

can be taken in winter, while now they have to remain until spring. The merchants can then receive their goods at any time, and nothing need remain for want of conveyance; consequently a great part of the exports of the County will be brought here for exportation, and this village will then become the place in which all the business of the surrounding country will be centred. It then becoming the chief part of the County, with the country around it constantly pouring in productions of every kind, it must assuredly prosper. So much so that in ten or twelve years, it will become four times the size it now is, and with a vast increase of population.

Municipal Corporations have been adopted in Carleton, and the village of Woodstock was incorporated in 1856. So that now the inhabitants begin to take a deep interest in their own affairs, striving hard for their own welfare, so that they may compete with any country in North America.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE.

#### CLUBS!

#### To our Friends everywhere!

To any Lady or gentlemen getting up a Club for the *Sentinel*, commencing 1st September next, we offer the following inducements:

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### The Carleton Sentinel.

WOODSTOCK, SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 1857.

As in our estimation the leading interest of our country is found in its agricultural developments, we love to seek out, and make acquaintance with, those more remote localities, the attention of whose inhabitants, in their quiet and blissful seclusion, is turned to the culture of the soil. In such visits we always find our estimation of the capabilities of our land, and the industry and intelligence of its people, vastly increased.

Influenced by such feelings, we took, the other day, a drive through a portion of South Richmond, passing, *en route*, the various flourishing settlements as far down as Eel River.

We had never been there before. We knew little of that section of the country, except that some very intelligent, independent and honest men lived there: this we knew by personal acquaintance, arising out of our connection with the *Sentinel*, which has many valuable subscribers in that section; and therefore we were most agreeably surprised, and derived very great satisfaction, to find it giving abundant evidence, throughout the entire of the route mentioned, of agricultural prosperity,—its appearance telling unmistakably of the excellence of its soil and the intelligent thrift of its inhabitants;—farms of great extent, laden with the ripening crops,—well fenced, with barns of ample dimensions, neat, commodious and tasty houses, & stock of unexceptionable character,—meeting the gaze in every direction.

At M'Kenzie's Corner, (so called in honor of one of its earliest settlers, that veteran gentleman, Capt. M'Kenzie,) quite a village has sprung up, and this will, doubtless, soon become a place of note. Here there is a very neat Methodist Chapel. The Presbyterians, likewise, have recently completed a church, the lofty spire of which appears to the traveller a long distance ere he reaches the Corner: this is a handsome and commodious building, reflecting great credit upon its architect, J. C. Raymond, as well as the Rev. Mr. Hunter, the pastor, and the members of the church generally. It contains fifty pews, but these were not sufficient to supply the demand on the day of sale.

From M'Kenzie's Corner, we proceeded through a flourishing tract of country comprising the O'Donnell and Speer Settlements, &c.,—calling by the way on, and having to refuse the kindly-tendered hospitalities of the Rev. John Hunter and Mr. Geo. Ivey. Night brought us up at Mr. A. Blackie's, where we found a hearty welcome, supper, and a bed. Up in the morning early, we shoot pigeons enough to provoke the vision of a pie in the distance; and we are on the road for home, calling *en route* on many of the friends and subscribers of the *Sentinel*, to all of whom we are obliged for proffered hospitality, and words of cheer and encouragement.

We derived a very great amount of pleasure from this visit: first, because we have become acquainted with a locality which possesses an extent of cleared country, and of a superior character, which we had not anticipated. Second, because every field and farm gives utterance in its appearance to the word plenty. In the 30 miles which we travelled, we found there was but little weevil in the

wheat. [A statement made by one farmer seems to be worthy of note, as indicating that late sowing is the best for wheat, was, that he planted six bushels on six different days, and while that which was first planted was nearly destroyed by weevil, that planted later was untouched.] Although in that locality last year the potatoes were an entire failure, this year, so far, the rust cannot be found, and the root is turning out abundantly, and of good quality; and the other crops, buckwheat, oats, &c., under the influence of the late most favourable weather, are fast reaching maturity, and give every promise of an unusual harvest. Mr. John Speer has a field of oats from which he expects to take, and has every reason for his belief, 1000 bushels. We were pleased to find the farmers so cheerful, happy, and hopeful in the good prospect before them—the only trouble with them being how they shall find room to store their produce—and having (in this we may appear selfish) a heart to read, and a will and a way to pay for the welcome newspaper, in which character we trust the *Sentinel* will always appear.

On our way home we enjoyed the bountiful hospitality of Mr. Robert Clark, for which we were as of right, very thankful.

#### NAVIGATION OF THE RIVER.

The *Journal* has the same opportunity of knowing, with reference to the action of the County Members on this important subject as we. Mr. Connell distinctly stated his views upon the hustings, and what recommendation he had made. His words were thus reported at the time:

"There is one subject which has been to me a matter of much serious thought, and on which I should like to have your opinion,—that is with reference to the improvement of the navigation of the river. I believe that the expenditure in improving the tow-paths has been judicious, and some little benefit has resulted from the works on the river.—Mr. Perley and I suggested to the Government that the money proposed to be expended on the river the coming year, be laid out on the road on the western side of the river, and in construction of a bridge at Tobique."

