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LOCAL NEWS.

TEAMS for the woods to engage in lumbering operations are scarce.

THE thermometer got down somewhere in the twenties Tuesday night. It was below zero all day.

THE Legislative Library will be removed into the new room in the Parliament Building next week.

IF the man in charge of the city snow plough would clear out the road to the Post Office a little earlier in the morning the public would appreciate it.

BAND BENEFIT.—The complimentary benefit tendered to the Fredericton Brass Band by the citizens comes off on Feb. 9th.

ENTERTAINMENT.—The choir of St. Dunstan's Church give an entertainment shortly in St. Dunstan's Hall for the benefit of St. Dunstan's T. A. Society.

BIBLE SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the Fredericton Auxialliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be held in the city Hall on Tuesday evening, the 31st inst.

CURLING.—The members of the Curling Club went to St. John this afternoon to play the Thistle Club on Tuesday and the Chatham Club on Wednesday. They went out to the station in good style, in Hanlan's new "Tally-Ho" sleigh.

LUMBERING NOTES.—Robert Connor will get out about 15,000,000 feet of lumber this year, principally on the Alagash and St. Francis. Thos. H. Colter, of Douglas, is lumbering on the Little Madawaska, and will get out 3,000,000 feet for Messrs. Hayford Stetson, of St. John.

LARGE SALE OF BEEF.—Mr. C. Broderick, butcher, of Regent street, recently effected the sale of a large quantity of beef, which was shipped last week. He disposed of seven tons to Messrs. Murchie Bros., of St. Stephen, and three more tons went to John McCallum, of Windsor, N. S.

COUNTY COURT.—The County Court met Monday morning and Morgan, against whom the jury found a verdict of common assault, was sentenced by Judge Steadman to 20 days jail. The jury found Virtue guilty of assault with intent to do grievous bodily harm and His Honor gave him two months jail. The Court then adjourned *sine die*.

THE FARMERS' LEAGUE.—The New Brunswick Provincial Farmers' Association, which holds its annual meeting in Hopewell, A. C., on the 7th of February, has extended an invitation to be present at that meeting to Hon. W. W. Wedderburn, Provincial Secretary, and the Secretary for Agriculture, Mr. J. L. Inches, and both of these gentlemen have accepted the invitation.

COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT. — The following Committee has charge of the complimentary benefit to the Fredericton Brass Band on the 9th of February :—Dr Brown, Chairman, C L Richards, Secretary, M Tennant, H G Estey, J F Richards, C H Hatt, Dr Torrence, John Black, C J Thomas, R Atherton, W T H Fenety, Prof Cadwallader, Dr Currie, G H Davis, R A Estey, Ald Wilson, A W Edgecombe, M Lemont, C A Sampson, and Ald Simmons.

DEBATING SOCIETY.—The Collegiate School Debating Society was formed on Friday last, with the following officers and members:—Mr. Henry, President; Mr. Steeves, Vice-President; Mr. Evans, Secretary and Treasurer; W. Anderson, R. Campbell, W. Clark, T. Currie, H. Fenety, A. Herron, R. Jack, T. Lawson, J. Lyle, T. McGarrigle, J. Morgan, A. Peek, F. Porter, T. Porter, A. Simonds. The Society meets every Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

ANNUAL MUMMERY. — The Ottawa *Free Press* facetiously remarks that the opening of the Ontario Legislature with the firing of guns, cocked hats, and pie-bald troopers, was a ridiculous imitation of the similar stupid farce enacted annually at Ottawa. It is time these childish tomfooleries were abolished.—*Exchange.* And on or about the 16th of February a repetition of this self same annual mummery will be gone through in the City of Fredericton.

THE SNOW. — The snow fall which commenced on Saturday evening continued pretty steadily all day Sunday, and about a foot fell. The walking was very bad on Sunday, and during the evening it began to drift slightly. There was a few snow slides, and about 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon a group of young men standing round Cropley's book store, on the corner of Regent and Queen streets, were temporarily buried under an avalanch from the roof above.

