Local and General News.

"COMMODORE" VANDERBILT is dead.

THE ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETINGS are to be held to-day.

DESPATCHES. — Our usual special despatches did not reach us yesterday. We do not know the reason why.

DR. J. H. ARNOLD, may now be consulted at his office, over Mr. Street's Drug Store, Newcastle.—*Advt.*

WOLF.—A traveller on the road from Black River to Napan reports having seen a wolf on that road yesterday morning.

OPENING SERVICE.—We are requested to announce that the New Reformed Episcopal Church will be opened for service on Sunday next.

DANCING.—Our dancing friends and those desiring to acquire the art of dancing well, are interested in Professor Colby's advertisement, which appears in another column.

FISHERY OFFICER PERLEY did not accompany the Inspector and other officers of the Department on their visit to Napan last week, as stated in last issue. Another person who was present was taken for him, hence the error.

SOCIABLE.—One of Prof. Colby's dancing class assemblies was held in the Masonic Hall, Newcastle, on Tuesday evening last and was as pleasant as those affairs generally are under that gentleman's management. About sixty couples were present.

ANOTHER.—The Rev. Mr. Wilson could not attend the meeting for prayer held in the Temperance Hall last evening, having been called to perform a very interesting part of ministerial work at Escuminac. We wish the young people all possible happiness and prosperity.

MAILS.—In referring to the mail bags containing the ADVANCE being made to miss the train on 27th ult. we might have stated that the regular mail carrier was not at all to blame. The paragraph pretty clearly indicated that the service was a private one, but we learn that it has been misunderstood in some quarters.

ELEEMOSYNARY.—R. R. Call, Esq., Chairman of the Alms House Commissioners' Board, submitted the accounts of that useful institution to the *Advocate* prior to their being laid before the County Council. The portions published in that paper show that there are 30 adults, 9 children and 3 infants in the Alms House.. The total expenditure for the year was $2,472.18.

ERROR.—We announced in last issue, on the authority of the Rector, of the Reformed Episcopal Church, that the service of that congregation would be held on Sunday, 7th inst., for the first time, in their new place of worship. We observed, however, in last Saturday's *Gleaner*, a notice that the church would not be opened on the day named, and that *due* notice would be given when the first service would take place. We regret that we should have been misled in the matter, but the fault was clearly not ours.

EDUCATIONAL CIRCULAR, No 4, has been issued by the Chief Superintendent, Fredericton. It is a work which every trustee and teacher should have and which may be studied by them as well as others with profit. It contains the chapter of Consolidated Statutes, as amended and assented to last session, notices of changed or new regulations, revised order of business for school meetings and other facts affecting our educational system which are of wide scope and undoubted utility.

The printing is done at the *Telegraph* establishment St. John and is very creditable to it.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—At a meeting of Northumberland Division, No. 37, Sons of Temperance, held on Friday evening last, the following gentlemen were duly installed as office bearers:—

Donald Loggie, W. P.;
Wm. Meather, W. A.;
W. J. D. Lobban, R. S.;
Donald McDermaid, A. R. S.;
Alexander McKinnon, F. S.;
James Firth, Treas.;
William T. Fenety, Chap.;
Alex. Templeton, Jr., Con.;
Thos. Burke, A. Con.;
Geo. Letson, I. S.;
Geo. Fleigher, O. S.;

Mr. Wm. Rae, took the seat of P. W. P.

Mr. George Stothart, D. G. W. P.

Municipal Council.

The regular annual session of the County Council commenced at the council room, Newcastle, on the 9th inst., the Warden in the chair. On the roll being called the following Councillors answered to their names:—

Enoch Bamford, Blissfield.
Burke Archibald, "
John L. Schofield, Blackville.
Daniel Sullivan, "
R. P. Whitney, Northesk.
T. W. Crocker, Derby.
Jno. O'Brien, Nelson.
William A. Park, Newcastle.
Ernest Hutchison, "
Jno. Fotheringham, Chatham.
William Lawler, "
Romain Savoy, Alnwicke.

This number was supplemented by the arrival of two others after dinner.

ELECTION OF WARDEN.

This was, of course, the first regular business disposed of; and it caused a general discussion concerning the interpretation of the law, many expressing doubts as to whether a re-election was necessary, while others held a Warden must be immediately elected. Sec-Treas. Thomson, however, read from the law to show that the Warden, if he continued to be returned as Councillor held the office of Warden until his successor was appointed.

Warden Hutchison having expressed a wish to be relieved from re-election, Coun. Park was nominated for the office by Coun. Lawler, seconded by Coun. Archibald and unanimously elected.

On the new Warden taking his seat he expressed regret for the retirement of the late Warden from the office and said he trusted he would be able to discharge the duties of the position in a manner satisfactory to himself and the Council.

