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## Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

THE FRENCH FRIGATE, *Bouvet* left Chatham last Thursday morning.

THE RIFLE,—The Provincial Rifle Association annual matches are being held at Sussex this week.

DRILL,—The members of No 2 Co., are requested to meet for drill on Thursday evening at the Gymnasium in drill order. A full attendance is requested.

DOG LOST:—Attention is directed to Mr. Cox's advertisement of the loss of a valuable dog, for the recovery of which he will pay a handsome reward.

THE BATHURST DRIVING PARK Association will pay railway transportation charges on all horses entered for the races on their track on the 6th of Sept. next.

THE LOBSTERS:—An Ottawa despatch says:—"It is understood that the regulation relating to labster fishing will be made more stringent to prevent the possibility of extinction of these crust aceans. The lobster commission has nearly completed its labors."

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Mr. John Ryan of Bartibog was killed by a large stone rolling down upon him on Tuesday afternoon at French Fort Cove quarry, Parish of Newcastle. An inquest was held by Dr Smith, Coroner and a verdict returned fully exonerating the quarry management from any blame in the case.

RACING:—The third of the series of eight races by the Miramichi Yacht Club for the presentation cups and sweepstakes came off last Thursday, the course being from Newcastle to Chatham and return. The "Annie" won the race for second-class boats, and the "Kilbride" that for the first class.

FISHING:—Mr. Wm. Crawford, of Simpson, Crawford & Simpson, New York, and Mr. Wilkin Roddick, of Wilmington, North Carolina, returned, last week, from an eight days' fishing trip at Camp Adams, North West Miramichi. Their catch numbered sixty-two salmon and grilse.

FATHER O'BRIEN, who during the past 10 months had charge of the Indian mission, Indian point, Andover, has been transferred by his Lordship, Bishop Rogers, to Chatham. In the future Father O'Leary, Grand Falls, will attend to the spiritual wants of the aborigines and people of Andover and the Tobique as heretofore.

SHIPPERS OF FISH are notified by overseers Wyse and Hogan that all fish-exports must be accompanied by certificates of legality to save them from seizure in transitu. This requirement is, we presume, the outcome of the officers' experience with the class of dealers who are none too good to buy salmon taken after 15th August and send them to the States as legally caught fish.

A GARDEN PARTY is to be held by the ladies of St, Luke's Church on the grounds of J B Snowball, Esq., on Thursday evening next. There will be a regular tea, light refreshments, ice cream, a sale of fancy goods, electric light, music by the 73rd battalian band, fireworks, etc. Patrons from points up river are to be returned by steamer late in the evening.

PRIVATE CONFIRMATION.—His Lordship the Metropolitan administered the rite of confirmation at the House of Mr. W. J. D. Lobban, Chatham, on Monday last to Mrs. Thomas McLeod of Bay du Vin, who being ill for some time at her father's Home in Chatham could not be present at Bay du Vin, when his Lordship held confirmation there in the Church of St. John, the Evangelist.

HEAVY FIRE:—Gordon & Keith's three-story brick furniture factory was burned at Halifax on Sunday morning; loss $25,000. Insured in the Queen for $4,000. Fifty men are thrown out of employment. The origin of the fire is a mystery. The loss is a heavy one to the firm, as the busy season is just commencing. They had $8,000 worth of furniture ready to move into the retail warehouse on Monday.

ARCHIBALD AREO was arrested on Thursday evening and lodged in jail, charged with stealing a watch and some money from Mr. Dunlap. A rubber coat which the prisoner had stolen the night before from Mr. Turney Manzer was found in his possession, but the police have failed to find any trace of the watch. Arbo will be examined before the police magistrate on Tuesday next.—*Gleaner.*

OFF THE TRACK:—The Northern & Western train to Chatham on Thursday last, jumped the track near Zionville station. A flat car was smashed and the passenger car considerably damaged. The passengers, among whom was His Lordship the Metropolitan and Mrs. Medley, fortunately escaped unhurt. The roadway was torn up for a long distance, and the accident delayed the train about an hour.

