

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

DEFERRED.—Church of England Synod and other matter which should appear in this issue, are deferred until next week.

Don't forget Immanuel Church Bazaar and High Tea in Temperance Hall to-day. Ice Cream, Strawberries and Cream and other dainties are to be had from the opening to the close of the Bazaar.

PEPPER'S KILLER.—On Monday evening about half past 11 o'clock, as three young men were going home, in passing the Methodist Church, they observed what they thought was a cat, but which proved to be a porcupine and a large one at that. The animal was eventually killed, perhaps he was bound on a moonlight excursion and missed the boat.

PERSONAL.—The Post Office Inspector, Hon. John McMillan, was in town on Monday.

Win. M. Smith, Esq., Dominion Steamboat Inspector is in town on official business and the Steamboat men are all on the qui vive.

Hon. Edward Blake is at St. John, accompanied by Hon. L. S. Huntington.

Rev. R. Shreve, of Yarmouth, and Mrs. Shreve, are visiting their relatives in Chatham.

HALF A CENTURY.—Dr. Thompson, of Chatham, the medical attendant at the Marine Hospital, Douglastown, has this season entered upon the fiftieth year of his duties in connection with that institution, having at the outset visited the Hospital in company with the late Dr. Key. Dr. Thompson, though well advanced in years, is still able to attend to his duties in a most satisfactory manner, visiting the Hospital regularly, summer and winter.

ADVENT.—Mr. Norman, so well known on the North Shore and elsewhere, as the energetic and popular representative of the firm of H. A. Nelson & Sons, Montreal, was married at Sackville on Saturday evening last, with every prospect of a long and happy career in a state of life upon which he ought to have entered very many years ago. He is just the kind of fellow to be a happy married man, and if he is not, it will not be the fault of his amiable partner. He may consider that our old slipper is waited after him.

THE "STATION FARM," Chatham, is one of the best and most productive in the County, and in many respects it is the best. Up to the present time about 100 acres have been brought under cultivation. Forty-five of these are in one field of clover, estimated at about 130 tons. There are also about ten acres of clover in another field, some ten acres oats, ten acres of turnips for green feed, besides other crops and other root crops. There are six young horses of good breeds, including Rydals, three milch cows and half a dozen heifers, fowls, swine and other stock. The barns, stables, wagon-houses and other buildings are all first class in material and design and the whole place presents a very neat and thrifty appearance—quite different from what it was three or four years ago. Mr. James Anderson is in charge of the farm and appears to be doing excellent work.

Aquatics.

The proposed boat race to which we alluded last week, came off at Newcastle on Saturday evening between seven and eight o'clock. It was expected that five boats would participate in the contest, but one of them was not to the fore at the appointed time. The weather and condition of the water were all that could be desired and the interest of the people of Chatham and Newcastle, Douglastown and Nelson, was manifested by their presence in large numbers on the wharves as well as on the steamers and small craft, which gave quite a holiday appearance to the river. The course was of a little more than a mile and a quarter, viz, from the lower line of the Railway wharf to beyond the lower line of the lime kiln wharf, and back to the upper line of the Public (R. R. Call's) wharf. The entries, as at first recorded, and for which places were drawn, were as follows:—

- No. 1.—W. C. Miller and C. Miller, Milford, colors, black and blue.
- No. 2.—W. A. Park and A. G. Scott, Newcastle, colors, red and blue.
- No. 3.—G. H. Henderson and Dr. McLean, Newcastle, colors, blue and white.
- No. 4.—C. F. Bennett and J. R. Ambrose, Chatham, colors, blue and white.
- No. 5.—C. F. Brown and John Malby, Newcastle, colors, white.

Mr. Hilderbrand, was absent from Newcastle on business and had not returned when the time for starting the race had arrived, so Mr. W. C. Miller, of the Millerton pair took his place, with Dr. McLean and the boats were re-numbered for places as follows, beginning at the shore side.

