LOCAL NEWS.

OPEN AIR SPORTS.—There have been numerous pleasure parties to Maryland hill this week. The fine skating on the park on Wednesday evening was rendered more enjoyable by the lighting of a huge bonfire and the scene presented to the onlooker was a lively one.

LOST THREE STEERS.—There are three steers missing from Judson Dunphy's farm at Kingsclear, and after a three days search have not been recovered. The owner says they are valuable animals and he has never known them to stray away in such a manner before.

A STRIKING LIKENESS.—Miss Maud McKenzie daughter of Serj. Major Mckenzie of the R. S. I. corps is exhibiting a handsome crayon portrait of Colonel Blaine at St. John. The portrait, which is placed in Messrs. J. & A. McMillan's window is said to be a striking likeness.

TWO YEARS IN DORCHESTER.—George Boone, the man arrested in this city for forgery a fortnight ago, was on Thursday afternoon brought before judge Watters at St. John and tried under the speedy trials act. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to Dorchester for two years.

SOCIAL GATHERING.—A pleasant party of some twenty-five guests assembled on Wednesday last at the residence of Everett Goodine at central Kingsclear. The evening was spent in games, music, and social chat, after which a two hours dance brought a very happy event to a close. The music was furnished by Abraham Goodine.

ODD FELLOWS SUPPER.—The members of Victoria lodge of Oddfellows were entertained to an oyster supper in Watson's restaurant on Monday night by their newly elected officials, J. W. McReady, N. G., and H. H. Pitts, V. G., Toasts, speeches, and music were the orders of the evening, and a very enjoyable time was spent by all.

A FARMERS DINNER.—The Charlotte County agricultural society will hold a dinner at Kennedy's hotel St. Andrews on Wednesday Jauuary 21st. Acceptances to invitations issued have been received from number of distinguished people, and it is expected that both the attorney general and the provincial secretary will be present.

LUMBER NOTES.—There is considerable activity at Blackville, in which neighborhood Messrs. Gibson, Fairley, Morrison and Underhill h ave large teams of men at work in the woods. The Messrs. Miller are shipping bark which is a large industry in the district. There is about three feet of snow in the woods but yarding is about finished.

PROMOTION.—M. McDade is as successful in the management of the New York mutual life company's interests, as he was with his newspaper work. The company have so much confidence in his ability that they lately offered him a good position for the lower provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, P. E. I., and Newfoundland, which has been accepted.

STUCK FAST.—On Friday morning as R. Norman Hallett, jr., of Douglas, was driving down the Nashwaaksis hill with a load of dry hardwood, the sled stuck fast in a drift of soft snow, and all efforts to extricate the vehicle were fruitless. By the assistance of some friends who kindly hitched on an extra pair of horses, the sled was hauled out.

ICE CUTTING.—The thaw which took place during the early portion of the week, prevented the beginning of this season's operations on Monday. On Wednesday preparations were begun for ice-cutting, and it is intended to have a large crew of men and teams at work on Monday. Meanwhile the parties have been notified to erect fences in the vicinity of the operations, which up to the present they have neglected to do.

THE ELECTORIAL LISTS.—The lists of electors for the different wards is now open for inspection and ratepayers desirous of inspecting these lists are requested to call at the city clerk's office. There are no ward lists of the streets this year as the law does not require this addition to the already carefully prepared compilation, so parties desirous of going over the forms minutely are asked to call at the office as early as possible.

CONCERT AT ST. MARY'S.—On Monday evening a concert will be given in the Church hall, St. Mary's, under the auspices of the Women's Aid association. A large and varied program has been arranged, and many talented performers from this city will give their services on this occasion. The Marysville bus will be in attendance on Queen street to take visitors to the hall, and the performance will begin punctually at eight o'clock.

ENTERTAINMENT.—A mixed program of songs, choruses, recitations and dialogues will be given this (Saturday) evening in the temperance hall at Kingsclear, under the auspices of the S. of T. The chair will be taken by John McIntosh and the performers are William Thompson, B. W. Fox, Egerton Everett, W. Austin, Albert Everett and the Misses E. A. and M. Kilburn, Eliza Campbell and E. Dunphy, assisted by members of the Baptist choir.