PERSONAL.—Mr. W. M. Tweedie, M. A., of London University, a former student and graduate of Mount Allison, who, as Gilchrist scholar, has spent the last five years at some of the leading universities of England and Germany, has been added to the staff of Mt. Allison University, becoming Professor of English literature and Modern languages.

Rev. F. H. Almon is to resume his position as Curate of St. Paul's, Halifax. For several months the Rev. gentleman has been supplying the pulpit at Yarmouth in the absence of his son, the Rector, who has been enjoying a vacation in England.

YANKEE TRICKS:—Between 60 and 70 sail of American fishermen, together with the cruiser *Vigilant*, arrived at Souris, P. E. I., last Friday night, in anticipation of a storm. The men came ashore and indulged freely in "Scott Act." Some of them drugged the chief officer of the *Vigilant*, and afterward assaulted him and tore off the buttons and braid off his uniform. Sub-Collector Foley wired Capt. Gordon the state of affairs, and he arrived in the *Acadia* Sunday morning, and took the *Vigilant* away, replacing her by the cruiser *Critic*.

NOT CANNED MEAT:—In its "Gloucester Gleamings" the *Telegraph* says:—

"The ADVANCE was in error in stating a few days ago that George Bouchie had been poisoned by canned beef at Camp Bogan. The facts are that there was no canned meat in Camp at the time, and that the man, whose name is not George, but Peter Bouchie, suffered, not from the effects of poison, but from cramps that he had been periodically troubled with for some years past."

We apologize to Peter for calling him George and also to the canned meat interest, but are sorry that it wasn't canned meat, after all, for that would be a much more transient and less serious cause of illness than periodical cramps.

POWER OF A WINDMILL.—One of the largest wind motors in existence is used for driving flouring machinery at Great Yarmouth, Eng. It has four sails, which are 40 feet 9 inches long by 12 feet 6 inches wide, and extend 100 feet from point to point. With a wind of 25 miles an hour, the windmill has 55 horse power, and will easily make 120 barrels of flour in 24 hours. The building containing the flouring apparatus and supporting the motor is of 11 stories, stands 99 feet above foundation, and is 35 feet in diameter at the base, and 16 at the top.

THE BORZONE ARRIVES.—The Borzone, Capt. Desmond, from Larne thirty two days, came up the river on Sunday evening crowded with sail and dropped anchor opposite the town. Many people went down on the wharves to see her come in, glad to give her a welcome, not only because of the fact that a few days before she was reported to be the bark that was run down off Cape Race with all hands lost, but that she is the only large vessel owned in Newcastle and had a Newcastle captain on board. Capt. Desmond apparently believes in the 'better the day the better the deed' anhorism, as he sailed from here on Sunday, arrived on the other side on Sunday, sailed from Larne on Sunday, and arrived here on Sunday. *Advocate.*

THE MAILS UP RIVER: A Blackville correspondent of the *Gleaner* wrote last week:—

"We are glad to see both the *Gleaner* and *Advance* advocating daily mails via N & W Railway, and are anxiously waiting to hear from the government organs in this, to us, very important matter."

The *Advocate* seems to think there ought to be something said in the "me too" line, so in reproducing the paragraph it added.—

"The *Advocate* last winter called the attention of the government to the necessity of a daily mail to the chief points in the up river district, and has repeatedly alluded to the matter since."

If we recollect aright the *Advocate* contended itself with claiming a daily mail over the Indiantown Branch. It, cannot be very influential as a government organ, when its alleged advocacy of the matter referred to has been so contemptuously treated.

"TRAVELLER" in the St John *Globe* of 17th complains as follows:—

On Wednesday, the 10th instant, three passengers arrived at the Chatham depot in due season for the 10.40 p. m train, but were informed that the Northern express on the I. C. R. was forty minutes late, and therefore would not leave till 11.20 p. m. On our arrival at the Junction, much to our disgust, we discovered that the express had come and gone ten minutes before. A special was at the siding; but it was necessary to procure an order from headquarters to carry forward mails and passengers. The obliging operator wired and received a negative reply. At 3 a. m. we proceeded by freight train, those for St. John to arrive at 12.55 p. m., mails we presume later, and therefore could not be delivered till Friday morning or 24 hours behind time. Why the train was delayed at Chatham to make up forty minutes' detention of Northern express is the "Query."