A vote of thanks to ex-Warden Hutchison for the able way in which his duties had been performed was tendered to that gentleman and responded to briefly by him.

TAVERN LICENCES, ETC.

The minutes of last regular meeting were next read and approved, after which the subject of tavern licenses was taken up.

The Warden thought it was desirable that regular times should be set aside for despatch of this business or that a committee should be appointed to receive applications. A motion had previously been made to set aside an hour in the forenoon and one in the afternoon for the reception of licence applications, and an amendment offered to set aside one hour in the afternoon, and the amendment was carried.

Council adjourned for dinner.

After dinner, the election of constables Jeremiah Sullivan and Angus Campbell to attend on the Council, took place. The constables were ordered to procure blinds for the windows of the Council Chamber and a screen to be placed at the stove.

Tavern licences were granted as follows:

Michael Hickey,	Chatham,	Retail	6 mos.
James McMurray,	"	"	12 "
Michael Brennan,	"	"	6 "
John Johnston,	"	Wholesale (upper and lower store.)	6 "
Dennis McEvoy,	Newcastle,	"	6 "
James Lynch,	"	"	12 "
John Fay,	"	"	6 "
Mrs. E. Kelly,	Blissfield,	"	12 "

PUBLIC WHARF.

The committee appointed at last Session to look after the public wharf, Newcastle, reported they did not deem it advisable to make any repairs thereon until the Spring, and recommended that they be allowed to ask for tenders for making such repairs as were deemed necessary, and that the Sec. Treas. be authorized to pay over the amount of contract on completion.

The report was adopted.

PARISH ACCOUNTS.

On mention of this subject a discussion arose between Councillors O'Brien, Whitney and Lawler on the proper method of appointment of committees to deal with these accounts. A motion to appoint a committee of one councillor from each Parish was carried and the following gentlemen elected:—

Coun. Hutchison, Newcastle.
" Somers, Northesk.
" McDougall, Alnwick.
" Lawler, Chatham.
" O'Brien, Nelson.
" Schofield, Blackville.
" Bamford, Blissfield.
" Crocker, Derby.
" Cook, Glenelg.
" Williston, Hardwicke.
" Price, Ludlow.

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

On a motion to appoint a committee on the above being carried, the following gentlemen were appointed:—

Couns. Fotheringham, Hutchison, Crocker, Whitney and Somers.

JAIL INSPECTION.

A Committee of five was appointed to inspect the Jail, Court house and other public buildings. It is composed of Warden Park, Couns. Hutchison, Lawler, Schofield, and Archibald.

ALMS HOUSE ACCOUNTS.

Couns. McDougall, Archibald and Fotheringham were appointed a committee to examine the Alms House accounts.

VALUATORS.

On motion of Coun. Whitney to appoint a committee to fix the pay of the Valuators and Assessors for the valuation of the past year, Couns. Whitney, Archibald and O'Brien were appointed.

Coun. Fotheringham read a petition from Wm. Stymiest showing that in July last he had paid a constable under protest, four dollars and twelve cents, amount of taxes levied on him in the Parish of Alnwick and constable's expenses thereon; that he was not resident in Alnwick since the Spring of 1874, had no property there, and was, therefore not liable to be taxed in that parish; he, therefore, prayed that the amount might be returned to him. A motion having been made to return the money and charge it to the Parish of Alnwick and an amendment that the petiton be received and lay over until July Session, the latter was carried.

A motion having been made that the Council go into committee of the whole to consider the advisability of empowering the Councillors of each parish to define the number and boundaries of the different polling districts in their respective parishes; some discussion took place on it but it was finally declared out of order and was withdrawn. [The mover, evidently, imagined the Council competent to deal with the business of the local legislature. EDITOR.]

Council adjourned to meet on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

THROWING REFUSE INTO THE RIVER

Yesterday morning after minutes of Tuesday's meeting had been read and approved the Warden read the Presentment of the Grand Jury of the last Circuit Court regarding the discharge of refuse, etc., into the river from the various mills, and said the Minister of Marine had taken it in charge and he did not think it came under Council's jurisdiction. He asked Mr. Thomson, Sec-Treasurer what had been done in the matter.

Mr. Thomson said he had forwarded copies to the Minister of Marine and others as directed and had received assurance from Minister of Marine that it would receive attention.

DRILL SHED.

Regarding the resolution passed by the old Session deeding a lot of County land to Dominion Government for Drill Shed and on which no building had been erected by Government, and the authority of Sec-Treasurer to correspond with Minister of Militia on the subject, Mr. Thomson read correspondence with Department the drift of which was that Drill Shed would be erected on condition that County paid one half the cost.

