Miramichi and the North Shore.

READ the new advertisements. WANTED. - Copies of the ADVANCE of March 28th and April 4th last. OTTAWA NEWS is crowded out. Proro gation will probably take place to-morrow. THE "PREMIER MACKENZIE" is to load with Extract of Bark at Messrs. Miller's

Factory, Derby. PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS. - Dr. J. B. Benson is appointed a Coroner for Northumberlind. Mr. John Doyle, of Barti-

bogue is appointed a Supervisor. REPORTED—that a large vessel has been lost in the Gulf ice with all hands. We have hopes that the report is incorrect. however, as we can trace it to no reliable

CHATHAM RAILWAY DIRECTORS, elected at the meeting on Tuesday last were Messrs. Alex. Morrison, J. B. Snowball, F. J. Letson, Wm. Murray, and Hon. Robert Young.

CARD-Mrs. Loudoun desires to express her obligations to the friends and neighbors who, on occasion of the late fire within her premises, kindly gave their assistance in moving and saving the furniture.

CRICKET: - A meeting will be held in the Canada House on Thursday evening May 9th, at 8 o'clock for the purpose of organizing a cricket club. Gentlemen interested are particularly invited to attend.

PRESBYTERY OF MIRAMICHI. - The proceedings of the Presbytery held on Tuesday last in St John's Church, Chatham, were of a very interesting kind. A report will appear in next week's ADVANCE. DEATH OF A CAPTAIN'S WIFE. - Yesterday the flags on the Norwegian vessels in

port were half-mast high in consequence of Captain Aslaksen of the barque Sunshine having received intimation of the death of his wife. A NORWEGIAN BARK, the Hertha, was ashore at Shippagan Island on Tuesday. She is consigned to J. B. Snowball, Esq.

She lies in ten feet of water and it is thought can be got off under favorable circumstances. SHIPS FOR MIRAMICHI. -- Cleared at Liverpool, April 18th for Miramichi Mel-

bourne Johannesen

April 25th Ellen Grant Paulsen. To Correspondents. - "Ignaetiff" your letter will appear next week, it came too late for this issue. Bay du Vin and Napan correspondents will also have attention next week. "Teazer's" letter and also the letter of "One of the Auld Kirk" will appear next week

NEW Goods-Fotheringham & Co., of the Golden Ball Boot and Shoe store, and Furniture Emporium, have received their full spring line of all kinds of boots and shoes, Furniture, Children's Carriages, Hand Bags, Valisas, Sole Leather, Mattresses, Cradles, etc.

LAUNCH OF A SMALL STEAMER-Yesterday morning the hull of the small steamer for Messrs. J. & J. Miller, which has been built by Mr. R. Blake, and referred to in our last issue, was brought down to the river and launched. She will shortly be supplied with her engine by J. W. Fraser Esq., of the Miramichi Foundry.

THE "GRIP."-For beauty and speed the little steam yacht Grip, owned by Messrs. Miller, of Derby, is ahead of anything in New Brunswick. Her propeller was unfortunately broken last week, but a new one has been procured and the little craft can steam "around" the fastest boat on the river.

FIRST SCHOONERS FROM P. E. ISLAND. -On Monday evening the schooner Hannah G. from New London, P. E. I., arrived Summerside, with a similar cargo which

ACCIDENT TO THE TUG ST. PATRICK.-On Monday morning as the tug St. Patrick was down at Escuminac, approaching the locality where the pilot schooners were being launched, she struck some hard substance with her propeller, which broke off three or four of the blades. She is now being fitted with a new propeller.

Poles on the Track. -On Friday last as the Intercolonial mail train. conveying the English mail was within three miles of Chatham Junction at midnight the engine driver noticed, by the light in front of the locomotive, that two poles were lying across the rails. Fortunately they were not fastened and the cow-catcher knocked them out of the way. PERSONAL. -- Mr. J. Fred. Doran. who

has been, for more than a year, connected with the Bank of Montreal here, was to leave for St. John last night. He leaves many friends in Chatham. Mr. W. Hudson Matthews and Mr. E.

H. Anderson are added to the Bank staff here, the former as Teller. Hon. Senator Muirhead arrived home

yesterday. Mr. Benn, of Guy, Bevan & Co., was in

town vesterday. Hon. Robert Young visited his Chatham

friends yesterday.

THIRTY-TWO DAYS IN THE ICE. - Pilot Allan McEachren reports that he was boarded off Tracadie on Friday last, by Capt. Cormier, of the schr. Flash, who had been seal fishing at the Magdalens, left there March 27th with a cargo of 80 seals. and when off the south-east point of Anticosti was caught in the ice and drifted down off Tracadie, being then 32 days in On Thursday morning Capt. Cormier commenced an attempt to saw his vessel out and on Monday morning succeeded in getting clear without having sus-

tained any damage. THE LOBSTER FISHERY.—This season the lobster fishing and canning will be on a more extensive scale than the North Shore, and before referred to some of lobster factories. George Smith & Co., of Bathurst, have put up two new establishments at Grand Ance for the purpose of canning lobsters; Mr. Desbrisay, of Madisco, is building one at Hendry's Mill, Belledune; Mr. Miller, of Bathurst, one at Belledure Point, and several others also preparing to engage in

BUE & SS MEETING OF THE DUTCHER RE-FORM -On Friday evening last a business meeting of the ladies and gentlemen of the Chatham Dutcher Reformers, summoned by previous notice, took place at the Masonic Hall at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of selecting officers for the ensuing quarter. For this purpose the following Committee was chosen:

Genemen-John Shirreff, Wm. Murray, rown, J. D. McKay, Theo. Desbrisa, Wm. Anderson, Barthol. Staple.