Enquiries at Chatham Station have elicited the explanation that it is customary, when I. C. R. trains are late, to hold the Chatham Branch outgoing train at Chatham for the time the other train has lost, because it is less uncomfortable for passengers to wait at Chatham than at the Junction. In the case referred to by "Traveller" the I. C. R. people informed the Chatham officials that their train was forty minutes behind time, but, before reaching Chatham Junction, the I. C. R train had made up the loss, a fact of which no notice was given to Chatham. Hence the delay and inconvenience complained of.

ARTILLERY.—Newcastle Field Battery is again under canvas at Camp Hamill, for annual drill. The battery comprises about sixty men and thirty horses. The officers are as follows:—Lt-Col R R Call in command, Lieutenant R A Lawlor, Surgeon F L Pedolin, Vet. Surgeon J Morrissy, Sergt-Major R L Maltby, Quartermaster Sergeant H B Maltby, Orderly Sergeant J R Lawlor, Bugler David Little. Sub Division No 1—Sergt Wm Tushie, Corporal Arthur Russell, Bombardier Jas Ashford. No 2—Sergeant Samuel Miller, Corporal Andrew Cobb Bombadier George Traer. No 3—Sergeant Wm McCallum, Corporal Charles Gremley, Bombardier Chas Ashford—No 4—Sergeant W F Smallwood, Corporal W F Furze, Bombardier Jos Bernard. Sergt Major Hughes is the drill instructor.

There will be an inspection of the Battery and gun drill next Monday, when Lieut Col Irwin, Inspector of Artillery for the Dominion, and Lieut Col Maunsell, D A G, will be present. The gun practice will take place at the upper end of the town, the guns being stationed near the road leading to the marsh The target will be placed on the middle ground on the Northwest River opposite the island. There will be telephone connection between the target and the guns

METHODIST DISTRICT MEETING:—The financial meeting of the Miramichi District of the Methodist Church was held at Campbellton on Tuesday, 16th inst., and opened at 6 o'clock. The Rev. F. W. Harrison, of Chatham, is chairman and Rev. G. W. Fisher of Campbellton is Financial Secretary of the District. There was a full attendance of the ministers of the District. Campbellton was the only place which was represented by the laity. The whole business of the District was done with despatch and harmony, under the genial and effective direction of the chairman. The financial state of each circuit and mission was enquired into; deputations were appointed to attend the Missionary, Educational and Sustentation Meetings on each Circuit, and a lengthened conversation was had upon the spiritual state of the District. The Rev. F. W. Harrison was elected to attend the meeting of the Local Missionary Board. A public service was held in the evening, in which very earnest and spiritual addresses were given by Rev. Messrs. J. A. Clark, A. M.; J. M. Tredrea; A, C, Bell, A. B., and Silas James. Upon the adjournment of the meeting of the District a cordial vote of thanks was passed to the friends of Campbellton who so kindly entertained the members.

The Annual District Meeting was appointed to be held in Chatham in June next.

## OBITUARY.

The community of Derby has been recently called upon to mourn the loss of Mr. Wm. Allison, one of its most respected members. The deceased was 67 years of age and for some time past had been suffering from organic disease of the heart. The symptoms were not such as to arouse any fear of an early removal until the latter part of July, when, in consequences of the excessive heat of that period, his remaining strength yielded to the inroads of disease and left no hope of any permanent improvement. It was not, however, until about a fortnight before his death that he realized that he had but a short time to live. In the end he was a great sufferer and he expired on 15th inst. During the whole of his sickness he never murmured, but bore his affliction with christian meekness, frequently expressing his entire willingness to submit to the will of God, whether for life or death, trusting to the merits of a merciful Redeemer for his hope of the future. He was patient, resigned and trustful to the end. The community at large has lost an esteemed and valued member, and the bereaved family a wise councellor as well as a parent, kind, indulgent and ever solicitous for its welfare. He will be greatly missed; but their loss is his gain, for he has entered into the blessed rest of Paradise where neither sorrow nor sighing can ever enter.

