

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

THE SCHOOL meetings take place to-day.

THE ANNUAL MEETINGS of the North-west and Southwest Boom Companies will be held to-day.

PERSONAL.—J. R. Snowball, Esq., reached England in the *Sardinia* on Tuesday, 11th inst.

"PEACOCK YARD" is among the new goods advertised by Mr. W. S. Loggie, this week.

A GOOD BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY is offered by the proprietor of the Miramichi Bookstore. See Advt.

IMPROVED.—We are glad to observe that Rev. Mr. McEain of St. John's Church, Chatham, is able to be about town, though his health is by no means good.

"THE SOCIAL" under the auspices of Northumberland Lodge, Newcastle, this evening, is to be quite an event in its line, being the only affair of the kind that has been held here.

"THE PRINTER'S MISCELLANY" comes along with its accustomed regularity. The last one is up to the usual standard of excellence which makes it interesting to the craft from cover to cover.

PARSONS is not making frantic efforts to have the *Synagogue* tract forced through Parliament, nor is there any positive proof that he is the originator of the scheme. It looks very much like one of his projects, however.

CURLING.—Two Rinks each of the St. Andrew's Club, St. John, and the Chatham Club, Chatham, are to play a match game in the Chatham covered rink, between the 20th inst and the 1st of next month, the exact date to be fixed in a day or two by the St. John curlers.

CHAIRMEN AND SECRETARIES of the School meetings to be held to-morrow on the North Shore are requested to send in memoranda of particulars to the ADVANCE for next week's issue or issues following. Any of our friends attending these meetings will do well to see that we get these notes.

A MODEL DISTRICT.—School District No. 2, Rockhead, Parish of Chatham, shows an assessment list fully collected, because \$16 collected from transient residents, who were not on the assessment roll when it was made up. This reflects very creditably on Mr. Wm. Hay, the Collecting Trustee and Secretary.

LECTURE COURSE, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH. The first of a short course of Lectures in connection with St. John's Presbyterian Church, Chatham, will be delivered in the Temperance Hall on Thursday next 18th inst., at half past seven p. m., by the Rev. William Aitkin of Newcastle. The subject of the lecture will be: "The Progress of Knowledge and Science." From the well known ability and popularity of Mr. Aitkin, the public may expect a treat. This lecture was delivered lately at Newcastle with great acceptance. Admission 10c each.

Crushed to Death by a Log.

We learn from our St. John Exchange the particulars of the death of Mr. Jediah D'Orsay, formerly of Portland, who had lately been in the employ of Messrs. Guy, Bevan & Co. at Black Brook, about two weeks before Christmas, Mr. H. R. Robertson, who is carrying on an extensive lumbering operation at Martin's Head, secured Mr. D'Orsay's services as sculler of logs, and he was employed in his vocation when he met with the accident which caused his untimely death.

The *Sun* says:—Any person who has ever visited that part of the Province lying to the eastward of Quaco, will have some knowledge of the height of the banks of the streams in that vicinity, the bank on which the accident occurred being nearly one thousand feet high from the bed of the stream to the top.

After the logs are cut in the woods, they are hauled to the top of the bank and unloaded from the sleds a short distance down the bank. Two stops (stakes driven in the ground) are placed to check the log in its downward course toward the brow below. The brow is built by placing a tier of logs lengthwise along the bank, across which sleds are laid to receive the next tier of logs, and so on until the brow is completed. The duty of the sculler (the position which deceased was filling at the time), is to measure the logs by tiers on the brow.