Ladies-Mrs. John Shirreff, Mrs. Wm. Murray, Mrs. Strang, Mrs. W. Wyse, Mrs. J. D. McKay, Miss Mary Johnston. During the meeting the question of charging a fee at the door on the evenings of public entertainments, was brought up, and discussed at considerable length. The sense of the meeting seemed to be finally,

that although an admission fee might be

necessary, it should only be a small one, and the matter was left to the incoming Executive Committee.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Ladies' Executive Committee and Lady Officers, and also to the Choir. The meeting then adjourned.

The Committee appointed to select Officers met, but afterwards adjourned until Monday evening. LAUNCHES OF PILOT BOATS. -On Monday

the new pilot boat built for Mr. Joseph Jimmo at Escuminac was launched and arrived here the same day, in tow of the St. Patrick. She is a handsomely modelled craft and is called "The Peter Mitchell." On the same day the new pilot schooner built for Mr. William Tait was also launched at Escuminac. but the ways succumbed during the operation. The launch was completed on Tuesday morning and she arrived in Chatham in tow of the Sultan early in the afternoon. She is a nicely modelled boat and is called "The Two Brothers." Mr. Tait is desirous of expressing his thanks to friends at Escu-

minac who stood by his vessel until she was fairly launched. SAD NEWS .- News of the death of M

Wm. Crimmin, of Chatham, at Montreal reached his relatives here on Tuesday last The event was unexpected, as a letter received from him by his brother, Mr. Thos. Crimmin, only a few days ago, showed that he was in good health and full manly hopes and ambitions for the life which might be said to be just opening to him. The particulars have not reached us yet, but a special despatch to the Ap-VANCE states that "an inquest was held "on the body on Tuesday and a verdict 'of "accidental death" rendered. He "must have been walking on the Railway 'Bridge over the Lachine Canal on Sun-

"day evening. The plank is narrow and "he must have slipped off it and fallen 'through the ties (sleepers). The water 'was not let into the canal then, so the bed was dry and he must, of course, It is only a few weeks since Mr. Crimmin graduated with the degree of D.C.L.

on Civil Law. In all his studies he had proved himself possessed of rare intellectual qualities and he was justly looked upon with no ordinary pride by his family Loading at Liverpool for Miramichi and friends, giving promise, as he did, to become an honor, not only to them but to the Miramichi, as well as the profession he was so soon expected to enter. He was to return home in a few weeks had he lived. but all that remains of him now will reach Chatham by the train coming from the north to-night, his brother Mr. Daniel Crimmin having gone to meet the body. and the funeral will take place from Mr. Crimmin's residence to-morrow afternoon. The aged mother and brothers have the sympathy of the whole community in their great loss.

Literary and Theological Institute.

Last Monday evening, in the Lectureroom of St. John's Church Chatham, a society was organized under the name of 'the Literary and Theological Institute of the Presbytery of Miramichi." The general object contemplated by this Institute is, the consideration of subjects connected with intellectual equipment or bearing upon Pastoral duties. All Ministers, Missionaries and Students of theology within the bounds of the Presbytery are eligible to membership. Meetings are to be held immediately before or after the regular sessions of Presbytery. It was agreed that study and research on the part of the members be distributed amongst the following departments:-(1) Language and theology :- Hebrew, Greek and Latin, as contained in the Scriptures, the works here with a cargo of potatoes, oats, pork, of the Fathers and of leading theologians : She was followed on Tuesday (2) Original papers, in the shape of essays morning by the Adeline, Nichols, from to be contributed by the members in turn on theological and pastoral subjects :- (3 The circulation and study of standard

contemporary magazine reviews. At a meeting held in the same place next day, the following ministers and probationers, as eligible in terms of the censtitution, were enrolled members of the

Rev. Messrs. Wilson, M. A., Ander-A., Houston, M. A., Nicholson, A. Rus-M. A., Ministers, and Rev. S. Russell, A. rigged and loaded for a port in Europe. B., and Mr. J. G. Stewart, A. B., Prowas elected Chairman of the Institute for Campbellton, Secretary-Treasurer for the first year. It was arranged that at the next meeting selections from the Hebrew Psalms, Galatians in Greek, and Calvin's Institues in Latin, be taken up and critically studied : also that an inaugural address should be given by the Chairman, and a Body of an Unknown Man found in paper contributed by the Rev. J. Anderson, Newcastle, on the subject of "Anti-

Entertainment of the Dutcher Reformers.

On Tuesday evening the Dutcher Reformers held their entertainment in the Masonic Hall. The chair was occupied by the President L. J. Tweedie Esq., and there was a fair attendance. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr.

Chorus-"Jerusalem, myGlorious Home' Duet-"Come where the Roses sleep,"by Miss Jessie Johnstone and Miss Annie Shirreff.-Accompaniment by Miss C.

Miss Ida McAlpin. Installation of Officers. Address-By the Rev. Mr. McKeown. Address-By L. J. Tweedie Esq. Chorus--"To the Work" by the Choir. Solo-"Waste not want not" by Mr.

Edward Smith Solo-"Down in the Coal Mine", by H. Patterson. Accompaniment by Miss Chorus-"Hear the Call" by the Choir Solo-"Cheer Boys Cheer" by Master Willie Shirreff. Accompaniment by Miss

Annie Shirreff Address-By John Shirreff Esq. Duet-"The Temperance ship is sailing by" by Annie Davidson and Jennie Accompaniment by Miss Charlotte Johnston.

Duet-"The Indian Warrior's grave" by Miss Gillies and Miss Jessie Johnstone. Address-By Mr. William Murray. Address-By Mr. E. Strang. Address-By Capt. Brown. Solo-"Write me a Letter from Home

by Miss Florence Kelly. Accompaniment by Miss Annie Shirreff Address-By Mr. Oakes. Duet-"Over the Hill to the Poor House" by Miss Gertie Goggin, and Miss Ettie Loudoun. Accompaniment by Miss

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS. This being the last Tuesday evening in the quarter, the following list of officers prepared by the Committee appointed for that purpose was duly elected and install- Coroner measure the body; height is five ed, being briefly addressed on the occasion by the Rev. Mr. McKeown.