"O Paradise! O Paradise!
Who would not crave thy rest?
Who would not seek thy happy land
Where they that love are best?"

## Supreme Court Proceedings.

FREDERICTON, Aug. 23.—This morning in the Supreme Court three cases on the crown paper were taken up—ex parte Samuel Freeze, ex parte Robert D. Robinson, and ex parte Henry Swim—Mr. George F. Gregory shows cause against rules nisi granted in these cases in Michaelmas term last to bring up an assessment of land damages for land taken by the Northern and Western Railway Company. Mr, H. B. Rainsford supports rules: cases now before court.

## SUICIDE OF A DOUGLASTOWN GIRL.

A Montreal press despatch of 23rd says:—

"A melancholy occurrence took place Sunday at Lachine, at the residence of E. W. Strathy. A fortnight since a young girl entered his service as a domestic, and Sunday she committed suicide by taking Paris Green. No cause can be assigned for the rash act. The girl's name was Francis Duinan and she came here about two months ago from Chatham, N. B."

The unfortunate girl's name is Frances Dinan, and she belonged to Douglastown. She lived for some time in Chatham where she was employed as a domestic servant by Mrs. Isaac Harris and went, in that capacity, with the family to Montreal in April 1886. She left the employment of Mrs. Harris some two months since. A younger sister was also in Montreal.

The Montreal *Witness* contains the following in reference to the suicide.

A very distressing, deliberate, and determined case of suicide has just occurred at Lachine. A young girl, named Frances Dinan, aged twenty-one, a domestic servant in the employment of Mr. E. W. Strathy, broker of this city, went to mass yesterday morning at six o'clock, purchased a quarter of a pound of Paris Green on her way back at the grocery establishment of Mr. Athenaar Pare; performed the duties appertaining to her position during the day, undressed herself at about half-past four o'clock in the afternoon, took a large portion of the poison, and died in great agony about four o'clock this morning. The facts elicited by a *Witness* reporter this morning are as follows:—Frances Dinan came from Chatham, New Brunswick, about two months ago to Lachine. She engaged as domestic servant with Dr. Pare, who is at present, we understand, in the Northwest. About three weeks ago she called upon Dr. Howard, and asked him to prescribe for her, stating that she was suffering from pains in her stomach, and neuralgic affection in her face, and also expressing the opinion that she was suffering from worms. Dr. Howard asked her why she did not get her master, Dr. Pare to prescribe for her; and she replied that she did not like to ask him for medicine. Dr. Howard said he did not think she was affected with worms. She left without waiting to be prescribed for. About a week ago she came again; and on this occasion Dr. Howard prescribed for pains in the stomach. Her manner was strange, and she seemed

IN A DEPRESSED STATE.

Mrs. Howard remarked to the doctor that she thought there was something wrong with the girl, and the symptoms were compatible with such a suspicion. The doctor did not see her alive after that date.

The deceased was about a month in the employ of Mr. Strathy. She frequently complained to Mrs. Strathy that she was weary of life, and expressed the wish that she was dead. Mrs. Strathy would remonstrate with her, and tell her that a young girl like her should not talk like that. Yesterday morning she went to early mass, returned, and performed her duties till the afternoon. About half-past four Mr. Strathy, then in the rear, heard a sound as of some one vomiting, accompanied with the exclamation, "Oh, dear," proceeding from the servant's quarters. He at once asked Mrs. Strathy to see after Frances, as he though she might be ill. The latter went up stairs, knocked at the door of the room occupied by the servant—who opened it after some delay. She was very pale. Mrs. Strathy, alarmed, looked round the room, and at once saw a bottle marked "Paris green" on the bureau. "Paris green" said Mrs. Strathy. "Oh, no," the deceased replied. "Why of course it is," Mrs. Strathy rejoined "what are you doing with it?" The deceased then confessed that she had taken it. "But why did you take it?" Mrs. Strathy asked. "Oh," the girl replied, "I am very unhappy; I am weary of life; I want to die." "But why should a young girl of twenty one be weary of life?" Mrs. Strathy asked.