SERIOUSLY ILL.—Burpee Gallop of Kingsclear who has been at work in the lumber woods for W. Cunningham at Oldtown Me., was taken seriously ill a few days ago. He complained of a chill, which has since settled on his lungs. He arrived home by train on Wednesday last. Mr. Gallop says the severity of the weather is making itself felt more or less among the lumbering fraternity, cases of frozen limbs, chills, and inflammation being frequent.

ON A VISIT TO HAMPTON.—A. G. Beckwith, of this city, chief engineer of the provincial public works, went on a visit of inspection to Hampton on Thursday. The work of construction on the iron bridge which the government is erecting over the Kennebeccasis is now in full swing, the pile driving has been finished, and one of the stone abutments has been commenced. The abutments and piers will be of solid masonning and the superstructure of iron.

NEW BRUNSWICKERS IN JAMAICA.—The Kingston Jamaica Gleaner of the 27th ult. in speaking of the arrival of distinguished passengers by the steamer Alpha, says: L. Theriault, M. P., of New Brunswick, and T. Medley Richards, will represent the government, and will show some fine specimens of wood and lumber, the latter named gentleman being himself a large lumber dealer. We welcome these gentlemen to the island, and trust that their visit may be productive of much good.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING.—The meeting of St. Paul's congregation last Monday evening, for the purpose of selecting a successor to the Rev. A. J. Mowatt, were unable to agree upon the nomination of a candidate, although some prominence was given to the name of the Rev. Mr. Stewart, of Sussex. It was eventually decided to invite a certain number of local divines to occupy the pulpit at various times, from whom the congregation hope to select a pastor. This decision has been referred to the St. John presbytery.

THEY SHOT FOUR.—Messrs. William Lawrence and William Sheppard, of Mouth Keswick, had an unexpected stroke of luck on Wednesday morning. At an early hour they observed a herd of caribou in their respective lots. There were five in one field and six in another, and the landmarks gave indications of many more. They managed to shoot four good specimens out of the nine. Caribou appear to be moving in the district, as it was only a fortnight ago that several of them were shot at the Mouth of Keswick by the Messrs. A. and L. Brewer.

Removed to the Asylum.

On Wednesday morning W. Y. T. Simms of this city, whose eccentric behavior excited some attention at the city hall a few evenings ago, was taken to the lunatic asylum. He had been out of his mind for some days and was being treated at the Victoria hospital. He left his quarters there on Tuesday night and went to Long's hotel next morning. The unfortunate man wandered out and paid a visit to the store kept by W. E. Seery, in Wilmot's Alley. He ascended to the workshop, had a look round at the employes and went away without offering any remark, or attempting any violence. He went from there into W. Jennings store and paid a like visit to the workshop up stairs, where his conduct, so the employes say, was perfectly harmless. On leaving the place he was fortunately induced by B. Everett to return to the hotel, but escaped from there a second time when he was followed by Mr. Everett and returned. A third time he wandered away and at this stage his behavior exhibited all the signs of violent insanity. He entered D. W. Estabrooks grocery store on York street and made some complaints respecting a man whom he said had persecuted him. Mr. Estabrooks tried to prevail upon him to leave the establishment quietly and to return to the hotel, but without avail. He became so violent that it took several men to hold him, but he was eventually secured and kept in the store until the arrival of the police. During the struggle Mr. Estabrooks received a severe bite on the hand. Much regret has been expressed, as the unfortunate man has many friends in this city. He came from King's county and has an excellent reputation as a teacher, particularly as to mathematics.

Honoring a Douglas Boy.