President.-John Shirreff. 1st, Vice do. -Wm. Murray. 2nd, Vice do.-E. A. Strang. 3rd, Vice do. - Capt. J. J. Brown. Treasurer. - Wm. Johnston.

Secretary. - I. B. Oakes. Assist. Sec. - Theo. Desbrisay. Chaplains.-Rev. Mr. McBain, Rev.

Mr. Wilson, Rev. Mr. McKeown, Rev. Mr. Smith. Executive Committee. - L. J. Tweedie, W. S. Loggie, J. D. McKay, William Anderson, G. I. Wilson, A. J. Loggie, W. H. Frecker, Robert Sinclair, George

Leishman, Nicol, P. Anslow, Wm. Sinclair, Jr., Misses. Sarah Nicholson, Bessie Marshals. - John Bell, Shepard Frost, Geo. Loggie, B. Stapledon, W. Rae, John McLaughlan, Sr., John Wilson, C. Gunn, Alex. Cantley, R. Murray, C. Barnard. Visiting Committee. - Robt. Blake. Jas. Firth, Jas. Nicol, A. S. Templeton, Chas. Barnard, Thos. Wright, John Bell, Alex.

Ladies.-Misses. Maggie Johnston, M. Leishman, Mary Davidson, Mary Johnston, Sarah Marshall, M. J. Gordon, M. McLaughlan, Brimner,

The Secretary's Report shewed an increase during the quarter of 174 members, 52 of whom were ladies. The number resigned was 6, and the total membership

The Treasurer's Report shewed that the receipts during the quarter had been \$265.18 and the expenditure \$98.55, leaving a balance in hand of \$166.63. The accounts were audited by Messrs. Wm. Murray and

E. A. Strang. The Executive Committee's Report stated that two new societies had been formed during the quarter, one at Tabusintac and the other at Lower Napan, both of which were in a flourishing condition. They hoped ere long to see the new Hall erected and asked the Visiting Committee to be earnest in their labors.

The Southwest Boom.

A Directors' Committee of the South west Boom Company made a visit of inspection to the boom on Thursday last, accompanied by some other gentlemen. They went in Messrs. Call & Miller's Steamer Andover, as far as Millerton, that 'have struck the bottom with greatforce." boat proceeding to Indiantown on her first gan, which she also did during the day. trip of the season. At Millerton the party went on board the steam yacht, Grip, at McGill College and at the time of his which was placed at their disposal by John death he was engaged in delivering lectures | C. Miller, Esq., of the Bark Factory, who, himself, accompanied them on their inspection trip. They passed along the Boom at different rates of speed, from the Grab-All to the upper end, examining the piers and boom pieces, including those of the new extension made during the last winter under contract by John Sadler, Esq.

In the older or lower portion of the boom a few piers were found to be damag. ed, but these defects have existed, more or less, for several years, the jam piers seeming to have suffered equally with the others. The examination, on the whole. showed the Boom to be in good order, the only material repairs needed being some ballasting which, we believe, will be done forthwith. The new piers constructed by Mr. Sadler -eleven in number-stood the ance. The boom pieces provided by him

are, also, excellent. though there was a quantity quite large enough to keep the raftsmen and Surveyors busy and the supply is now increasing. The lessee C. C. Watt, Esq., had a large crew on hand and there was everything to indicate an efficient and

satisfactory season's work on his part. The party was entertained by John C. Miller, Esq., at his hospitable residence on their return from the Boom, the whole day being spent most agreeably.

From Richibucto.

FARMING.—Farming operations in Kent have been considerably retarded in consequence of wet and backward weather. Several farmers have commenced plough ing, but, as yet, no grain has been sown in the vicinity of Richibucto and Kingston.

COURT NEWS .- The County Court for Kent County was in session four days last week, and adjourned on Friday. Only one civil case was tried, viz.: Simpson vs Richard, which resulted in a verdict for defendant. His Honor, Judge Botsford. left for home on Saturday.

LAUNCH. - There was launched Kouchibouguac, on Monday, from the son, McBain, Johnstone, McCullough, M. shipyard of George McLeod, Esq., a fine vessel of 700 or 800 tons register. This sell, Herdman, M. A., B. D., Robertson, ship will be brought to Richibucto to be

SHIPPING. -Bark Amity, Sutton, masbationers. Rev. S. Houston, Bathurst, ter, arrived off Richibucto bar on Monday, its first quarter and Rev. J. C. Herdman, This is the first arrival for the season at this port. Schooners Margaret Jane and Providence sailed from Richibucto for the progress made. Shediac on 6th inst., and schooners Annie and Mary Ann sailed from Richibucto for Shediac on the 7th inst.

Richibucto Harbor

An Inquest was held before Coroner Moody on Tuesday, April 30th, at the house of Mr. Donald McBeath, Marsh Point, opposite the town of Richibucto, on the body of a man found in the water near that place. There were no papers or any effects found on the body by which i could be identified.

It is surmised that it was the body of a

young man named Murray who was drowned from the schr. Charles at Cocagne in the fall of 1877, as a boy who was on board the Charles at the time Murray was drowned gave a description of Murray's clothes which correspond with those found on deceased. The remains were interred in the Episcopal Burial Ground at Richibucto. The following is a portion of the evidence taken by the Coroner and may tend to throw some light on the matter:-William McDougall, sworn :- About ten o'clock this morning I was going up to the Marsh Point with a gun. As I was going along I saw the body of a man lying on the shore, all in the water except the head which was turned towards the shore I went to the water's edge to see if it was a man. I then went home and told my

father. I noticed that he (the man) had a dark vest on. The body at present lying on the shore below the house is the same that I saw this morning. I told my father to come up that there was a dead body on the shore. He and Alex. McBeath came to the body with me. I then went to town to inform the Coroner.