The Warden said it was at first proposed to raise the amount by subscription but as no steps had been taken in the matter he thought efforts should be made to get back the land if possible.

Coun. Crocker said he was ignorant of the transaction but thought steps should be taken in the matter to recover the land if possible.

Coun. Fotheringham thought in giving the land the County had done very fairly and if Government did not feel inclined to back up the Sessions' action by building, steps should be taken to get the land back.

Coun. Crocker asked if there was any way to get land back, and if it had been given conditionally.

Sec-Treasurer Thompson said the land was given for the purpose of erecting drill shed thereon but deed was not conditional though land could not be otherwise used by Government.

Coun. Crocker thought nothing could be done if deed had not been conditional

Coun. Archibald was inclined to let the matter rest as it was.

Coun. Hutchison thought, from the tenor of correspondence, the Government was inclined to allow land to revert to the County if no Drill Shed was built and moved the following resolution:—

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL ROOM, Jan. 10th, '77.

Whereas, in the year——the Sessions of the County transferred to the Dominion Government land whereon to build a Drill Shed, and whereas no steps have been taken by the proper authorities to have such building erected:

It is therefore Resolved that such steps be taken as may be necessary to obtain a return of such land to the Municipality, as this Council does not deem it advisable to go to further expense in the matter, and Resolved that the Sec.-Treasurer be authorized to inform the Minister of Militia of the action taken by the Council in this matter, and enter into further correspondence with him with a view of obtaining the land.

Coun. Lawlor seconded the resolution and said he thought a great mistake had been made in deeding the land in the way it had been done at first, and thought the deed should have been conditional.

Coun. Archibald thought the Drill Shed would eventually be built, and that it would be only thwarting the Department's plans by moving in the matter now. It should be allowed to remain as it was at present.

Coun. Hutchison said, in the first place four times as much land as required had been granted and thought they might even get the land back that remained after enough had been reserved for a site for a Drill Shed.

The resolution was passed.

SEC-TREASURER'S BOND.

The Warden read from Bye-Laws the section relating to bonds of Sec-Treasurer on his assumption of office and also the bond offered by Sec-Treasurer Thomson for the faithful performance of the duties of office, for action of Councillors theron.

Coun. Lawlor moved that the bond be accepted and handed to the Warden for safe keeping. Passed.

Council adjourned about 12 o'clock to go into committee work and to meet again at 2 p. m.

KENT COUNTY SESSIONS.

We publish below a report of the proceedings of the General Sessions for Kent held in December. The report, although given to our readers at a late day, may prove of interest to many, particularly those who reside in that County.

The Sessions met in the Court House at Richibucto on the first Tuesday in December. The attendance of magistrates on the occasion was not large. T. W. Bliss, Esq., was chosen Chairman. Eighteen grand jurors answered to their names and were sworn. John McKee, Esq., of Buctouche, was chosen foreman of the Grand Jury. The License Law was then read by the Clerk, after which the Chairman addressed the Grand Jury on the importance of their duties, when they were handed the accounts from the several Parishes and retired.

TAVERN LICENSES

A petition was read from the tavern keepers in the County praying that tavern licenses be reduced from $30 to $20 per annum, and, on motion, it was ordered that such reduction be made, and licenses be granted to the parties applying, their applications to be accompanied with the usual certificates.

The following tavern and wholesale licenses, respectively, were granted on application:—

RICHIBUCTO.—*Tavern*—James Grogan, 6 months; W. F. Hannay, 6 months; William Wheten, 1 year; *Wholesale*, Martin Flanagan, 6 months; Donnelly McDermott, 6 months.

KINGSTON.—*Tavern*—Robert Ferguson, 1 year; John Taylor, 6 months; *Wholesale*—W. H. McArthur, 6 months.

BUCTOUCHE.—*Tavern*—Wm. Mooney, J. McPhadden, Patrick Grattan, John Hutchinson—each for 6 months.

COCAGNE.—*Tavern*—Philip Wood, Hugh Dysart—each for 6 months.

HARCOURT.—*Tavern*—Duncan McDonald, William Graham,—each for 6 months.

The fees received for these licenses amounted to $195.

RICHIBUCTO PUBLIC WHARF.

Ordered that the Richibucto Public Wharf shall not be leased in future; that a wharfinger be appointed to collect tolls, and that at the expiration of the present lease the wharf be placed in charge of such wharfinger.

Ordered that David McMinn, Esq., J. P., be appointed wharfinger for the Richibucto Public Wharf at $30 per annum, salary.

Ordered that no ballast be allowed to be placed on the wharf except for the use of ballasting the wharf, and that the present lessee be notified to remove the ballast now upon it as the same is damaging the said wharf, and to remove it forthwith upon receiving notice, and that the wharfinger put the said wharf in proper repair.