- No. 1.—Park and Scott.
- No. 2.—Miller and Ambrose.
- No. 3.—Bennett and Ambrose.
- No. 4.—Brown and Malby.

The officers of the race were—
Empires—R. R. Call, J. C. Miller.
Referee—Chas. Sargent.
Starter—D. G. Smith.

John C. Miller, Esq., with his usual liberality and public spirit, placed his steam yacht *Orion* at the disposal of the managers of the race, and the start directing the contestants as to the turn and other necessary matters, and getting the boats in line, gave the word "go!" from his upper deck.

The start, as—such starts generally are with amateurs—not a pretty one.—The course interfered with one another, for a stroke or two in three of the boats, and Mr. Brown was so unfortunate as to break an oar at the rowlock, thus putting No. 4 out of the race. Messrs. Bennett and Ambrose went away pretty together, rowing an even and clean stroke, which gave them a marked advantage at once, while the other two boats were plainly handicapped by carrying coxswains, causing them to drag perceptibly, while the leading boat, without a coxswain, showed a fine trim and kept the lead with ease that was very plainly apparent. The second place in the contest was gained early in the race and held all the way down by Messrs. Miller and McLean, whose coxswain seemed to be enjoying the trip without much regard to the course he was steering. This caused No. 2 a loss of several lengths, as her crew were obliged to row nearly a hundred yards in an oblique direction to reach their turning buoy. Messrs. Scott and Park made the turn a few seconds after Messrs. Miller and McLean and the position on the home stretch was Bennett and Ambrose leading by about fifty yards, Miller and McLean next, with Messrs. Scott and Park two lengths behind. There was no appreciable change until a point off Ritchie's mill was reached, when Messrs. Scott and Park put new life and force into their rowing and gradually

drew up even with and then passed Messrs. Miller and McLean, crossing the home line a length and a half in advance of them. Messrs. Bennett and Ambrose having already taken with ease the best place. This spectators on Mr. Snowball's little steamer, *St. Louis*, and those also on the Excursion steamer *Andover* were enthusiastic over the result, while everybody admitted and applauded Messrs. Scott and Park's handsome capture of the second place which had seemed quite assured to Messrs. Miller and McLean. It is possible that the latter gentlemen had no idea of the tactics of their opponents until it was too late, and it was quite apparent that the boats were in quite even at the finish but for the fact that Messrs. Miller and McLean were under the impression that the race was over at the middle of the Call wharf, instead of at the upper side.

The race was, of course, purely an amateur one, and the contestants are all young gentlemen who went into it for the purpose of encouraging, by their example, the development of boating in the community. R. Mackenzie, Esq., of the Bank of Montreal, who takes a great interest in all matters tending to promote the public welfare and contribute to the rational and proper enjoyment of life by himself and his friends, was the moving spirit of the affair of Saturday. Having procured boats for his own use, other young gentlemen of Newcastle and Chatham have followed his example, and those at the former place have now a boat house full of as pretty rowing craft and canoes as are to be found anywhere in the province. The building was erected by Messrs. R. Mackenzie, R. P. B. Joyner, R. Call, W. A. Park and J. W. Davidson, who allow their friends to share in its occupancy at a moderate charge. No boating club has yet been formed, but it is probable that such organizations will soon be established in both Newcastle and Chatham. The Miramichi has no equal on the continent as a boating river, as there is generally a nice sailing breeze during the day, calm and smooth water every evening and a breeze again during the night all through the summer season. The only wonder is that there are not twenty pleasure and exercise boats—both rowing and sailing—for every one to be found on it. A good beginning appears to have been made, and it should be encouraged.—There is talk of having a regatta some time during the season, and there is every encouragement for such an event. Sailing, rowing, canoe, tub and other races could be had in sufficient number to afford an excellent day's enjoyment, and we commend the subject to the continued attention of our friends who are leading in aquatic matters.

