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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:—A box of clothing for the Chatham fire sufferers has been received by Canon Forsyth from Mrs. Jas. Ryan, of Moncton.

THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE is expected to meet about the same time as last year, probably on the last Thursday in January or the first Thursday in February.—Globe. Perhaps so!

RECOVERED:—The sleds, chains and harness connected with the Allen team, which went through the ice last week, were grappled the other day. The oats, fish and stove however were not recovered.

TWO FULL MOONS in one month is a rare thing. There was one on 2nd inst. and there will be another on 31st. An exchange says it will be the first time there have been two full moons in December since the month in which Christ was born

BAD AND MEAN:—It is bad enough for the Moncton Transcript to steal matter from the ADVANCE and publish it as original, but it is an equally unworthy practice for the St. John Record to wait until the matter is two or three days old and then to publish it, giving credit therefor to the Transcript.

A BIG PORKER:—Richard Reid of Springfield brought to market this morning a porker which weighed 629 lbs. This hog, which was eighteen months old, was purchased by Mr. D. Richards of the People's Bank and forwarded by Canada Eastern train to Mr. Wm. Richards at Boiestown.—[Gleaner.

TOKEA smoking mixture don't bite the tongue, and is cool, sweet and lasting. Try a 10c. package or ½ lb. Tin.

SOLEMN WARNING!—What do you think your innocent wife and children will think of you, or your whereabouts, if after they have put you under ground, bills for unpaid newspapers fall into their hands? Better attend to this matter before it is too late.—[Berlin News.

Yes—look on your date-slip on this very paper. It is on the top of the 1st page.

SPLENDID PIGS:—When Mr. Geo. E Fisher was at the St. John exhibition in October he purchased a pair of thoroughbred Berkshire pigs. They are now fourteen weeks old and the boar weighs 124 lbs and the sow 110 lbs. Good judges pronounce them the finest stock ever seen here. It would be well if there were more attention paid to bringing such animals to the country.

WANTED:—A special travelling agent to work counties of Restigouche, Gloucester, Northumberland and Kent, for a leading Canadian Life Insurance Company issuing most popular and attractive policies.

Liberal contract given to a competent agent.

For further particulars address "Insurance" Chatham.

OLD LETTERS:—Any person having old letters received before 1870, can get good prices for the postage stamps thereon, by writing to Jno. Lindsay, Lock Box 3, Paris, Ontario. He furnishes the best of references and pays as high as $150 00 each for rare kinds. Leave the stamps on the envelopes as they are worth more that way.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC:—The Christmas music in preparation for St. Luke's Church will be rendered next Sunday evening. The choir will sing the anthem by Vance "There were Stepherds abiding in the fields" -Mrs McLean, soloist; Also, sentence by Kranz, "New Joy Amongst the Angels." During the offertory Miss Harris will sing the solo by Paul Rodney, -"A Dream of Bethlehem."

CHRISTMAS GOODS:—In addition to those who realized last week that they had stocks of goods for the holidays that would bear inspection and command patronage, if only advertised in the ADVANCE, a few more have come forward this week. Among them are Messrs. W. S. Loggie Company, R. Flanagan, J. D. Creaghan, Thos. Buckley and E. Lee Street of Newcastle.

ANXIETY FOR HUNTERS:—A Fredericton despatch of Tuesday to the St. John Globe says:—

"Wm. Chestnut, son of Henry Chestnut, left here some six weeks ago with Henry Braithewaite, the well-known hunter, on a hunting expedition in the Miramichi woods. They were to be gone onl four weeks. No word has yet been received from either of them and Mr. Chestnut's family is anxious about his safety. A guide was despatched from Doaktown yesterday in search of them."

THROUGH THE ICE:—Mr. Alex Robinson while driving on the ice last Thursday evening, between Douglastown and Chatham, came near losing his rig by the horse breaking through. He found the ice in such a dangerous condition that he was obliged to leave the horse and sleigh at Douglastown for the night and walk home to Chatham.

Mr. Joseph McKnight, of Douglastown, had a similar experience opposite Chatham, his horse breaking through twice late on Thursday afternoon.