ASSESSORS' BOOKS.

Ordered that the Clerk of the Peace procure proper printed assessment books for the use of Assessors and that the same be supplied by the Clerk of the Peace in order that uniformity may be had in the several Parishes in the County in making assessments.

DOCTORS' FEES.

Ordered that the fee to be allowed medical men for making a certificate of insanity, when called upon to do so by the proper authorities, shall be $2, and no more.

COURT HOUSE AND GAOL COMMITTEE.

Ordered that Antoine Girouard, High Sheriff, be one of the Court House and Gaol committee in place of Pierce Quilty who has left the County.

MONEYS TO BE PAID OVER.

Ordered that moneys in the hands of Reuben Johnson and Joseph L. Richard belonging to the County of Kent be paid over by them to the County Treasurer.

POOR HOUSE

Ordered that the Clerk of the Peace prepare a Bill to be introduced at the next Session of the Legislature of New Brunswick to empower the Kent County Sessions to erect a Poor House for the support and maintenance of the poor of the said County and for that purpose to purchase or lease lands, and levy and collect assessments or issue County Debentures for the payment thereof; and also to enable the Sessions to appoint the necessary officials to govern and control the same, and make regulations for the management thereof.

DELINQUENT RATEPAYERS.

The following resolution was passed:—

"Whereas a large number of Parishes in the County of Kent have not paid their Rates, either in whole or in part, for several years past, amounting to several thousands of dollars, and there is no power now in this Court to compel the payment of such delinquencies; therefore

"*Resolved*, That a Bill be drawn by the Clerk of this Court to enable or empower the Sessions or some other authority to levy, assess and collect the arrears due by such Parishes respectively, in such manner as may be just and equitable upon the inhabitants thereof, and that such Bill be advertised according to the regulations of the House of Assembly, and that the same be introduced at the next Session in Fredericton."

A MUCH-OFFICERED PARISH.

The Parish officers for Acadieville, a newly formed parish, were appointed for the present year. The officers, some 46 in number, are said to embrace all the ratepayers in the Parish.

GRAND JURY PRESENTMENT.

The Grand Jury in making their presentment made numerous suggestions to the Sessions, the majority of which that body had anticipated, as certain orders were passed relating to the most important measures referred to by the Grand Jury.

ACCOUNTS.

Accounts amounting in the aggregate to $2,962.58 were approved of by the Grand Jury and ordered to be paid, with the exception of one item $373.77 for building an addition to the Court House in the form of a kitchen and dwelling apartments and this account was allowed to stand over until a special assessment is made. Of the accounts passed those incurred for criminal business amounted to $247.50.

FIRE PROTECTION, ETC.

Ordered that $50 be granted for road damages in the Parish of Wellington to pay costs and damages in laying out a road between Francis Belledeau's and Abram Allan's.

ASSESSMENT.

The following sums for the different purposes named below, were ordered to be assessed in the several parishes in the County:—

	Contingent Expenses.	Schools.	Maintenance of the Poor.
	$	$	$
Acadieville,	825,30	867 10	——
Carleton,	140,80	409,84	192,5
St. Louis	292,60	756,76	99,0
Richibucto,	590,70	1528,90	880,0
Weldford,	447,70	1157,52	605,0
Harcourt,	59,40	154,70	55 0
St. Mary's,	259,60	670,27	137,5
Wellington,	436,70	1129,50	605,0
Dundas,	388,30	1005,41	275,0
	$2,641,10	$6,880,00	$2,849 00

Correspondence.

[We invite correspondence on all local subjects and will be glad to publish anything that will advance the interests of our readers, individually, or of the communities in which they live. Local News Items, Notices of Improvements—either moral or physical—Reports of Meetings, Agricultural, Lumbering, Fishing, Mechanical and other Industrial notes are especially welcome. We do not expect that all who desire to assist us in the above way are good writers, but that should not deter them from sending along their favors. We want the news and will see that it goes into the paper in proper shape].

Bay du Vin Smelt Fishing.

Bay du Vin, 28th Dec, 76.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

DEAR SIR.—The popular word at Bay du Vin at present is, "Smelts." Almost every individual who has strength to lift a tommy-cod from among the smelt is engaged at the smelt fishing. From Ullock's Point—the mouth of the river—up to what is called Ronald's Point looks like a forest on account of the number of trees the fishermen have stuck up in the ice, as a shelter. The fishermen also take whole trees branches and all, and make a kind of bush fence under the ice to guide the smelt into the bag net that is set for their reception. The fences, or wings as they are called, extend about fifteen feet into the channel on each side of the net, and the net is about fifteen feet wide at the mouth.

