

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

ALL HALLOW'S EVE. THE NIGHTS are cool. HOUSE CLEANING is in order. SEND ONE DOLLAR and receive the ADVANCE for a year.

ONE DOLLAR is now the subscription price of the ADVANCE. PROPERTIES are advertised for sale and to let in this number of the ADVANCE.

"SCRIBNER" AND "ST. NICHOLAS."—See announcement in our advertising columns.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE in reference to points of interest in Kent County, will appear next week.

NEW P. O.—A new Post Office is to be opened at River des Chutes, with Mr. Roman Savoy as Postmaster.

FARMING, ETC.—A communication on the above subject, which we are glad to receive, will appear next week.

CURLING CLUB.—A meeting of the Chatham Curling Club is to be held this evening in the office of John Brown, Esq., at eight o'clock.

STRAWBERRIES.—About a week ago Master Ernest McKay, of Chatham, gathered some ripe strawberries in the woods not far from town.

OUR PRESBYTERIAN MEETING report and also report of the Ladies Auxiliary Bible Society meeting are held over until next week.

CELLARS.—See that your cellars are made tight and frost proof, and at the same time secure as much ventilation for them as possible.

WINTER WOOD should now be put in and arranged as hands as possible for cold weather—unless you live in the country where your wood is still on the stump.

ACCIDENT.—Mr. George Dick had one of his hands badly injured yesterday by the accidental discharge of a gun, while partridge hunting in Wolfeld settlement.

\$221.00 were paid in to the Deputy tax collector of the middle District, Chatham on Tuesday. Who will say anything against having an election contest, after that?

MR. CRIMMIN'S VOTE was 154 in Chatham, not 250 as the Advocate reported yesterday. How unreliable that paper continues to be. In this case it was willfully so.

CHATHAM CATHEDRAL.—Rev. Mr. Vavilly, who has been raising subscriptions in Portland during the last week for aiding in the reconstruction of the Cathedral at Chatham, has collected already about \$400.—Telegraph.

YORK ELECTION.—The writ for the election of representatives to the two seats in York, vacant by the resignation of Messrs. Blair and Thompson, has been issued, returnable 10th December. Both gentlemen will, more than likely, be returned unopposed.

RASPBERRIES.—Mr. Wm. Stohart who lives in Newcastle Parish, opposite Chatham, has shown us several bunches of raspberries taken from bushes at the rear of the Stohart farm. They are of good size, some ripe and others nearly so. They were gathered on Monday last.

THE CHATHAM POST OFFICE is, at last, to be removed to the Government Building. We are glad the public are to have better accommodation in this particular. We never could understand why the Department has delayed the removal so long.

NEGLECT OF DUTY.—Our Newcastle correspondent writes:—"The tax-collector of this Parish having failed to file with the town clerk a list of the Ratepayers, has left himself liable to a fine of \$50 and quite a number of the people are determined that the law in this particular shall be enforced."

WHO DID IT?—On Thursday night, 15th inst., about forty feet of the rail of Taylor's Creek Bridge, Little Napan River, was torn away and thrown down by parties unknown. The Councilors of Glenelg should take steps to discover those who did the damage as there is little doubt that it was an act of intentional destruction of public property.

THEIR JOURNEY'S END.—We are pleased to receive a letter from Mr. W. T. Carman, who with his companion, Mr. Loggie, has reached San Francisco. Mr. Loggie has succeeded to Pugs' Sound, where he is engaged by the large firm, Pope & Talbot. Mr. Carman has also good prospects of employment. Mr. Carman promises a letter in time for next week's issue.

A WARNING.—On Monday last two lads named McEachern and another named Barnard obtained a large quantity of gunpowder by some means, and having made a fire under Wall's Bridge, on the road to the Chatham Station, threw it in. At the explosion one of the young McEacherns' clothing took fire and his back was seriously burned, while young Barnard's eyes were so badly injured that it is feared he will not recover sight.

DESTITUTE.—Dr. M. C. Clark, of Chatham, N. B., has made arrangements to visit Kingston and Richibucto, and can be found at the residence of James Porteous, Esq., Kingston, from the 1st of October until the 1st of November, and at Wheten's Hotel, Richibucto, from the 1st of November until November 20th, where he will be prepared to perform all operations pertaining to his profession in a neat and satisfactory manner, at moderate charges.

NEW MILITARY PAPER.—We are glad to receive the first number of the Canadian Military Gazette published at Montreal. Its prospectus gives promise that it will be useful to the service and an effective agent in promoting the Canadian military spirit.