Alexander McBeath, sworn :- Between ten and eleven o'clock this morning Wm. McDougall came and said to me there was a body on the shore. I went with Mc-Dougall and saw the body. I noticed the hair was off his head and he had on a dark vest and a dark colored shirt-no coat on. The body was in the water. I went to town with McDougall. McDougall's father and my uncle Donald were with me at that time.

body now lying on the shore; noticed it is dence of fair progress. that of a medium sized man; saw the feet six inches; hair dark, only a portion of November at Inkerman" was recited by half past one, the school was dismiremaining on the back of the head; the Albert Patterson in a manner which elicitbody is very much decomposed; looks as ed applause. if it had been in the water for some time. The Geometry class was called, and Mr. probably since last fall, would think that Oakes explained that in Wormell geometry tors was quite as large as in the morning, the weight was between 150 and 160 lbs. there were no demonstrations given, as in and among the gentlemen present, who Keown, when he falls back on that text jurying a man that has done as much for

The skin on palms of hands and fingers was very thick, as if he had been a laboring man. I examined the eyes, could not get any idea of color on account of decomposition. I saw the body stripped and ex- the black-board of the 17th, 19th, 42nd amined by the Coroner and Jury; saw no peculiar marks about the body. Teeth were even and round. He had on a black Ladies.-Mrs. Tweedie, A. D. Shirreff, vest, coarse quality of cloth; dark tweed pants: had on two shirts, inside one black and white checked, woollen material, outside one dark blue cotton dungaree, had on his feet woollen socks and heavy top boots, had on a pair of knitted cotton drawers; no necktie or collar, a leather belt around his waist. Saw the pockets examined by Coroner; a jack-knife was found in one of the vest pockets; pants pockets were worn through; would think by his looks he was twenty-five years of age, was rather smooth faced, a little

> Verdict of jury-"Found drowned." The knife found on deceased was twobladed, with the point broken off the large blade.]

School Examinations.

THE GRAMMAR AND HIGH SCHOOL. On Monday morning at 10 o'clock, the examination of the Grammar and High School, in charge of Mr. I. B. Oakes, took place, the school room having been very prettily decorated by the pupils with heavy festoons of evergreens hung round the walls near the ceiling. Framed mottoes, also, ornamented with evergreens

hung beneath. Two of the Trustees, Messrs. W. Murray and F. E. Winslow, were present, as well as Mr. S. Benson, Secretary of the School Board. The Rev. Messrs. Wilson, Mc-Keown and McBain, and a large number of ladies were also in attendance.

The School having been opened with devotional exercises, the female pupils sang the "Spring Carol" very nicely, Miss Annie Shirreff presiding at the or-

The 2nd and 3rd Arithmetic classes composed of pupils of both sexes, were first called upon, the exercises consisting of questions in Proportion, Square Root (worked on the black-board), Commission Murray. and Allegation, as well as simpler Arithmetical questions, the whole of which, with the exception of Square Root, were worked by the pupils on their slates. The work was done in a very satisfactory manner, and in the more difficult questions the pupils were required to explain the reasons for using the different arithmeti-

cal operations employed. The French class read and translated several extracts from the "Complete French Class Book" and afterwards parsed some portions, showing their acquaintance with the construction of the language. "The Chemistry of Common Things"

first subject was the growth of animals and Spring freshet and run of ice admirably plants. A description was also given and have a solid and substantial appear- of the process of organic changes in matter, illustrated by the work of the compositor in setting up type, who after form-Logs were not running in very fast, al- ing different combinations of the letters from his case, returned them to their different compartments, such being the process constantly going on among the elethe constituents of the atmosphere, the properties of oxygen, nitrogen, carbonic acid, hydrogen, and ozone, the constituents of soils, especially with relation to agriculture, also the beneficial influence of exercise on the human frame, in causing a greater quantity of oxygen to be taken into the lungs in a given time. Mr. Oakes in conclusion remarked that this study had been thought in some measure useless by some, who believed that the time might be more profitable employed. It was, however, evident to those present, that the intelligent answers of the pupils evinced their interests in the study, than which is

> would be difficult to simagine one more After Recess. The pupils having sang "The Murmurng Sea" the next subject was taken up:-Grammar and Analysis:-Mr. Oakes stated there were two prizes offered in this branch, and that the examination would be conducted on the slates of the pupils. A sentence was then written on the black-board, with certain words scored under, which were to be parsed in tabular

form. The pupils then went to work. The senior Greek class, consisting of Harry McKeown and Albert Paterson next | Mabel Murray, Bessie McKeown, Eadie read and translated from Homer's Iliad The examiners, one of whom was the Rev. Mr. McKeown, were well satisfied with

Harry McKeown read an essay on Education, shewing the great benefits of its influence on the progress of the world. religiously, socially and politically. The essay, though short, was comprehensive

and the ideas well expressed. The "Grammar and Analysis" class were now called up to have their work examined, but it was decided to declare

the result in the afternoon. The class in the 5th Reader now read 'The Siege of Quebec," page 189, Mr. Oakes previously announcing that a prize would be given to the best reader. The examiners were the Rev. Mr. McKeown,

Messrs. F. E. Winslow, Wm. Murray, and Miss Williston. There was a marked improvement in the reading of the pupils in comparison with that at the examina tion last year, and the decision was arrived at with some difficulty, as there were many fair readers, and some half dozen had to be called out to read afresh before a decision was made. It was announced that the prize would be awarded in the