HIGH TEA AND FANCY SALE.—A high tea and fancy sale will be held in the Temperance Hall, Cromocto, on Wednesday, the 1st of February next, in connection with the Ladies Sewing Circle, of Saint John's Episcopal Church, Oromocto. A programme of instrumental music will also be presented, and the preparations making indicate that it will be a very pleasant affair. Should the sleighing be good there is no doubt but what a good many will attend from Fredericton.

SCHOOLMASTER ABROAD.—Fred. Johnston, who has been teaching school in Broadway District, No. 5, Parish of Queensbury, suddenly disappeared last Thursday, 12th inst. without consulting the trustees under whom he was engaged, or anybody else in the district. On the 16th inst. it was learned that he had gone to the United States, but no cause has yet been assigned for his unexpected departure. He belonged to Keswick Ridge. The school will be conducted for the remainder of the term by Mr. William Parent.—*Farmer.*

GRAND LODGE I. O. O. F. PROCEEDINGS.—We have received the journal of the proceedings of the 26th annual session of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the Lower British Provinces I. O. O. F., held at Wolfville, N. S., August 10th, 11th and 12th, 1881. From it we learn that there are 35 lodges in the Maritime Provinces, with a total membership of 2318. That $3,314.44 were expended in relief of members last year in addition to large assistance given families in Stellarton, and that $11,522.93 are on hand for the relief of widows and orphans. The total assets of the subordinate lodges is $29,181.25.

OBITUARY.—Mrs. Eliza Irene Rand, relict of Thomas Woodworth Rand, and mother of Theodore H. Rand, Esq., Chief Superintendent of Schools for New Brunswick, died suddenly at Canard, Cornwallis, Nova Scotia, on the 21st inst., at the ripe old age of seventy-three. The late Mrs. Rand was a lady of great moral worth and much revered and beloved by all. She was very well physically and in active possession of her mental powers until very recently, and her death, occurring very suddenly, was a sad surprise to a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

FISH CULTURE.—The following note has been issued by the New York State Fishery Commission Department:—

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Jan. 21, 1882.

The New York State Fish Commission will send any parties in the United States or Canada wishing to experiment in fish culture from three to five hundred eggs of the California Mountain Trout on receipt of fifty cents to pay for the package. This species is easier raised than the Eastern brook or speckled trout, and is a fine game and food fish. Application must be made before March 1st, 1882.

Address SETH GREEN,
Rochester, N. Y.

BAPTIST QUARTERLY MEETING.—The York and Carleton Quarterly Meeting will hold its next sessions with the Second Kingsclear Church on the second Friday of March next. The Rev. O. C. Herbert, Keswick, is to preach the opening sermon; alternate—Rev. F. D. Crawley of this city. At their late session with the Second Keswick Church a cordial invitation was extended to the Quarterly Meetings of Carleton and Victoria Counties to meet with them at Kingsclear. At that meeting the Home Mission interest is to receive special attention in these four counties. Rev. W. H. Beckwith of this city, is the President of the York and Sunbury Quarterly Meeting.

THE BALL AND PROMENADE CONCERT.—A meeting of the General Committee in this connection was held on last Thursday evening. The names of H C Creed and A F Randolph were struck off the committee at their request, and communications were read from several other gentlemen stating that they could not serve through press of business, but their names were allowed to remain on the lists. Messrs. John Black, Daniel Jordan, William Wilson and H A Cropley were added to the General Committee, and the following committee was struck to arrange for the promenade concert and carry it out:—C H Lugrin, Patrick Dever, James S Neill, George H Simmons, L W Johnson, John Babbitt, Dr Coulthard, Dr Atherton, Geo H Davis, John Black, Daniel Jordan, Wm Wilson. The price of tickets was fixed at $3.

WEDDING BELLS. — A social event of a pleasant nature and of no inconsiderable interest to the fair sex, took place Monday morning at 11 o'clock, at the residence of Mr Mathias Waters, Westmoreland street, when Miss Annie E. Waters, his second daughter, was united in the bonds of holy wedlock to Mr. James McCallum, of Petersville, Queen's County. Miss Cynthia Waters, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid, and the bridegroom was supported by George M. Taylor. The bride received many valuable and useful presents from her friends, and after a lunch had been partaken of by the wedding party and guests at the residence of the bride's father, the happy couple took their departure to St. John in the 2.15 train, followed by the best wishes for their happiness and prosperity of the friends who were at the station to see them off.