The annual subscription has been fixed at \$2. Two thousand subscribers at least are required to ensure the continued publication of the paper. We have only, in the words of the prospectus, to remind those members of the Militia and others in earnest for the success of the venture, that they should not only immediately communicate their intention of becoming subscribers, but should use every exertion to secure others. If the necessary number intimate their wish to be placed on the subscription list, the second number of the Canadian Military Gazette will be published one month before to be continued weekly.

DEATH OF AN EX-M. P.—John Phillips, Esq., of Dalhousie, died at his residence, on last Monday morning. Mr. Phillips has not been in good health for two or three years, and it was a matter of remark, during the last Legislative Session in Fredericton, which he attended as a representative of Restigouche, that he was falling rapidly. The "Parliamentary Companion" contains the following facts in reference to the deceased:—Born in Westmoreland, England, on June 16th, 1810, and was educated in England; came to this Province in 1832 and, a year later, married Miss Catherine McCarthy; was once Deputy-Sheriff of Gloucester County; he was unsuccessful candidate to represent Restigouche in the Local Legislature in 1861 and for the same seat in the

Commons at the general election in 1867; was first returned in December, 1870, to the Legislature on the resignation of the sitting member; was re-elected at the general election in 1874.

Mr. Phillips leaves quite a large family who have the sympathy of an extensive circle of friends.

Concert of the Choir of the Dutch Reformers.

On Tuesday evening the Choir of the Dutch Reformers gave their concert in aid of the fund for the new piano, as previously announced, this entertainment taking the place of the one usually given on that evening of the week. As at the former concert, the hall was completely filled by the time the curtain rose on the Parlor Scene, a fact which must have been very encouraging to the performers who received the compliment with the utmost serenity, while engaged at dominos and on other intellectual pursuits.

The first part of the programme was as follows:—Orchestral music—By the Misses E. and J. Shirreff.

Solo—"Evangeline" by Miss Annie Shirreff. Accompaniment by Miss C. Johnston.

Solo—"The Englishman" by Mr. Desbrisay. Accompaniment by Miss A. Shirreff.

Dialogue—"The Wonderful Scholar," by Miss Letson, E. Benson and Master Harry Shirreff.

Instrumental Music.—By Miss Annie Shirreff and Miss Blair.

Duo—"Matrimony" by Miss Jessie Johnston and Henry Paterson. Accompaniment by Miss Annie Shirreff. Address.—By Mr. William Sinclair.

STREET SCENE. Duo—"The Two Orphans" by Misses A. Shirreff and J. Landon. Solo—"Pat Maloy" by Mr. Desbrisay. Accompaniment by Miss Annie Shirreff.

PICNIC SCENE. Chorus—"In the days when we were Gypsying."

PARLOR SCENE. Instrumental Duo.—By Miss A. Shirreff and Miss Blair.

The Rev. H. McKeown now came forward and delivered an address. He said his task was to show, in a few words, the influence of music on the temperance cause. The power of music was differentially comprehended, yet we were not destitute of the knowledge of what we had experienced ourselves, and he might cite the entertainment that evening as an agreeable instance. If he asked in what the power of music lay, he would reply, the wind bloweth where it listeth and man heareth the sound thereof. As eloquence was all powerful, so music was all-tender to soften or strengthen the heart. He referred briefly to Jenny Lind, and to Catherine Hays the Irish songstress, also to Mr. Kennedy the Scottish vocalist. He then spoke of the power of sacred music, and of his experience of the meetings of Moody and Sanky, especially of the power and tenderness of Mr. Sankey's voice, which could melt an audience to tears. In conclusion he spoke of the influence of music on the Dutch Reform Association, asking what entertainment would be attractive without music? It had been said that Ira Sankey sung the gospel into sinners' hearts, so their choir had sung temperance into the hearts of men and saved them; he had seen the power of music manifested in that hall. Arms went to battle, led by martial strains, the Dutch Reformers had been led by their choir, and it angered well for the future. They were greatly indebted to those who provided the musical portion of the programme. A gentleman who had been at Fredericton and St. John, said the temperance choirs at those places were neither so good looking nor sang so sweetly as that of Chatham. He thanked the audience on the part of the choir for their attention and trusted they would continue to appreciate music. (Applause.) The concert was then brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

Municipal Elections.

The election of Municipal Councilors took place in the different parishes of Northumberland on Tuesday of this week.