E. E. PECK, the assistant of the Scott Act workers in Nothumberland, who was doing similar service in Kings County, where he was arrested for alleged perjury, was tried last week on the latter charge and acquitted, the prosecution failing to produce as many witnesses against him as there were for him. Mr. Peck stated during his trial that he would again come to Northumberland if he was wanted. Should he reappear in this locality he will have to wear a new set of wigs and abandon his cramps and spasms for some other device by which to mislead his intended victims.

AN ATTRACTION to buyers of family groceries, provisions, dry goods and general household supplies is offered by Mr. Roger Flanagan at his well known store on St. John Street, Chatham, in the form of silver knives and forks, silver spoons, silver cruet stands and boxes of tea. He issues tickets which are presented by customers every time they make purchases, and no matter how small the amount, it is punched off, and when the purchases aggregate either $15 or $30, as the case may be, one of the articles specified viz.—a cruet stand, or a dozen of silver knives or forks for a $30 ticket or a 5 lb. box of tea, or 1 doz. silver spoons for a $15 ticket is given free.

C. M. B. A. BATHURST:—At the regular meeting of Branch No. 130, C. M. B. A., Bathurst, the following members were elected officers for the coming year:—

John J. Harrington, President.
John J. S. Hachey, 1st Vice President.
William McKenna, 2nd "
Wm J. LaPlante, Recording Secretary.
Samuel J Melanson, asst. "
Joe J. Meahan, Financial Secretary.
James J. Power, Treasurer.
Thomas Salter, Marshall.
Thomas Kennah, Guard.
John E. Baldwin and Edward Hall, Trustees.
John E. Baldwin, Representative to Grand Council.
James J. Power, alternate.

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Circulating or Lending Library. Good cheap reading at the Circulating Library.

A lot of nicely bound R C. prayer books also on hand. Inspection respectfully solicited.

MISS L. FLANAGAN.

Letter from Rev. Joseph McCoy.

To the Editor of the Advance.

DEAR SIR:—Having delivered an address under the auspices of the Salvation Army, in St. Luke's Church, on the evening of Thursday 5th Dec., and having learned that this address has given rise to some little gossip and ill-feeling in the community, I wish to say in the interest of truth and amity, that my object in the address was not an attack upon any church, but to set forth, on an historical basis, the reason for the apparently hostile attitude of many ministers toward the Salvation Army.

JOSEPH MCCOY.

Thieves Abroad.

Burglars were operating in Chatham on Tuesday night. There appears to have been two of them. They entered an outbuilding on Mr. John Fleiger's premises and stole a lot of his carpenter's tools. They showed a nice discrimination, taking only the best planes, augers, bits, etc. They also took two quarters of beef and two geese.

The same or other parties went to Mr. Robert Gordon's residence at a late hour. They entered the rear door which was not locked. After getting in they observed by the light of an electric lamp outside that shone into the room, a lamp held by a bracket. "Here's a lamp, let's light it" said one, and he did so. There were two men, one a short, and the other a tall one. They ransacked drawers, etc. and were approaching a sofa on which Miss Gordon lay all the while in terror, but unobserved. She suddenly screamed and the big fellow said, "Oh good G—d," and both of the intruders decamped in haste. It is safe to say that door was locked last night.

Christmas Services in S Mary's and S. Paul's.

Wednesday next, being the Festival of our Lord's Nativity, the usual services will be held (D. V.) in S. Mary's and S. Paul's churches.

The 1st. evensong of the Festival will be held in S. Mary's chapel at 8 o'clock on X'mas Eve.

The 2nd. service will be a midnight celebration of the Holy Eucharist in S. Mary's, beginning at 12 o'clock and followed by a solemn Te Deum in honor of the Holy Redeemer.

The 3rd service will be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist at S. Paul's at 8 a. m., on X'mas day.

The 4th service will be at S. Mary's chapel at 11 a m., on X'mas day, and will consist of morning prayer, Holy Communion and sermon. S. Mary's Sunday School children will sing X'mas carols before this service,

The 5th. service will be at S. Paul's at 3 p. m.

The offerings at these services will be, as usual, for the sick and needy.

The churches are being decorated and special musical selections are in preparation for the Holy Festival.

A Christmas Duty.

Halifax Recorder.

