his wife, and JAMES G. WILLISTON of Saint Stephen, in the County of Charlotte, in the said Province, and HELEN, bis wife. NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of a Power of Sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage, bearing date the First day of September, in year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and

and John Shirreff of Chatham, in the County of A. P., 1876, also duly recorded in the Records of the said County of Northumberland, there will, for the purpose of satisfying the moneys secured by the said Indenture of Mortgage, default having been made in payment thereof, be sold at Public Auction in front of the Waverley Hotel, in the Town of on FRIDAY, the Eighth day of February next at 12 o'clock, noon: all the Lands and Premises mentioned and described in the said Indenture of Mortgage as follows, viz:—All that piece or parcel of Land situate, lying and being in the Parish of Hardwick aforesaid, and bounded as follows: In front, by the Bay of Miramichi ; above by lands at present occupied by the said Benjamin Williston and known as the Dennis Farm ; below by lands occupied b Lawrence Helman and extending in rear the ful extent of the Grant, having a front of sixty rods more or less, and containing by estimation two hunconveyed to the said Benjamin Williston and James G. Williston by William Wilson by Deed, dated the First day of July, A. D., 1856, as by reference ther to will fully appear, together with all, and singular the buildings and improvements thereon and the privileges and appurtenances to the same, belong-

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, the

THERE will be sold at Public Auction on MON-

DAY, the Seventh day of January next, at

vare, 13 Tin Pints, 12 Panikins, 3 Dishes, 2 Bakers, 3 Pots, 4 Buckets, 22 knives, 2 Forks, 11 Spoons, 1 Being a part of certain Goods, Chattels, Plant, Horses, Wares and Merchandize bargained, sold, assigned, transferred and set over to the undersign by WILLIAM F. FOWLER and WILLIAM

FELL FROM A LOAD OF HAY .- On Thurs-

Bengough.—The very large audience which assembled in Shaftesbury Hall last peatedly expressed that Mr. Bengough is Miss Bessie McKeown, who responded to growing in popularity. His lecture is an encore with "Dash it down." brimful of delicate and innocent wit, altercommon sense. The caricatures of well- much applause, after which Miss Jessie known political and municipal characters | Templeton sang "Then you'll remember

wise. It was wonderful how likenesses ment.

Our Shipping.

against 151 vessels of 13,322 tons last year. The new registries at the Port of Chatham for the past year were as follows:-Ships-Jessie Renwick, 1,000, Weldford, R. Brown, Weldford.

Brigantines-Pride of Chaleur, 517, Ba-

Schooners-Albatros, 45, Kingston, Ed.

Kingston. Four Brothers, 25, Caraquet, G. Poulin,

The Chatham Curlers continue to enjoy their play, daily, regular or special rinks occupying the ice, forenoon and afternoon, day next, weather permitting. It is a challenge affair for "beef and greens" between five native Scotchmen and five Canadians. Play is to commence at two

The New Year in the Churches. was held in St. Mary's Church on New service was held in the morning at 11 o'clock, when the Rector again preached tendance

THE METHODIST CHURCH .-- On New Year's Eve a watch night service was held in the Methodist Church, commencing at 10.30 a good congregation being present-The Rev. Mr. McKeown opened the meeting with prayer, after which the Rev. Mr. Smith of the Reformed Episcopal Church, read the lesson and afterwards delivered an appropriate address from Matthew 26th chap., 45th verse, "Sleep on now and take your rest" and was followed on the same per.

in a sober and pleasant manner. A service was held in the Presbyterian Church on New Year's Eve by the Rev. John UNION SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S PRESBY-

After prayer by the Chaplain, Mr. R.

The chairman called for signatures to passed over the small of his back. The the pledge, which was numerously reload on the wagon weighed about 22 cwt., sponded to, both the choir and the band seriously hurt, and he was at once brought | instrumental music. "Friends, the heart

Mr. Wm. Smith now sung a comic song

the pledge to persevere. He was followed by a song, "The Streets of the City" by Master Ernest Murray then gave a recitation, "The two ways," which elicited

Five young ladies, Misses Barbara time, been acting as pastor of this Church Jennie Shirreff, Gertie Haviland, gave a humorous song, entitled, "The ing case in embossed leather, both being

pute political motives to himself in con-The officers of Miramichi Lodge No. 18, nection with it, he had given his aid to the

Chatham for the current year are; - John | cause from conscientious motives, and if | ing he was much touched by the manner Fotheringham, W. M., James Neilson, S. the choice was between temperance and in which they had evinced their sympathy W., George W. Loggie, J. W., James politics, he was ready to throw the next with him. For himself he felt almost Gray, Treasurer., Thomas F. Gillespie, P. election aside, if it were required. He had guilty, that they should have presented M. Secty., Rev. Wm. Wilson, Chaplain., been honestly convinced and changed his him with such a testimonial, seeing how George Lee Brittain, S. D., John Sinclair, | course accordingly, and he exhorted all to | short his connection with them had been, join heart and hand in promoting the and how undeserving he was of such a cause. He then requested all those in token, for which he felt very grateful. the audience who had signed the pledge to He trusted that the coming year, would