The present Government, instead of £1,500, as placed in the estimates by the late Government, only set down £300—a portion of which it was proposed would be applied to improving the towing paths. So far as the *Journal's* statement as to the Attorney General Fisher throwing the responsibility on our members is concerned, we are authorized to state that Mr. Connell made no recommendation to the present Government before the estimates were brought in.

What we said before was not put forth "as a pretext for a scandalous dereliction of duty," but was an honest expression of our honest views. We probably know full as much as the Editor of the *Journal*, with reference to the benefits which have arisen from the work already performed. Still our own knowledge of the matter is so limited that we are not ashamed of seeking information from those who really know all about it, and upon such information we base our conclusions; and it were as well, perhaps, for the *Journal* to give us, and his readers, some information as to the work done, benefits derived, amounts expended, &c., showing that the benefits balance the cost before he sweepingly denounces those who use a little caution.

We, in our simplicity, suppose that there are no two men who, personally, are more interested in the navigation of the river than Messrs. Connell and Perley; and on the strength of that belief dare hazard the belief that they would not be anxious to sacrifice the interests of the County when it was such a direct sacrifice of their own. At all events before election, the electors and the *Journal* knew their views, and then was the time to fault them.

We are informed, by Capt. Smith, that were a few obstructions removed from the falls, his boat might have run all summer; but for the last three years the water has not been low enough—as it is not this season—to operate upon those obstructions. When, 3 years since, the water was sufficiently low, the Commissioner was spending money experimenting on other less important sections.

#### THE BAZAAR.

On Wednesday evening the anxiety felt by a large number of our citizens as to the probability of the steamer which left Fredericton that morning reaching here, was relieved by the steam whistle. Soon after the sound of distant music came rolling on the ear, and before a large crowd of spectators, the *Doon* came to her wharf, bearing a not very large but very respectable company—the Fredericton Freemasons' Band among the number, playing as the boat came in, the very appropriate tune of "Cheer! boys, Cheer!"

The arrivals by the boat, added to the number of strangers who had previously arrived, created quite an excitement, and the streets were, till a late hour, crowded. The Hotels afforded ample

and we trust, comfortable and convenient accommodations for the strangers, when they became weary of perambulating.

#### THURSDAY

Broke just as pleasure-seekers could desire it; giving unmistakable promise of a genuine New Brunswick fine day—although to some strangers, perhaps, the dense fog might have an ominous appearance; and at ten o'clock the sun reigned in unclouded splendour, and every body, with their wives and little ones, were thronging in anxious haste to

#### THE BRIDGE

By which the Island was connected with the mainland. This was a temporary structure—but one which admirably answered the purpose. Over the entrance to the bridge an arch was thrown, built with exceeding taste, and presenting a very fine appearance, bearing the motto "God save Victoria," and surmounted by a Crown. Passing over the Bridge, which was some 300 feet in length, and under another arch bearing the words "Welcome to all," we arrived at

#### BULL'S ISLAND.

Than which it were difficult to find a locality better adapted by nature for the purposes of a Bazaar, not the least recommending feature being found in its isolation, and the command thus afforded to the proper authorities over the only avenue through which an entrance could be effected. Passing over a well prepared path for a quarter of a mile, the Ground was reached. Here the most casual observer was struck with its aptness for the purpose. At the edge of the bank of the River, a fine row of stately forest trees, interlaced by vines and shrubs, and wild fruit trees, presented a splendid chance for the arrangement of tables, and so forth; while a large smooth lawn in front gave all the necessary accommodation for the various games, promenades, rollicking of children, &c., while here and there a quiet little cluster of bushes formed inviting arbours in which bashful young people could retire to whisper love or talk nonsense.

In general terms, the arrangements, as well as the natural facilities, were excellent. No pains had been spared to provide for the pleasure and comfort of the visitors, or to contribute to their various tastes and fancies; and much credit is due to all concerned—but especially to Mr. Connolly, and the gentlemen composing the Committee of management, through whose exertions the whole thing was proposed, planned, and executed.

The most prominent decorations of the ground consisted of arches and banners. Of the former, the first under which the company passed bore the motto, "All honour to the Ladies of Carleton."—Of the latter, the Royal Standard, painted by Mr. John Lee, of this place, attracted general attention, and called forth much eulogy.

Upon the tables devoted to refreshments were to be found a profusion of delicacies of every description; Ice Creams, Jellies, Blancmange, Custards, &c., as well as the more substantial edibles, in the way of poultry, ham, &c., while both these classes were flanked, intersected, and surrounded, by cakes of a character to satisfy the most epicurean palate; and not only were there mountains of solids, but oceans of liquids; for the supply of soda water, lemonade, raspberry, and other cordials seemed to be unlimited—not forgetting tea and coffee for those who desired it.

