

Telegraphic News.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.
Lieut. Governor Caron of Quebec, instead of giving the annual New Year's ball at Spencer Wood, sent \$1,200 to the Mayor of Quebec, to be distributed among the poor. The Mayor himself further increased the sum by \$500.
Hon. Mr. Huntington was nearly drowned while crossing the ice at Vandreuil yesterday.

Toronto, Jan. 3.
The weather continues mild throughout Canada. The farmers on the mountain at Hamilton have commenced plowing.

London, Jan. 3.
The Times highly commends the working of the new judiciary system in England.

East flour and rice mills at Wapping were burned yesterday. Loss £20,000.—One fireman was killed and several were injured. Eighteen buildings adjacent were badly damaged.

The amount of bullion deposited in the Bank of England is the largest ever recorded.

Nicholas Pierolo threatens Peru with another invasion from Chili.
New York Jan. 3, p. m.
Gold 112½ to 113.

The Zodiacal Light.

Those who are interested in the observation of this phenomenon will do well to be on the alert during the dark evenings in the winter months. The most conspicuous exhibitions of the light in England during the last few years have occurred in the month of January, the long standing recommendation to expect the most notable displays in the evenings about the vernal equinox having thus been by no means justified in the result. The light was perceptible for a short time on the evening of November 21, without any yellowish tinge, and the position of axis somewhat doubtful from the indifferent state of the sky. Professor Heis's observations in December, from 1851 to 1870, place the mean position of the apex on the equator in R. A. 349°, or with about 82° elongation from the sun; this refers to the eastern arm of the phenomenon.—*Nature*.

Pneumatic Street Cars.

A trial of a new tramway motor came off lately on the lines of the Vale of Clyde Tramways Company at Govan, Scotland. The car, having been charged with the necessary quantity of compressed air, was made to take its trip among the ordinary cars running from Govan to Paisley Road Toll. Experiments were made to test the power of the machine for slowing, stopping, taking up passengers, etc., and it appeared to be under the most perfect control. The noise was scarcely perceptible, while horses alongside did not seem to recognize anything unusual, or to be startled. Mr. Moncrieff was accompanied by the chairman and directors of the Vale of Clyde Tramways Company. The result of the trial was to impress all present with the complete success of the invention, and its adaptability to tramway purposes.

One of the curious incidents of the holiday season is a call from the British Post Office Department for a remittance of \$150,000 on account of money-orders drawn in the United States on Post Offices in Great Britain, in excess of similar orders drawn there upon offices on this side of the Atlantic. The unusually large balance is explained by the large number of emigrants from the British empire who make use of money-orders in remembering "the old folks at home" at Christmas and New Year's.—*Boston Post*.

ISABELLA wishes to get back to Spain, and Alfonso stands by the demand on behalf of his mother. A telegram says: The results will be most disastrous. The Spanish army will be divided at once if the ex-Queen takes any part in the direction or counsel of State affairs, and will cause the loss of Señor Sagasta to the Royalists.

Important Announcements.

It is with much pleasure we announce that in our next issue we shall begin the publication of a series of sketches entitled

"FOOTSTEPS IN SCOTLAND," by Mr. Robert Macfarlane, one of the oldest and most valued contributors to our columns. Mr. Macfarlane spent the greater portion of last summer in Scotland, paying particular attention to the industries, agriculture, and other important commercial and social interests, as well as the scenery of the country. The results of his observations and travels he proposes now to describe.

These sketches will be found most interesting and valuable, coming as they do from a writer whose opportunities for seeing and comparing the industrial and mechanical progress both of Scotland and America have been very great.

We will also begin a new serial story, entitled "MIDNIGHT TO MIDNIGHT," by Mortimer Collins, one of the most prominent British novelists of the day, and author of the interesting tale of "Blacksmith and Scholar," which was so well received by the readers of the *Scottish American Journal*.

Other features will soon be introduced, which will undoubtedly tend to make the *Scottish American Journal* even more than ever a paper for the fireside.