MARRIAGE ON WEDNESDAY.—It is our pleasant task to chronicle another happy event which came off Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's father, ex-Alderman Wilmot Guiou, on George street. Mr. Guiou's eldest daughter, Miss Lena Guiou, was married to Mr. Cunard Miller, of Houlton, Me., by the Rev. F. D. Crawley, of the Baptist Church. Miss Maggie Guiou, the bride's sister, acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. H. G. Estey, of the People's Bank, was the bridegroom's best friend on the happy occasion. A large number of friends were present at the tying of the nuptial knot, and extended their hearty congratulations when the ceremony was over. After a wedding breakfast, to which about forty sat down, Mr. and Mrs. Miller left by train for their new home in Houlton, Me. Miss Guiou was an estimable young lady, well known and liked in social circles in this city, and we add our good wishes for her future happiness to those already given by her many friends, and would also wish the young couple every success and prosperity in their journey together through life.

PERSONAL.—Mr. Geo. Hatt, who left Fredericton recently on a trip to California, has been laid up for several days in St. Louis with erysipelas in his face.

Rev. J. M. Davenport, who takes charge of the new Episcopal Mission Church, Paradise Row, St. John, has arrived.

Contrary to the statement made in a contemporary recently, Miss Vavasour, of this city, who is well known as a charming and promising vocalist, is not going to Boston in the coming spring to finish her musical education in the Conservatory of Music there.

Mr. Charles Roberts has been appointed principal of the York Street School, vice Mr. Mace whose resignation takes place on the 1st of February.

Mr. W. A. Quinn, of this city, has been appointed Agent for York County for the Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society, of Norwich, England. The company is an old and solid concern, established in 1797, and has a capital of $5,500,000.

The Bishop Coadjutor is making quite a visit to St. John, and will not return until the end of this or beginning of next week. He preached in Trinity on Sunday morning, and assisted in the consecration of that beautiful instrument the new organ; in St. Paul's (Valley) Church, where they have the new surpliced choir, in the afternoon, and St. John's (Stone) Church in the evening.

The Hon. P. A. Landry, Chief Commissioner of Public Works, who is now in St. John, accompanies the Hon. John J. Fraser to Ottawa.

MISS WHITEHEAD takes charge of Miss Tucker's school in the York Street Building for three months after February 1st.

OLIVER'S SENTENCE.—Arthur W. Oliver, the bigamist, was sentenced at 5.30 on Saturday afternoon by Judge Steadman, to four years' imprisonment in the penitentiary at Dorchester. Monday afternoon Oliver left by train *en route* for the penitentiary, in charge of City Marshall John Woodward. The St. John *Globe* says that when brought from Fredericton on Monday evening, Oliver, the bigamist, asked Marshal Woodward, in whose charge he was, not to take him to the New Victoria Hotel because the Fredericton curlers were there—but to any other hotel in the city for the night—as he did not wish to meet any "celestials." He was taken to the Hotel de Rankine, accordingly; and by Tuesday morning's train conveyed to the Hotel de Botsford, at Dorchester, for four years' free board. The *News* after chronicling Oliver's arrival in St. John and his departure "for his new residence at Dorchester," says that he is "patriarchal in appearance and looks precisely like the picture of Jeremiah in the Sunday school books. When the martyred bigamist takes up his abode in the cell at Dorchester he will look more like Jeremiah than ever."

THE ALDERMANIC ELECTIONS.

The Aldermanic elections passed off very quietly. There was no contest. In King's Ward Alderman Wheeler intended to offer, and left his nomination with the officer who was taking the Water Works vote, to be given to Mr. McKay, who was to bring it before the electors. Mr. McKay did not arrive at the poll in time, and consequently Messrs. Wilson and Leigh were returned without opposition. The Council for the ensuing year is as follows:—

King's Ward—Wm. Wilson, Harry Leigh.
Queen's Ward—Alex. Burchill, John Moore.
Carleton Ward—Moses S. Hall, Patrick Farrell.
St. Anne's Ward—Geo. H. Simmons, Chas. Thomas.
Wellington Ward—John Macpherson, Geo. F. Atherton.