The examination was then adjourned

The pupils sang "May is here" very

spiritedly at the opening of the afternoon There was quite a large attendance of visitors, among whom were Messrs. J. B. Snowball, W. Murray, Dr. J. S. Benson,

gentlemen, as well as ladies. The 1st Arithmetic class was called, and worked some difficult questions in Cube Root, Annuities, Double Position and a number of miscellaneous problems on the black-board, some of the questions involving the application of logarithms. The various questions, some of which were selected by visitors, were worked by the pupils who also explained the reason of

the different operations. The junior Latin class read and translated from the 1st Latin Book, the subject being Roman History, it having been announced that a prize would be given. The examiners were the Rev. Mr. McKeown and Dr. J. S. Benson. After reading the Singing-"Sweet Visions of Childhood"

themselves. Miss A. Brown, Harry Mc-Keown, R. Anderson, A Patterson, and Charles Blair then gave demonstrations on

and 45th propositions. The geography class now came up, Mr. Oakes stating that they had been study. ing Asia. Miss B. Ferguson. Ernest Mc-Kay, Miss Bessie Carmichael and Miss Ada Johnston drew maps of Asia on the black-board, from memory. The class then selected the map of Miss Ada Johnson as the best and were requested to fill it in with the tracing of rivers, and mark the positions of towns, cities, mountain ranges etc., the work being supervised by mutual criticism. There were shown also numerous well

executed maps drawn by the pupils. A spelling contest followed, by the whole downy whisker: looked as if he had not of the pupils, who wrote the words on their slates, which were then examined after which those who had no mistakes again contested. The victor was Miss E. Kerr. Mr. Oakes said that during the term the pupils on the register numbered 46, the average attendance was 36 and the percentage 76. There were two pupils who had not lost a day, viz. Albert Patterson and Miss Harris.

Song-"The Coming Holidays." Recitation-"Regulus before the Roman Senate," by Chas. Kelly, was received with applause.

Distribution of Prizes. The Rev. Mr. McKeown was requested to distribute the prizes. He briefly expressed his gratification with the decided improvement of the pupils during the past year, especially in the matter of reading. It was not the intrinsic worth of the prizes given, he said, but the honor of being first in the different branches, which gave them their value.

The prizes were as follows:-Reading-Miss Flora Kelly, "Longfellow," presented by Mr. Wm. Murray. Spelling-Miss E. Kerr, a box of Mathe matical Instruments, presented by Mrs.

Snowball. Writing - Albert Morrison, Writing Case, presented by Mr. Isaac Harris. Latin-Roman History, Bessie Ferguson, "Milton," presented by Mr. Wm.

Grammar and Analysis-Miss Bessie Ferguson 1st, Miss Mary Davidson 2nd, Books presented by Mr. D. Davidson. APPROXIMATION. Reading-Willie Snowball, Chas. Kelly.

Spelling-A. E. Patterson, H. McKeown, R. Anderson.

Writing-Miss F. Kelly. Mr. Wm. Murray agreed with the Rev. Mr. McKeown's remarks as to the progress of the pupils. He had served as a School Trustee for some time, but had seen no

examination like this. The decoration of the room was also something new to him, and he thought they had every reason to was the next branch examined in. The feel that the Schools were progressing. Mr. Oakes announced that pupils intending to enter this department would

present themselves on Wednesday morning at 9.30 for examination. The National Anthem was then sung. Previous to the pupils being dismissed Mr. F. E. Winslow, Trustee, briefly addressed them in words of encouragement, observing that there were several boys ments of matter. The other subjects were | who had approximated very closely in the examination to those who had carried off prizes, and that next year he would offer

> a prize, himself. ADVANCED DEPARTMENT.

The examination of the Advanced Department, in charge of Miss Williston, took place on Tuesday morning. The pupils assembled at 9.30 and took their places, singing a march, and at 10 o'clock the school was opened with prayer, after which the pupils sang "Happy Greeting." Among those who were present during the forenoon were Messrs. Wm. Murray and F. E. Winslow, Trustees, Mr. S. Benson, Secretary, the Rev. Mr. Forsyth, the Rev. Mr. McKeown, Messrs. A Paterson, G. B. Fraser, and a large attendance of

ladies. The number of pupils on the roll of this

Class C was first called upon for simultaneous reading from the fourth book. The reading and spelling of the class were very good. The examiners were the Rev. Mr. McKeown, Messrs. A. W. Paterson and G. B. Fraser. A number of the best readers were afterwards called out to contest for the prize, which was provided. This number was at last reduced to four, Winslow and Irene Strang, when the examiners, being still puzzled, it was finally decided that the whole four should have

Class B read from the fifth book "The Death of Little Nell;" the reading was good both in prose and poetry, and prizes were finally awarded to Reta Kelly and

Ernest Murray. Class A also read from the fifth book. and after prose, a limited number read an extract from Byron. The trial was at last limited to Miss Laura Winslow and Miss Fanny Blair, readers of such equal merits, that it was difficult to decide between them. but the 1st prize was finally given Miss Winslow, and a second prize to Miss Blair.

A recitation, "The Old and New Year." was spiritedly given by Campbell Johnson The Oral grammar class was examined by Miss Williston on the parts of speech, parsing etc., the pupils shewing fair progress though they had not yet seen a gram-

A recitation, "Little Shoes" by Miss Reta Kelly, who held a small pair in her hands while reciting, was well rendered and received with applause.

The A and B geography classes were called up and Miss Williston drew attention to the numerous well executed maps small and large, on the walls, drawn by the pupils. The examination was North America and the prompt replies of the pupils to the various questions were very satisfactory.