Mr. Flinnell, the British member of Parlia-

ment, who has been the sailor's friend and the British shipowner's terror, has secured immortality already, whether he ever has a monument or not. A short, yellow band, painted amidships, about six inches below that which has always been regarded as the ship's waterline, is being put upon British vessels by order of the Board of Admiralty, and is called by the sailors "Flinnell's mark." It will make a considerable difference in the amount of cargo which it will be lawful for the ship to carry.

The Standard.

SAINT ANDREWS, JAN. 5, 1876.

Publisher's Notice.

Desirous to make all things square at the commencement of the new year, the accounts of those indebted to this Office are made out and will be forwarded to each subscriber, and it is expected that those persons who are indebted from one to five years, will make payment and save expense. Those generous patrons who have paid promptly will accept our thanks.

Another volume of our biography has been closed, and a new one opened. Old 1875 has passed away forever, with all its joys and sorrows—alas, among the latter, our little community has had its full share, and we miss those old familiar and kindly greetings, emanating from generous hearts whose pulsations have ceased, and now lie still in the cold grave. Let us follow the good example set by them. How true the picture is drawn by Dr. Watts where he says:—

"Their memory and their name is gone
Alike unknown and unknown."
And again how beautiful are the words of Dr. Bonar:—

"A few more years shall roll,
A few more seasons come,
And we shall be with those that rest
Asleep within the tomb."

Turn we now, to those who are left; among them too there are generous souls—large hearts, kindly sympathies—ready to lend a helping hand to those in need, whose unostentatious charities are felt but unknown to the world. We have no feeling with that class of people who are continually carping, decrying their neighbors; who are constantly looking on the dark side of the landscape, and who attribute improper or interested motives to their fellow-men, simply because they may dislike them. The better way would be to look favorably upon their acts, and bear with their frailties. The world is wide enough for all, and the time is too short to use in nursing bad feelings, and fostering enmity. How much more agreeable it would be to practice Christian charity, and see who could best work and best agree.

The new year to our humble mind opens with brighter prospects. Business it is true has suffered many reverses during the past year, and many who enjoyed comparative wealth have been reduced to penury; others doing a large trade became bankrupts. There were no doubt causes for these mishaps—overtrading, extravagance, and perhaps dishonesty, had something to do with them; the old adage however, holds good—trade will regulate itself, and the spirit of enterprise and energy will overcome all difficulties. Let all put their shoulders to the wheel, work on cheerfully, and the seven years of plenty are in store for them. To employ a common but expressive truism, "the darkest hour is before day," and we sincerely trust that the country has passed its darkest hour, and that the bright spot in the distance betokens what all hope and desire, more prosperous times. In our last issue we wished our patrons "a happy New Year," and we have much pleasure in extending, in the first number of the present year, a similar greeting to our "brethren of the Press."

NEW BRUNSWICK SHIPPING.

The St. John papers have published a list of vessels built and registered at the various ports of New Brunswick, during the year 1875. The *Globe* in its issue of the 31st ult., gives the list, which is not complete with reference to St. Andrews, and we therefore supply the following

List of Vessels registered at the Port of St. Andrews in 1875.			
Bge. Christina	564	St. Andrews	
Bgt Anna P. Odell	380	Ditto	
Schr Alice	10	Deer Island	
Schr Nymph	11	G. Manan.	
The <i>Globe</i> says: "There were registered at—"			
St. John 40 vessels (new)	23,809 tons		
Dorchester 7 "	5,051		
Sackville 14 "	1,608		
Chatham 10 "	2,373		
St. Andrews 4 "	965		

As regards Saint John there has been a falling off in 1875, of 23 vessels and 19,504 tons as compared with 1874; a falling off of 38 vessels and 15,355 tons as compared with 1873; and a falling off of 47 vessels and 13,493 tons as compared with 1872—the consequence of the general dull times.

The losses in 1875 have been only a few hundred tons more than the losses in the previous year, but they are 3,771 tons less than in 1873, and 3,612 tons less than in 1872. In value the vessels lost this year are estimated at \$240,000 against \$290,000 last year, and \$420,000 in 1873. The insurance amounts to more than two thirds of the value of the vessels lost.

NEW VOLUME.