The only change in the Council is that Mr Thomas takes Mr. Wilson's seat for St. Anne's, and Mr. Wilson that of Mr. Wheeler for King's.

THE VOTE ON THE WATER WORKS.

The following were the returns of the vote on the water works question Monday:

	FOR.	AGAINST.
King's	19	18
Queen's	31	44
Carleton	41	36
St. Ann's	25	52
Wellington	12	22
	128	172

Total vote cast, 400. Majority against the question of water works proposed by the Council 44. The total city vote is 817.

OUR CURLERS IN ST. JOHN.

The members of the Fredericton Curling Club arrived all right in St. John, and play was commenced on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. The playing against the Thistle Club, a challenge game, was in the rink of the St. Andrew's Club, and the playing against the last named Club, which was for the Royal Caledonia Medal, was on the Thistle Club rink, and the ice was in capital condition in both rinks. The scores made on Tuesday morning by two Fredericton rinks against two of the Thistle Club rinks was as follows:—

Fredericton.	*Thistle.*
E A Smith,	R B Patterson,
D Lee Babbitt,	Alex Miller,
R M Napier,	John Willet,
J B Grieves, skip—16	And Malcolm, skip—15
Chas Richards,	W C Whittaker,
M McLaughlan,	Robt Courtney,
J R Howie,	James Knox,
T G Loggie, skip—17	Jno Thompson, skip—15

The following was the score of the playing in the afternoon:—

W K Allen,	Arch Malcom,
H C Rutter	Alex Duff
A F Street	Robert Thompson,
J S Neill, skip—13	Jas Kennedy, skip—9
J D Hazen,	James Shaw,
F A McInnes,	Robert Thompson,
J D Macpherson,	Alex Macaulay,
E H Allen, skip—16	G Morrison, jr, skip—7

Total—Fredericton, ...62
" Thistle. 46

The score made during the same time between two rinks each of Fredericton and St. Andrew's Club, was as follows:—

Fredericton.	*St. Andrew's.*
J D Hazen,	John Thomas,
F A McInnis,	A C Jardine,
J D Macpherson,	Fred Gregory,
F A Allen, skip—24	A O Skinner, skip— 9
E H Allen,	C S MacGregor,
H C Rutter,	A Law,
A F Street,	Luke Stewart,
J S Neill, skip—18	John White, skip—19

The following rinks were played in the afternoon:—

R Napier, jr.,	Alex Watson,
D Lee Babbitt,	Wm H Purdy,
E A Smith,	Geo E McLaughlin,
J B Grieves, ship—9	Wm Snider, skip— 17
C L Richards,	J Edgar,
M McLaughlin,	J T Hartt,
J R Howie,	S S deForest,
T G Loggie, skip—14	C Y Gregory, ship—14

Total—Fredericton.....65
" St John 59

These two signal defeats of the St. John Clubs, particularly in the case of St. Andrews, are the first that have fallen to the lot of Fredericton curlers in a number of years, but the Thistle Club has several times been defeated by the Fredericton Club. In defeating the St. Andrew's Club the Fredericton Curlers also carry off the Royal Caledonia Medal. The attendance at the rinks was large during the playing and much interest was manifested in the progress and result of the game. Mr. W. G. Allen umpired in the Thistle-Fredericton match, and Mr. D. O'C. McGinnis in the other game. Tuesday evening the members of the Thistle Club held their annual dinner at the Park Hotel at which the Fredericton Curlers and several members of the Chatham Club, which plays the Fredericton Club to-day, sat down. An excellent dinner was had, and a pleasant evening spent by all present.

Chatham Victorious Over Fredericton.

(Special to THE HERALD).

ST. JOHN, Jan. 24.

In the game to-day between Fredericton and the Chatham Curling Clubs, Chatham was victorious by one point, after one of the most sharply contested games ever played in St. John. There was a great crowd of spectators of the play on St. Andrew's and Victoria rinks. The last shot by Skip Brittain decided the game in favor of Chatham.

Skip McLaughlin was defeated by skip Hutchison, 9 to 20.

McInnes defeated Morris 20 to 13.

