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Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 1877. Our Great Calamity.

The expression that a terrible fire

has destroyed four fifths of the City of St. John expresses but very inadequately the nature of the disaster, the first announcement of which was conveyed to our readers in last Thursday's paper. It almost makes the heart of every New Brunswicker sick when he realises how little is left of the city which was the pride of the Province—the bulwark of its commerce, education, enterprise and intelligence, the centre of all that was substantial in its politics and ad vanced in its social economy. As we write we feel how overwhelming is the calamity, not only as affecting those who have been driven from their homes and places of business by it, but for many at a distance who, like ourselves, have had vested interests

portions of the Dominion who will

suffer indirectly. When it is said that twenty millions of dollars worth of property has been destroyed, but a part of the loss is stated. The loss of the material wealth that is gone will not be so keenly felt as the continued absence of the requirements which it was continually creating, or bringing to the surface. Thousands of stores and workshops are swept away. To the individual owner or person interest ed in any one of these, its destruction by an ordinary fire would not, neces sarily, involve serious consequences, for its place would be temporarily supplied in the neighborhood, and on its being restored the sources from which it formerly drew its support would return to sustain it. But with St. John it is different. Not only are the store and its stock and the workshop destroyed, but that which sustained them is gone. The buyer and the seller are swept away together. Those who were the em-

occupation is gone. The producing power can soon be put into effective operation again, but that by which its vitality must be The newspaper offices being all burned, and off helping their unfortunate brother mermaintained cannot so readily be restored beside, or in connection with it. As in the store and the workshop, so people are deprived of particulars which to witness the destruction of all their it is in other departments of business, whether commercial or professional. There are many men, and women in of Thursday, which went to press on Wed. of the city. Many who were helping almost broken over the recollection of homes, business and property annihilated, caught almost with joy at the idea that life and health were left, and they could work until they replaced what they had lost. despair, more trying than the first sense of their losses came over them when they realised that there was ply, but are now homeless and, in most nothing left to do but preserve the life that had been spared. Even hope of anything, save a gloomy future, seemed to be shut out by the sur mind a just conception of the absorounding desolation. lute desolation of our commercial me-It may not be expected, even under tropolis. Practically, it is in ruins.

favorable circumstances, that St.

John can be restored to its former

prosperity within the present century. The conditions which natural ly enter into the consideration of th subject lead logically to that view of it. But there is not a city in the Dominion whose commercial credit stood higher in the world's great centres of trade, and we believe that after the first, paralysing effects of the blow have passed away and her leading men are made to realise that the cling to until its mastery was absolute. record of their ability, integrity, and enterprise is bearing fruit in the form of extensive confidence and credit from abroad, the work of restoration ling with that caused by the lingering fires flames swept down Germain Street, seizing will be rapid and St. John will again and added to the sad effect of the scene. take her place among the foremost cities of Canada, in all that goes to constitute true commercial, political and social prosperity. The process may be far more rapid than any of tar, blocks of stone, bits of iron and other us can now anticipate. It is true that few cities have ever been so nearly wiped out of existence as St. John, yet several of them have suffered bling over these, while tottering chimnies equally with her, even on this continent and within our easy recollec- One may stand on the summit of Dock tion; but wherever the same enterprising spirit which characterises the citizens of St. John has existed, the process of recuperation has been such as to now inspire our commercial From the upper part of the Court House, Office, Ferry buildings, Messrs. Magee's new metropolis with hope and confidence. Her citizens will, we feel sure, soon begin to work through the broken walls and ashes of their city to the foundations of the new structures. which shall rival, and even surpass those that are gone. They will use their great disaster chiefly as a mea- dollars' worth of property, and mark the the men on the roof were obliged to flee sure for the effort necessary to over- desolated homes of nearly twenty thousand for their lives. The burning of the Post-

come its effects, and in oblitering the work of the enemy that, a week ago, showed them no quarter, find hope to sustain them until the New St. John shall be made even greater than the old and take its accustomed place as the first city of Maritime Canada.