The present issue commences the Forty-third volume of the *STANDARD*, the oldest paper in the Maritime Provinces. It did not occur to us when the *STANDARD* was first issued, on the 10th of September 1833, that for forty-two years we would issue the paper each consecutive week—never having missed publishing one number; or that we should have enjoyed that choicest of blessings—health; but so it is, and we feel thankful. Poor as our efforts have been to promote the public good, and advance the interests of St. Andrews and the County generally, they were given cheerfully, with the hope that they might accomplish some good; and we are gratified to know that we succeeded.

The *STANDARD* has the credit of being the first and for some time the only paper in the Lower Provinces which advocated the building of the "St. Andrews & Quebec Railway;" the idea having originated with its senior editor, our late respectable father Geo. N. Smith who, after having written articles on the subject, which were copied by the *Nova Scotian*, *Montreal Herald* and *Quebec Gazette*, had the able assistance of those journals and the *New York Tribune*, while papers of lesser note hooted the idea of "introducing railways in a new country like this." But such men as the late John Wilson, James Rait, Dr. Frye, Mr. E. Willard and others, by their pens, their influence, and means, placed the undertaking in such a position, as afterwards led to its being built, and others projected, which were built, and trains run daily over them. Other projects were advanced such as building of vessels which led to the establishing of the "Company vessels," the construction of the St. Stephen Branch Railway, the promotion of Agriculture, the establishment of manufacturing, and developing the resources of the County.

During our long connection with the Press, we have witnessed many changes, some of them beneficial while others were not. The *STANDARD* has never desired to be classed as a "party journal;" it advocated true patriotism and public virtue; and while it condemned what was wrong, it applauded what was just. Since it was first issued it has seen the rise and fall of six railways in the County, and has now the satisfaction of exchanging with two large well filled, ably conducted journals published in the County. How long we may be spared to issue the *STANDARD*, we know not, but while at its helm, we shall do the best in our power for the public weal, and live as we have heretofore done on friendly terms with our contemporaries.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAL'S Speech at the election at Argenteuil, is a significant one, deals in plain terms, and has a political significance, for he undoubtedly advanced the views of the Government. There can be no question, now as to the intentions of the Cabinet, and the Hon. Mr. Huntington's speech, has done more to strengthen the Government than anything that they have heretofore done, indeed it has for the time, disarmed an opposition which had taken root and was spreading. Time, that great solver of all difficulties, will tell whether the Government will carry out the new departure in Dominion politics. All truly liberal minded men earnestly hope that Mr. Huntington spoke as the mouth piece of the Government.

CALL.—The Rev. Mr. Millen preached in Greenock Church, on Tuesday evening, and after sermon, the congregation moderated in a call, (the Rev. Mr. Millen, Moderator) to the Rev. W. Richardson of Toronto. The call was hearty and unanimous, and it is believed will be entertained by the Rev. gentleman, who preached here on two Sabbaths a few weeks ago, with great acceptance.

ST. MARK'S LODGE.—At the regular communication of St. Mark's Lodge, No. 5, N. B. R., on the 27th ult., the following Brethren were installed officers for the ensuing year:

W. D. Forster, W. M.	
J. R. Bradford, S. W.	
E. Lee Street, J. W.	
S. T. Gove, Treasurer.	
G. F. Stickney, Secretary.	
J. Vroom, S. D.	
J. F. Covey, J. D.	
J. Stoop, M.	
C. Morrison, Tyler.	
Br. James McKinney, P. M.	

The lodge is in excellent working order, and in a prosperous condition.

HYMNIAL.—Under the marriage head it will be seen that our St. Stephen friends have taken time by the forelock, and commenced the New Year in a becoming manner, by wisely taking unto themselves helpmeets to begin 1876. They no doubt look forward to better times, and we trust will not be disappointed in their expectations. As we make no charge for publishing such events, we will be pleased to have them sent us for publication.

THE RAILWAY WOODEN at Houlton, we are informed, was destroyed by fire on Monday night with about sixty cords of dry hard wood. We did not ascertain the cause of the fire nor whether the building was insured.

her which has been spring-like advent of the present year, yesterday to winter again, furs and furs were in demand.

The annual Meeting of the St. Andrews Steamboat Company, will be held at Paul's Hall, on Tuesday next, 11th inst., for the election of Directors and transaction of other business.