Learning that Moses Pickard, our former station agent, was soon to leave town, says the Caribou Republican, his many friends conceived the idea of giving him a slight testimonial of their appreciation. With this end in view a subscription was started and in a few moments sufficient money was raised to purchase a silver caster, one dozen silver knives and forks, silver butter cooler, silver butter knife, silver sugar spoon and one dozen silver teaspoons. On Wednesday evening friends assembled at Mr. Pickard's home and presented those articles to him and his wife. Prof. Knowlton, in behalf of the donors, made the presentation and said in substance:

"There is not often found combined in the same man, the efficient official and the true gentleman. The position you occupied was a responsible and vexatious one. Your duty required you to be somewhat peremptory in the discharge of the functions of your office, but you never went beyond your duty. The man always appeared overtowering the official. Faithful to your employer, you were just to the shippers doing business at the station, and never magnified your position nor assumed honor for the glory of it. We are sorry to have you go. We lament your departure and that of your family. Your wife has become dear to the societies with which she is connected. But we assure you, our best wishes, our prayers, shall follow you and remain with you as long as memory remains faithful, to the last." Mr. and Mrs. Pickard responded feelingly and accepted the testimonials with thanks.

A Plucky Young Man Gets Ahead of Two Soldiers.

The salvation army had an interesting meeting of mutual testimony on Thursday evening last, but during the reminiscences a couple of the military made things remarkably unpleasant by their outrageous behaviour. Although requested by the cadet to remember where they were they still persisted in creating a disturbance. George Beattie of the firm of Beattie & Grace, who had been quietly watching their behaviour approached the two offenders and asked them politely but firmly to stop "the racket." One of the soldiers immediately challenged Mr. Beattie to fight, and the other invited him to walk outside. Thinking this would be the best way to get them from the hall, Mr. Beattie walked quickly and was followed by the soldiers, and a number of others.

Directly the sidewalk was reached hostilities began. Mr. Beattie proved more than a match for his two adversaries. There was a general scrimmage for a few minutes, but the citizens made things so lively for the military they were obliged to beat an ignominious retreat.

Curling Matters.

The match for points which was to have taken place on Tuesday at the rink has been postponed one week from that date. It has been decided not to send representatives to the maritime bon spiel which takes place early in February at St. John. The St. Stephen and Thistle club matches vs. home teams will probably take place next week.

The following rinks have been chosen to play in the Thistle match:

A G Harrison,	C S Everett,
J Pitblado,	R S Barker,
J S Neill,	W K Allen,
Grieves, Skip.	E H Allen, Skip.
C S Neill,	L L Street,
R Inglis,	Geo Hoegg,
H C Rutter,	A F Street,
T G Loggie, Skip.	J H Hawthorn, Skip.

To play against St. Stephen, the rinks selected are:

M Lemont,	M Tennant,
L L Street,	J S Campbell,
E H Allen,	Geo Hoegg,
J B Grieves, Skip.	A F Street, Skip.
H V B Bridges,	W S Fisher,
G W Babbitt,	A H F Randolph,
J H Hawthorn,	J. D. Macpherson,
W K Allen, Skip.	T G Loggie, Skip.

Arabs in Town.

Four Arab peddlers, who said they came from Damascus, paid a visit to the city this week and made a house to house canvass with showy jewellery. Many of the young of both sexes bought freely of the wandering sons of the desert with the result that they found they had been imposed upon. The peddlers went to St. John on Thursday. Speaking of peddlers an exchange says:

"It is said that at the present time there are about 800 Polish-Russian peddlers in the maritime provinces, who perigrinate here and there with their old trashy ware, insultingly compelling the people to buy of old trashy goods, and injuring the legitimate trade of the towns who have good goods, and who pay taxes. But the remedy is with the people themselves. Why buy from these wandering Jews? They are not citizens, they pay no taxes. They do nothing towards building up the country, but they are an unmitigated nuisance. They were driven out of the eastern states. This is a matter which the councils should take up, and if the nuisance still continues, impose a tax of $50 upon each of them.

Temperance Matters.

The gospel temperance meeting on Sunday evening last was well attended. The Rev. Mr. Beckwith gave an interesting historical address on the past and present state of the liquor question, and showed that the growth of public opinion was moving slowly for prohibition. Dr. McLeod who followed with a strong and pointed address, spoke of the license law and the scott act, and referred to the operation of the law in this and neighboring cities. During the meeting some hymns was rendered by the choir.