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swept out of existence, as well as for Since the last regular publication the people of the province and other day of the ADVANCE we have issued four editions EXTRA to meet the demands of the public for particulars | could not be borne by those who were in of the great fire. In the following matter relating to the disaster we make use of much that the EXTRAS contained, but have, as far as possible eliminated what would be merely a repetition in one part of what is more fully stated in another. What is given is gathered from many sources and checked over after personal en. quiry in St. John. We have also endeavored to present the matter in as concise a form as possible, with re gard also to proper arrangement, so far as the circumstances have permitted. Much of the first portion of what follows appeared in our edition of Saturday last, although the details are made much more full, besides being presented in somewhat different

> In common with the people of other parts of the Dominion, and, we may say, of the British Empire and the United destroyed, and during Thursday we issued three editions extra, which conveyed a generally accurate idea of the magnitude of the disaster. One of our own staff having, however, seen and examined the ruins cumstances and pleasant associations imcases, destitute-we will give as connected a statement of the facts as possible.

> > THE RUIN AND DEVASTATION.

Where, but a few days ago,

splendid structures, devoted to business, fine public buildings, busy factories, workshops, warehouses, magnificent residences. as well as dwellings of humble pretensions, and edifices in which God was worshipped and His mercy invoked-are now broken walls and chimney-shafts, standing like monuments above the debris left by the furnace-like blast. At the time of our visit smoke was issuing from among the sparks to houses on each side. As the the ruins in thousands of places, denoting that there was something perishable yet beneath, which the fire would Duke street, (near the Victoria Hotel) As the ruins cooled and the gusts of wind struck walls and chimneys, they tottered and fell, each in its turn, and the smoke and dust ascended from them in clouds, ming-The outline of the streets is still preserved, but the smcke, which, in some places, is blinding, renders them almost unrecognizable, even to those who were most familiar with them in the past. Bricks and mormaterial on which the fire could make no consuming impression, are strewed beneath the feet of the wanderer over the ruins. As he passes along he is in danger of stumand walls must be watched and avoided. Street, at the foot of Union, and with con-2 Engine House) is saved, looking & Co's and other offices, the Corporation east and west are ruins on either side Building, Daily Telegraph office, etc. were

people. Most of the latter had found some kind of shelter by Friday, while many had gone to the country, away on trains and boats to Nova Scotia, the United States, or points North. Here and there, in the lower portion of the city, on the Barrack Square and vicinity, and in the suburbs, a shanty of new boards or tent indicated a temporary shelter. Some families had exchanged Brussels carpets and frescoed celings for their more fortunate neighbors'

MANY WERE AT THE SKATING RINK. They belonged to the poorer class, and presented a very wretched appearance as they sat moaning or lay on straw, covered by ragged, and often dirty quilts. All the available houses in Portland, Carleton and the unconsumed part of the city, and all the spare rooms, were quicklyfilled by eager tenants, and many barns and other outbuildings are tenanted by the homeless. Provision is not scarce, now, plentiful supplies having been forwarded from many points-but before writing of the relief sent, and other events of a subsequent date, we will give our readers an account of the conflagration.

THE START AND PROGRESS OF THE FIRE.

The fire broke out on Wednesday afternoon about two o'clock in what was called the Fairweather building, next to Mc-Lauchlan's Steam Boiler Shop, on the wharf on the south side of what is known as York Point Slip. This building was stored with hay, and it-as well as McLauchlan's boiler shop and others adjoining-was of very light construction, and almost entirely unpainted. In about five minutes a whole acre of most inflammable structures had caught and, as a terrific gale was blowing from the north, across the cove between York Point and the Portland shore, they were converted into large, crisp embers, which went scurrying through the air, igniting buildings to leeward in many places and distant nearly a mile in some cases. Soon, the whole of Smyth Street in the York Point District was in flames, communicating thence with Drury Lane and the lower part of Union and running to Mill and Georges Streets by way of North St. Now, the fire had got the mastery, the valuable factories of Messrs. Foster