Mr. Robert Brown, of Lower Newcastle, informs us that last Saturday's race was not the first event of the kind on the river, as he remembers two who took place about forty years ago. The course in one of them was from Beaubeau's Island to a boat moored off the point on which Ritchie's upper (the Park) mill stands. Messrs. Brown and Tait, then working in Joseph Russell's Shipyard, class in material and design and the whole place presents a very neat and thrifty appearance—quite different from what it was three or four years ago. Mr. James Anderson is in charge of the farm and appears to be doing excellent work.

Public Examination of the High School.

The public examination of the High School, which in the absence of Mr. C. D. Roberts, at Fredericton, has been for some time in charge of Mr. Stratton, took place on Friday morning last, in the High School Building. The Trustee present was G. A. Blair, Esq., and among the visitors were Messrs. Jas. Pierce, William Kerr, and James McIntosh, with a number of ladies.

A number of maps were shown by the pupils of various degrees of excellence, while there were some that were far below the general average in execution and accuracy. The drawing books also showed excellent progress.

The school having been opened with the usual exercises—

The Geography class was called for examination in the Geography of South America, a map of South America being used as a basis for the examination.

The 2nd Reading Class read from the 5th Psalm, "The 'Sings of Torquillan' from Ivanhoe 'The Sky Lark' and the 'Sings of Quebec.' The class read well.

The pupils sang "Palling hard against the Stream."

The Senior Latin Class were examined in Grammar and also did some translations both from English into Latin and vice versa, showing for the time the class a fair progress in this study, a fair progress.

The arithmetic class was next called. Mr. Stratton stating that it was usual for the girls and boys to take sides, the first pupil solving a question to have two marks, and the others 1 mark each.

The pupils were then examined in Simple Interest, Discount, Profit and Loss, Partnership and some other subjects, up to the application of Square Root. The respective sides were led by E. Wallace and Miss McLean. The McLean side scored 63, and the other side 50, the boys in this case, at least, having the best of it.

The 10th Grade were called and examined with regard to the Play of "Hamlet," which they had been studying during the past term. They then read the 1st Act. The pupils composing this class, were Misses R. Kerr, Ethel Benson, E. Letson and Bessie Ullcock who acquitted themselves very well in reading the play. Miss Ullcock recited "Polonius' Advice to his Son" very distinctly and with good emphasis. Miss Benson then recited "Hamlet's Soliloquy" with taste though perhaps a little fast. After some examination as to various phrases and portions of the play, the class were dismissed.

The Geometry class were called. Mr. Stratton explaining that they had gone as far as the 4th theorem. The class gave the various definitions and axioms. Miss Lamont then demonstrated the 6th theorem on the blackboard, William Kerr theorem 4th, Miss Edith Winslow the 6th theorem for exercise, on the Blackboard. This is one of those theorems which are not proved in the text book, Edward Wallace took theorem 7th for exercise.

This concluded the examination. The pupils now sang "Time is ever flowing."

The prizes were distributed by G. A. Blair, Esq., as follows, and were awarded in accordance with the marks given below:—

- Miss R. Ullcock, 1st prize, Shakespeare.
- Edward Wallace, Scott's Poems.
- Miss Lamont, Longfellow's Poems.
- Miss E. Kerr, cut glass inkstand.
- William Kerr, do. do.
- Miss E. Winslow, do. do.
- Miss Ethel Benson, Writing case.

Mr. Blair announced that three other prizes had been provided and that they

had thought it best to give them to the 9th and 10th grades.

In grade 9 there were two scholars entering in marks, Misses M. Loudon and Davidson, and each of these received a writing case.

Mr. Stratton said if there had been prizes enough they would have been given to grades 3 and 8, and that in grade 8 the prize would have been awarded to Bernard Wyse. He also stated that a prize had been given for drawing, which would really belong to Miss Bessie Ullcock, but she had already received one prize, it would be awarded to Miss Laura Winslow as second best, Miss E. Letson being con-sidered third.