At a meeting held on Monday in Foresters hall St. Mary's the following elected officers of Rossmore orange temperance lodge were installed for the current year:

Hedley Staples, Pres.
Miss. S. Dayton, vice. Pres.
Miss. E. Rossborough, Sec.
Bert Boone, fin. Sec.
Mrs. Jared Boone treas. & Organist.
Miss. M. McLaughlen, Chap.
Winslow Staples, Marsh.
Henry Dayton, inn. Gd.
Wm. Rossborough. out. Gd.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Fredericton's Board of Trade—Second Meeting—A Slight Skirmish.

A second meeting in the council chamber took place on Tuesday last. In the absence of the mayor, city clerk Beckwith was voted to the chair and among those present were L. W. McCready, Harry Beckwith, John Moore, G. Vandine, John Richards, F. B. Edgecombe, T. W. Smith, W. Lemont, John Haslin, George Hatt, B. H. Babbitt, J. W. Tabor, M. Tennant, B. A. Burtt, Alonzo Staples, J. M. Wiley, W. McKay, and many others.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were duly read and confirmed.

The chairman explained the law referring to the affiliation of a local board with the dominion organization, and pointed out that the certificate of a local notary was requisite to the document to be forwarded to Ottawa for the necessary powers.

The report of the committee appointed to obtain the signatures of prominent business men, was presented by William Lemont. The following signatures had been obtained:

Hon A F Randolph,	John M. Wiley,
F B Edgecombe,	J S Neill,
A Staples,	J Haslin,
Geo C Hunt,	W T H Fenety,
G W Hatt,	B H Babbitt,
S Owen,	M Tennant,
J D Fowler,	C H Davis,
J Walker,	A P Morrell,
A McGoldrick,	J H Fleming,
J R McMurray,	W H Tippet,
A G Edgecombe,	William Edgecombe,
D W Estabrooks,	S McKee,
G Hatt, jr.,	J W Tabor,
R Blackmer,	J T Clark,
T. W Smith,	J Owens,
R M Campbell,	M S Hall,
A Lottimer,	T Stanger,
E B Nixon,	A A Shute,
G T Whelpley,	T A Sharkey,
	W Lemont.

John Richards asked if he might be allowed to speak a few words before the meeting proceeded any further with business. He was not here to throw cold water over the undertaking, but former experience had warned him that boards of trade in Fredericton were practically failures. Members would not pay their fees, there was a lack of proper organization, and great and useful undertakings—for instance the water works—had been retarded by the action of the former board of trade.

W. H. Tippett did not agree with the previous speaker who had started with the chilling influence of cold water and ended with a flood of viturperation. Disastrous experiences ought to enable one to steer clear of mischievous undertakings. The past should be an incentive to the future.

J. M. Wiley spoke briefly but to the point. A motion and a resolution had already been passed, and they had met here to organize a board of trade and had better proceed with business.

William Lemont was astonished at Mr. Richards' line of action. The city council built the water works and it was the finest undertaking that had ever been accomplished in this city. There was a good representation of business men here to-day. They had not met solely for the purpose of arraigning the C.P.R.; there were other important topics. The noble St. John river with its impeded navigation was a standing reproach to us. Once get the river dredged, the C.P.R. were cornered. They will have to come to terms then. D. F. George had a number of cars loaded with shingles, and under the special rate he paid thirty-five cents but now the schedule rate charged was forty-one cents. That gentleman when he became aware of the exorbitant tariff at once threatened to unload and ship the goods in summer rather than pay. Mr. Tiffen after correspondence gave Mr. George a rate of thirty-three cents. A St. John merchant also complained. He told Mr. Tiffen he should ship sugar via the Intercolonial and Canada Eastern to Fredericton. The old rate was thirty cents, now it was fifty-four cents, and Mr. Tiffen came down to the former rate. No better institution than a board of trade could be devised to discuss such matters as these.

J. W. McCready said that questions often cropped up at the city council which were really outside of their province to discuss. A board of trade could profitably take these questions up.