The tables devoted to Dry Goods and Fancy Articles, made a very fine appearance, being stored to repletion with ornaments, finery and wearables, of every hue, name, and character. More especially, as usual on such occasions, were the babies, present and to come, provided for,—judging from which provision the prospect ahead is flattering.

Table 1st was devoted to refreshments, presided at by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M'Donagh, who dispensed their goods with a grace, and desire to please which gave great satisfaction.

Table 2nd was Miss Bradley's, whose Dry and Fancy Goods made a particularly fine display; her supply being larger and more varied than that of other Dry Goods tables. Here the prominent feature and centre-piece was a crayon drawing by Mrs. L. P. Fisher, which sold for 40c.

Table 3d was Miss Gillan's, Dry Goods, wearing apparel, &c. Here we noticed some very creditable crayons by Miss Caldwell. A table cover worked by Miss Gillan was likewise very handsome.

Table 4th. Here Mr. and Mrs. P. Ryan dispensed creature comforts to the hungry crowd, of which comforts they seemed to have provided an inexhaustible store.

Table 5th. Miss Collins here was provided with a large and very choice assortment of refreshments, comprising cakes, pies, and jellies. Upon her table likewise was a beautiful shell pyramid, some two feet high, which had been sent from the United States for the Bazaar.

Table 6th was Mrs. Doherty's. It presented a beautiful appearance. Here Fancy Goods in the

work, children's dresses, &c., &c., predominated. A large wax doll, valued at 50s., had many admirers: and not a few longing eyes were turned towards it by mammas, as well as little misses. In connection with this table the soda fountain of W. T. Baird, Esq., was in full play, operated upon by Mr. H. R. Baird.

Table 7th was Miss Gillan's, whose fine display of choice refreshments attracted a continued flow of customers.

Table 8th was Mrs. M. Hartt's. Here was every thing pleasant to the taste. Lofty pyramids of cake, their base surrounded by vast plains of jellies, confectionery, &c., rose in inviting grandeur. The receipts of Mrs. Hartt's table, we are told, was £40; one cake selling for 90s.

Table 9th was presided over by Misses Quinn and Pettit. It was richly stored with refreshments, pictures, fancy articles, &c. &c., and appeared to attract much attention, as well as change.

Table 10th, and last, was for the sale of something stronger than water. We confess we are glad to learn this was not very liberally patronised.—Every one will have their own opinion; ours is, that the less strong drink is used on such an occasion, the greater assurance is there that the day will pass off pleasantly.

#### THE SPORTS.

By the time we have made the above recorded review of the tables, have commenced, under the direction of Messrs. M'Caffery, Wm. M'Guirk, Henry Dow, and J. C. Winslow; and consisted of a canoe race—which was a very spirited affair—4 canoes being entered, two Indians in each—the race was well contested, distance being about a mile, and was won by Newell Moulton; foot ball; foot races: racing in sacks &c., all of which were entered into with spirit, and created good amusement. During all this time the fine Band from Fredericton was discoursing sweet music—doing themselves credit & charming the crowd. After due attention had been paid to the sports, the services of the Quadrille band was called into requisition, and terpsichore was for a time duly and spiritedly honored by fair dames and gallant gentlemen. After this came tea, the number of applicants for which seemed to upset all preparatory calculations. The onslaught made upon the food and tea was terrific; however, there was plenty and to spare.

By this time the shades of evening were gathering; mothers suddenly remembered their weans at home; the young folks thought of the Ball on the programme for the evening; and homeward the tide of people turned, all evidently well satisfied with their participation in the pleasures of the day.

#### THE BALL

Commenced at 9 o'clock. The hall of the Institute was crowded with

"Beauty, and with gallantry.  
Soft eyes looked love to eyes that spake again,  
And all went merry as a marriage bell."

The dancing being kept up, with the sole interruption of a splendid supper, until the third of the wee short hours.

The following gentlemen composed the various Committees not before mentioned:

Bridge Committee—Messrs. Geo. M'Donagh and M. M'Guirk.

Decoration and Band Committee—M. M'Guirk, Esquire.

Ball Committee—W. Skillen, R. Brown, and Wm. M'Guirk.

Throughout the day foremost in contributing to the enjoyment, also seeing that the wants of the visitors were supplied, we noticed the Rev. Mr. Connolly, whose exertions throughout the whole affair have been constant and effective.

We have not room nor time to particularize any farther, only saying that the Bazaar and attendant circumstances went off to a wish, and we are happy in conclusion to give, as the most palpable evidence of its success, the amount realized which was some £300. Of this £110 was taken at the bridge, and the balance on the ground and at the Institute.

Before closing, we add with pleasure, the universal tones of approbation, with which the Freemasons' Band is spoken of. They have acquitted themselves well, and deserve, as they receive, credit.—They left us yesterday morning in the "Doon" to return to Fredericton.

We have received a fine No. of Arthur for September, from the publisher.

From Messrs. A. Williams & Co., 160 Washington-street, Boston, we have "Harper" for August.

From the publisher, Mr. Willis, we have received the August number of the "Freemason's Monitor."

Mr. M'Coy resumed the duties of his school