G. A. Blair, Esq., then made a brief address, saying he supposed the pupils were anxious to know about their holidays, which would be 6 weeks as usual. He was much pleased with the general proficiency displayed, and he could assure them that the absence of Mr. Stratton and Dr. J. S. Benson, the other trustees, was not through want of interest, but through necessity. To the boys he would say that he would like to see a little less vandalism round "the school," and the school premises better protected, as they were now, he was ashamed to pass by them. It would be the duty of the trustees during the ensuing vacation to see that proper repairs were made, after which he hoped they would take some pride in preserving the appearance of their school house and its surroundings.

Mr. Stratton said the pupils would assemble again in 6 weeks from the following Monday, and he presumed they would all be glad to see Mr. Roberts. For himself he did not expect to see the again, but would say that his relations with the pupils had been most pleasing and satisfactory.

The pupils were then dismissed.

MARKS.

The number on the register of this school is 45, and the average attendance 35. The number of marks earned by the pupils is as follows:—

8TH GRADE.

Maximum 2000.

Total.

Miss S. Lamont, 1989.0

B. Wyse, 1915.0

H. Irving, 1910.0

Miss L. Strang, 1909.0

M. McKay, 1898.0

Mac. Snowball, 1895.5

Miss G. Stoddard, 1893.0

E. Murray, 1893.0

S. Murray, 1890.0

Miss E. Irving, 1871.5

M. Blair, 1869.0

M. Murray, 1869.5

R. Irving, 1867.0

Miss A. McLean, 1862.5

W. Letson, 1851.0

A. Edgar, 1847.0

M. Novack, 1846.0

G. M. Letson, 1768.5

John Novack, 1763.5

Jas. Kelley, 1674.0

9TH GRADE.

Maximum 2000.

Total.

E. Wallace, 1971.5

W. Kerr, 1966.5

Miss M. Loudon, 1965.0

"D. Davidson, 1909.0

J. McLaughlin, 1867.0

A. McKay, 1821.0

R. McLean, 1789.0

W. Gillespie, 1705.5

Miss C. Davidson, 1695.0

H. Harris, 1625.5

10TH GRADE.

Maximum 2000.

Total.

Bessie Ullcock, 1945.5

Ethel Benson, 1945.5

Edith Benson, 1893.0

Eliza Nelson, 1772.0

that you have taken upon you, and that He who is infinite in wisdom and love may direct us in the way of all truth.

I am yours in Love, Purity and Fidelity
GROVER STREET, P. V. P.
Newcastle July 8, 1881.

After the reply several of the members spoke in feeling terms of the benefit Brother Steel has been to the Division, and the loss it was about to sustain, and thus closed one of the most to be remembered meetings in the history of the Division.

Bathurst Notes.

JULY 12th, 1881.

COUNTY COURT.

The July term of the Gloucester County Court opened this morning. His Honor Judge Wilkinson, presiding. There was a full attendance of Grand Jurors, and John E. O'Brien, Esq., was chosen Foreman of that body.

His Honor's charge was brief and referred to the business that would be laid before them.

The Docket was made up as follows.

Criminal.

The Queen vs. Michael Chiasson, Lament Chiasson and Vital Chiasson—Arson.

The Queen vs. Agapit Dorion—Resisting a Constable.

The Queen vs. Peter Robichaud—Pulling down a dwelling house.

Civil.

John Ross vs. Daniel Ross—Debris files Record; MacLachlan for Deft.

Kennedy F. Burns and Patrick J. Burns vs. George Smith, Replevin for horse and harness—Lawlor for Plff. Davidson for Deft. Cognovit given and case withdrawn.

Kennedy F. Burns and Patrick J. Burns vs. John Kerr replevin for horse and harness—Lawlor for Plff. Davidson for Deft. Cognovit given and case withdrawn.

Robert Miller vs. Matthew Smith—Assault with a dangerous weapon, MacLachlan for Plff. Lawlor for Deft.

Hilason Hachey vs. Moses DeFrance, Deft. to support reply on behalf of Defendant.

