Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

BENSON BLOCK STORE to let—See advt.

REMEMBER the garden party at Blink Bonnie next Thursday.

THE S. S. CLIFTON of the North Atlantic Steamship Co's Line arrived at Chatham on Monday.

THE FAIR to be held in the Chatham Skating Rink on Tuesday, 13th inst., will be event of the season.

PERSONAL,—Henry O'Leary, Esq., of Richibucto was in town yesterday.

Mr. Keary of the Keary House, Bathurst, is in town.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH FAIR—Skating Rink, Chatham, July 13th. Promenade—Tea—Refreshments of all kinds—fancy sale and usual attractions.

1105.—Miramichi Council No. 441, Royal Arcanum, is opened for regular duty on the first and third Fridays of each month, in their rooms, Masonic Hall, Chatham, N. B. John S. Benson, M. D., Regent and Medical Examiner, Wm, Wilson, Collector; John Fotheringham, Secretary. Present membership of the order 62,000.

GARDEN PARTY.—The "Kettle Drum' is to be introduced at the garden party to be held under the auspices of the ladies of St. Andrew's Church, Chatham, at Blink Bonnie next Thursday. The affair will be one of the most attractive out-door entertainments ever held in Chatham and, therefore, ought to attract a large attendance.

A GRAND PICNIC is to be held at St. Louis, Kent County, on Wednesday and Thursday, 14th and 15th inst., when the new bells, lately imported for the Church there will be blessed by His Lordship the Bishop of Chatham. The hard-working priest of St. Louis, Rev. Jos. Pelletier, and the efficient committees assisting him are exerting themselves to make the event unusually attractive.

THE EXODUS is making itself felt in a very pronounced manner in the up-river districts. About seventy young men and women of the Renous River alone have left home for the United States within the past year or two and some of the older ones are following their example. Among the latter is Mr, Michael Hayes, one of the best-known residents, whose grown-up children and other relatives have done so well over the border as to discourage him in remaining longer in a country which, in the estimation of too many of its people, has by the misgovernment of its rulers become "a good place to emigrate from."

MIRAMICHI DISTRICT.—The Methodist Conference makes the following assignments for the Miramichi District,—

Chatham—F. W. Harrison, (Supt. of District.

Newcastle—S. H. Rice.

Derby—H. R. Baker, A. B.

Richibucto—Silas James, A. P. Taylor.

Weldford—J. W. Tait.

Tabusintac—One wanted.

Bathurst—H. Sprague, D. D.

Campbellton—G. W. Fisher (Financial Secy. of Dist.)

Students at Sackville—Geo. F. Dawson and Neil McLaughlin.

For Camp Sussex.

The four local companies of the 73rd battalion, commanded by Lieut.-Col. McCulley, paraded on Tuesday morning at the Skating Rink whence, headed by their band, they proceeded to the train, *en route* for Sussex. The Newcastle Field battery, under Lt.-Col. Call also went to camp by the same train. Both bodies presented a more than usually good appearance, Nos. 2 and 5 companies of the 73rd being particularly noticeable for their soldier-like bearing. The others, whose opportunities for drill, etc., have been less favorable will, no doubt, be fully up to the mark after a few days of camp life and discipline.

The Miramichi Turtle Ahead.

The Supreme Court of North Carolina will soon be called upon to define the status of the turtle as a deadly weapon. A negro in Raleigh hit another over the head with a 12-pound turtle. The assailant was charged with committing an assault with a deadly weapon. An exception was taken, and the Supreme Court must settle the question. The prosecutor in this case should endeavor to secure the testimony of a certain well-known resident of the "west end," Chatham, who holds a prominent position in a lawyer's office here. He says he once owned a 9 inch long turtle of 3½ lbs. that was captured in a Miramichi creek and "kept itself" about the premises all summer, but disappeared in the fall. He gave it up as a deserter. Next spring, however, he happened to be looking about his cellar with a view to giving it the usual clearing out and whitewashing for the summer, when he discovered the turtle in the coal bin as hard as a brickbat and scarcely distinguishable from what remained of the winter's fuel. He carried it to the kitchen and placed it in a tub of water, thinking it might possibly have life yet in it, and, in the evening, when he returned home, the maid-of-all work told him "that thing in the tub was alive and crawling around' and, she added, "could you tell me what it is?"

Why, said he "Don't you know?"

"Indeed I don't, "she replied.

"Well," said he, "It's a turtle."

"A turtle is it?" she exclaimed "Land sakes, and I've been breaking up the big lumps of coal with it all winter."

We think our friend's story—if sworn to—would go far to settle the pending question in the North Carolina Supreme Court, for while there may not be much difference of color or density between a southern darkey's head and a lump of the bituminous, yet an animated weapon of 3½ lbs. that could survive a whole winter's occupation as a coal crusher might, if enlarged to 12 lbs., be fairly considered a deadly one for the purpose of a single, sudden and vigorous onslaught, especially if made with malice prepense.