Two enterprising individuals have each put up a little cottage on the ice, and here they have and enjoy the refreshing beverage that cheers but does not inebriate; and I would not be too sure but that now, about holiday time, they will have a "wee drap" of the other beverage as well. The Bay du Vin boys do not as yet claim to belong to any total abstinence society.

The "lucky fishermen" so far, are the "Artful Dodger," and his partner Wood; the Dodger is said to be an occasional correspondent of the *Advance*; be that as it may, he manages somehow to cast his net on the right side of the ship.

The "Aurora Borealis" can also be seen in the early morn flitting about the ice, also the Trustee who boasts of the name of Thomas; and another Tom who is always on hand to see what fun is to be had. A sage looking Councillor who represents an upper parish at the Council Board, puts in an appearance at times, enquiring the price of smelts, and an able dealer shows a "Phin" here and there among the fishermen on the same errand as the councillor.

Certain fishermen, jealous of the success of others, have tried to make regulations to guide the Smelt fishers, and the local fishery officer has been called on to put regulations in force that have never been sanctioned by the Fishery Department—

The fishermen have unanimously chosen "Little Luther," as the Deputy Inspector, of the smelt fishermen, and he is busily engaged in regulating and fixing boundaries, and marking out the proper place for each one to set his net. The Deputy Inspector is said to be a very popular officer.

Can you, Mr. Editor, inform the fishermen of Bay du Vin, if there is any official regulations to guide Smelt fishers, and can a fishery officer compel fishermen to set their nets where and how he chooses. You are, Mr. Editor, generally pretty well posted so far as regards Fishery regulations, and would oblige the fishermen down here if you would answer this question.

Wishing you and your numerous readers the compliments of the season, I am your old correspondent,

A GOOD WILL.

[The only reference made to smelt fishing in the Regulations is, we believe, in the clause which makes from the fifteenth of April until the fifteenth of May a close season.—And an absurdly short season it is.

By the Act of 1868 "for Regulating the Fisheries of Canada" it is provided by Sec. 11 under the head of "General Prohibitions:"—

"Fishery officers may determine or prescribe the distance between each and every fishery and shall forthwith remove any fishery which the owner neglects or refuses to remove and such owner shall be, moreover, liable for a breach of this Act and for the cost and damages of removing the same."

While we are answering our correspondent's enquiries it may not be unnecessary, perhaps, to refer to the fact that he shows that his friends and, perhaps, himself, also, are fishing in mid-channel. The Act in Section 4 of "General Prohibitions" says:—

"The main channel or course of any stream shall not be obstructed by any nets or other fishing apparatus, and one third of the course of any river or stream and *not less than two thirds of the main channel at low tide in every tidal stream shall be always left open* and no kind of fishing apparatus or material shall be used or placed therein."

There are other provisions in the Fisheries Act which should be better known and understood by both officers and fishermen than they are and our Bay du Vin friends will do well to be careful how they act towards their Warden, while the latter will, no doubt, use the authority vested in him with a prudent regard for the preservation of the smelts, on the one hand, and the present interests of the fishermen on the other. We may say generally that in the absence of specific regulations for any particular kind of fishing, the local fishery officer has the entire control of the matter. The Fisheries Act gives him power to prevent fishing, entirely, we believe, if he thinks it right to do so, the fishermen having, of course, an appeal to the Minister if they think themselves wronged. EDITOR.]

Letter from Mr. Brimner.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

SIR:—In the last issue of your paper, I saw something very personal against me, as Fishery Warden. I have always done my duty when I had a chance. I would like to know how the Editor of the *Advance* knew whether I did my duty or not about this smelt fishing. I wrote to the Government and received no answer, I wanted regulations for the smelt as well as bass and other fishing.

There was a meeting held at Benjamin Sweezey's on the 28th Dec. The meeting passed regulations that no net be set nearer the bridge than 50 fathoms; when I came home that night my eldest son, who had been down, said he saw people about the bridge; I went down and saw my son, Alexander, there, and the two Loggies. My sons were not the only persons fishing at the bridge; the Loggies were fishing there also. I forbade them. My sons referred to are of age and I have, therefore, no control of their business. I told one of the Loggies to come along with me and went with him all around the bridge; there were no other persons that night fishing at the bridge; the holes at the bridge were frozen over. I live about two miles from the bridge. We all left the bridge together and I went up home with them. When I got home it was eleven o'clock at night. Next morning two of my sons were getting ready for the fishing, and I told them to be sure and not to fish at the bridge any more. Alexander had been told that morning that the regulations made at the meeting at Sweezey's were not binding until they became law. Loggie and he had put a net each in near the bridge. My two sons told them that I had said not to put their nets in. If I had gone down that morning or had known of it, after what I had told them, I would have seized those nets, or if I had got any information I would have brought them up for it, if there was any law for it. In the discharge of my duty my sons are no more to me than any other persons. My son Alexander lived there; he has property above the bridge. I have four sons there who are doing for themselves. When any complaint was made I always looked after it. What I have said concerning the fishing at the bridge I am ready to prove. I wrote to the Government early in December for regulations and received an answer that they would give the matter early attention.