H. H. Pitts was in favor of an organization being started in this city, not because of the C.P.R., but because he believed it would be of general benefit to the citizens generally. He proposed that all should get to work at once. He advocated a fee of one dollar and an energetic canvass of the city.

It was then proposed and unanimously carried, that J. W. McCready be appointed secretary to the board and that A. G. Edgecombe, M. Tennant and W. Lemont be appointed a committee to act in conjunction with the secretary.

On the question of the fees, the chairman explained that the matter would have to be made a bye-law, but for the present, it was agreed that the membership fee should be one dollar, until the necessary constitution had been adopted.

The meeting then adjourned to meet again at the call of the secretary.

A Jack Knife Artist.

Late yesterday afternoon says the Bangor News of Tuesday William O'Brien, who had been borading for a few days at Barney Kelley's on Washington street returned to the house in an intoxicated condition. He entered the sitting room of the house, and Mrs. Kelley ordered him out. He refused to do so and she pushed him through the door way. O'Brien drew a knife and struck at Mrs. Kelley, the blade entering one of her fingers.

Mrs. Kelley defended herself with the use of an oyster can, making a slight cut on O'Brien's forehead. Arno Cummings the cook, heard the disturbance and rushed to the room. Cummings tried to stop O'Brien, who was then just going through the front door. As he did so O'Brien stabbed him three times.

He then started up Exchange street. In front of J. Waterman's store he demanded entrance but was refused. The clerks, all valiant warriors, rushed to the back part of the store, to save their lives. O'Brien went into Chick & Haynes drug store, where he was captured by officers Dolley and Griffin.

At the police station he gave his name and said he belonged to Marysville, N. B. He was to be brought before Judge Brett late this afternoon to answer to the charge.

Seriously Injured.

John Hayes, the proprietor of the hotel at Haynesville was some time ago kicked by a horse in the abdomen and has been confined to his house for the last six weeks.

William Muzrell, of the same place, while working in the lumber woods at the S. W. Miramichi, was seriously hurt by a rolling log a few days ago. He was obliged to be conveyed home, and it will be some time before he will be able to be about again.

On Tuesday afternoon about one o'clock G. T. Whelpley, of this city, met with a bad misadventure while in the act of unharnessing his horse. The animal, which had never before exhibited impatience, became restless, and kicking out struck Mr. Whelpley severely in the left side. Dr. Currie was soon in attendance, and found his patient in great pain. Two of his ribs are fractured, and he suffers a good deal; but hopes soon to be around again.

A FORTHCOMING LECTURE.—Nelson Brown, of the university, will lecture at the Church hall in this city on Monday evening next at eight o'clock on the subject of Temperance from a scientific point of view. Some interesting physiological facts will be presented, and the lecture should prove an interesting one. All are cordially invited to attend.

We call the attention of our readers to Dever Bros. advertisement in this issue, of a remnant sale, date Jan. 23rd. We suggest that all who go will take full purses and secure what is dear to everybnes heart, a good bargan for cash.

A NEW BRUNSWICKER ABROAD.

Interesting Facts from the Pacific Coast Culled from a Local Letter.

A commercial gentleman, who is connected with an American fruit firm, gave THE HERALD some interesting extracts from a letter received from William Morris, formerly of Prince William, and now settled in Seattle, Wash.

The letter opens up with a description of the sunshiny weather now prevailing in the district. Rain falls had been frequent but the mild salubrious atmosphere had clothed the fields in green, and the meadows were one mass of bloom in the country sections. Business for the coming spring was in every one's mind, and it is expected that building operations will be begun on a large scale. Talking of buildings, Mr. Morris makes a curious reference to the structure of his house which was difficult to believe, but George Cliff, of Prince William, who has been on a visit to the Pacific coast says such occurrences are common. The house which our New Brunswicker planned and built himself is a 22x28 structure; there is a commodious barn 24x30, a hennery, and several minor outbuildings. All of these were built out of the product of one tree, which was cut and felled by Morris himself. There were 300 feet of boards left on the conclusion of his labors. This is not an isolated example of the wonderful growth of western trees. At Seattle there is a saloon built across the stump of a giant tree, the material for building having been manufactured from one monster cedar.