We received a letter from the States on Saturday, which read as follows:

BLACKADAR BROS,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

DEAR SIRS,—

"The enclosed $—is for an old account but it is yours nevertheless. I have been hard up."

Next! There are many, many, many, "old accounts"—enough to keep up a regular succession equivalent to several regiments of soldiers in single file. We heartily commend this good example. Let us recall the words of the poet in order to further impress this lesson. In answer to a question put by a newspaper publisher we are told—

The angel band replied,
"To us is the knowledge given,
Delinquents in the printers' books
Will never enter Heaven!"

Let delinquent ADVANCE subscribers remember their past short comings and resolve to pay up at once, so that they will not feel meanly on Christmas over the knowledge that they haven't paid for the paper.

Timber Lands Sale.

Eleven berths of timber lands were sold at the Crown Land Office at noon on Wednesday of last week, six of them a three-mile block on Clearwater brook, a three-mile block on Middle and Little rivers, Gloucester, a two-mile berth at Adams Gulch, Restigouche, a two-mile block on Eel river, a two-mile berth on Christopher's brook and a two mile berth on South Branch Trout Creek at the upset price went to the respective applicants: A. E. Alexander, Samuel Adams, S. McGregor, T. B. Willston, A. E. Alexander and King McFarlane. A two-mile berth on the Lepreaux river, applied for by W. T. Whitehead was knocked down to Geo. E Barnhill at $71 per mile. A four and a half mile berth on Bartibogue river and Green brook, applied for by J. G. Russel, was sold to Jas. Robinson at $59.50 per mile. A two-mile berth on Salmon brook, applied for by Wm. Richards, was sold to T. B. Winslow at $17 per mile. A three mile berth on Northwest Branch, Jacquet river, applied for by T B. Winslow, went to the Prescott Lumber Co. at $27 per mile, and a five and a half mile berth on north of Canaan river, applied for by T. Hetherington, was sold to Hilyard Bros. at $25 per mile.

A Correction.

In our report of shipments of deals etc from Miramichi to transatlantic ports for 1895, published last week we placed those of Mr. F. E. Neale at 5,302,072 s. f. Mr. Neale's shipments were, however, 5,914,-180 s. f., according to his bills of lading, and these may, no doubt, be accepted as more correct than the custom house returns, from which the report in the ADVANCE was made up. We have published these returns annually for twenty-one years and this is the first time any error in them has been reported to us.

Chatham correspondence of the St. John Sun, published in that paper last Friday says:

"The spool wood industry, which is yet in its infancy here, makes a good showing this year; 3,749,574 sup. ft. were shipped to Great Britain. Of this amount Clark, Skilling & Co. sent 2,577,137 sup. ft.; W. M. McKay, 653,146 sup. ft., and James Aiton 519,093 sup. ft. The palings shipped amounted to 322,610 pieces, and all but 14,250 pieces went to Great Britain and Ireland. I respectfully call the attention of the editor of the ADVANCE to the above figures. If he compares them with the report he published on Thursday he will find he was in error to the amount of 113 tons and over six hundred thousand superficial feet of deals in his version of the shipments of F. E. Neale."

The foregoing is not very clear. What the "above figures," which relate to spool wood and palings exclusively, have to do with Mr. Neale's deal shipments it is not easy to understand. We may say that the ADVANCE takes every reasonable precaution to have what appears in it correct. After Mr. Neale had directed our attention to the error in the returns of his shipments, as published by us last week, we investigated the subject sufficiently to ascertain that the discrepancy between the figures in the custom house and those in his office was not blameable to the custom house people. Mr. Neale, for instance, in clearing one cargo—that of the Daphne—which took more than 476,000 s. f. deals, scantling and ends, himself passed the entry at 240,-695 s. f. He inadvertently, no doubt, copied the standard line of figures, instead of the thousand line when putting the cargo down on his entry blank, but neither the custom house people nor the ADVANCE could know that, and it is probable that even the Sun would fail to detect such errors. At all events, the ADVANCE would never think of blaming it for not doing so.

Hall's Hair Renewer is pronounced the best preparation made for thickening the growth of the hair and restoring that which is gray to its original color.

He will Doubtless Apologise.