"I AM NOT A YOUNG GIRL,"

she replied, "I am old." Meanwhile, Mr. Strathy had run for Dr. Valois and Mrs. Strathy, in his absence, was administering emetics, which were so effectual that it was hoped the very quantity of poison taken would frustrate the object the unhappy girl had in view. Dr. Valois, upon arriving, also prescribed emetics, and with a similar good result. He left about nine o'clock, with a hopeful feeling that she might recover.

In the meantime her sister, Maggie Dinan, who lived with a Mrs. Nickle, at the Dominion Bridge, had been sent for by Mr. Strathy, and she, together with Mr. and Mrs. Strathy, sat up with the deceased. Mrs. Strathy frequently endeavored to elicit from the suffering girl, who was quite conscious, her motive in taking poison, but in response she only replied that—"I am tired of life! I have no other motive, upon my soul." About twelve o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. Strathy, finding that she was a little easier, retired to rest, but were awakened at four this morning, by her sister knocking at their room door and saying that Frances had taken a bad turn. When Mr. Strathy entered the room the deceased gave a gasp, and died. Dr. Valois was called in, and pronounced life to be extinct. Mr. Strathy at once communicated with the Coroner; and Mr Jones proceeded to Lachine, where, after empanelling a jury, an inquest was held on the body, at which the foregoing facts were formally adduced.

THE VERDICT

arrived at by the jury was that Frances Dinan came to her death from a dose of Paris green, taken when in a state of mental aberration.

The deceased presented a ghastly appearance. She had the appearance of youth, with long dark hair, black eyes and rather long features, which were drawn with the agony which racked the body before death.

On Tuesday, last Maggie Dinan the deceased's sister, received the following letter from the poor girl:

"Well, Maggie, I won't trouble you any more. I heard what you told Annie and Jud yesterday.

Oh, Maggie, I did not think that of you. If I had known as much before I went down, I wouldn't have gone down; but I will not trouble you any more. no matter where you are staying. I will never go to see you again. All Mrs. Nickle had to say last night, and what you said to Mrs Nickle at the door, I heard. I also heard Mrs Nickle tell you not to ask me to stay a little while before ten, so I now know why they would not take tea before. I just stayed to hear what they had to say. They are pretty bad-minded, anyhow.

"So good bye,

"From your unhappy sister.

To Maggie.

"It is the last thing they will say about me."

The deceased's sister was seen by a *Witness* reporter. She was crying silently. "I never said anything about her to anyone," she said. "I never knew any cause for what she has done." Mrs. Strathy said she did not know what to make of the letter. It was written by one who was either deranged or had some great trouble on her mind. "Before her death," Mrs. Strathy remarked, "she said that she had

NO MOTIVE FOR TAKING POISON

other than she was unhappy and tired of life. She was then dying, and it is hard to believe that she would tell a falsehood."

The name "Jud," mentioned in the letter, is that of Mr. Nickle's son.

Mr. Pare, the grocer, whose clerk sold the Paris green to the deceased, stated to the reporter that the girl came into the store about eight o'clock and asked for a quarter pound of Paris green to destroy bed bugs, with which she was greatly troubled. It was readily given her.

## Provincial Appointments.

Gloucester.—Miles Dempsey and Edward White to be Justices of the Peace.

John A. Ferguson to be Labor Act Commissioner for the Parishes of Saumarez and Inkerman.

Kent.—Henry A Foster to be Clerk of the County Court.

William D Carter to be Judge of Probate.

## Redbank.

The salmon fishing has been a complete failure here this season.

Haying is about finished and the farmers here deserve great credit in so skilfully avoiding the sudden and frequent rain-storms that prevailed this summer. The hay crop at the "meadows" is reported as very good.

Miss Stirling, of Hillfoot Farm," N. S., who has done so much for juvenile emigration from Scotland to Canada, visited Redbank a few weeks ago.