In Alnwick there were three Candidates, who received the following vote:—Roman Savoy, 102; Robert Loggie, 94; and A. K. McDougall, 92. The two first named were, therefore, elected.

In Hardwike there were also three candidates who stood as follows at the close of the poll, —Jeremiah Sullivan, 64; Geo. Fowle, 48; Phineas Williston, 36.

In Northwick there were four candidates who received votes as follows:—W. S. Brown, 120; R. P. Whitney, 116; James Somers, 110; Anthony Adams, 105.

In Glenelg Messrs. Wm. McNaughton and James Fitzpatrick were returned without opposition. Mr. Robert McNaughton being Chairman of the meeting.

In Derby Messrs. T. W. Crocker and John Betts were elected by acclamation.

In Blackville Messrs. J. L. Scofield and Dan' McLaughlin were elected. We are not informed as to whether there was opposition or not.

In Nelson Messrs. O'Brien and Burchill were re-elected, Peter Esson, Esq., was also a candidate.

Our Newcastle correspondent writes: at the Court House to day John Buckley Esq., Town Clerk called the meeting to order. Mr. Thos. Mullens was elected Chairman and W. J. Miller acted as Secretary.

Mr. C. F. Bourne was nominated by W. J. Miller who also nominated Mr. Patrick Hays. Thos. Troy, Esq., was nominated by Mr. Wm. Henderson, and T. H. Ramsey, Esq. was put in nomination by Mr. Gremley. The result is as follows: Bourne 280, Hays 265, Troy 173, Ramsey 105.

Messrs. Bourne and Hays were declared elected.

Mr. Bourne addressed the electors, saying the result was greater than he expected. He would do his best to retain their confidence.

Mr. Hays also thanked the Electors. Mr. Troy, in response to the calls of the people spoke at some length. He alluded to the fact that this had been made a party contest and that he had to contend against the feelings which had been embittered by the recent Dominion contest. The fact was he was not the candidate of any party. The Hon. Mr. Adams had induced him to offer and had promised him his support and influence. He noted the fact that Mr. Adams was not there to-day, with his support, but that his patrons and friends were on hand doing all they could to defeat him. He hoped other polling booths would be established next year, as eighteen miles was too far for people to come to vote. He said he would be before the people again, if not for Councilor, for something better. He could bear his defeat this time, although he regretted it.

After thanking his friends and opponents for the treatment he had received he retired, the people cheering.

Mr. Ramsay said he came out as an independent man. He believed there was something wrong in the way the people's money was expended, and unless more information was given the people, he would be out again. Cheers were given for Mr. Mullens and the crowd dispersed.

In Chatham Mr. Wm. T. Connors was appointed Chairman. The following nominations were made:—Wm. Lawlor, by Messrs. D. T. Johnston and John Brown.

John Fotheringham, by Messrs. Robert Bain and Wm. McRae.

Dan' Crimmin, by Messrs. John Coleman and Jas. F. Maher.

Barthelme Stapledon, by Messrs. J. J. Pierce and Dan' Crimmin.

There was some talk of Mr. Thos. McLaughlin running, but acting on the advice of his friends he did not do so, though he would have made a very strong candidate. Mr. Stapledon did not know he was nominated until eleven o'clock. The result of the polling was as follows:—

Lawlor.....274
Fotheringham.....273
Crimmin.....254
Stapledon.....35

It is needless to say that Mr. Stapledon's vote was not a correct gauge of his popularity. He was supposed to be on the ticket with the gentleman who seconded his nomination, but whose votes turned out to be nearly all plumpers. One result of the election is that the lower part of the town has a prospect of having its demands respecting its roads fairly met. Another is an additional proof of the fact that:—"The best laid plans of men and mice, 'Gang aft agley!"

Two Parishes are yet to hear from. Richibucto Parish elected Messrs. Daniel O'Leary and Gordon Livingston. Mr. O'Leary got 105 votes and Mr. Livingston, 99. Mr. John Bilton got 92, and Mr. John Murray 63.

Carleton, St. Louis, Welford and Harcourt returned the old members.

John Cross, one of the old Councilors and Magloire Girouard were returned for Wellington.

Semi-Annual School Examinations.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT. On Monday last the Semi-Annual School examinations, in Chatham, commenced with that of the Primary Department in the school house on Wellington Street in charge of Miss Alexander.