Those of the World's readers who were not disgusted over the language it employed when referring to the Miramichi-Osceola matter last Saturday, were amused. When the editor of the World is particularly wrathful, and also when he thinks he has done an especially good thing, he is not satisfied with writing editorially, but he also publishes letters from imaginary correspondents to sooth his lacerated feelings, or advertise himself. "Araminta," on Wednesday 11th, and "A. F.," on Saturday, furnished us with specimens of "worldly" efforts in the letter line, the last named, together with the article on "the mendacious monomaniac" in Saturday's paper being, no doubt, a vulnerary for his wounded sensibilities over the proof we gave last week of his having endeavored, in his usual indirect way, to attach some blame of the disaster referred to to the man who was in charge of the schooner. In his first reply to our few words of admonition, he said the finding of Capt. W. H. Smith was the same as the World's comment, but he left his readers to understand that the comment he quoted was all the World had said. He did not mention the fact which he now admits: viz., that he called for censure on the mate of the schooner. Is there anything to justify that in Capt. Smith's report and finding? Saturday's World says that this mate, whose duty it was to keep a lookout forward should have practically abandoned that duty and meddled himself with the navigation of a steamer which, was abeam of his vessel and, according to the practice of navigation, was to pass astern of her, much nearer the pilot at the helm than to the mate at the forecastle. Had he been a self-advertised "commodore," the mate might have pranced about, waved the flying jib and tooted the schooner's steam whistle, in accordance with the World's apparent understanding of the duties of a mate in such circumstances; but Captain Smith seems to think differently, and he, therefore, omitted to second the World's censure of the Coroner's jury for not censuring the mate. The fact is, the World wanted to blame the schooner, in some way, in connection with the disaster, and it could not do so without reflecting on the pilot who was in charge of the navigation and himself at the wheel. The pilot, therefore, was attacked over the shoulders of the mate, simply because the World was afraid to refer to the pilot directly, for obvious reasons. This is the conclusion any logical mind must reach on reading the World's attack on the mate, for if it was his duty to cry out to warn those on board of the steamer, it was much more the duty of the man at the wheel, who was equally near them. The fact is that it was not the duty of either to make alarm whistles of themselves, as they would have had to do to be heard, for the steamer was going at the rate of over eight hundred feet a minute, and within the last minute before the collision she could have safely gone on her proper course under the schooner's stern. We hope the editor of the World, in dealing further with this matter, will not think it necessary to write any more letters to himself about his "valuable paper" or articles chiefly characterised by his usual bad language, but frankly admit he was wrong in censuring pilot Nowlan over the mate's shoulders, and apologise for his error. If he can't keep from writing to himself he might give us another treatise on that Canadian patron saint business in his role of "Araminta," for his contributions of that kind to his own "valuable paper" are at least not so vulgar as those he writes on nautical subjects, although the hand-squeezing imputation was in the usual taste of persons of his class when they try to be witty. At any rate, it being Christmas times, he cannot do less than apologise to pilot Nowlan.

For throat and lung troubles Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, seasonably taken, is a certain specific.

Retirement of Com. Ritchie.

CAPT SMITH, R N. R., TESTIFIES TO HIS EFFICIENCY—RESPONSIBILITY OF COMMANDING A PASSENGER STEAMER.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance, Chatham.

SIR,—The retirement of Captain Joseph Ritchie, recently senior captain and commodore of the Allan fleet of mail steamers, deserves more than a passing notice from the public. Commodore Ritchie has been nearly half a century going to sea, and, if he had remained a few months longer in the Parisian, would have actually completed forty-eight years of service afloat. He commenced his sea life at a very early age, a mere boy, on board of sailing ships, making voyages to various parts of the world.

On board those vessels where a most rigorous discipline was maintained, he received the training which made him a thorough seaman, and in after years was acknowledged to be one of the best sailors crossing the Atlantic. As a skilful and careful navigator, he had no superior, either in the service he was engaged in, or on board any of the steamers running between the old and new worlds. This is shown by the many successful voyages made by him since he has had charge of the navigation of several passenger steamers running between Great Britian, Canada and the United States.