Alnwick Notes.

Herring have been a failure at Neguac, which will be considerably felt by the lobster packers, as that fish is chiefly used for bait.

Lobsters are very scarce and small, Two factories are not running this season. It is reported that W. S. Loggie is going to shut down his at Neguac, and J. W. & J. Anderson at Portage Island.

Salmon are very scarce and the price low.

Farming is all over now; crops look very well. Hay promises to be abundant.

Times are very dull here just now, and more so since the election. At that time things were booming and some folks were looking ahead to flourishing times this summer, particularly if the Ticket was elected, as they were going to make such a revolution in the so-called bad administration of the Government.

Many of the Ticket supporters thought they would get or cut logs on Crown lands for nothing, and I think some believed that they were going to get back the stumpage they had paid but it has all proved a delusion.

The roads look quite lonely now, more so since the election is over, as it was quite cheering then to see Councillor Savoy's white hat booming high upon the head of the confidential councillor, for he used to be on the roads then almost constantly. But whether he killed his horse or lamed it, so that he is not able to leave home now, I cannot ascertain, or, perhaps, he has taken the result of the election so much to heart, that it has brought on some trouble confining him to his bed—hence his absence on the roads—if so I trust that he will recover.

Bears have again made their appearance and killed some cattle in the back settlements. I was of the opinion that we would not be troubled with Bruin this year, after all Mr. Tweedie has said about him last spring in his canvass. But back they have come, and thanks to Mr. Gillespie's Bear Bounty Bill—as Mr. Tweedie called it—the poor man who lost his cow by the bear will have the satisfaction of getting three dollars for the nose, if he is lucky enough to kill him.

NARROW ESCAPE. — On Wednesday evening Miss Davenport, of Gibson, carelessly handled a revolver at home and it went off, the ball entering her thigh. Medical assistance from the city was summoned and the young lady, although suffering from the wound, is not considered in a dangerous condition.—*Reporter.*

WORK ON THE CENTRAL railway has been commenced at Chipman, near the residence of G. G. King, M. P., and extending southward toward Norton. About a mile of the road is said to be already graded. The *Sun* has always claimed that the building of this road could not be dispensed with, and it congratulates its friends in Queens on the prospects of an outlet being afforded in the near future for its inexhaustible mineral wealth,—*Sun*

FATAL ACCIDENT.—While assisting to lace a belt one day last week a workman named Allan, in Messrs. Farnworth & Jardine's mill at Ram's Head River (7 miles below Parrsboro) was caught in a belt and whirled around, his legs striking the floor and his chest the pulley. Both legs were broken and his chest was crushed in. He died a few hours afterwards. Another workman had his leg broken on Saturday last.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, who left New York for England on Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Beecher, said:—"I do not propose, when I get to England, to meddle with their politics. I have enough modesty to know that a stranger had better not interfere with the politics of another country, and although heartily in support of Home Rule for Ireland, I am not going to say anything about it over there."

COULDN'T BE SO.—An exchange says, — "Sheer grit saved the life of Charles Malone one day last week at La Crosse, Wis. He was thrown under a railway car, but managed to catch the axle and hold on until the train was stoped, notwithstanding, his ankles were pulled out of joint and badly bruised." That reads very well, but as the axles of railway cars revolve with the wheels it would be interesting to know how Malone managed to mantain his hold on one.

FURTHER ISSUE OF CARAQUET RAILWAY BONDS.—The Imperial Bank, Limited, are authorised to receive applications at the price of 98 per cent., for an issue of £70,000 Caraquet Railway 6 per cent first mortgage sterling bonds of £100 each, being the unallotted portion of £100,000 authorised. Coupons are payable on the first of January and July, and the bonds mature on the 1st of January, 1904. The Dominion and Provincial Governments have contributed cash subsidies amounting to £76,800, and of this an amount sufficient to provide interest on the bonds until January, 1889, is to be deposited in the Imperial Bank in the names of the trustees. The London directors of the Company are—the Hon. C. L. Cadogan, Mr. George Brooke Mee, of 9 Great St. Helen's, and Lieut. Gen. Alexander Fraser, R. E, C. B.—*Canada Gazette, London.*

The Wimbledon Team.

The following are the names of the Canadian Wimbledon Team now about landing in England.—

Colonel Tyrwhitt, M P. for Simcoe, in command.

Capt Prevost, 65th Battalion, Montreal, Adjt.