In the case of the Queen vs. Chiassons the Grand Jury found a true bill. The prisoners were arraigned and pleaded "not guilty." Mr. Lawlor deferred morning. The trial is set down for to-morrow morning.

The Review case was taken up this afternoon. Debrisay supported order of review.

On application of Mr. Lawlor for Plff., the matter was postponed till to-morrow.

John Ross vs. Daniel Ross. Plff. case is now proceeding.

The Queen vs. Peter Robichaud. The Grand Jury present to bill.

The Queen vs. Agapit Dorion. The same. The prisoners in these cases were discharged.

The Grand Jury through their Foreman made the following presentation.

Grand Jury Room, July Session, 1881.

"We the Grand Jury of the County of Gloucester, desire to express our strong disapprobation of the action of some of the magistrates in committing persons to jail for trial on the most trivial grounds."

"It is our opinion that the magistrates who have the honor to be in charge of the County for the purpose of giving certain persons an opportunity of drawing money from the treasury and involving the County in unnecessary expense."

JOHN E. O'BRIEN, Foreman.

SIR HECTOR LANGEVIN'S VISIT.

Sir Hector Langevin is expected to arrive in Bathurst on Thursday afternoon. Arrangements have been made to give him a public reception. He will be met at the station by a committee of gentlemen who have the honor to be in charge. The party will drive from the station to Messrs. Stewart's mill, where they will be met by Messrs. F. Burns & Co.'s steamer and then proceed down the harbour, returning to Messrs. Burns & Co.'s mill. The party will then proceed to the Court House where an address will be presented by John Stewart Wright, Esq., Sec. Treas. of the Municipality. A French address will also be presented.

Sir Hector will reply in both languages. The party will then drive to the Wilbur House, where lunch will be taken, after which Sir Hector will proceed to the station and leave by the accommodation train for the North. The reception will be strictly non-political.

COUNTY COUNCIL.

The July session of the Gloucester County Council opened on Tuesday last. Warden Walsh in the Chair. There was very little business. An order was made in the case of Collecting Justice Theatine Blanchard, who was under bail to appear for not accounting for taxes collected by him during the year 1880, ordering him to be confined in the County jail until he should account for the taxes so collected by him. A few accounts were passed and the Council adjourned sine die.

Kent County Court.

The July Term of the County Court of Kent opened at Richmond on Tuesday the fifth of July, Judge Botsford presiding. The following cases were entered:—

BASTARDY DOCKET.

The Queen at the Instance of the Overseers of the Poor of Welford on complaint of Mary McArthur vs. Thomas Delahanty.

The Queen at the instance of the Overseers of the Poor of Welford on complaint of Ellen Mackay vs. James Barrett.

The Queen at the instance of the Overseers of the Poor of Welford on complaint of Maria Widdie vs. Edward Sinton.

CRIMINAL DOCKET.

The Queen vs. William Doucet.

CIVIL DOCKET.

Robert N. Doherty, vs. James Black. C. J. Sayre for Plaintiff; Richardson and McInerney for Defendant.

Robert N. Doherty, vs. John H. Bell, Richardson and McInerney for Plaintiff; Hutchinson and Pinney for Defendant.

Camillus Burk, vs. Joseph Gadsis. H. J. Haynes for Plaintiff; Richardson and McInerney for Defendant.

Michael Savoy, vs. Nicholas Willett. C. J. Sayre for Plaintiff; Hutchinson and Pinney for Defendant.

Francis Cayse, vs. Ferdinand Herbert. C. J. Sayre for Plaintiff; N. Landry for Defendant.

William A. Black, vs. Thos. R. Jones. C. J. Sayre for Plaintiff; Richardson and McInerney for Defendant.

In the bastardy charge against James Barrett, Mr. Richardson appearing for the Defendant, the Jury found a verdict of "Not guilty."

In the remaining similar charges, the Defendants not appearing, orders were issued. Mr. Pinney conducted the cases for the overseers.

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