For the last seven years Capt. Ritchie has been in command of the royal mail steamer Parisian, and during the whole of the time he has held the position of master in the service of the Messrs. Allan, no accident or stranding or collision has occurred to a single vessel while under his care, which certainly speaks well for the manner in which this officer has exercised the trust imposed upon him.

To command a large ocean passenger steamer, with a thousand or perhaps twelve hundred human souls on board, of various classes and creeds, requires the possession of many qualifications other than mere skill in navigation. A man placed in that position ought to be regularly trained for it and pass step by step through the various grades of his profession.

It is necessary for him to act in such a manner that the passengers and crew will place confidence in his judgment and ability in all the trying and difficult circumstances he may be placed in. He must be courteous and pleasant to all on board and able to give information of every description to passengers who are constantly asking questions, which to them are of great importance.

Above all he has to be sympathetic during the time that dreadful malady, seasickness, attacks those who are travelling in his vessel, and also be endowed with a considerable amount of tact to settle little disputes which so frequently arise on board ship, and if not carefully dealt with may possibly mar the pleasure of a voyage. No individual man in any position of life has such responsibilities as the man who commands a large ocean steamer.

Owners, merchants and underwriters all look to him as the trustee of their valuable property, and relatives of passengers entrust him with the lives of their friends. During fine weather, when no danger was near, Capt. Ritchie occasionally gave some of his spare time to the passengers in relating interesting and amusing anecdotes of his sea experiences.

He has carried many thousands of passengers across the Atlantic in safety, and upon some voyages has had a very miscellaneous number of people, composed of governors of colonies, generals, admirals, bishops and ministers, lawyers, doctors, merchants and others, as well as a numerous class of emigrants of all nationalities, and has shown himself to have had the full knowledge of the requirements of a magistrate in keeping the peace upon all occasions among so many.

Numerous friends who have crossed the ocean with him now reside in every city and town from Halifax to Victoria. He was well known in this province and each time the Parisian reached our port numbers of his former passengers went on board to welcome him. The travelling public and the Messrs. Allan have sustained a loss in the retirement of such a seaman, as he was always most anxious to serve the interests of all alike.

He is a British sailor of the old type and should rank with such men as Judkins, Stone, Leitch, McMaster, Ballantyne, Grange, Graham, Wylie and others—noble seamen—who have helped as pioneers to build up the Atlantic mail service between England, the United States and Canada, and make it what it now is, a credit to the owners and to the country whose flag is carried on board of the ship.

I am, sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. H. SMITH,
Marine and Fisheries Department,
Halifax, Nov. 30, 1895.

CAPTAIN RITCHIE'S RETIREMENT.

In connection with a letter from Mr. W. H. Smith, drawing attention to the service of Captain Ritchie, late commander of the Parisian, it was pointed out yesterday by several gentlemen interested, that a testimonial was already being gotten up. Many of the merchants of the city had decided to have him presented with an illuminated address. When this was prepared, lists would be placed in the board of trade and other places for signatures. It was felt that the present was too busy a season to get up a substantial testimonial and besides his resignation only takes effect at New Year's. Sir Donald Smith will be asked to act as honorary chairman of the committee.—[Montreal Gazette.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla makes the blood pure, rich, and vitalizing. Sold by all druggists.

Presbytery of Miramichi.

At the quarterly meeting held on Tuesday in St. Andrew's Hall, Chatham, the following members of Presbytery were present:—Revds, T. G. Johnstone, moderator, N. McKay, Wm. Aitken, W. Hamilton, A. F. Thompson, John Robertson, J. M. McLeod, F. W. Murray, J. D Murray, Joseph McCoy and J. K. McLure, ministers and John Menzies and W. J. Carruthers elders.

A remit of the General Assembly proposing to reduce the scale of representation of Presbytery in the Assembly from a fourth as at present, to a sixth, was disapproved.

Sympathy was recorded with Dr. Bruce, whose absence from the Presbytery was occasioned by the death of his venerable father.

Messrs. McKay and McCoy were appointed a deputation to assist the people of Burnt Church in selecting a site for a new church,—the duty to be attended to on the 24th inst. at 10 o'clock a. m.