Yours truly,

ROBERT BRIMNER.

Napan, Jan. 9 1877.

The Rink.

The Skating Rink was formally opened on Saturday last by being made free to all-comers for that day. It is now in regular working order and open to ticket holders. Other skaters than ticket holders are not allowed admission without an order from one of the directors, so that it is free from many objectionable features arising from promiscuous admission which these institutions are often open to. Parents whose children attend the rink, and lady visitors are assured that rules will be enforced and everything connected with the management of the institution conducted properly. The following are the rules;—

1.—This Rink shall be ruled during the Skating season of 1877 by six Directors (constituting a Board of Management) of whom shall be chosen a President and Secretary and Treasurer, and it shall be the duty of such Directors to examine the names of all parties who may make application to become Ticket Holders to the Rink, and they, or a majority of them at any meeting, may, if they see fit, refuse any such application.

2.—Any person wishing to become a Ticket Holder, shall make application to the Secretary-Treasurer, giving his or her name and address. The Directors shall consider such application, and if accepted, a Ticket shall be issued to the applicant through the Secretary, and such ticket shall not be transferable; if transferred or altered in any way, shall be forfeited and shall be available only for the season issued.

3.—The Season Tickets to the Rink shall be as follows:—

Single Ticket to Gentleman,	$4.00
Gentleman and one member of family,	6.00
Extra Tickets to members of family, each,	1.00
Single Ticket to Lady,	1.50
Promenade Ticket for Season,	1.50

Children under 12 years of age Half price.

4.—A member of a family to be admitted as above must be residing under the same roof with the Holder.

5.—Sons and Brothers over eighteen years of age will not be admitted on a Family Ticket, except as Ticket Holders.

6.—The names of parties to whom Tickets are issued shall be written thereon, and if presented at the Rink by any other person, shall be forfeited, and all Tickets must be paid for on delivery.

7.—Smoking shall not be allowed in any part of the Rink at any time, and Refreshments shall not in any case, be introduced within the enclosure.

8.—Children under 12 years of age will not be allowed to skate after 7 p. m.

9.—Dogs will not be allowed on the ice. Games will not be allowed, nor will any person be allowed to carry a stick whilst skating.

10.—Violent skating, or skating with joined hands in parties of more than two, is forbidden, whilst other parties are skating.

11.—Sliding will not be allowed, nor will any person be allowed to stand on the ice.

12.—A Ticket Holder infringing any Bye-Law or regulation of the Rink, or guilty of rudeness to a lady, or misbehaving in any other way, shall subject his name to be struck off the list of Ticket Holders and his ticket to be forfeited by a vote of three-fourths of the Directors present at any meeting held to consider such case, notice of such meeting having been previously given by the Secretary to the offender, and until such meeting be held and the case finally determined the offending Ticket Holder shall be precluded from having access to the Rink.

13.—On nights of Carnivals, or days of Prizes being given, Ticket Holders will be charged an entrance fee.

Rink open from 2 p. m., to 9 p. m.

The following are the names of the Directors:—

John Johnston, President.
H. M. Craig, Secretary-Treasurer.
W. T. Carman, Wm. Wilson, Robert Sinclair, A. G. Ridling.

GENERAL PRESS TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—A Peru despatch to the *Daily Telegraph* reports Admiral Hobart Pasha and Colonel Valentine Baker started to inspect the Gulf Georgaz, which would form a second line of defence, should Russians force the Balkans.

The Turkish official journals are very war-like.

It is positively stated that Austria's representatives at the conference are instructed to leave Constantinople, if the Porte does not accept the proposals of Powers.

A *Daily News* despatch from Berlin says, for two days the entire diplomatic corps in Constantinople have been preparing to leave the city.

The Russian Government has ordered the preparation of 150 railway carriages for the transportation of the sick and wounded.

FREDERICTON, Jan. 5.—Mayor Wetmore gave a farewell dinner at his residence, Charlotte street, this evening, to the members of the City Council. The occasion was a most enjoyable one.

OTTAWA, Jan. 5.—The Marine Department received a despatch to-day that the *Northern Light* would leave Georgetown this morning, and if possible effect a landing near Pictou, and return immediately to Georgetown. It has not yet been decided whether she will permanently run to and from Pictou.

MONTREAL, Jan. 5.—A grievance committee of the Grand Trunk Railway engineers, with Mr. Arthur, president of the Locomotive Brotherhood, waited this afternoon on Manager Hickson and effected a permanent reconciliation between the company and men. All warrants against leading strikers are to be withdrawn and all the men to be taken back at the old rates—a complete victory for strikers.