Smith was defeated by Brittain 15 to 16.

Rutter defeated Wilson 16 to 12.

Total, 61 to 60.

The Fredericton Curlers leave to night. The skips that played in this match were as follows:—

Chatham.		Fredericton.
Smith,	skip.	McLaughlin,
Brittain,	"	Smith,
Morris,	"	McInnes,
Wilson,	"	Rutter.

"PROPOSED SATURNALIA AT FREDERICTON."

Under this startling caption a correspondent in the *Christian Visitor* for January 18th dilates in sanctimonious horror upon the proposed citizens' ball and promenade concert at the opening of the first session of the Local Legislature in the new Parliament Building, which he chooses to call a *Saturnalia*.

After stating that he does not object to the "public dedication of that building, provided this is not made a direct insult to the owners," he objects to its dedication to "Satan and Sin," and says "large numbers, probably a majority of the people of New Brunswick, have decided that balls with their concomitant vices, dancing, card-playing and wine bibbing, are great evils." Then he says that he knows well what the ball at Fredericton will be like, as follows:—

"Half nude nymphs under the excitement of music and wine, whirling about in the embraces of men, some of them not noted for their morality, and many stimulated with intoxicants. It means tables and sideboards loaded with liquors, or if not so openly exposed placed in convenient anterooms, gambling in committee rooms; it means all this and more. It means on a smaller scale a repetition of the debauch at Rideau Hall during the Princess Louise's last ball, when ladies got so drunk that, to avoid exposure, they had to be locked up in bed-rooms; gentlemen emptied the contents of their stomachs over the rich carpets and furniture, and the Princess was disgusted and insulted by undue familiarity."

To say that this blast of condemnation from this "Citizen" correspondent of the *Visitor* is an unnecessary sounding of an alarm for public morality, so far as the coming ball is concerned, is setting out what every one admits; and to say that the above paragraph in particular is a direct insult to, a coarse and blackguard-like slur upon the purity and honor of the womanhood of the city of Fredericton and of the whole Province, is stating a truth which impresses itself upon every one who reads it—an insult and a slur of such a nature as to merit not only the verbal condemnation of all, but also that physical pain and actual degradation of the person in the form of a horse-whipping, which usually follows an insult to a woman. He drags in the dirt by implication the fair name of the Royal consort of the Governor General of this Dominion in a manner which no one aspiring to the name of man would dare to do. The picture he draws of what he alleges the ball and promenade concert will be like, is the product of a mind rotten in its morality—of a diseased imagination gloating over fancied lewd details, like an octogenarian libertine over the minutes of a dissipated youth, suggesting harm to pure minds that had never dreamed of wrong, and thus doing more to foster immorality by pointing it out where it exists to none but the depraved, than he does to promote virtue. It is full of "pruriency. It is "prurient yet passionless, cold, studied lewdness"—and under the mask of christianity and public morality.

The man who would cast such a slur as the *Visitor's* correspondent has cast upon the fair fame of the womanhood of his native country, deserves to be whipped through the length and breadth of that country, like a common felon, at the tail of a cart—and even that would be too good for him.

THE PETITION AGAINST MAYOR FISHER.

The following is a copy of the petition filed against the return of Mayor Fisher:

In the matter of an Election for Mayor of the City of Fredericton, held on the ninth day of January, 1882.

To the Honorable James Steadman, Judge of the County Court of the County of York.

The Petition of J. Henry Phair, of the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, Barrister,

HUMBLY SHEWETH:

1 That an election for Mayor of the City of Fredericton was held at the said City of Fredericton, on the ninth day of January, A. D. 1882.

2. The said election was held by William H. Friel, who was duly appointed an officer for that purpose by the City Council of the City of Fredericton.

3. At the said election your petitioner being duly qualified to be elected and to serve as Mayor of the said City of Fredericton, was a candidate, and was nominated by Christopher Broderick and Alexander Mitchell, two electors duly qualified to vote at said election.

4. G. Frederick Fisher, of the City of Fredericton aforesaid, Barrister, was a candidate at the said election, and was duly nominated for the said office of Mayor.