At the top of the bank, before the log is started, the man who starts it, arranges it so that the log will catch by the ends, one on either stop, after which it is started. This gives the sculler and the men on the brow a chance to get clear of it before it comes down upon them. As the logs are of different lengths, there are spaces between them in which a man can place himself, and in case of the log coming down the bank too quickly, by stooping down, he can allow it to pass over him. At the time of the accident, the log which was sent down, from some cause, did not lodge on the stops, and went crashing towards the brow. The man on the top of the bank called out to those below to look out, and Mr. D'Orsay, who was at one end of the brow, took shelter between the logs and crouched down out of danger. In this position he remained for some time, when, not hearing the log coming toward him, by reason of the deep snow through which it rolled, he straightened himself up facing the bank, with his back against the end of a projecting log. Hardly, however, had he assumed an erect position (and before he could get out of the way) than the log came crashing upon him, and striking him in the breast, killed him instantly. He was picked up and carried to one side, but never spoke. There was no doctor nearer than Sussex, but had there been, he could have been of no assistance to the injured man. Mr. Robertson at once drove to Sussex and notified Coroner Bennett, of King's County, but he had no jurisdiction, the accident having taken place in St. John County. The Attorney General was then telegraphed to, but could give no authority upon which Coroner Bennett could go out of his district. Mr. Robertson then came to St. John and notified Coroner Burt, who, having heard the circumstances of the case, gave a permit for the removal of the body to this city. Mr. D'Orsay's son, who had been telegraphed to in the meantime, went up to Sussex by the night train on Saturday, and was there notified by wire of the permit to bring his father's body to town, which sad duty he performed by Monday's train. The deceased was an Englishman by birth, about 37 years of age, and was well and favorably known in St. John some years ago as a surveyor of timber, residing in Portland. After coming to this country, he pursued his calling as civil engineer for some years, after which he went into the employ of Messrs. Ferguson, Rankine & Co., and subsequently was employed by other parties in the lumber surveying business, until he entered the service of Messrs. Guy

Bevan & Co. at Chatham. He was the father of a large family, all of whom are living at Black Brook, with the exception of a son employed in the drug store of Mr. J. Chaloner, St. John, and a daughter who teaches school at Golden Grove. His wife was notified by telegraph of her husband's death on Monday.

Pay up Promptly.

The subscription price of the MIRAMICHI ADVANCE is only one dollar, if paid at the proper time. This price is sufficient to place it within the reach of any one. We respectfully request our friends throughout the country to pay up old scores and renew their subscriptions promptly. The address shown exactly when subscriptions expire. Hereafter we will put no new name on the list unless the subscription is prepaid. We sincerely hope that our many friends appreciate our efforts to give them a good country paper at a reasonable figure. We have had no one on our list who has not paid, and are quite confident that those in arrears will favor us by squaring up their accounts. If patrons will recognize the duty of paying promptly we shall esteem it a favor as it takes no small amount of cash to keep the ADVANCE establishment running.

Farewell Addresses.

Rev. Mr. Leishman preached his farewell sermon in South Gower and Mountain, on Sunday, the 12th inst. Very large numbers of people were present, and the last time one who has so long and so faithfully carried on the work in this field. Mr. Leishman leaves behind him many warm friends who fully realize the great loss sustained by his removal. Although absent, his influence will be felt throughout the lives of those who have, for the past six years, experienced the power of his preaching.

The following are the addresses presented to him and Mrs. Leishman, and his reply:—

VERY REVEREND, AND DEAR SIR:—A few of your many friends in the vicinity of your ministerial labours, desire to improve this opportunity this evening, by doing themselves the very great pleasure of expressing to you their appreciation of your acceptance, not on account of your intrinsic value, but as a small memento of their personal regard and of their appreciation of your labours in this field. But whilst it affords gratification to evince our respect for one who has endeared himself to us in so many ways, by his noble and unselfish labours, we are equally desirous of expressing our appreciation of your acceptance, not on account of your intrinsic value, but as a small memento of their personal regard and of their appreciation of your labours in this field.

Both officers and crew were satisfied she was seaworthy. The captain and mate gave me to understand there were 100 tons of stone ballast in the ship. I landed the ship from the Horsehoe out clear of the bar, and she steered well and carried good canvas, and appeared still in good condition to go to sea. I left her on the evening of the 19th, and every man seemed satisfied to go to sea in her. I remain, yours truly, JAMES NOWLAN, Pilot, Escuminac, Harwich, 3rd Jan., '81.

True Worth Recognized.

The Rev. James Fowler, late teacher of Natural Science in the New Brunswick Provincial Normal School, has been preferred and accepted a professorship in Queen's College, Kingston, Ontario, and left this Province in September to enter upon his new sphere of labor. While, for his own sake, we feel much pleased at his preference, we regret that our Provincial Board of Education did not make an effort to retain the services of one so well qualified as a teacher of Natural Science. As a man of fine scholarly tastes and acquirements, an ardent student of botany and kindred sciences, one deeply imbued with the true scientific spirit of the age, Mr. Fowler is well known to naturalists in Canada and the United States.