The case of the Oka Indian chiefs vs. gentlemen of the Seminary of Montreal, for the pulling down of the Methodist chapel, at Oka, is fixed for a hearing in the Supreme Court on the 16th inst.

This evening Louis Guinette, suspecting one Francois Guay of being on too intimate terms with his wife, fired two pistol shots at him, inflicting a serious wound. Guay reported the matter to the police, who arrested Guinette. When they got to the police station Guinette said he had poisoned himself with some acid. Antidotes were administered, but unsuccessfully, and the attempted murderer died within a few minutes.

John Livingstone was to-day committed for trial on a charge of perjury.

BOSTON, Jan. 5—Major, the wife murderer, was executed at Concord, N. H., to-day. He declared his innocence.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 5—At to-day's sitting of the conference, Savfet Pasha read a statement in support of Turkish counter proposals, explaining in detail the grounds for opposing certain propositions of powers. The European plenipotentiaries, nevertheless, endeavored to induce the Turks to agree to debate upon the points which have been neglected by the Porte. The Porte categorically refuses to cede territory to Montenegro or Servia.

BERLIN, Jan. 5.—Among those best acquainted with the condition of affairs in the East, it is believed that the action of the Porte was caused by fear of the fanatical portion of the Turkish population. Two dangers had to be faced, one at home the other abroad. The Porte decided that the home danger, being the more immediate, should be met first. Therefore, it was decided to peremptorily reject the proposals of the conference and resist any violation of the sovereign rights of the Sultan.

Russia, it is said, intends after a final rupture of the negotiations, to ask the Powers for their authorization to enforce the proposals of the Conference in their name.

Turkey's final refusal is anticipated.

The Russian papers are greatly exasperated at what they term the pusillanimity of Germany and Austria. The Emperor William has issued a special order forbidding the German officers on the active list from entering the Russian army.

BUCHAREST, Jan. 5.—The Roumanian Senate has adopted a resolution declaring that the rights of Roumania shall remain intact, and calling upon the Goverment to maintain them in a manner worthy of the State.

Russian officers are reconnoitering on the Lower Danube to find crossing places, and ships are being contracted to aid in the crossing.

QUEBEC, Jan. 5.—Mr. Sewell telegraphs from Cape Tormentine that the *Northern Light* has reached Georgetown, on the passage breaking through ice five feet thick.

NEW YORK. Jan. 5.—The New York *Times* says this morning:—It was rumored late last night that preparations had been made for a hostile meeting in Canada, between James Gorden Bennett and Frederick May, his assailant of Wednesday afternoon. The reports is that the arrangements for the meeting were completed on Wednesday, and that John G. Dexter and another gentleman immediately departed for the north. It is declared they are to act as seconds to Mr. Bennett. Furthermore, it is reported that when Mr. Bennett went to his home after the trouble on Wednesday afternoon, he sent for his counsel, Mr. John Townshead, and upon that gentlemen's appearance, dictated to him the terms of his will. Thus, if a duel takes place and Bennett is mortally wounded, the disposition of his property appears to be provided for."

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The *Standard's* special from Constantinople, after reviewing the proceedings in Thursday's sitting of the Conference, expresses the opinion that the dangerous part of the crisis is over.

The Paris *Moniteur*, in close relation with the French foreign office, however, says:—"We regret to say that the disposition of Turkey was not improved in Thursday's sitting, and leaves very little hope of arrangement by diplomacy. Although Conference meets again on Monday, if situation is not modified, it may even now be stated that England's task is ended.

The *Post's* telegram from Berlin states that it is affirmed that negotiations will be carried on elsewhere if broken off at Constantinople. No power, except Russia, is likely to permanently withdraw its Ambassador in the event of failure of Conference.

The *Standard's* Belgrade despatch says Servian Government continues to arm, and demands that armistice be abrogated, as Servia cannot bear the prolonged uncertainty.

Austrian Slavs in Constantinople are becoming more and more incensed against Russians in consequence of the project of Gen. Ignatieff, for annexing old Servia to one of the provinces into which Bulgaria is to be divided.

News is also received confirmatory of deep indignation of Greeks at the proposals of Conference which tend to subordinate Greeks to Bulgarians, and sacrifice the Turkish Greek population to Slavs.

OTTAWA, Jan. 6.—The Auditor's report for December shows the revenue of the Dominion on account of Consolidated Fund to have been $1,447,998.65; expenditure $2,023,247.18.

The appointment of Adam Hope, of Hamilton, to the Senate is gazetted.

It is said that James Gordon Bennett, of the New York *Herald*, and May, who recently horsewhipped him, will fight a duel near Ottawa.