5. The said William H. Friel, after taking the votes of the electors qualified to vote at said election and counting the same, declared the said G. Frederick Fisher duly elected Mayor of the City of Fredericton, and returned the said G. Frederick Fisher duly elected Mayor of the City of Fredericton, and the said G. Frederick Fisher is now acting in the capacity of Mayor of the said City.

6. Your petitioner says that the said G. Frederick Fisher, by himself and by his agents, did on the day of such election, both directly and indirectly, give and allow to divers electors at the said election money, meat, drink, entertainment, provision and reward, in order to be elected as Mayor of the said city, and did by such means succeed in being elected to the said office of Mayor.

7. Your petitioner further says that the said G. Frederick Fisher, by himself and by his agents, did on the day of such election, both directly and indirectly, promise and engage to give and allow to divers electors at the said election money, meat, drink, entertainment, provision and reward, in order to be elected as Mayor of the said city, and did by such means succeed in being elected to the said office of Mayor.

8. For specific acts of bribery in the said election, committed by the said G. Frederick Fisher, and his agents, in order that the said G. Frederick Fisher should be elected Mayor of the City of Fredericton, your petitioner says and charges—

(1) That the said G. Frederick Fisher, on the day of said election, gave, furnished, and provided money to George Lee, John Macpherson, William Russell (Barrister), George Ross, George Clinton, Alexander Burchill, Lemuel Stephenson, William Russell, Henry Grace, Charles E. Collins, William White, William Scully, William Fisher, Charles Russell, and John Hewitson, as agents, to be expended in giving and allowing to various electors at the said election money, meat, drink, entertainment, provision and reward, in order that the said G. Frederick Fisher should be elected as Mayor of the City of Fredericton.

(2) That the said G. Frederick Fisher did on the day of such election give money to George Lee, John Macpherson, William Russell (Barrister), George Ross, George Clinton, Alexander Burchill, Lemuel Stephenson, William Russell, Henry Grace, Charles E. Collins, William White, William Scully, William Fisher, Charles Russell, and John Hewitson, electors at said election, in order that he should be elected Mayor of the City of Fredericton.

(3) That the said G. Frederick Fisher, on the said day of election, gave and provided money, meat, drink, entertainment, provision and reward, to divers electors at the said election, whose names are to your petitioner unknown, in order that he should be elected as Mayor of the City of Fredericton.

(4) That the said G. Frederick Fisher, on the day of said election, promised and engaged to give and allow money, meat, drink, entertainment, provision and reward to Jas. Donnelly, James Rogers, and John White, electors at said election, and to divers other electors at the said election, whose names are to your petitioner unknown, in order that the said G Frederick Fisher should be elected as Mayor of the City of Fredericton.

(5) That George Ross, John Macpherson, William Russell, Henry Grace, Charles E. Collins and William White, agents of the said G. Frederick Fisher, did each of them with the knowledge of the said G. Frederick Fisher, on the day of said election drive horses and carriages for the conveying of electors to and from the poll at said election, and did convey divers electors whose names are unknown to your petitioner to the said poll, and being furnished by the said G. Frederick Fisher with money and drink, did give to the said electors so conveyed money and drink in order that the said G. Frederick Fisher should be elected as Mayor of the City of Fredericton.

(6) That William Russell (Barrister) and the agent of the said G. Frederick Fisher did on the day of said election with the knowledge of the said G. Frederick Fisher, give money to William Russell, an elector at the said election in order that the said G. Fred Fisher should be elected Mayor of the said City.

(7) That William Russell, one of the agents of the said G. Frederick Fisher, did on the day of said election with the knowledge of the said G. Frederick Fisher, give money to John Lazier and Henry Bradley, two of the electors at said election in order that the said G. Frederick Fisher might be elected Mayor of the said City of Fredericton.

(8) That Alexander Burchill, one of the agents of the said G. Frederick Fisher, did, with the knowledge of the said G. Frederick Fisher, on the said day of election, give money to John Cassidy, John Pease, and Michael Murphy, three of the electors at the said election, in order that the said G. Frederick Fisher should be elected Mayor of the City of Fredericton.