Staff-Sergt A Bell, 12th Battalion; Capt Cooper, Toronto; Sergt J Rolston, 37th Battalion, Hagersville, Ont; Sergt J Bond, 37th Battalion, express office, Milton, Ont.; Trooper Beatty, 8th Cavalry; Lieut-Col. Domville Rothsay, N B, Sergt D M Loggie, 73rd Battalion, Chatham, New Brunswick; Staff-Sergt, A Wilson, 33rd Battalion, Seaforth, Ont; Lieut Maxwell, Halifax Garrison Artillery, Halifax. N S; Capt Hood, 5th Royal Scots, Montreal; Private J Riddell, 6th Fusiliers, Lt-Col Massey, Montreal: Private O Stanton, 60th, Lieut Rowe, Clarenceville, Ont; Capt Bainhill, 78th Battalion, Shubenacadie, N S; Lieut Blair, 78th Battalion, Truro, N S; Private Lordly, 62nd Battalion, Lieut-Col Blaine, St. John, N B; Sergt Mumford, 62nd Battalion, Lieut-Col Macintosh. Halifax, N S; Capt J Adam, 13th Batt, Hamilton; Private Kimmerly, 49th Battalion, Napanee, Ont; Sergt W C King, 45th Battalion, Bowmanville, Ont: Staff. Sergt, J B Mitchell, 45th Battalion, Bowmanville, Ont; Lieut W S Russell, 45th Battalion, Bowmanville, Ont; Staff-Sergt Armstrong, G G F G, Ottawa:

Thomas Bacon, Lieut-Col, Secretary.

The Interprovincial Match.

The often-talked-over match between the provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia has at last been arranged for, and will take place on Thursday, July 15th, on the new range which was opened at Moncton last fall. The team will be composed of eight men from the active militia of the provinces. Prince Edward Island was expected to enter into the match also, but as there are very few Martini-Henri rifles on the island, and being few members of the militia who are accustomed to use them, it was thought best not to select a team. The idea of an interprovincial match was first proposed by the New Brunswick Association nearly two years ago, and would have resulted in a match last summer had it not been for the Northwest difficulties, which took away a number of Nova Scotia's best shots. At the meeting of the association this spring the match was again proposed, and met with the approval of the Nova Scotia Association. The New Brunswick team will be composed of the following: Captain J. T. Hartt, Rifles, as captain; Lieut. Smith, 71st Batt.; Lieut, S. Langstroth, Lieut, J. H. McRobbie and Sergt. S. Langstroth, 8th Cavalry; Lieut. Col. Beer, Major Arnold and Capt. Kinnear, 74th Batt. The conditions of the match, which are the same as the conditions for the Kolapore cup at Wimbledon, are:—

1 The match to be an annual one between teams of eight representatives from the three maritime provinces, teams to be composed solely of *bonafide* members of the active militia

2 Ranges, 200, 500 and 600 yards, 7 shots at each and two sighting shots at the option of each competitor.

3 Rifle, Martini-Henry.

4 Position at the different ranges to be respectively similar to that required in the Queen's 1st stage, part 1.

5 Targets and scoring, those of Wimbledon for the year.

6 The match to be shot in uniform, the full or undress uniform of the corps.

7 Coaching and spotting to be permitted.

8 The competition to be shot early in the month of July each year, on a day agreed upon by the three associations.

9 Place, a centrally situated range and (as far as possible) a neutral one This association recommends the range recently opened at Moncton.

10 Each team to be under the control of a captain appointed by his association, and the competition to be under the joint conduct of the three captains. Each team may also, at its option, have the services of an adjutant to assist in coaching the team during the competition. The captain may or may not be a member of the eight.

11 Teams to provide their own ammunition.

12 Blow-off shots to be allowed.

13 Each association to contribute an annual entrance fee of $—, out of which the necessary range expenses of the competition shall be defrayed, and arm badges provided for the members of the winning eight.

14 That a handsome challenge prize be obtained through the joint efforts of the three associations. (It is suggestd that application be made to the respective local legislatures for a money grant, to be devoted to the purchase of a prize suitable for such a match.)

15 In the event of a prize being obtained, it shall be held for the year by the president of the winning association.

It is thought that next year the Prince Edward Island militia will be able to send a team. It is very likely that in future the match will be alternated between the provinces.

Is It the old Chatham Offender?

The "Veterinary Surgeon," who was here a few years ago and was obliged to leave Chatham in disgrace, after having been chased out of the residence of Mr, John Haviland, which he had entered at night, causing an alarm in the sleeping apartment of a domestic servant, seems to have been playing his accustomed role in another part of the province. The following account of his last escapade is from the St John *Telegraph* of Tuesday—

"It is a long time since anything has occurred that has so startled the quiet village of Hampton station as the forcible entry of Mr. W. O. Stewart's house and the attempted assault on a member of his household. Mr. Stewart, with his family, occupy a quiet residence about a mile below the station and as Mr. Stewart is frequently away from home the only protection the female members of the household have is the eldest son, a young lad of between 16 and 17 years of age. The eldest of the children is Miss Stewart, whose room was so unceremoniously invaded on Sunday night. The family are highly respected by all the residents of both station and village. Mrs. Stewart is a daughter of Mr. Thomas McAvity, the well known St. John merchant.