WHO SELLS IT?—A number of young lads were seen under the influence of something stronger than water on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. We believe the Police, as well as some other officials, were busily engaged looking after the matter during the week, but with what result we do not know. Our police establishment is a small affair, and wholly incompetent to exercise a strict vigilance over the numerous taverns in this City.—*Col. Farmer, Fredericton*.

The above extract forms a strange contrast to Saint Andrews, a sea-port town, where many of the young men follow the sea, but are usually on shore during the winter season; we have no police force, and only a few constables—yet not one old or young, was seen under the influence of "something stronger than water," as the *Farmer* puts it; the fact is the inhabitants are a law-abiding and moral people, who can enjoy themselves without going to such excesses as the above extract indicates.—[*Ed. STANDARD*].

The steamer *Wm. Stroud* will run in connection with the International steamers, after the Belle Brown is taken off the route between Calais, St. Andrews and Eastport. When the river is frozen up, river freight will be landed at St. Andrews, to go from there by rail.—*Eastport Sentinel*.

The *Stroud* commenced running in connection with the International steamers yesterday, Tuesday.

The Solicitor-General on the Conservative Legislation

Mr. Watson, Solicitor-General for Scotland, delivered the first of a series of lectures, under the auspices of the Conservative Association, in the Queen's Rooms, Glasgow, on the 13th Dec. the subject being "The Legislation of 1875." The hall was not much more than half filled. Colonel Campbell occupied the chair, and amongst those on the platform were Mr. Orr Ewing, M. P., and Sir W. Anstruther, M. P. The lecturer, in the course of his address, said that it appeared to him that for party ends the phrase permissive, as applied to the legislation of last session, had been made a term of unmerited reproach. He knew of no measures of greater value than those of a permissive nature. What else, he asked, had Parliament being doing for the past fifty years than passing permissive measures? There was one class of legislation which they would seek for in vain in the pages that represented the statutes of 1875. There had been no meddling with class interests, no discussion about who should legislate, no discussion as to settling the institutions of the country. The question that had engaged the attention of the Legislature had reference to the advancement of the social well-being of the people. Having referred to several remarkable features which characterized the discussions in last session, he defended the action of Government in reference to the Regimental Exchanges, Merchant Shipping, and other bills, and made a reference to the Suez Canal purchase. The lecturer concluded by saying that the present Ministry and those who adhered to them were, on the whole, legislators to whom might be safely entrusted the material prosperity and social welfare of the country; and not only so, but also of the honour and prestige of the Empire. (Applause.) Notes of thanks to Mr. Watson and the chairman brought the meeting to a close.

The newspapers have formally announced the terms of the settlement of the Jewett Scamell Estates matters. The details do not differ in any important particulars from what appeared in the *Watchman* a fortnight ago.

The St. John banks, being the principal creditors in New Brunswick, have agreed to accept twenty cents on the dollar, in cash, and ten cents on the dollar, payable in two and three years. The N. B. creditors will receive, therefore, in money, immediately, \$340,000 and the remaining \$170,000 is secured by promissory notes bearing the names of Mr. E. Sutton, South Bay, Mr. E. G. Dunn, Carleton, and Mr. H. E. Wellman (not Wetmore, as stated in the dailies), of Providence, R. I., a lumber merchant in good standing. The creditors of the two Estates are called (in accordance with the Insolvent Act), to meet in St. John, January 14th, to decide the question of selling the Estates en bloc by public auction,—this step being necessary to vest the title of the property will pass to the President of the First National Bank of Bangor, acting for his own and other U. S. banks.—*Watchman*.

Miramichi Valley Railway.

The plans, profiles and estimates of this contemplated undertaking have been completed in full. The plans, which have been prepared with considerable care by Walter M. Buck Esq., the Engineer in charge, exhibit the proposed and probable location of the line, 100 miles in length, although the traverse survey embraced 112½ miles. The grades, on the whole, are most favorable, the steepest being in the direction of the down traffic; the nature has for its shortest radius 1150 ft. The profile, which measures 125 feet in length is furnished with every requisite detail of the work of construction. The quantities of earth, work, masonry, &c., have been elaborately prepared, including also, the superstructure of "permanent way," station buildings, &c., and rolling stock; likewise an appendix of diagrams of earth and rock cuttings, and sketches of culverts and bridge superstructures, the whole of which covers some 40 pages of folio in book form.