(9) That John Hewitson, one of the agents of the said G. Frederick Fisher, did, with the knowledge of the said G. Frederick Fisher, give on the day of said election, money to James Doolan and Ely Jacobs, two of the electors at said election, in order that the said G. Frederick Fisher should be elected Mayor of the City of Fredericton.

10. That William Russell, one of the agents of the said G. Frederick Fisher, on the day of said election, did, with the knowledge of the said G. Frederick Fisher, give drink to Peter McDonald and Augustus McMichael, two of the electors at the said election, in order that the said G Frederick Fisher should be elected Mayor of said City.

(11) That the said George Lee, John Macpherson, William Russell, (Barrister,) George Ross, George Clinton; Alexander Burchill, Samuel Stephenson, William Russell, Henry Grace Charles E Collins, William White, William Scully, William Fisher, Charles Russell and John Hewitson, agents of the said G. Frederick Fisher, did on the said day of said election, give money to divers electors at said election, whose names are to petitioner unknown, in order that the said G. Frederick Fisher should be elected Mayor of the City of Fredericton.

[Sub-sections 12, 13 and 14 contain general allegations only, and are omitted.]

9. Wherefore your petitioner says that the said election of said G. Frederick Fisher as Mayor of the City of Fredericton, is void, and he prays that inquiry may be had by Your Honor into the premises, and that the said election may be declared void.

Dated this 19th day of January, 1882.

(Signed) J. HENRY PHAIR.

WOODSTOCK NEWS.

WOODSTOCK, Jan. 20.

DONATIONS.—The friends of the Rev. Geo. Seeley, pastor of the Main Street Baptist church, made him a donation visit last evening. After a goodly number had gathered at his residence W. W. Hay, Esq., was called to the chair and presented Mr. Seeley with a purse of $51.55 as a token of the esteem in which he is held by his congregation. The Rev. gentleman, who has been quite ill for a few days, made a stirring address in thanking the donors.

On Thursday evening of last week the friends of Rev. A. Taylor, the F. C. Baptist pastor at Tracey's Mills, made him a donation of about $70. G. W. White, Esq., M. P. P., occupied the chair and made an interesting address. Mr. Taylor replied in a happy manner and others addressed those present.

The Methodist minister at Florenceville, Rev. A. E. Lepage, received a donation last week of $68.30.

LECTURES.—Rev. G. G. Roberts, Rector of St. Ann's, Fredericton, came up yesterday to deliver a lecture in Richmond—the first of a course of six in connection with the Guild of St. John's church there. Unfortunately proper arrangements had not been made for the lecture and Mr. Roberts had to come back without having lectured. It is to be hoped he will not be discouraged so as not to return, for his lecture is anxiously looked forward to by many, especially by those who have heard him lecture before.

A course of six lectures is to be given at Bristol in connection with the Sunday school there for the purpose of raising funds to enlarge the library.

COUNTY COUNCIL. — The meeting just closed of the Municipal Council has been the most interesting of any held for some time. The members favorable to having the Court House and jail transferred from Upper Woodstock to the town managed to get a vote to empower a Committee to buy a large lot of land for the location of the County Buildings on Main street. The lot above purchased extends along Main street from the Registry Office lot to Albert street, taking in the lots owned by Mrs. C. L. Smith and D. L. Dibblee estate and the leasehold lot occupied by J. McCann. A vote of $3,600 was obtained, but it is probable the cost will over-run $4,000. The location is a very eligible one, including an area of about one and one-half acres. It is very probable that the work of erecting the buildings will soon be commenced and that an edifice will be erected which will be a credit to the place and County.

Another very important subject brought before the Board was embodied in a resolution moved by Councillor G. R. Ketchum This was to the effect that a bonus of $2,000 be given any person or company that would erect a woolen mill costing not less than $12,000 at Woodstock. Mr. Ketchum made a calm and practical speech in support of his motion. Nearly all the Councillors took part in the debate which was characterized by its intelligent care and proper spirit. The matter however was laid over until the next annual meeting. The people will in the interim have the privilege of giving their opinion on the subject, there is a strong feeling that the institution of a woolen mill is a necessity that should have long ago been supplied; but on the other hand there is a sad lack of the necessary enterprise to erect and run the factory.