Seattle, Chehalis, and Centralia are the three graces of the Pacific, and are rapidly pushing to the front. Building lots outside the former town now command $250 each, when a few years ago they were to be bought at a nominal price. The tide of emigration is flowing into these districts, law and order is well maintained, and the country is most prosperous. Some of the maritime boys stationed at Seattle send all the way to Montreal for clothing, and they find the plan very economical, everything being high in Seattle. Indeed it is thought by some that the only advantage to be obtained at that place is a beautiful climate, and more work. A mechanic at $2 a day here is equal to $5 per diem in Seattle.

Farming and fruit raising are profitable industries, and markets for fruit are abundant in the states. Vegetables are raised all the year round, seed beds for cabbages being planted every month in order to obtain a regular supply.

The writer in conclusion states that although the Pacific settlers are a law-abiding people now as compared with their habits a few years ago, there is, nevertheless, a great deal of gambling carried on, particularly on Sundays. Real estate business is almost a gamble as well, and everyone is on the qui vive for a good time.

F. C. Baptist Church Social.

A very pleasant social was given by the ladies of the F. C. Baptist church in the vestry on Thursday evening to the congregation and friends. A large number of persons were present, and the vestry was neatly and tastefully decorated with spruce, flags, and mottoes.

The chair was occupied by William Kinghorne, who, on calling the meeting to order announced the following musical program:

Opening chorus, - - - The Choir
Quartette, Messrs. Tennant, Rev. F. C. Hartley, and the Misses Yerxa.
Reading, - - - Miss Fenwick
Duett, - - - The Misses Yerxa
Chorus, - - - - - The Choir

After the rendering of the musical part of the entertainment, light refreshments were served by a committee of ladies. The reception committee were Mrs. H. D. Currie Miss Yerxa, and Miss Pugh. The affair was a pronounced success, and much credit is due to the committee of management.

Election of Aldermen.

The election of aldermen which is to take place shortly, will apparently see little or no opposition offered in the various wards of the city. In Carleton ward no candidates are at present talked of in opposition to Messrs. Farrell and Estey, Moore and Macnutt will probably be returned for Queen's; Messrs. McPherson and Vandine for Wellington, and Messrs. Ritchey and Beckwith for King's ward. In St. Ann's ward it is rumored that William A. Quinn will be requested by some of the ratepayers to become a candidate, but that gentleman has not yet decided whether he will run or not. It is more than probable that the present constitution of the different wards will remain unchanged, but you can never tell what will happen.

The Fredericton Market.

There has been a fair amount of business done this week on Phœnix square. Poultry were in good demand, and fetched good prices. A scarcity of hard wood is reported Oats have dropped a little in price. We quote: beef 3 to 5 cts.; mutton 4 to 5 cts.; lamb 6 to 7 cts.; pork 6 to 6½ cts.; sausages 12 cts.; hams 12 cts.; chickens 30 to 50 cts.. turkeys 12 to 14 cts.; ducks 60 to 75 cts.; geese 70 to 90 cts.; butter 15 to 19 cts.; lard 13 to 15 cts.; eggs 23 to 25 cts.; turnips 60 cts.; potatoes $1.50; carrots 50 cts.; buckwheat $1.75 to $2; hay $7to $10; straw $5; oats 45 to 50 cts.; socks and mitts 20 cts. pair. Cordwood dry $4; green $3 to $3.50.

The Mayor Entertains.

Mayor Allen entertained at his residence on Tuesday evening the following gentlemen:

Sir John Allen, Col. Marsh, P. M., alderman Vandine, John Richards, sitting magistrate, alderman McNutt, auditor McMurray, and city clerk Beckwith.

On Thursday evening his worship entertained the following guests:

Ex-mayors Fenety and Gregory, aldermen Gillman, McCready, Beckwith, Estey and Moore; chief engineer Lipsett, commissioner of roads McCoy, assist. chief engineer Hatt, chief assessor James Farrell, Robert Inglis and A. G. Beckwith, C. E.