"The prisoner, who gives his name, as Thomas Wightman, veterinary surgeon arrived at Hampton ten weeks ago from some point in Nova Scotia. At first he went to board with Deputy Sheriff Sproul, but finding business slower than he expected he left there about three weeks ago, and since then has been keeping bachelor's hall in a small shop adjoining the Victoria hotel. Until the present charge was brought against him, Wightman had borne a good character, so far as the people of Hampton know. Some days ago it began to be whispered about that the name of Wightman was only an alias, and that the real name of the man was Israel McLaughlin, who formerly resided in Carleton. Since Wightman's arrest this story has gained in general credence, until it has now come to be generally believed that Wightman is none other than Israel McLaughlin, who was committed to Dorchester penitentiary for a similar offence in Carleton about ten years ago. In verification of this story, three men who formerly resided in Carleton positively identified Wightman as McLaughlin. It is possible that an attempt will be made in the next few days to fully establish Wightman's identity, and to obtain the fullest particulars of his previous career.

"Yesterday morning, Mr. Stewart drove up to the court house and made information against Wightman. Magistrate Barnes, before whom the information was laid, summoned the witnesses to appear at 2 p. m. The room in which the court was held was crowded full with the villagers. The prisoner was brought into court and given a seat beside his counsel, Mr. J. H. Cother. He is a man about 45 years of age, thin dark hair, and heavy Dundreary whiskers, tinged with grey. He has quite a high forehead and an oval face. His eyes are his most noticeable feature. They seem to be constantly shifting from one direction to another. In stature he is about 5 feet 11 inches in height, stout, and well built. When everything was in readiness, the magistrate asked the prisoner to rise, and read the following information:—

The information and complaint of William O Stewart, of the parish of Hampton, county of Kings, taken the 29th day of June, in the year of our Lord, 1886, before the undersigned, one of her majesty's justices of the peace, in and for the said county of Kings, who saith that John M Wightman did, on the 27th day of June, instant, at the parish of Hampton, in the county of Kings aforesaid, unlawfully enter the dwelling house of the said William O Stewart, in the night-time, and unlawfully applied and administered to Isabel Stewart chloroform, a stupefying drug, with intent etc.

Are you guilty or not guilty, asked Magistrate Barnes.

'I am not guilty of that' the prisoner replied.

WM. O. STEWART

sworn testified as follows:—

About 2 o'clock on Sunday morning, I could not be sure of the exact hour, I heard my son, who is here present, crying, 'Papa, papa, there is a man upstairs in his sock feet.' I was sleeping on the lower flat and went up stairs and my son told me the man had just gone out of the door, I went after him, My wife followed me and stood on the veranda of the back door, I started in pursuit, my son Willie with me. I went out to the front gate and towards the railway crossing. My house is between 60 and 70 feet from the main road. When I got to the crossing I said to my son 'listen till we see if we can hear the step on the crossing.' Hearing no noise on the track we returned to the gate. Then I heard my wife shriek out 'chloroform, chloroform, my children, my children.' I ran to the house immediately and went up stairs and saw the children wild with nervousness. I can not say how many minutes we were gone. We ran down as quickly as we could and back It was between two and three minutes from the first alarm when we got back to the house. My wife said to me 'I hear a noise down behind the bushes. I heard the bushes cracking.' I told my son to bring the gun and follow me, I went out to the gate and followed the road leading to the church. At the bars at the side of the road I saw the prisoner. This was about 100 feet from my gate. He was about ten feet from us when we saw him. When he saw us he threw off his hat and ran. He was in the act of putting on his coat when I saw him, and had his right arm nearly through his sleeve. He did not finish putting on his coat before he started to run. Neither my son nor myself spoke to him when we came up to him. The prisoner was on the side of the road nearest my home when he saw us and started to run. Myself and son followed him. I ran up to the top of the hill, and being somewhat out-winded, I said to my son, 'Fire.' The prisoner responded, 'If you fire, I will fire, too.' We still pursued, I calling out murder, that I might raise an alarm and bring help. After some distance run I was getting out-winded, and my son was gaining on me. When passing Mr. Walker's fence the prisoner jumped over the fence. My son followed and I after him. I called out to my son, 'Have you got him?' My son replied, 'Here he is.' I ran forward and caught the prisoner by the whiskers, as he was squared off as if to strike my son. I then knocked him down, and sat on him,

'Did he say anything?' asked Mr. Tweedie.