The examination commenced about ten o'clock with devotional exercises. The trustees who attended were Messrs. Wm. Murray and F. E. Winslow. The other gentlemen present were the Rev. Mr. McEbin, Dr. J. S. Benson and Messrs. D. Ferguson and A. W. Paterson, as well as a large number of ladies.

In this school the children range from 5 to 8 years of age. The number on the roll is 60 and the average attendance 48. The pupils presented a cheerful and healthy appearance and the promptness with which they responded to the various directions given showed the perfect discipline maintained. The pupils were examined in reading, spelling, the elementary rules of arithmetic and drawing, writing on their slates in italic letters both from memory and the blackboard and were also put through physical exercises. Singing and recitations agreeably varied the programme. The recitations were given very correctly, especially considering the age of the younger children, and with considerable spirit by several of the older pupils. They were as follows:—Willie McKay, "Tabby and her Kittens."

Ada Mowatt, "The Bird's Nest."

Bertie Jackson, Catherine Benson, Gerrie Allen and Maggie Wells, "The day that Baby died."

Le Ron Shirreff, "The Happy Little Boy."

Bertie Strang, "Kitty and the Mouse."

George Howard, "The Poultry Lark."

At the close of the proceedings Miss Alexander announced that the Trustees had provided several prizes and requested the Rev. Mr. McEbin to bestow them, which he did as follows:—

For perfect attendance, Ist, Reta Sinclair—a handsome volume, entitled "Little Folks."

M. McLean, who had only lost one half day, was presented with another volume.

Miss Alexander then announced that F. E. Winslow, Esq., had provided a prize for the best child in the school, and that she thought there were two children, Maggie Wells and Maggie McNaught, between whom no distinction could be made in this respect. These two little girls were then presented with volumes of "Little Folks" and "The Chatter Box," respectively.

For general proficiency, Ada Mowatt and Bertie Strang were respectively presented with volumes of the "Prattler" and "Chatter Box."

The proceedings were brought to a close by the children singing "Good Night."

INTERMEDIATE DEPARTMENT.

The examination of the Intermediate Department under Miss M. Haviland took place in the afternoon at 2 o'clock in the school room in the Masonic Hall. Mr. William Murray was the only Trustee who attended; there were also present the Rev. Mr. Campbell, Mr. I. B. Oakes of the High School, John Fotheringham and A. W. Paterson.

The number of children entered on the roll of this school is 38 and the average attendance 45. The pupils are divided into three classes, A, B, and C.

The exercises were opened with the pupils singing "Scatter Smiles," after which the various classes were examined in Grammar, Reading, Spelling, Arithmetic, Geography, History, Drawing, &c., in all of which the pupils exhibited a progress, which was generally satisfactory, with the exception, perhaps, of spelling, the reason of the deficiency in which was explained in the address of Mr. I. B. Oakes at the close of the proceedings. Very good maps were drawn on the blackboard by Nellie Benson and C. Ruddock. The examination was varied by songs and recitations, and among the latter were the following:—

Master Fred Howard, "The Song of the Wind."

Fannie Gillespie, "The Baby."

Addie Shirreff and Nellie Benson, poetical Dialogue, "Little Things."

Nellie Fotheringham, "The Child and the Dewdrops."

Gerrie Goggin and H. Martin, dialogue, "The Adopted Child."

At the close of the examination, Mr. Paterson briefly expressed his satisfaction with what he had seen and heard, and by arrangement between them, was to act for the plaintiff and did so act—and that the son was to act for the father in his absence, the father having a business in the front shop and the son in the back shop, but the business was distinct, and by the arrangement the plaintiff was authorized to use his father's name in conducting his business, but such business was to be his own exclusively. It appeared that a settlement took place on 19th December 1874, when a balance was found of the plaintiff of \$180.02; that after the settlement defendant had made several payments amounting to \$70, and the plaintiff claimed a balance of \$110.02. The defendant claimed having paid over and above the \$70, and produced receipts amounting to \$311.40, but which on reference to the books, had been credited in

Department, but it was found that would impose too heavy a burden upon her, and that there would be too many classes in proportion to the grades. The Trustees, therefore, thought it best not to make the transfer until next spring. He trusted the Advanced class would make every effort to prepare themselves for the change.

He was pleased with the department of the children, and regretted that no prizes were provided, as in the Primary Department, but he believed there was a promise of some next spring. He was in favor of prizes which covered all branches, and of any particular one, and the Board of Trustees were now acting on that principle.

The proceedings terminated with the "Good Night Song."