Mr. J. M. McLennis, who had been laboring for some weeks at New Brandon and Caraquet, was accorded the standing of a catechist and appointed to his present field till the end of April, 1896.

Rev. Mr. Thorpe was appointed to supply Black Brook and Nelson on the third Sabbath of January and thereafter till the end of April.

Rev. J. M. McLeod was appointed to represent the Christian Endeavour and other young people's societies within the bounds of the Presbytery, and papers relating to these were placed in his hands.

Mr. Hamilton submitted a very interesting and satisfactory report from the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee. During the summer months seven catechists have been employed as against six the previous year. These agents occupied their fields for a longer period than in former years, so that the expense was materially increased. But owing to improved methods, and increased liberality in the fields only $200 00 were required to square accounts this year while $429 00 were required last year. The report was cordially received and the efficient management of the committee approved. The thanks of Presbytery were extended to the H. M. Board for their cheerful response to our claims.

The Presbytery cordially commended the college fund and the Bursary fund to the liberal support of our people.

The committees on state of religion, Sabbath observance, temperance and systematic giving were discharged and their several conveners were constituted a committee on church life and work. This action was taken in order to bring the Presbyterys' committees into line with certain changes adopted by the last General Assembly.

Mr. Aitken was authorised to make the usual allotment of the amount required for the Augmentation Fund.

Messrs. McCoy, Aitken, McKay, Hamilton, Carr and Thomson were appointed a committee to devise a scheme for the grouping of our weaker congregation and mission stations in such a way that they may be more effectively and economically worked, and report to next quarterly meeting. They are authorised to take action in this direction in any section of the field where such action may be found practicable.

On motion of Mr Aitken a deputation was appointed to visit Red Bank to ascertain whether the congregation has increased the local support so as to protect the pastor from serious loss by the withdrawal of the Augmentation grant.

Mr. Aitken made a statement in relation to his health. Though he is very much improved, he is still far from being well, and he is advised by an eminent specialist to seek further rest and change. To secure these he purposes visiting Scotland; and he asked the Presbytery for leave of absence for six months. The Presbytery noted with great pleasure the marked improvement in Mr. Aitken's health, regret that he is not fully recovered, sympathise with him in his continued indisposition, grant him leave of absence as desired, commend him and his family and congregation to the care of the Head of the church and agree to supply his pulpit during his absence. Messrs. McKay and McCoy were appointed a committee to arrange supply.

The next meeting of Presbytery will be at Newcastle on the last Tuesday of March, 1896, at 10 o'clock (standard time.)

N. McK.

Cured of Chronic Catarrh.

A Remarkable Cure.—J. W. Jennisons, Gilford, spent between $200 and $300 in consulting doctors; tried Dixon's and all other treatments but got no benefit. One box of Chase's Catarrh Cure did me more good than all other remedies, in fact I consider myself cured, and with a 25 cent box at that.

Visit the Sun Office

The ST. JOHN WEEKLY SUN (16 pages) extends a cordial invitation to all readers of the ADVANCE when visiting St. John to call at its offices, 31 and 33 Canterbury street, and inspect the Mergenthaler Linotypes machines, the most marvellous mechanical invention of the 19th century, with which its composing room is equipped. The Sun is the only newspaper in the Maritime Provinces that uses the Linotype machines, and is consequently enabled to print each issue from clear, new type. The WEEKLY SUN has the largest circulation and prints more square acres of paper than any other journal published in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia or Prince Edward Island. Only one dollar per year. Address:—Alfred Markham, Manager, St. John, N. B.—[Advt.

A Good Story.

A story is going the rounds at the expense of one of the best known men of this place. We shall not mention his name, but you know him. Of rather determined mien, he has of late been showing signs of mental agitation. He wears a full beard, but a few days since his wife, much to her alarm, found him sharpening a razor. She thought his mind was unhinged and went into hysterics. Explanations followed and it was found that life had for him still some charm. He intended to use the razor upon painful corns. A friend who had used Putnam's Corn Extractor with success advised its use, with the following results: Man quite happy, wife ditto, razos sent away. Use Putnam's Corn Extractor.

Fifty-Mile Bicycle.