Yes: he said, 'You have a fast runner in that boy, and you are a good one also.' He then said he was neither a thief nor a robber, and added that his name was Wightman. While I was calling out for help some person brought me a rope and I tied the prisoner. I saw a man coming and called out, 'Jim, is that you?' 'What Jim,' the prisoner asked; 'who is he?' He seemed anxious to know who James was. While I was sitting on him I smelled a strange smell of a drug. The prisoner said that he was not a drinking man. When arrested the prisoner was in his sock feet. His socks were wet and were not marked with mud. We found one of the shoes and after returning from the village I found the other shoe. I will swear that the shoe I found in the morning is the mate of the one I put on the prisoner's foot. When we were ready to start to the jail I asked my son which way will we go, by the railroad or main road. I then asked the prisoner which road he came. He said 'I came down the road.' Some time afterward the prisoner contradicted the statement, and said he came around by the village. I took him to the Hamptou jail and while standing at the jail door he tried to wrench the gun from my son. Willie knew the gun was loaded and kept the muzzle down. I am positive as to the indentity of prisoner. I have been away from home for some months and only returned a short time ago.

Cross examined by Mr. Cother—I did not know the prisoner and never saw him before. I did not see him in the house that night. I could not swear positively about the doors being locked.

Q. Did you or your son call out, here he is, shoot him? A. I did not hear any such conversation.

Q. Was he in his stock feet when you saw him? A. He was, and he was also in his sock feet when he was caught.

Q. Did he not say to you: What is this all about? A. No, he did not, but he said: This will prevent me from going to the camp.

Q. Was he struck with a gun? A. I did not see him struck, I grabbed him by the whiskers and twisted him down. He said all I want you to do is to tell the truth just as it happened.

Q. Did he ask you to search him? A. Yes, he demanded to be searched, and I felt I had no power to search him. When we got to the jail I asked the deputy sheriff to search him.

WILLIAM STEWART,

son of the first witness, was next called. He testified as follows:—

I have heard my father give his evidence. I recollect last Sunday morning. I went to bed on Saturday evening between 8 and 9 o'clock. On my way to bed I saw the back door open; I shut it but did not lock it, Between 2 and 2.30 o'clock, Sunday morning, I was awakened by the screams of my sister, who sleeps on the upper flat in a room adjoining mine. When I heard the noise I called out, 'Is it rats?' My little brother said he did not know what it was. He was frightened, and I got up and lighted a match and went into my sister's room and then went to the head of the stairs. When there I saw a man with a checked shirt, no coat on, no hat, no boots, and thin hair. I saw his back. (Prisoner stands up and the witness identifies him as the man he saw in his father's house.) I followed the man down stairs, and when I was two or three steps from the bottom I called out, 'There is a man in the house!' My father turned out and we both ran down to the railway crossing and then returned to the house. When near the house I heard my mother call out something, but did not understand what she said. While in the house I got a gun and ran down the road towards the church. I saw a man in the trees on the side of the road. When I got within ten feet of the man he started and ran. He was trying to put on his coat. I tried to open the lock of my gun, but could not. We both gave chase. My father told me to fire, and I snapped the trigger. The prisoner called out, 'If you shoot, I will shoot, too.' We gave chase again, and the prisoner jumped over a fence and then fell. I followed over the fence, but the prisoner got on his feet again. I followed him and called him to stop. He stopped and squared off at me. Then I struck him on the head with the butt of the gun. He was not knocked down. My father came up and knocked him down and sat on him. James Bovaird then came. When I caught up to him the prisoner had only one arm in his coat and no boots or hat on. When we were taking him up the road he asked for his boots, and James Bovaird brought one for him. At the jail door the prisoner tried to make his escape. I have no doubt that the prisoner is the man I saw in the house.

Cross-examined by Mr. Cother—I never saw the prisoner before Sunday morning. When I first saw him he was going down the stairs. I did not hear him ask to be searched. He said nothing when I struck him with the gun. He offered no resistance while we went to jail. We have no dog. It was poisoned about a month ago.

JAMES BOVAIRD

was called and sworn. Mr. Stewart's boy came over to his house and woke him up, stating that there was a man in his father's house and that they had caught him. I went to the field and found the prisoner tied with a rope and his captor standing beside him.

Cross-examined—The prisoner did not tell me that he took off his shoes to escape his pursuers.

JAMES W. SPROUL,

deputy sheriff, said that he recollected last Sunday morning when the prisoner arrived at the jail door. The prisoner has been in Hampton for about two months

On cross-examination the witness said he searched the prisioner and found a pocket-book, three pocket-handkerchiefs and a knife. He smelled no drugs about him.

Re-examined by Mr. Tweedie. The prisioner gave his name as Wightman when he first came here. When I opened the door I found them engaged in a struggle over the possesion of the gun and I took it and carried it into the building.