Bailey - McDiarmid.

At six o'clock Wednesday morning, Arthur G. Bailey, of the firm of Bailey Bros., Woodstock, and Alberta McDiarmid, youngest daughter of the late John McDiarmid, of this city, were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, John G. Adams. The Rev. Mr. Payson officiated in the presence of the immediate friends and relatives only. The presents were costly and beautiful. After the ceremony the guests sat down to breakfast, and the bride and groom received the congratulations of all present. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey took the early morning train for Woodstock, where their future home will be.

A Fraternal Society.

At a meeting of the members of the American Legion of Honor on Monday last the officers elected for the ensuing year were:

W A Estabrooks, Commander
R M Pinder, Vice Com.
F B Edgecombe, Orator
John Black, P Com
Charles A Sampson, Sec
J D Perkins, Collector
Herbert G Winter, Treas
H H Pitts, Chap
A F Street, Guide
F P Thompson, Warden
James D Fowler, Sentry

A SCARCITY OF FISH.—One of our up river farmers was in town yesterday with a small load of fish which had been secured at St. Stephen. He said that there was a great scarcity of fish at Campobello and St. Stephen, and that after a fortnight's absence from home, he had been obliged to return with a very small supply.

A MERRY PARTY.—A gathering of some thirty couples on Tuesday evening assembled at the residence of Miss Maggie Aitken on the Hanwell road. Games, music and dancing kept all in a state of merriment until a late hour.

THE TRACK AND STABLE.

Items of Interest Concerning the Local Flyers.

C. H. Hatt of Marysville has been exhibiting his pretty horse on Queen street this week. The beauty has been doing some good work and is quite an addition to the list of local horses.

Dr. T. C. Brown's Topsy has improved of late, and is showing some of her old time speed.

George Essery of Charlottetown has gone to Montreal with the trotters Whistler and Blackbird. They will start in the races which begin on the 20th inst. A fine portrait of Blackbird is to be seen at the Queen hotel. There is also a splendid portrait of the Oregon wonder in the hotel office.

There are to be two races on Nappan lake, N. S., on February 5th. The first for colts coming 3 years old, purse of $100; heats ⅔ of a mile best three in five to harness, to be divided as follows: $50, $30, $20; entry fee 10 per cent of purse. The second, 2.50 class, purse, $60; heats ⅔ of a mile, best three in five to harness, to be divided as follows: $25, $20, $15, each race to have five to enter and three to start.

John McCoy is expecting two newly imported horses from the States—one a trotter and the other a pacer.

J. and E. A. Cilley, of Fairfield, Me., have sold to C. H. Nelson, of Waterville, the filly Maud Banks, foaled April 26, 1889, after Director Chief, 2.21¼, dam Empress, by Sterling, record 2.36, second dam by Honest Allen, son of Ethan Allen. This filly is said to be very fast and it took $1,000 of Mr. Nelson's money to buy her. She was one of the leading attractions at the Maine state fair.

In advertising Politician, 11,003, a son of Aurora, 1884, this is what F. H. Purdey, jr., of Sandy Hill, Washington Co., N. Y., says about Aurora: "Aurora, the sire of Politician, sired Constance, 2.21¼; Daniel Lambert, jr., 2.28, and several others, and there are five within three miles of here that can enter the list at any time, and over thirty in this county that can beat 2.45. Aurora is a young horse and is owned by the Canadian government, and is, I believe, considered the most popular sire in Canada. Politician is the only standard bred stallion left in this vicinity by him." It will be seen from the above that Aurora is well thought of in the locality from which he came, and that his get are also promising. When it is known that he did not get the best class of mares (as evidenced by the fact that Politician is his only standard bred stallion colt in that locality) and, when, with that chance, it is remembered that he has now three of his get in the 2.30 list (the two mentioned above and Maud) it will be readily admitted that the government of New Brunswick owns a very valuable sire in Aurora, and breeders next spring, would do well to remember this fact.