A recitation, "Procrastination" by Miss Ellen Paterson was very well given, in fact, it would be best to say at once D. Ferguson, F. E. Winslow, and other that the reading, recitations and singing of the pupils was highly creditable. Classes A B and C were now exercis

> ed in the simple rules of Arithmetic shew-A comic recitation, "The way to do it" by H. McCurdy excited much amusement by the appropriate action of the

young reciter,

Chorus by the pupils "Scatter Smiles was next given. The A grammar class was examined by Miss Williston in grammar and analysis. The knowledge of the subject shewn was

Miss Mabel Murray recited "In the Nest" which was received with applause. The French class was called up, the Joseph Michaud, sworn:-I saw the pupils parsed some portions and gave evi- pupils having been previously engaged in writing out conjugations of French verbs on their slates from memory. The read-Recitation-A Poem entitled "The 5th | ing and translations were very good. At

In the afternoon the attendance of visi-

Euclid, and the pupils had to do the work | were not there in the morning, were J. B. Snowball, Fsq. and Mr. I. B. Oakes. The A B and C classes were examined in Arithmetic, comprising Reduction, Addition, Solid Mensuration, etc., and had

evidently made very satisfactory progress. A chorus, "The Prize," was now sung. A Recitation, "Somebody's Mother," by E. Blair, received much applause. Class A was examined in Canadian History, and Class B afterward in English

History, from the time of the Romans to that of the Civil wars in Stephen's reign. Both classes did well. A French poem, the "Mountain Emi-

grant" was very nicely recited by Miss Laura Winslow, who afterwards translated it into English and received much ap-

The "Mother of the Maccabees" was recited by Miss Fanny Blair and applauded. The Rev. Mr. McKeown by request now proceeded to distribute the prizes as follows, accompanying each with a short Spelling-Catherine Childs, a Pencil

Case presented by Mrs. D. Davidson. Reading-Bessie McKeown and Eadie Winslow two papetries. Irene Strang a pencil case, and Mabel Murray a scrap book and pictures. Recitation-Herbert McCurdy, an Ink

Good-Conduct-Annie McKay, a dollar Punctuality-Willie Snowball, a napkir

ring, he having been absent from school only one day during the term. Miss Williston said there were still several prizes; they were distributed as follows:-

Reading-Ernest Murray, a Geography, presented by Mrs Harris; Reta Kelly a bronze ink stand, presented by Mrs. Snowball, and Laura Winslow, a napkin ring.

For the remaining prize, a pearl handled

pocket knife, presented by Mrs. Snowball, a spelling class was organized, and the rictor was Stanley Murray, a second prize being awarded to Thomas McMahon, on account of his mistaking a word given. The Rev. Mr. McKeown, at the conclusion expressed his satisfaction with what he had seen during his attendance at the schools for the last two days, and thought all present had profitted. He believed that the Teachers understood their work, and he would say to the children, that constant attendance was the secret of success. Irregular attendance was the complaint of the Teacher of this school, and this should be repeated to parents, as

a point to be attended to, if they wished

the school to be a success. The school was then dismissed PRIMARY DEPARTMENT, ST. PATRICK'S HALL. The examination of the Primary Department in St. Patrick's Hall took place at three o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. This School is in charge of Mr. Simon Crumbly and has only been in existence one term, under the School Act. The number of pupils on the roll is 70 and the average attendance 40. During the examination there were present Messrs. W. Murray and F. E. Winslow Trustees. and Mr. S. Benson, Secretary to the Board; also the Rev. Mr. McKeown and Mr. Fraser with a number of ladies. The A and B classes were examined in Reading and Spelling, the A class also in arithme tic. The examination was generally creditable for children so young, the ages in this School ranging from 5 to 10. The Trustees were, however, of the opinion that more desks were required, and that black-boards were necessary, the school being unprovided with them.

Correspondence.

Card of Thanks. Chatham May 8, 1878.

Allow me through the columns of your paper to express my sincere thanks to the inhabitants of Escuminac, one and all, for the willing way in which they came forward and assisted me in righting my schooner, the Two Brothers, when she fel off the ways on Monday last. I can assure my old friends I will ever remember with a grateful heart the kindness they showed me on that occasion, and hope at some future time to be able to return it.

WILLIAM TAIT, Pilot.

The Escuminac Church Question MIRAMICHI, April 30th, 1878. To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance. MR. EDITOR:-It is generally expected that when three or four individuals lay heir heads together to prepare for the press, the results of their labors will be something creditable. You can, therefore, easily imagine my disappointment while reading in your last issue, the communication to which is appended the name of the Rev. H. McKeown. It was naturally expected that the Presbytery Committee's statement of facts would elicit a reply from the Chairman of the Miramichi District, in which he would set forth therefore, that Mr. McKeown has not followed that course, but has, on the contrary merely contented himself with empty generalizations, mixed up with a good deal of

a counter-statement of the facts as they appeared to him. It is to be regretted. cant and twaddle. In his fine specimen | Parliament in regard to encouraging home of schoolboy logic he has very effectually manufactures. How is it, that what is succeeded in begging the whole question, and so far as the writer can see, has not contradicted one of the statements of the Committee. He does indeed attempt a contradiction when he asserts that the Miramichi District was petitioned for a preacher for Escuminac, but he very warily refrains from telling us, who these petitioners were. However much he may deprecate the idea of the Methodist Conference being brought to trial before the Presbytery of Miramichi, he will admit that in this case it stands before the bar of public opinion. The results of the trial, at least so far as the evidence brought before us so far would lead us to conclude, are about as follows viz :-

(1) That unasked by the people of Escuminac, the Methodist Conference sent a preacher to labour in that district, thus trespassing on the field of other denomina-

(2) That considerable sums were subscribed by the people of Escuminac and their friends elsewhere for the purpose of erecting a bona fide Union Church.

(3) That having erected said church, the people of Escuminac were duped by interested parties into passing a resolution to deed it over to the Methodist Conference. (4) That even then subscribers were under the impression that the wording of the deed contained a clause making it "free to all Protestant Ministers to hold service in;" but now discover that no such clause was inserted.