Mr. Buck is at present engaged in preparing traced copies, in duplicate, of the plans and profiles, (the second profile being that of the Bathurst Branch extension to the Bathurst River, 19½ miles), by order of the Board of Directors, and at their next meeting, which will be shortly notified by the Secretary, Mr. Adams Esq., the whole of the documents completed, and in course of preparation will be submitted by their Engineer, and we have no doubt will afford them much information and satisfaction.—*Advocate*.

The result of the compulsory school system in some of the chief cities of England is contained in the report made at the seventh annual meeting of the National Education League of England. In London there was an increase in the children's attendance of 100,000, of whom 40,000 were in Voluntary Schools. The average increase in London and ten large towns was 53 per cent; in Birmingham it was 15 per cent in 1874, the total increase being 94 per cent; in Hull 99 per cent, and in Sheffield, 100 per cent.

MARRIED.

On the 20th, by the Rev. H. S. Wainwright, Minister of St. David, John Johnston, Esq., of Douglas, County of York, to Henrietta, eldest daughter of Samuel Maxwell, of Old Ridge, St. Stephen.

In Astoria, Dec. 1, 1875, at the residence of Mrs. H. M. Morrison, by Rev. F. Craig, Mr. H. A. Pratt, to Miss Eliza S. Armstrong, late of St. Stephen, N. B.

On the 22d inst., at St. Paul's Church, Town of Portland, by the Rev. Canon De Valler, Rector of St. Paul's, Walter J. Kline Esq., of Toronto, Barrister-at-law, to W. R. Eugene, eldest daughter, of W. R. Burris Esq., Barrister-at-law.

On the 21st inst., by Rev. W. P. Berry, John McWhorter, of St. Stephen, to Phoebe McWhorter, of Wamberton.

By the same on the 23d inst. D. V. Brown and Maria Grey, both of Saint Stephen.

By the same, on the 26th inst., Thos. McCrea and Elizabeth Clelland, both of St. Stephen.

At the residence of the bride's mother, by Rev. James Quin, Scotch Ridge, Mr. Lorenzo Dowling and Miss Emily James Cumberland, both of St. James.

On the 5th ult., at the Rectory, St. David, by Rev. H. S. Wainwright, Rector, Mr. Thos. Webber, of St. Stephen, to Miss Elizabeth A. Dinsmore of the same place.

At the same time and place, by the same, Mr. John G. McMurphy of St. Stephen, to Miss Octavia E. Grant of the same place.

DECEASED.

At St. George, on the 22d ult., James Louis, second son of George and Beesie McSweeney, aged 2 years and 7 weeks.

At Bay Side, Dec. 17th, 1875, Josephine B. Mercer, aged 27 years, much respected and regretted by all her relations and acquaintances.

After having been confined to his bed during the last eight years, on the 23d inst., at his residence, Little Ridge, Mr. Neil Morrison, aged 81 years, died.

At his residence, St. Stephen, on the 23d inst., Thos. McGee, aged 57 years.

At Saint George (at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. C. McCre, sen.), on the 21st inst., Rachel, relict of the late John Rogers, formerly of St. Stephen, aged 78.

Ship News.

PORT OF ST. ANDREWS.

ARRIVED.	
Sch. Nettie, Britt, St. John.	
C. P. Bassett, Patton, Gloucester.	
ballast.	
Linda, Evans, Eastport.	
Jan. 4th, Str. Stroud, Ketch. St. Stephen.	
CLEARED.	
Sch. Linda, Evans, St. John, old iron.	
Jan. 4th, Str. Stroud, Ketch. Eastport.	

ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS having claims against the late E. of Saint George, in the county of Saint George, are requested to file them within three months from the date of all parties indebted to the deceased, to make immediate payment or to the undersigned or to

of Saint George as her agent.
Dated the 29th December, A. D. 1875.
SARAH L. ADAMS
Geo. McConley, Solicitor.