FIFTY MILES AN HOUR IS THE CLAIM PUT FORTH FOR THE INVENTION; THE SMALL SPROCKET IS INCREASED IN SIZE WITHOUT INCREASING THE DRIVING POWER.

Has the greatest of all discoveries for the bicycle been reached? asks The New York World. Will the record-breaker on the rubber tires of the future outfoot the birds and put to shame the proudest efforts of the race horse? Have we at last reached the bicycle millennium, when science will enable the man on the machine, supplying his own motive power, literally to annihilate space by the exercise of a minimum of physical power.

Fifty miles an hour on a wheel.

This is the astonishing claim put forth for a new lever chain now undergoing the experimental tests in England. It is known in the bicycle world as the Simpson lever chain: All England is agog over it. Bicycle makers all agree that the next great improvement will be in the chain. The Simpson lever chain has waked up bicycle manufacturers as has no other one discovery since the pneumatic tire dawned upon the scientists of cycling.

The Simpson chain aims to give greater driving power without increased effort. It is assumed that the reader, whether he is a cyclist or not, understands what sprockets are and what is their function, In wheels equipped with the Simpson chain there will, of course, be two sprockets. The forward sprocket, or driving wheel will be the same as is now usad. The rear sprocket will be greatly different.

The rear sprocket will consist of two opposite halves. Each half or side will have eight teeth, as now, but the teeth will be cut on a new plan. There is a little hollow between each pair of teeth, which will engage the links of the chain as it rolls along over the sprocket. The angle at which these little hollows or grooves are cut has been criticised. The little grooves are supposed to be so many leverage points, at each of which the links of the chain will brace itself for the next leap over the sprocket teeth. The little grooves will act as conservators of energy. They will prevent the loss of power. If they can do that they will be a great boon to the hill-climber.

But the most important feature of this new sprocket is its size. It is nearly twice the size of the ordinary sprocket, but it has no more teeth. The latter fact is highly important. If there were more teeth than on the ordinary sprocket the gear of the wheel would be affected. If there were ten teeth, for instance, the gear of the wheel would be 50.4, assuming that the forward sprocket had the usual number of eighteen. The average wheel is geared to 63. A gear of 50.4 would be an anomaly.

The increased size of this new sprocket, therefore is the keynote of the Simpson invention. It permits the chain to revolve about a larger radius, thereby increasing the driving power of the chain. The new chain is a series of double triangles connected at the bases, the bases going over the larger spocket and the apices over the smaller one. It does this with the exercise of no more power on the pedals.

This large spocket will readily give the bicycle a higher gear, but without calling for more driving power. It is claimed that it will give the equivalent of a gear of 84 on the ordinary bicycle. A gentleman who has seen the Simpson chain on an English machine in England, says that some wheels with this chain have had the equivalent of a gear of 96.

Since there are two halves to the spocket, each of whose eight teeth is gripped by the link pins of the chain in its flight, there is a double forward pull and a double saving of power, although by this is not meant that the pull and saving are two-fold.

A Child Cured of Eczema by Chase's Ointment

"My six-year-old daughter, Bella, was afflicted with eczema for 2½ months, the principal seat of eruption being behind the ears. I tried almost every remedy I saw advertised, bought innumerable medicines and soaps, and took the child to medical specialists in skin diseases, but without result. The doctor advised the use of Chase's Ointment, and since using the eruption has all dissappeared, and I can confidently say my child is cured.

(Signed) MAXWELL JOHNSTON,
112 Anne St., Toronto.

MARRIED

At the parsonage, Chatham, on the 17th, inst, by Rev. George Steel, Mr. Walter Crosbie to Miss Bessie Murray, both of Chatham.

DIED

At Chatham, Monday evening, 9th December, 1895 at 7.15 o'clock, Mr. James Gower, aged 83 years.

At Chatham, on Dec. 5th, John Bell, in his 75th year. A native of Workington, Cumberland, England

At Chatham, on Tuesday morning, at 5.30 o'clock Mrs. Thomas Murray, aged 84 years.

Have nothing to live for.