(5) That officials of the Methodist Conference in Miramichi would appear to condone these questionable proceedings. (6) That many of the subscribers and the public generally who prefer even "narrow theology and sectarian bigotry to snivelling hypocrisy and glaring dis-

in St. Mark's Gospel, as the commission of the Methodist Church, what he means by it. Is it that it was given to the Methodists alone, or that the Methodists alone preach the Gospel? The best comment on that clause, and indeed on his whole communication, will be found in his letter to the Wesleyan, published about the time that this now famous Escuminac case was

Thanking you very kindly for your space, I remain Mr. Editor, yours truly,

The School and Temperance at Burnt Church. Burnt Church, May 1st, 1878.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance. SIR, -You will greatly oblige a number of your friends by giving space to a few notes concerning our examination, which was held in the School-house on Tuesday, 30th April. Notwithstanding the bad state of the roads there were a great many present, and they were very well pleased with the progress which the pupils had made during the last term. The examination was in reading, grammar, and arithmetic, and the pupils acquited themselves creditably, especially the little ones. It shows that the teacher, Mr. Thos. Dunn, has taken great pains in discharging his

It has been a very favourable winter here for the scholars and they attended very well. We have 27 on the Register. There are only eight in the district who did not attend school last term.

We have the temperance movement down here also. The people have all joined it with few exceptions. I am not Dutcher, myself, but next thing to it We hold our meetings every Wednesday. Thanking you for your valuable space,

I remain, yours, A TRUSTEE.

Red Bank Dutchers.

LITTLETON, April 29, 1878. To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance. DEAR SIR :- On Saturday evening last the Red Bank Dutchers, notwithstanding the bad condition of the roads, gave another of their favorite entertainments, so highly appreciated by the public, the Hall being crowded by a fashionable and appreciative audience.

The programme, which is appended, was a judiciously selected one and it is scarcely necessary to say it was rendered in an effective manner. The Choir sang "It will come by and

by". This was followed by a speech from W. S. Brown, Esq., who, in the course of his remarks, said it gave him great pleasure to see so many gathered to forward the cause of temperance: he congratulated those present on giving their countenance to the keeping up of the temperance club in spite of the bad condition of the roads. He spoke strongly upon the temperance question for some time and resumed his seat amid much applause. Miss Mary McKindrick recited "The three glasses of Gin", which was well received. The Choir sang, "Hold the Fort," after which Miss Abigial Somers recited "The Falling Girl" which was well rendered. Mr. Frank Shaesgreen read "Deaf as a Post", which was applauded. Master Eddie Somers then recited "The good time is Coming" in a style which gained for him loud applause. Master Willie Somers recited "Hohenlinden" in a masterly manner evoking hearty applause. Miss Edith Blackmore recited the "Village Tattler" and Miss Sophia Somers recited "The Black Valley Railway." Miss Addie Somers recited "The dying Inebriate"each of the above being heartly applauded. A song by Miss Phebe Tozer and Mr. Alex. Tozer, "Sarah's young Man," was most admirably rendered and received a well merited encore. Mr. Hugh Gillis followed with a recitation "Full five-thousand Strong," which was well rendered. A song by Misses Bertha and Sophia Somers, "I'll wear a smile to night," was sung with effect and was most enthusiastically encored.

The pledge book was then opened and strangers invited to sign the pledge. During the signing Mr. Brown related a very striking incident. President, Mr. White. made a few remarks, in which he spoke in very complimentary terms of the youths who had taken a part in the Dutcher meetings (applause). The Choir then sang 'Good Night" and the meeting adjourn-

Yours sincerely,

LITTLE S' WESTER. Mr. A. G. Williston on "Tom Cods"

Falsehoods.

BAY DU VIN, 7th May, '78. To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance. DEAR SIR :- I have noticed that the past few weeks a rabid paper published at St. John called The New Dominion has FURNITURE been sent in bundles to the Bay du Vin Post Office, and to many of the electors about Bay du Vin. I do no not suppose Boots, Shoes and Slippers, that Bay du Vin is the only Post Office in this County to which it is sent. We have heard a great deal said lately by the Conservative Party, both in and out of preached by this Party is not practiced. We have two papers published in this county that are at all times ready and willing to write up the perfections of the Sir John A. Macdonald Party. Why are they overlooked and the New Dominion scattered broadcast o'er the land? The Gleaner and the Union Advocate only come to subscribers, while the New Dominion. comes free to many of the electors. Is it because the New Dominion's advocacy of the Sir John A. Macdonold Party is so much superior to that of our local journals. that the kind sender mails this paper to

us, while the claims of our own journals

are overlooked? It might be all right but

What I wanted to do in noticing this

still it is not going in for Protection.

paper at all was to draw the attention of the public to a base and wilful falsehood that appeared in its columns, in its issue of April 27th. The writer of this falsebood is a correspondent and writer over the signature of "Tom Cod," and writes from Chatham. In the letter that I allude to "Tom Cod" says that the latest dodge of Mr. Snowball to catch votes of the fishermen, is to build a freezer and an ice house at the Chatham Depot. This is false! Mr. Snowball did nothing of the kind. After Mr. Snowball's return from Eng- Joseph Mills, Plaintiff. land James Anderson of Burnt Church ham and asked him to build us an ice-house to enable us to ship our salmon from the Chatham Station in Refrigerator Cars. Mr. Snowball did so, we paying for putting in the ice and also paying rent for building. Since that time another shipper, who lives in Chatham, has joined us and we have control of the ice-house. Mr. Snowball did not build a freezer at the Chatham Depot. When we asked Mr. Snowball to build us the ice-house, politics was not mentioned. It was simply a matter of business. I think that the editor of the New Dominion ought to be ashamed of himself to allow any correspondent to write such barefaced falsehoods such as "Tom Cod," has written. "Tom honesty will, in future, more carefully Cod" says that the most unprincipled guard against the designs of ecclesiastical canvass is being resorted to by Mr. Snowball. Can anything be more unprincipled than that resorted to by correspondents