MRS. W. O. STEWART

was called. She testified to having been arroused by her daughter calling out "Papa papa, there's a man in the house." Her husband and son went in pursuit of the man and she, after watching a short time went up stairs and met a strong smell chloroform, she screamed and her husband and son returned, but stayed but a minute. The backdoor was securely fasted at midnight, the front door was fastened also.

MISS ISABEL STEWART

was called and sworn. She testified as follows: I remember Sunday morning. I was in bed and awoke struggling with a smothering feeling. I cried loudly for help. In struggling I felt a hand on my head and think in throwing my arms about felt whiskers. I could not recognize the features, but saw a figure. After I cried out my younger brother woke up and I heard him talking to Willie. The figure then vanished and Willie came into my room and asked me 'What is the matter, Isabel.' I told him there was a man in the room.

THE PRISONER'S STATEMENT

was as follows:—

On Saturday night, at 8.30, I came from Mr. Sproul's house, went to the village, stayed there about an hour and came back to my office. I had had a pail of liquid manure prepared in my office some days previous. I took that down to the graveyard with an empty oyster can in my hand, poured the liquid on the sod of the three graves of Mr. Sproul's family there, as I had promised to do. I pumped the pail full of water from an old pump this side of the graveyard and watered the flowers on the grave. The train blew while I was there, coming up from Nauwigewauk, I imagine. I then started out of the graveyard to come home, leaving the can. A man and woman passed me. The woman had a gossamer and i rattled as she walked. When I got halfway between the graveyard and Mr Stewart's house I heard hallooing in that vicinity in a woman's voice. I came right along, the train having just passed up by the crossing on the road near Mr Stewart's house On the low part of the road I met two men, one with a gun, apparently undressed. As I came close to them one man said, 'There he is, shoot him.' I heard the gun snap but it did not explode. One of the men kept shouting murder. One said 'Stop, or I'll fire.' I said if I had a gun I'd fire too. One man stopped. I heard the stock of a gun rattle." I heard the word cartridge. I then threw off my shoes and ran further up the road followed by the two men who caught me. I was not in Mr. Stewart's house that night.

This concluded the testimony, and after it was read over to the prisoner, he pleaded not guilty, and was committed for trial. Mr. R. LeB, Tweedie conducted the prosecution, and Mr. Cother the defence. Solicitor-General Ritchie was present in the interest of the crown.

New Brunswick Liberals.

A Convention at the Capital.

THE PLATFORM ADOPTED,

Resolutions Condemning Superannuation Abuses, the Immigration System and the Northwest Rebellion.

FREDERICTON June 24.

A special train leaving St. John at 9.30 this morning brought a large company of Liberal delegates to Fredericton to attend the Provincial Liberal Associtaion. Other delegates from Queens and Sunbury joined the party en route. On arriving the party were met by a deputation of the York County Liberal Association, then in session, and were escorted to the Liberal headquarters, where they were most cordially welcomed by the president and members of that body.

Mr. W. F. George, president of the provincial association, responded and returned thanks for the hearty reception

The delegates then sought their hotels, and at 2.30 p. m. assembled in Fisher's Hall where the large assembly was called to order by the president, and at once entered upon the work of the second annual meeting.

Messrs. Z. R. Everett, C. H. Lugrin, W. J. Robinson, and A. A. Stockton were appointed a committee on credentials. They reported representatives from the following counties: St. John, Kings, Westmoreland, York, Queens, Sunbury, Charlotte, Kent, Carleton, Victoria.

Letters were read from Coulter, White and F. W. Stockton, of Kings County.

THE COUNTIES REPORT.

President George called on the vice presidents of the counties to report, and they were made by Charles Harrison, of Sunbury; D. McLellan and Silas Alward, of St. John; J, S. Leghton, Carleton; George F. Gregory, York; G. G. King, Queens; G. V. McInerney, Kent; W. J. Robinson and H. R. Emmerson, Westmoreland; James Stevens, Charlotte, Mr. Porter, Victoria; Mr. Burns Young Men's Liberal Club of Fredericton. The reports were all very encouraging and were received with applause.

It was resolved that the train leave to-night at eleven o'clock, standard time.

A NOMINATING COMMITTEE

was appointed as follows;—

York county—Z. R. Everett.
Westmoreland—J. A. McQueen.
Queens—C. S. Ebbett.
St John city and county—W. A. Moore.
Sunbury—Chas Burpee.
Carleton—F. S. Hale.
Victoria—J. E. Porter.
Kent—Geo. V. McInerney.
St. John city—M. W. Maher.
Charlotte—Jas G. Stevens.
Albert—W. J. Robinson.
Kings—W. W. Stockton.
St John county parishes—John McLeod
Geo. F. Gregory and C. N. Skinner were added.

Mr. C. N. Skinner reported for the committee on platform, and afternoon and evening were taken up in discussion and adopting different sections.