NEW YORK Jan. 7th.—A member of the Union Club, an eye witness of the assault on Mr. James Gordon Bennett by Mr. Frederick May, gives the following version of the affair:—

"I was going out of the club just after eating my dinner, when I met Mr. May at the door. He asked me to wait a few moments, and I would see some fun. He said he intended to horse-whip Bennett. He told me there was no use of remonstrating with him, for he was firmly resolved to do it. I went back into the club room took off my overcoat and went to the window. Mr. Bennett at the time was walking up and down the room in an excited manner. He was smoking a cigar. This was the first time I had ever seen him smoke in the daytime. Directly he put on his overcoat and walked out the door. He stood on the steps for a few minutes, and then started down. Mr. May waited until he reached the sidewalk, and then going up to him, drew from his breast a cowhide and struck Bennett with it five or six times over the head and face. The first stroke, I think, was directly across the face. Bennett unbuttoned his coat and made a motion as if to draw a weapon. May then clasped him around the body and threw him out in the street, falling on him. No blows were struck on either side. In throwing Bennett into the street May had lost his cowhide and reached around in the snow to get it. Members of the club then ran out and interfered. May then picked Bennett up and threw him bodily half across the street. Bennett got up and went into the club and Mr. May walked away. No blows with their fists were struck by either party."

MONTREAL Jan. 7.—Two young daughters of an aristocratic merchant have eloped with two young clerks who had been admitted too freely to their society.

A meeting of merchants was held on Saturday to organize a committee to aid the Centennnial exhibitors banquet at Ottawa, when Mr. Geo. Stephen, Mr. Notman and several others, strongly opposed the whole scheme, and the meeting broke up in discord.

Mr. Glass, ex-manager of the Bradstreet Commercial agency, publishes a card saying that the Lower Province ratings of that institution are unreliable.

Mr. Desbarats has severed his connection with the Canadian *Illustrated News*, and will continue on his own account the publication of *L'Opinion Publique*.

Mrs. Kent Mason Clayton lectured this evening, in the Theatre Royal, to an immense audience, on the subject of temperance.

A man named Dalton, while his wife lay dead in his house on Dorchester street, last evening, came home and acted in such a violent manner that all the inmates fled, except Thomas Bowen, whom he attacked with an axe, cutting him very severely.

Early this a. m., George Stafford and John Wall were arrested while in the old *Sun* office, stealing the type. They had broken in.

HALIFAX, Jan. 7.—The steamer *Polynesian*, with the English mail, arrived this morning, and the train left immediately for the west with it.

The snow storm to-day was followed by rain.

The services in connection with the week of prayer commenced to-day. There were appropriate sermons in several of the churches.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Steamship "Amerique," from Havre, went ashore four miles north of Long Branch on Sunday morning. Three of the crew were drowned. Passengers and crew, numbering 213, were landed by the coast life saving apparatus. Steamer lies well up at low water.

Brent, the Louisville forger, arrived yesterday from Liverpool.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—Various special despatches, as to the probable attitude of the Porte at to-day's Conference, are very conflicting. A Pera special to the *Daily Telegraph*, dated Sunday, says: The Porte is apparently still determined to make no further concessions. Marquis of Salisbury has engaged a steamer to depart on the 19th inst. The same correspondent confirms the report that some sort of an ultimatum will be presented to the Porte to-day.

Sir Edward Thornton, present British minister to the United States, is to replace Sir Henry G. Elliot at Constantinople.

LONDON, Jan. 9. — Constantinople advices state that no ultimatum was presented to Turkey yesterday. The Conference will probably conclude its meetings this week. The hope of a satisfactory conclusion is very faint.

[We refrain from publishing a number of telegrams which set forth the killing or wounding of James Gorden Bennett by May, at half a dozen different places in Canada and the United States.—ED.]

Miss Lonsdale, the actress, burned on Wednesday of last week died on Thursday evening.

Chas. Blelfield, mounted officer, was found mangled on the railroad track, at St. Louis, Mo., on Thursday last. Foul play is suspected.

A man named Honahan was frozen to death on the Tor Bay road, five miles from St. John's, Nfld. on Thursday last.

On the same day at Halifax a boy four years of age, son of Wm. Handrahan, of Antigonish, took a drink of brandy from a bottle and died in two hours.

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At the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 27th, by the Rev. Wm. Wilson, assisted by the Rev. W. Cruden, Derby, Robert McNaughton, Esq., to Kate, daughter of Donald Macbeath, Esq., Black River.

DIED.

At Moorfields, Lower Newcastle, on the 2nd of January, Mary, wife of Mr. John Scott, Jr., and youngest daughter of the late John Porter, Esq., in the 38th year of her age—deeply regretted.

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