Northumberland as Mr. Snowball done? If "Tom Cod" resides at Chatham, then he must know that Mr. Snowball did not build a Freezer at the Chatham Depot. What is his object in writing statements that are not true? The whol of "Tom Cod's" letter is bristling with falsehoods, particularly that portion of it, in which he alludes to the Bay du Vin fishermen! I only write this letter in

justice to Mr. Snowball who has done all he could for the fishermen of Hardwicke at all times. Without convicting "Tom Cod" of any more falsehoods I will leave him to his own conscience, which I fear, however. does not trouble him very much. If Mr. Snowball puts up an ice-house, the canvass against him must be at a pretty low ebb when that is brought up against him, and in the dirty, mean and despicable manner,

in which it is done. By publishing the above, Mr. Editor, ou will oblige, Yours, respectfully, A. G. WILLISTON.

MARRIED. By the Rev. J. A. F. McBain, at the residence of the bride's father, 7th inst., Mr. David McLean of t he Parish of Glenelg to Miss Agnes P. McKnight daughter of Mr. Samuel McKnight of the Parish of

On the 2nd inst., by the Rector of Chatham, Mr. Thomas A. Brehaut to Miss Georgina McLean, all of Douglasfield, Chatham. At Campbellton, Restigouche, on the 30th ult: by the Rev. J. C. Herdman, B. D., Mr. John Ste-

venson to Mrs. Ann Brown, both of Campbellton.

DIED. At Kingston, Kent Co., on the 17th ult., Captain Simon Graham, aged 82 years, a native of Kirkendbrightshire, Scotland, and for many years a highly respected inhabitant of that place. At Victoria, British Columbia, on April 1st., Mr

John Mackie, in the 60 year of his age. At Napan, on Tuesday, 30th ult., John Jardine aged 73 years. At Black Brook, on Monday, 29th ult., Philip Savoy, aged 72 years. Requiescut in pace.
At Napan, on April 22nd, John Fenton, in the

At Rock Heads, on the 24th ult., Margaret Thompson, a native of Alloa, Scotland, and relict of the late Robert Brown, pilot, in the 74th year of [Scottish papers please copy.]

New Advertisements.

Dutcher Reform Meetings,

STEAMER "NEW ERA" Will on TUESDAY next, 14th inst., leave New-On FRIDAY, 17th inst., the "New Era" will

leave Chatham at 7.15 p. m. for Newcastle, returning at close of Newcastle Dutcher Reform Meeting. The fare for the round trip on each occasion will CALL & MILLER.

OWNERS.

TO-LET.

Newcastle, May 7, 1878.

THE Property lately occupied by Robert Hay known as the Cranney Property, near the old Rectory. Apply to-Chatham, May 8, '78. P. E. Island Oats,

GEO. R. GARRETT. CARD

SEED POTATOES, and BUTTER, for sale ex.

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND. ENTLEMEN:-You are to be called upon with I in a few weeks to elect four representatives in the New Brunswick Assembly and, in response to the expressed wishes of a large number of your

which I now hold. citizens should aspire to legislative positions, but I think you will agree with me that it is not alone in the large towns or in the ranks of but one proests of so important a County as Northumberland the past four years my record is before you, and while making no invidious comparisons I feel that I can claim to have acted consistently and in such a manner that while conserving the interests of the

Province, I have also assisted in securing for my tribution of public patronage It has so happened that I have, in the main, supfeeting changes of administration, simply for the sake of change, and without the prospect of there securing either local or general advantages. Before the elections come off I hope to visit very many of you, and while I am desirous of seeing and consulting with my friends, I am equally anxious to

answer personally any who may call in quesiion my WM. SWIM.

meet those who may be opposed to me and to

STMR. "NEW ERA," LEAVE NEWCASTLE. 7.30 a. m. 12 noon.

Newcastle at 6.30 p. m., instead of 5.30 p. m. as on Will call daily on her first and fourth trips at Wilkinson's Wharf, and on her second and

2.00 p. m.

May 7, 1878. SPRING

On Saturday evenings the "New Era" will leave

3 p. m.

"Golden Ball"

Boot and Shoe Store EMPORIUM.

-because on hand all kinds of-FURNITURE.

Handsome Children's Carriages,

HAND BAGS, VALISES, &c. Fotheringham & Co.

I hereby give notice that I shall not pay any accounts or debts contracted by any of the crew WILLIAM JONES,

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1875 AND AMENDING ACTS. In the matter of Thomas McNeill, an In-Writ of Attachment has been issued in this

A cause and the creditors are notified to meet at County of Kent, on TUESDAY, the twenty-first an Assignee if they see fit. day of May, A. D., 1878. JAMES MeDOUGALL.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1875

AND AMENDING ACTS.

Thomas McNeill, Defendant WRIT OF ATTACHMENT has been issued in A this cause.

Date l at Richibucto, County of Kent, this third day of May, A. D., 1878.

JAMES McDOUGALL

BOOTS & SHOES. Custom Work, done at NICOL'S by

EXPERIENCED WORKMEN

Chatham, May 8, '78. NORTHUMBERLAND

County Rifle Association. THE Annual Meeting of the Northumberland L County Rifle Association will be held at the office of the Secretary Treasurer on TUESDAY

We would furthermore ask Mr. Mc- who will write lies for the purpose of in- By order of the President. By order of the President. W. B. HOWARD, Secy.-Treas.

went up to Newcastle.