The time and place of the next annual meeting was fixed for the fourth Thursday in June, at St. John.

OFFICERS.

The nomination committee reported, and the following officers of the association were elected:—

President—W F George, Sackville:

Vice-presidents—Alex Rogers, Albert; George V McInerney, Kent; John P Burchill, Northumberland; John C. O'Brien, Gloucester; George Haddow, Restigouche; Dr Bernier, Madawaska; A Beveridge, Victoria; F Hale, Carleton; Geo F Gregory, York; L Ferris, Queens; Chas Harrison, Sunbury; G J C White, Kings; Jas Stevens, jr, Charlotte; S Holly, St John county; J Boyle Travers, M D, St John city; P McSweeny, Westmoreland.

Treasurer—H R Emmerson, Dorchester.

Secretary—H A McKeown, St. John.

Assistant Secretary—John Boden, St John.

Executive committee—Z R Everett, M W Maber, J E B McCready, Count DeBury, Geo McLeod, W F Drysdale, W J Robinson.

PLATFORM

The platform is as follows.—

1 Inasmuch as the debt of the country has assumed such vast dimensions it will not, we regret to say, be possible for many years to come, to have a low rate of taxation Manufacturers, therefore, whether benefited or injured by the tariff, will have the taxes as high as in any reason they can desire, but it will be the duty of the Liberal party, on accession to power, to so temper taxation as while encouraging the manufacturers to also foster the foreign trade of the country, and allow raw material that enters into manufacturing, and coal and flour and other necessaries of life, to come into the country free of duty.

2. The reform of the Senate should not be allowed to drift as an abstract question but should be taken up in a practical way as speedily as possible. The senate should be made elective by the people, or be appointed for a term of years by the legislatures of the provinces, in order to secure the best representation, increase and maintain the importance of the provinces, and lessen to that extent, the centralization so largely increasing at Ottawa.

3 The people of Canada should have the power to negotiate commercial treaties with any and all governments.

4 The Liberal party of New Brunswick regret that the Canadian government did not adopt the suggestion of the imperial government and endeavor, in accordance with such suggestion, to negotiate for and secure, if possible, with the United States a renewal of the fishing clauses of the treaty of 1871, before the abrogation, and at the same time endeavor to secure a treaty of reciprocity between the United States and Canada. It seems abundantly clear that whilst the present ministry profess to be willing to protect the fisheries, they are not in favor of reciprocity, and therefore they have allowed the whole matter to drift and become so involved that the interests of Canada have not olny been lost sight of but the business of the country has been greatly injured as well, and the Liberal party condemns, in the strongest possible manner, the conduct of the present government in so neglecting the maritime interests of the dominion.

5 It is the policy of the Liberal party to bring about reciprocal trade relations as speedily as it can with the United States, the West Indies and other countries. Such treaties need not be considered as favors by either parties thereto, but in the mutual advantage of the contracting countries, and upon the coming into power of the Liberal party it should, with all possible speed, seek such reciprocal relations.

6 The system of settling the registration of voters has become so expensive and liable in the future to abuse that it wonld be better and cheaper for each province to have control of its own franchise, with a view, for each of the provinces that may desire to do so, manhood suffrage as the basis of voting and that the location and division of electoral districts be left with the local legislatures.

7 The Liberal party of New Brunswick expresses its approval of the general policy of the opposition as led by Mr Blake in parliament, and has full confidence that under his leadership, and the support that is coming to him from all ports of the country, that the time draws near when the government of the country will pass into the hands of men who, while guarding our interests, will not, like the present ministry, follow a course that will be injurious to the business of the country.

SUPERANNUATION

It was moved by Dr. Alward and

Resolved, That the abuses of the system of superannuation, as practiced by the present rulers at Ottawa, entail heavy burdens upon the country and call for immediate correction.

THE PRESENT IMMIGRATION SYSTEM CONDEMNED

It was moved by Dr, Alward and

Resolved, That the Liberal party of New Brunswick condemns the expensive and ineffectual system of immigration of the Conservative government, and should the expenditure be continued they claim that the interests of all the provinces be considered.

DOMINION OFFICIALS' SALARIES SHOULD BE TAXED.

It was moved by Dr Alward and

Resolved, That in the opinion of the Liberal party of New Brunswick, the salaries of dominion official should be subject to taxation for civic and municipal purposes.

THE NORTHWEST REBELLION.

It was moved by Mr John V Ellis, M P P., seconded by Mr. C W Weldon, M P P. and

Resolved, That the rebellion in the Northwest, which has imposed heavy burdens upon the country, destroyed many homes and many lives, and greatly injured the reputation of Canada, is entirely due to neglect by the government of the people dependent upon them, and is the result of gross mismanagement of the administration, for which they deserve the severest condemnation which the country can pronounce upon them.

VOTE OF THANKS.