An address was now delivered by Mr. W. S. Loggie on the importance of keeping the pledge, which was followed by a song son, "The Contraband," the former gentleman responding to the encore with "My their approval. He would again say he

given by Master A. Patterson, and well all a happy New Year. Mr. John Galloway, of Napan, next delivered an address, showing the safety urging that the present prosperous movepioneer of the cause, the old Northum-

Signers of the Pledge were again called

state that a communication had been received from the Rev. Mr. Fogo of Tabusintac, asking that a deputation be sent to visit that place to form a Dutcher Reformers' Association (Messrs. William Johnstone and John McLaughlin were subsequently appointed to respond to the call.) He would also remind them that next week, being the Week of Prayer, there would be no further public meetings of the Dutcher Reformers of Chatham, till Tuesday the 15th. He would also ask the St. Mary's Church. - A special service Officers and members to attend on Thursday evening at Newcastle, as far as possible, Year's Eve, when a sermon was preached for the purpose of forming an association by the Rector. On New Year's Day a there, and in conclusion returned thanks

> During the evening some 50 persons signed the pledge. After the Doxology had been sung by the choir, the proceedings concluded with the National Anthem

Grace having been said by the Rev. Mr. joyed, after which short speeches were taking. made by various gentlemen present, ex-Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, which they had

" McLean, Old Woman. Correspondence.

> expect that all who desire to assist us in the above them from sending along their favors. We want the news and will see that it goes into the paper in The Dutcher Reformers in Hard-

wicke on Christmas Eve.

Thomas McMaster, "Far Away."

I remain yours truly, DAN'L MCLAUGHLAN. STATEMENT OF MR. WM. WHELAN. Renous River, Dec. 31, 1877. attest to the truth of what I say.

Another Heavy Fire.

Vennor's Almanac for 1877-1878 by the Publisher. The success of the author, heretofore, in making forecasts of the Best Blankets, cotton & wool, weather has been wonderful, an erroneous prognostication being rare indeed. We ind that for the early winter he says-"The second cold snap will arrive towards the latter part of November or the early portion of December and water will become pretty well ice-locked. This also will be of short duration, giving place to heavy rains and snow falls with open weather. A third cold term will probably enter with or close upon the entry of February and this I am inclined to sketch as more protracted than the preceding ones.

A Great Single Scullers' Match.

sixth street Dock to Manhattan Market. This will be water equally new to both, and in many ways admirably suited, and it will insure to these two giants, in the greatest sculling event in aquatic annals,

says a Russian Official despatch dated Bogot, reports that the Turkish prisoners from Plevna are dying from starvation without prospect of relief.

entertain all respected callers.

January, at 2 o'clock, P. M.) New Advertisements.

CHATHAM!

UARY 17.

Drawn rapidly in presence of the audience.

LEASE of STORE FOR SALE.

Also, at the same time, the gas-fittings in the Dated the 26th day of December, 1877.

when in connection with the Established Churc of Scotland, and to authorize the safe thereof, and the disposition of the proceeds arising from such sale by the present Trustees or their successors, in such manner as the said Trustees may deem advis-Richibucto, December 27th, 1877.

NOTICE! ICENSES to expire on the Thirtieth day of

With Side Tabus'tac River, 2 Wm. Murray, Tabus'tac.

West River 11 miles, South Side Little South

Commencing 11 miles

from upper en

NOTICE OF SALE. seventy-Six, and made between the said Benjamin Williston and Margaret, his wife, and James G, Williston and Helen M., his wife of the one part Northumberland, aforesaid Esquire of the other part, and duly recorded in the Records of the said County of Northumberland, which Indenture of Mortgage was assigned to me, the undersigned, by the said John Shirreff by Indenture of Assignment, bearing date the Twenty-seventh day of November.

Dated 22nd December, A. D., 1877. JOHN McLAGGAN, Assignee of Mortgage.

Goods, Chattels and Effects, Viz: Stallion, 3 Horses, 1 Double Sett Harness, Setts f Harness, 1 Truck Wagon, 1 Large Wagon Sled. pairs Bob Sleds, Chains, 35 Peevies, 16 Peevie gandles, 22 Shovels, 3 pairs Snow-shoes, 2 Camp preads, 3 Blankets, 3 cross-cut saws, 1 Hand Saw. Boom Chains, 1 Boat, 1 Scow. ALSO THE FOLLOWING CAMP UTENSILS, VIZ: 2 Lamps, 2 Kettles, 17 Plates, 22 Tin Plates, Tin-

by them, bearing date the Fifteenth day of Septem-GUY, STEWART & CO.