THE ADVANCED AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

Were examined on Tuesday and Wednesday, but we are obliged to hold over our report of the proceedings until next week.

Lower Gloucester Roads.

Supervisor Walsh replies to our correspondence "Sam," and while he gives some details of expenditure he invites him to come out over his own name. We regret that Mr. Walsh's letter was so hurriedly written that it was with great difficulty we could make it out. We have been obliged to omit some words, simply because we could not decipher them. Correspondents should endeavor to write plainly, especially when using technical or local terms, and remember that one side only of the paper should be written upon.

Northumberland County Court.

OCTOBER TERM, 1878. Hon. Judge Williston presiding.

The Sheriff summoned a Grand Jury, who chose as their Foreman William Wyse, who with the following were sworn in as the Jury:—

Daniel Crimmin, Wm. J. Miller, George Traer, John Russell, Moses Connors, Alexander Watt, Donald Loggie, John McDonald, James Hickey, Thos. H. Fountain, John Harriman, John Cregan, Henry Hall, Thos. H. Ramsay, John Partridge, Thos. Parker, James Faulkner, Henry C. Nevin.

His Honor the Judge, charged the Jury, referring particularly to two criminal charges preferred against certain persons for assaulting, resisting and wilfully obstructing the Police force in Chatham. He explained the statute under which the charge had been preferred, 32 and 33 Vic. Cap. 20, Sec. 39, and the proper necessity to establish the same, to enable the Jury to bring in a bill to put the parties upon their trial. The Jury, after examining the witnesses preferred two bills of indictment, the one—The Queen vs James Rainsbrough; Another the Queen vs Michael Mann.

The Clerk of the Court, presented three hasty cases, the hearing of two being postponed until the next January term. In the other case the defendant appeared and pleaded guilty to the charge. An order of affiliation was prepared and signed by the Clerk—and the defendant having failed to pay \$100 and the expenses, or to enter into the necessary bonds required by law to indemnify the parish for seven years for the support of the child, was committed to goal. The defendant, on the last day of the Court, having given notice of his application for a discharge, was brought before the Court, and examined as to his property and ability to comply with the order of application, and it appearing that he had no means whatever, he was discharged.

The proposed executor BELLEVUE, Mr. Beckwith left on Saturday morning for the Renou, where he is to survey and report upon the desirability of constructing a new Bridge at or near the residence of D. McLaughlin, Esq.

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The Jury, after a long deliberation found for the plaintiff \$6.08.

John Abel vs James Burchill: Rule absolute for judgment as in case of a non-suit; Mr. Tweedie for plaintiff, Mr. Adams for defendant.

John Abel vs David Somers: Rule absolute for judgment as in case of a non-suit; Mr. Tweedie for plaintiff, Mr. Park for defendant.

James Fahey vs Joseph Conglin: Rule nisi for judgment as in case of a non-suit; Mr. Tweedie for plaintiff, Mr. Thomson for defendant.

The Court adjourned sine die on Friday last.

Newcastle Items.

THE NORTHWEST BRIDGE. The Government Engineer A. G. Deek with Esq. arrived here on the Friday morning, for the purpose of examining into the condition of the North-West Bridge at Sinclair's. On the same afternoon, he proceeded thither, accompanied by Francis Elliot, Esq., Supervisor of great roads, Alex. Atchinson, Esq., Bye Road Commissioner, and Thomas H. Ramsey, Esq., the well known Bridge builder, and the bridge was thoroughly surveyed and inspected. The conclusion arrived at is that the upper structure, from high water mark, will require to be stripped and entirely renewed with the exception of the trusses, which are perfectly sound, having been built within the last ten years. It is estimated that these repairs will require an outlay of from eight to ten thousand dollars. The present condition of the Bridge induced the Supervisor to order that braces and supports be put under three of the Spans.

A BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER. On Friday the same party, with exception of Mr. Elliot, proceeded to Rolph's on the Northwest River, about 16 miles from Newcastle, and made the necessary survey of the river and banks for a bridge site. The width of water, which is very low for this season of the year, is 205 ft, and the extreme length of the proposed bridge will be about 350 ft.

The necessity for a bridge at this place is universally acknowledged, and has long been felt, and at the making of the ice in the fall, and at breaking up in the spring settlers and lumbermen are subjected to great loss and inconvenience.

The party next surveyed the river at the mouth of Trout Brook, which is about 25 miles from Newcastle, for the purpose of ascertaining which is the most desirable site for the proposed bridge.

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