A resolution was passed thanking Rev. Father McDevitt for the use of St. Dunstan's hall for the evening.

CAMPAIGN LITERATURE.

A committee consisting of Mr. Weldon Attorney General Blair, G, G. King, Chas. Burpee and C. H. Lugrin was appointed to look after campaign literature in the event of election.

After three rousing cheers for Edward Blake and three more for the Queen, the convention adjourned.

Grand Picnic at St. Louis.

To the Editor of the Advance:—

DEAR SIR,—Please allow me a small space in your valuable paper to announce to the public the Annual Grand Picnic of the Parish of St. Louis, County Kent, which will come off on Wednesday and Thursday, the 14th and 15th of July. On the first day (14th) will take place the benediction and installation of three magnificent bells received lately for the St. Louis Church. The celebration will be greatly enhanced by the presence of His Lordship the Bishop of Chatham, and a great nnmber of clergymen from this and the neighboring counties.

Nothing will be spared to make the festival as pleasant and attractive as possible—Mr. J. C. Brown of the Kent Northern and St. Louis Branches has, kindly volunteered to have Excursion Trains for the occasion.

Come one, come all, and welcome!

With thanks I remain Mr. Editor,

Yours very sincerely,

JOS. PELLETIER, P. P.

Port of Chatham.

ARRIVED

June 28—Bk Ida B., 707, Lauf, Montevedeo, bal, N. B. Trading Co

29—S S Clifton, 1717, Wade, London, cargo, R A & J Stewart

30—Bg Beatrice Suppicich, 338, Niejahr, Waterford, bal. order.

CLEARED

June 28—Rk Arbutus, Bligh, Mostaganum, Algeria, deals, N. B. Trading Co

29—Bk Hoideorn, Kundsen, River Mersey. palings, J. B. Snowball.

30—Bk Althea, Woxholdtt, Plymouth, deals N. B. Trading Co.

Port of Newcastle.

ARRIVED

June 23—Bk Alexandra, 405, Hansen, London, G McLeod

23—Bk Prinds Oscar, 662, Hansen, Nazaire, G McLeod

25—Bk Alex Keith, 629, Connaughton, Pensacola, via Pictou, G McLeod

CLEARED.

June 22—Bk Arvio, 765, Wadman, Queenston, G McLeod

24—Bk Guiseppe Rerello, 431, Mertola, Mumbles, G McLeod

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New Advertisements.

FOR SALE.

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Chatham, June 30th '86.

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For further particulars apply to

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Teacher Wanted.

A Male or Female Teacher, (but male preferred) holding a Third Class License, French and English for School District No. 1, Shippegan. Services required after July vacations. Apply to

THOMAS CABEL,
Secretary.

Meeting of County Council

The Northumberland County Council will meet for despatch of business at the Council Chamber, Newcastle, on Tuesday the 6th day of July next at 12 o'clock noon.

Dated the 28th June, 1886

SAM. THOMPSON,
Secty. Treas.
Co. North'd.

O. J. M'CULLY, M A, MD.

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Garden Party.

The Ladies of St. Andrews Church intend holding a Garden Party and Kettle Drum on

THURSDAY, JULY 8th.

at Blink Bonnie, weather permitting.

Gates open at 4 p. m. and to continue during the afternoon and evening.

The band will be in attendance. Admission 20c.

General Business.

NOTICE.

All accounts due the undersigned not paid on or before 1st August will be handed in for collection.

LOGGIE & BURR.

A GRAND FAIR.

The Ladies of ST. JOHN'S CHURCH will hold a FAIR in the

SKATING RINK, CHATHAM,

—ON—

TUESDAY, 13TH DAY OF JULY NEXT.

Opening at 2 o'clock in the afternoon for the sale of Useful and Fancy Articles.

TEA will be served at 6 o'clock p. m. Refreshments and the delicacies of the season will be provided and served at all hours during the continuance of the Fair.

Admission 10 cents.

Chatham, June 22, 1886.

DOMINION DAY

PIC-NIC.

There will be a PIC NIC under the auspices of

Holdfast Lodge, I. O. G. Templars,

No. 147 on DOMINION DAY, weather permitting The Str. with a fine large Barge attached will leave Newcastle about eight a. m. calling at

Douglastown and Chatham.

and will land somewhere down River, of which notice will be given by Posters. STEWARTS CORNET BAND will be in attendance. A committee of Ladies will supply all the good things of the Season—Strawberries, Ice Cream, etc.

Newastle, June 3rd.

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—ON THE—

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—TO—

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In aid of the New Methodist Church, Chatham

Dominion Day 1st July,

There will be a grand Excursion to Blackville by rail on the above date leaving Chatham Station at 10 a m, arriving in Blackville at 11.30 giving time to see the first town of importance on the Northern & Western Railway, Doctor's