& Son, Rankine & Sons, Lawton and others Proceeding along Smyth street in a southerly direction, the fire soon reached Nelson street and then Robertson Place: then extended to Robertson's wharf, and then up the South wharf. As it gained Nelson street on the south, it there met the flames coming up that street, and the combination made a terrific heat, that the vicinity attempting to save property. indeed so rapidly were they overtaken that it was with difficulty many could get

out anything besides their books. With the strong wind from the northwest, it did not take long for the entire

wharf to be in a blaze. Half a dozen woodboats were at the head of the Market Slip and at the end of the wharves about the same number of schooners. Before the fire had assumed formidable shape on the North whaaf, the men on the vessels began to pour pails of water on the decks. The tide was low just then, and something like this was necessary to extinguish the sparks that were continually showered down on them. One thing in their favor was that the tide was rising, but the fire proved an earlier visitor, and those at the head of the slip were, in a quarter of an hour, on fire in so many places that it was impossible for

each outbreak to receive attention. Before the vessels had been well on fire the flames passed over their masts. form-States, our readers are appalled at the ing a bridge of fire over the slip that soon fearful conflagration by which four-fifths afforded a stepping-stone to the shops on of the City of St. John was destroyed on South wharf. Not one of these west of ployer and the employed are alike Wednesday of last week. So great has been Ward street was capable of withstanding without functions to discharge—their | the sympathy and interest in the matter | the intense heat and sparks, all being of that we determined to do all in our power | wood. They went down as if felled by a to supply the public with news from the hurricane, the schooners in front having burned city, and to that end the Editor of been hauled out to a place of safety .the ADVANCE visited St. John on Friday last. | Many of the occupants of the stores were only Mr. Day's job printing office and chants, and some arrived just in time to that of Kane & Company being left, our save their books; others were just enabled the well-established enterprise of the St. stock. Before this, however, the start-John press would have supplied had their ling intelligence that there was a fire in offices been spared. Our regular edition Lower Cove, was spread in the upper part St. John who, when their hearts had nesday evening, informed our readers their friends in York Point only rushed briefly that the city was almost totally home to find their dwellings gone-burned

to the ground with all their contents. THE FIRE'S COMPLETE MASTERY OF ALL. The fire was now spreading in two directions-it was carrying all before it in the direction of King Street, and it was and heard the tales of the men and women | sweeping through Lower Cove. Nothing who on Wednesday morning, had homes could be done to stay its dreadful prowhich were the abode of all that easy cir- gress. The four City steam fire engines and the Portland steam fire engine and the Carleton Engines could not subdue the fire, or confine it to any certain locality. Nothing seemed to avail, for the flames went wherever the wind carried them, destroying block after block, and No words of ours can convey to the street after street, and apparently doomed to obliterate all traces of the once fine

> While the attention of the people was divided between Lower Cove and Dock Street-the sparks had been carried to the

> TRINITY CHURCH. In a few moments this edifice was a mass of fire, the flames creeping quickly up the steeple and along the roof, leaving in a minute or two, nothing but a few burning posts. The terrible heat generated by this fire, and the tremendous gale, carried news spread that some wooden houses in Horsefield street, as well as others on were on fire, thousands were alarmed. The occupants of many of the houses took their goods to the

> and adjacent brick buildings, but soon the the buildings there, including the Methodist Church, Academy, Kirk and VICTORIA HOTEL, passing on over an easy road to join the

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Meantime the buildings at the outer end had taken fire across the Slip and the fire passed thence to Ward and Water Streets,

consuming wharves, as well as houses and

conflagration already raging in Main St.

other buildings. The rear portions of buildings on the west side of siderable of a burned area stretching be- near the Market Square caught while the hind him, down to the spot where the fire South wharf was burning and soon the originated, see ruins in an almost whole block between that point and Prinsouth-easterly direction a mile in extent. cess Street was in flame. The new Post which (together with the Jail and No. buildings containing Messrs. Guy Stewart

that measure three quarters of a mile attacked. across. These are all that remain to mark Messrs. Magee worked hard to save what was justly the commercial pride of their magnificent building from taking fire, New Brunswick and the dwelling place of and for some time they were successful, many of her best citizens. They repre- but as if to defy the puny efforts of husent all that is left of twenty million man hands the flames took hold of it, and

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