Mr. Fowler, we understand, is a native of Northumberland County, N. B., and received his education at the County Grammar School, and afterwards at Dalhousie College, Halifax. His attention was first directed to the study of botany by the late Dr. Forrester, Chief Superintendent of Schools in Nova Scotia. After Mr. Fowler was ordained, he returned to his native county, and took charge of two or three scattered congregations in that and the neighboring County of Kent, finally removing to the latter county altogether, and becoming pastor of the congregation at Bass River. Here he remained till within a short time of his appointment as instructor of Natural Science in the Normal School in 1878. During all those eighteen or twenty years, indeed, from the time he left County, Mr. Fowler kept up a course of study in classics, in Hebrew, and various other branches, but more particularly in Natural Science, collected plants everywhere within his reach, exchanged largely, and opened up a correspondence with the leading botanists of America. It may be stated that when he left Bass River he had not less than 8000 or 9000 species of plants mounted in his herbarium. No discouragements dampened his ardor in the pursuit of his favorite study, and specimens of almost every form of vegetable life in Kent County found their way into his collection—his constant companion wherever he went—his researches often revealing species new to the Province and sometimes new to the continent.

In 1879 he published the first list of New Brunswick plants ever given to the public. It contained 1069 species, all of which he had seen and examined himself. During the present year he has added a supplementary list to it containing the names of some plants discovered since the first list was published. Both lists are appended to the Agricultural Reports for 1879-80, also to the Educational Circular. Although, to all appearances, such zeal and labor are not appreciated as they ought to be, yet we think that the day is coming when they will be; and the result of such researches will be of incalculable value to our country, not only in a scientific, but in an economic point of view. We, therefore, think it a misfortune that Mr. Fowler has not been retained, more especially when his qualifications and scientific knowledge were becoming better and better known, and when Natural Science was introduced among the branches to be taught in our public schools. His well known modesty and retiring disposition naturally prevented him, no doubt, from courting that public notice which his abilities merited. Too often it is observed, that such men as Mr. Fowler are over-

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broken down in Ireland and the mischief done was incalculable. The government had been guilty of criminal neglect. He refused to believe that any tinkering of the law would effectually settle the question. Information had reached him that not a tenth part of the outrages committed were reported and that the mischief was growing.

Mr. Gladstone replied that there was no serious difficulty to apprehend in regard to the Greek frontier question. Every step, that had been taken had been taken in concert with the other Powers, which was the best method for a solution of the question. The government was not responsible for the Basuto war. The late government had not recommended a renewal of the Irish Peace Preservation Act. If there was any measure in connection with the subject, it belonged to the late government, and not to the government which only succeeded to office when the act had elapsed, and which could only renew it. As to the accusations against the executive, it was a fact that wherever they had prohibited a meeting that meeting was not held. The government thought they were bound to try the effect of the existing laws. They had not, like the late government, arrested three insignificant persons who were never brought to trial. Crime and violence had prevailed in Ireland to a far greater extent than now. He would not admit that the Land act of 1870 had altogether failed, but he did admit that new provisions were requisite as to assignment of tenants' interests, and that clauses intended to give free scope to the experiment of creating a peasant proprietary had been insufficient and almost inoperative. The government did not see the way to deal with the home rule franchise in Ireland at this session. Mr. Gladstone concluded by saying the Government were addressing themselves to a task which, owing to human weakness, they might fail, but which would redound to the honor and happiness of all if they succeeded. Mr. T. P. O'Connor, home ruler, defended the action of the Land League. Mr. William Johnson, Solicitor General for Ireland, justified the action of the government in prohibiting several meetings where they had reason to apprehend danger to life. After several Irish members and others had spoken, the debate was adjourned on motion of Mr. Parnell.

IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS TO-NIGHT, the Earl of Beaconsfield, although he disclaimed the intention of entering upon any argument, made a long speech. He declared with satisfaction that the present government had neglected everything in Europe, Asia and Ireland, by reversing the policy of their predecessors, at the time of whose overthrow peace was assured. He strongly denounced the conduct of the government in waiting until the last moment to propose repressive measures in Ireland and said the circumstances warranted an amendment to the address in that sense. But the state of Ireland required speedy measures. He, therefore, recommended that the House proceed immediately to discuss the ministerial measures for restoring order and liberty to the long-suffering subjects of the Crown. During the latter part of the debate, Lord Granville said the government had refrained from proposing repressive measures in Ireland, because they were unwilling to apply repression without remedial measures. If the government were enabled to permanently improve the position of the peasant, he believed peace, prosperity and order would be restored. The Duke of Marlborough (conservative) thought the present system of administration would be productive of most serious consequences. Earl Spencer, Lord President of the Council, denied that the government was responsible for the existence of the Land League. The Earl of Kimberley, the Colonial Secretary, said if a conspiracy really existed to separate Ireland from England, Parliament by refusing to remedy evils would be only playing into the hands of the conspirators.

THE IRISH DIFFICULTY. The *Times* in a leading editorial article this morning (8th) says:—"The government does not apprehend any slackening of its hold upon the large constituencies, and the opposition is in no mood to challenge or accept the risks of a pitched battle in Parliament, even if it had any chance of redressing the balance of the voting strength by drawing away seceders from the liberal camp. At the same time the state of Ireland has excited feelings which have passed from amazement into indignation, and would probably remain without grave political consequences if it were not certain that an immediate remedy would be sought." The *Pall Mall Gazette* in a leading article says:—"Unless Mr. Gladstone can deduce unknown and unexpected principles from the Land act of 1870, which would practically include the 'three F's,' the promised legislation supplementary to that act will be disappointing, not only for the radicals or advanced liberals, but for the moderate liberals, and even many conservatives. Any bill that falls short of the 'three F's' will certainly prolong, with new circumstances of bitterness and exasperation, the campaign of the Land League, and may possibly produce a momentary outbreak of furious violence."

THE STATE TRIALS. LONDON, Jan. 6.—With the departure of the traversers to London, the interest in the State trials seems to have collapsed. The court room is deserted by the usual audience. This morning's proceedings merely consisted of the reading of speeches made by the traversers. The Court decided to admit the reports of the *Nation* (newspaper) as evidence in the trials, in spite of the objection of the counsel for the traversers. A number of the newspaper reports were then put in the proceedings. The wearisome examination of police witnesses was then resumed and continued until the close of the day's session. A despatch from Dublin to the *Nation* says:—"The effect of such an anomaly and satire upon the constitution, as the continuance of a criminal trial in the absence of the accused can hardly be favorable to the administration of justice. The people will only see that Mr. Parnell and his associates care as little for the Queen's Bench as for the law itself, and ignore its authority when it interferes with the pursuit of their political objects."

DISORDERS. LONDON, Jan. 6.—Another man who was bayoneted by the police during the riot near Claremorris on Tuesday night, had died from his injuries. Jeremiah Lesby, president of the Fishes branch of the Land League, was arrested to-day, and lodged in the Kerry County Jail. The London correspondent to the *Manchester Guardian* says that previous to the issue of the war office circular, directing that a strict guard be kept over the armories of the volunteers, over a hundred rifles were stolen from one place in the vicinity of London. A despatch from Kilmacoe, county Kilkenny, announces that Rev. Mr. Cody, president of the Mullinavat branch of the Land League, and twelve members of the committee, have been held for trial on a charge of "bayoneting" a farmer named Walsh.

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ENTERTAINMENT.—Mr. John T. Carter who now owns the Rotary Mill below town has opened a new line of operations for the winter. He has lately attached to his mill a Shingle Machine and a Lath Machine, and has also gone into the manufacturing of smelt and lobster boxes. He manufactures the boxes complete and supplies them to the fish trade at a cost of 12 to 13 cents each. He will also find in the lobster trade, a market for his laths, which are at present in demand for traps. The shingles will be exported.

STILL VACANT.—The office of Searcher, Locker & Co. in the Customs at this port vacated by the death of the late William Napier is still vacant.

THE STORM.—A heavy snowstorm from the east set in yesterday afternoon and continued throughout the night. About twelve inches of snow fell. There was a light rain this morning which will prevent a drift. Thanks to Commissioner White, our sidewalks were cleared quite early rendering the walking considerably better.

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