Charles McDonald of Milltown has a three year old Olympus which is making a grand showing in the speed line. His dam is Nelly Mace which could show a mile in 2:40. Mr. McDonald has a yearling, a full brother of this one, which is also very promising. He bred to Lumps last season and expects a whirl wind.

Friday was a great day for the flyers on Queen street, and the road was crowded with fancy sleighs and pungs, and many a delightful clip was witnessed. But the most attractive centre was the track laid out on the ice from St. Mary's to Nashwaaksis. The splendid weather and good sleighing there was fully taken advantage of, and many a merry party took a spin on the ice to the jingle of the bells.

Heraldisms.

York county council meets on Tuesday evening next.

A large crowd of skaters enjoyed the fine sport on the river on Tuesday afternoon.

A lively set to occurred on Wednesday at St. Marys between two of the city hackmen.

The Normal school has now an attendance of 241 students, the highest number chronicled as yet.

Private Hall the deserter from the R. S. I. corps has been sentenced to 90 days imprisonment.

There is some talk in town regarding the establishment of a free public library and reading room.

The Rev. A. B. Murray of Woodstock has been appointed vicar of the Episcopal church at Stanley.

Albion lodge I. O. G. T. No. 44 held a pie social in their room in Fishers building on Thursday evening last.

A new church at Jacksonville was dedicated on Sunday last by the Rev. Douglas Chapman of Marysville.

A carnival is announced to take place at the Marysville rink on the 23rd. inst. The local band will be in attendance.

The scholars attending the city schools were on Wednesday afternoon granted a half holiday to enjoy the skating on the river.

Bandsman Jones of the R. S. I. corps has severed his connection with the school. The band gave him a farewell greeting on Tuesday morning.

As a result of the recent examinations twenty-two of the Normal school students were advanced to the first class, six being male and sixteen female students.

In the case of Alex. A. Sterling v. James Straton plaintiff was awarded $342.74 damages. In the Dr. J. Z. Currie v. Margaret E. Kelley case the verdict for the plaintiff was $120.48. These were the only two civil cases entered at the York county court.

Sweet Singer Passes Away.

Madame Stewart, who was Mrs. Walter Bruce, of Bruce & Patrick's Balmoral choir, and whose singing recently delighted audiences in Fredericton and New Brunswick, died in Chicago, last week, at the home of her cousin, 265 North May street. She was taken ill suddenly during a concert given in Farwell hall on the 17th ult., and her illness soon after developed serious features. She was but 33 years of age. She loved the music of her native land and evinced her devotion in its rendition at all times, but touching in the extreme when at the closing of her life, and her mind wandering, as it were, through familiar scenes at "home," she sang even in dying the auld Scotch song, "The Bonnie, Bonnie Banks o' Loch Lomond." The friends gathered by her couch of death wept as they listened as the sweet singer breathed her farewell song.

A LOCAL ATHLETE.—A newspaper man who found himself at the head of the Nashwaak on Thursday evening last spent a very pleasant evening at the house of a very respected resident of the place, and while there had the pleasure of a talk with H. V. Peppers, on athlete matters. This brilliant young university athlete has won a numerous array of medals, and quite a number of prizes from local meetings. But the one most prized is the belt presented for the best all round athlete won at the university fall meeting last year. It is a handsome silver mounted belt, contains the names of former winners, including the present holder, and is valued at $50.

WHIST EXTRAORDINARY.—At a recent game of whist played in one of the hotels in this city the whole of the thirteen tricks was taken by one player during the progress of the game, the lucky winner holding the run of all the best trump cards, together with two aces, a circumstance which very rarely occurs in a game. A similar instance is recalled at a game played at Stoke on Trent England, in 1879 and which fact was duly recorded in the local papers at that time.

SALE OF LAND.—An important and large sale of land was transacted on Friday, when a deed of conveyance of a block of land on Keswick stream and its tributaries was recorded. The gentlemen by whom this large purchase was made are the Messrs. Kilpatrick, Gilman, and Bennet of Maine, and W. H. Lawrance of Keswick. The properties conveyed consist of nearly 60,000 acres, and are valuable timber lands. The land belonged to the Central bank.

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