Sometimes men and women feel this way. A wave of despondency creeps up and up till it reaches the heart. They become languid and listless. Life appears grey and desolate. What such people want is not merely a tonic. They want to be built up. They want a stimulus which will give them courage and put a new hope in them. Such a stimulus is found in Wilson's Invalids' Port Wine. This is incomparable the best tonic at present offered to the public. A rich, generous wine, with a glow, a body, a fruitiness which are calculated to build up the wasted system. A bottle of this bracing tonic makes a poor debilated creature a new citizen. Sold by all dealers at $7.50 per case of 12 quart bottles half case $4.00 or 75 cts. per bottle. Address—Bordeaux Claret Co., 30 Hospital Street, Montreal.

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My stock is too varied to enumerate; in fact I can supply you with everything in
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CURRANTS, APPLES AND ORANGES,
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MEN'S BOYS' AND YOUTHS' SUITS, OVERCOATS AND ULSTERS,
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When you see the goods and learn the price you will make your purchases at the store of
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IF YOU ARE IN DOUBT about what to buy for a lady or gentleman for X'mas, kid gloves will at all times be acceptable.
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But a living one on exhibition at
STREET'S DRUG STORE,
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Christmas Goods
and other
Holiday Novelties
attract even more attention from the purchasing public. There are
Fancy clocks, Mirrors, Photo holders and frames, Cuff and Collar boxes, Brush and Comb trays, Smoker's sets, Ink bottles, Jewel cases, Hair pins, Collar Button and Soap boxes, Paper Weights, Compases, Thermometers, Calenders, Blotters and Card Receivers, Tobacco Jars, Dinner Bells, Souvenir Book marks, Spoons, Paper Knives, Wall Pockets, Whisk Holders, Card cases, Scrap Baskets and Books, Table Mats, Pepper and Salt Sets and
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These goods are made of silver, brass, celluloid, leather, wood and plush, and are all suitable for
X'MAS PRESENTS.
Our etched Leather and Birch Bark ware, which are so stylish this year are in great demand. Our supply of
PERFUMES
is the largest and best in town, and is done up in cut glass bottles and fancy baskets.
As we are selling everything very cheap we hope to be favoured with your custom. We wish our customers a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR and invite them all to come and see the bear.
Newcastle Drug Store,
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Newcastle, Dec. 2nd, 1895.

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No, thank you, we do not need them. They went out with the birch stick and backwoods teacher. Normal schools were too much for them. And yet we hear of three business colleges in Canada trying to teach by means of them. One, however, has repented; the others will probably follow when they have learned to walk without crutches.
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BLOTTERS,
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CRUMB TRAYS,
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AND TRINKETS
OF ALL SORTS.
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is not less beautiful, comprising all the different French, American and Canadian odors, put up in fancy cut glass bottles, fancy boxes and baskets, and of the finest quality. It will be worth your while to call and inspect these goods before purchasing elsewhere as they must be sold at a small advance on cost to get rid of them during the holiday season.
Fine assortment of games on hand.
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Desperate Itchings of the Skin Allayed by Chase's Ointment—The Recognized Skin Specific.
It is only a few months since Dr. Chase's Ointment was brought prominently before the public, principally by its cures of stubborn and long standing cases of Itching Piles that had defied all other treatments. To-day it is recognized from ocean to ocean as an infallible cure for Itching Piles, Eczematic Eruptions and all Itchings of the Skin. Its cures have rendered its sales larger than those of all other preparations for such ailments combined. People use Dr. Chase's Ointment with confidence, because in every community someone has been benefitted like Mr. Simpson, Berlin, Ont., who, under date of Feb. 8, '95, writes that for a number of years he was troubled with Itching Piles; they caused intense suffering, and although dozens of advertised remedies were used, none of them did any good although some of them had long and thorough trials. Here are his own words quoted from his letter. "Last fall I got a box of Chase's Ointment from Mr. Landreth's drug store, Berlin. I applied according to directions and soon found it was what I wanted. Only used part of one box when I was well as ever in my life. Once in a while since I have felt slight symptoms of its return, but one application of the Ointment and all is right again."
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Please call and examine for yourselves!
All the above goods will be sold at the lowest possible prices as I have determined to sell to cash customers at Cash Prices.
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has arrived and is now on view at
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It consists of beautiful
FRUIT DISHES,
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They are really beautiful goods and
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With this end in view they are marked very low. Our usual line of
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