THE FUNERAL of the late Steven Parsons who died at the ripe age of eighty-four took place to-day. The remains came from Benton in the noon train and were taken to the Albert street Baptist church. Rev. G. W. McDonald preached an able sermon on the occasion and conducted the services. The clergy of the Baptist, Free Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches were present, with the exception of Rev. Mr. Seeley, who is suffering from a bad cold. The attendance at the funeral was quite large.

SPRAY FROM GRAND FALLS.

Our schools—if they can be called such—are kept in two shanties, about twenty-five feet square; one of them is over T. B. Jearway's store, and you get to it by going through T. B.'s back yard; the entrance is in the—to use one of the children's expressions—backest corner of the building. The ascent to the shanty is over a pair of boxed-in rickety stairs. The room, as I have said, is about 25 feet square; the ceiling is about 7½ feet high, and is lighted by four or five windows of 8 x 10 glass, and are so low that the sills almost touch the floor. The desks—what the boys have not whittled away—look as though they had done service in the sixteenth century. The seats are made of made of rough plank, and, with one or two exceptions, have no backs at all.

The above school is in charge of a male teacher, and from reports given by some of the scholars, from time to time, it is very poorly run. They (the scholars) say that the teacher spends a good part of his time in reading papers, novels, &c.; that he is an inveterate tobacco chewer, and spits the juice all over the floor; and when asked by a scholar if they will write or cipher, the answer generally is, "you can (or may) if you like;" that, some days, the roll is not called until the middle of the day, and some days not at all. Thus the people's money goes—"Pop goes the weasel."

School No. 2 is kept in a store, or part of one, formerly occupied by Robert Caldwell, Esq. The room is 21 x 24 feet, about an 8½ foot ceiling, with a cylinder stove seven feet high in the centre; the desks and seats, like they are in No 1, are crowded in so close that it is a wonder they do not catch fire. Some of them are not more than four feet from the stove. This No. 2 school is taught by Miss Trusswell, of Andover, and, so far as I have heard, there are no complaints of her teaching; but if she complained of the miserable caboose she has to teach in, I would not blame her. The place has a board partition running through it, with an iron clasp and padlock on the door, which looks as if the inner room was kept for a lock-up.

ST. ELMO.

[The above letter closed with a racy account of the annual school meeting; but as we have been unable to publish the letter until to-day we are compelled reluctantly to omit the latter portion, as it would be rather too old to be matter of news.]

THE SAGINAW MAN'S ADVERTISEMENT—A Saginaw man Thursday pleaded guilty to driving his horse faster than six miles an hour, and paid $5 fine. That puts us in mind of another Saginaw man who drove what he considered a fast horse, and one day he got a friend to complain on him for fast driving and then pleaded guilty and paid the fine. Being asked why he did that he said that it would add $100 to the value of his horse to have it reported that he was arrested for fast driving. "But why did you plead guilty?" "Well the fact is I was afraid it couldn't be proved by anybody else!"—*Saginaw Courier.*

A JURY THAT STOPPED OVER.—An amusing incident occurred in Botetourt County, Virginia, during the last term of the County Court, Judge Palmer, of Roanoke, presiding in the absence of Judge Mays, who was away. A jury was empaneled to try one Bolen, charged with an assault on J. G. Sperry, the latter testifying in the case. After two days' deliberation the jury returned into court with a verdict of manslaughter. It would be hard to picture the scene that followed. The bar was convulsed, the "dead man" smiled audibly, the Judge looked on for a moment in mute astonishment and then hid behind his newspaper.

SMOKING IN FRANCE.—Smoking seems to be on the increase in France, as well as in the United States. During the year 1881 the Government of that country realized £320,000,000 from the sales of tobacco and cigars, being a much larger revenue than was ever before realized from that source. In 1812 the revenue from it amounted to only £30,000,000. This would tend to show an increase in the consumption of tobacco during the period of 60 years of over 1000 per cent., while the increase of population during the same period has been only about 30 per cent.

THE BITING END.—"You did wrong to shoot that man's dog. You might have pushed him off with the butt of your gun," said the Galveston Recorder to a man who was charged with shooting a man's dog. "I would have done that," replied the prisoner, "if the dog had come at me tail first, but he came at me with his biting end."