Mr. E. A. McKay, B. A., who has been spending his holidays with his friends at Redbank is about to return to his duties in Fredericton.

Rev. J. D. Murray of Buctouche held services in St. Philip's Church, Whitneyville, last Saturday, and in St. Stephen's Church on the following Sunday, preaching to overcrowded houses both times.

A concert and tea is to be given in Whitneyville on Thursday evening the 26th inst. in aid of the Baptist Church of that place. Judging from the preparations being made, an enjoyable evening is expected.

## The Foresters.

The Supreme Court, of the order of Foresters has been in session at Montreal. Representatives were present from Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Michigan and New Jersey. The financial state of the organization at the present moment represents a surplus revenue fund of $75,000, which is deposited in various banking institutions throughout the the country. Among the representatives present were: F. W. Emerson and wife Westmorlan d; Rev.. M. Parker, Elgin, N. B.; Dr. Thorne, Kings County, N. B.; J. Humphreys, do; Prof. Creed, Fredericton.

Messrs. Emerson and Creed were in Chatham this week on their way home from the meeting of the Supreme Court.

## Tennis Ball at Dorchester.

DORCHESTER, Aug. 20.—The tennis ball held last evening was an unqualified success. About eighty couples were present and dancing was kept up uninterruptedly until a late hour. The music was by far the best yet heard in Dorchester. The residence and grounds were most beautifully decorated and appropriate mottoes were tastefully arranged. Everything reflects the greatest credit on the ladies, who had the decorations in charge.

Already there is talk of return matches and Dorchester will probably have hard work to keep her hard won honors.

## Visit of the Metropolitan.

The Most Reverend the Metropolitan, accompanied by Mrs. Medley, arrived in Chatham on Thursday last by the N & W train from Fredericton, and are the guests of His Honor Judge Wilkinson at Bushville. His Lordship administered the rite of Confirmation in St. Andrew's Church, Newcastle, on Friday evening last. Besides the Rector, the Rev. J. H. S. Sweet, the Rev. D. Forsyth, of Chatham, and Rev. A. F. Hiltz, of Derby, were present. On Sunday morning last Confirmation was administered to 45 candidates in the presence of the largest congregation that has yet assembled in St. Mary's chapel. The Metropolitan, now almost 83 years of age, manifested the vigor and activity of youth, and addressed the candidates and congregation in well-chosen and instructive words, which engaged the close attention of all present. His Lordship began by remarking that it was most gratifying to see such a large congregation as was present and such a number of candidates—the largest for many years. He would not speak particulary to the candidates on the nature and purpose of confirmation, as they had no doubt been faithfully and thoroughly instructed by their Pastor. As the benefit of the ordinance so much depended upon the interest and care taken by parents and others to whom the newly confirmed might look for proper examples, His Lordship then dwelt upon the duties of the Christian life, forcibly urging upon the congregation the importance of practical religion being manifested in connection with daily affairs of each ones calling. The venerable Bishop in his address expressed his pleasure at the presence of the boys who so well assisted in the choir in singing the praises of Almighty God, and remarked upon the wisdom of training the young singers for so sacred an office and of interesting them in work for God and his Church. His Lordship spoke of the very general employment of surpliced choirsters in England where they were found in all cathedrals and many churches and pointed out that such choirs were no longer connected with any party feeling but were adopted with a view to add to that reverent performance of God's worship which was so much to be desired. He concluded his admirable address with some further remarks upon what he said was the more important matter of the Christian life and its practical exemplification.

The Holy Communion was then administered, the Bishop being assisted by the Rector.

At the evening service his Lordship was again present and preached with his usual force and instructiveness to an attentive congregation,

On Friday evening next the Metropolitan will hold a confirmation in Derby and proceed by train to Bathurst on Saturday and administer the Sacred Rite there on Sunday next, going thence to Dalhousie next week.

## Music and Drama at Tracadie.

A correspondent from Tracadie writes:—If the test of excellence in action be measured, as so often happens in this world of ours, by the financial success attending it, then the young ladies who, on the 19th inst., gave a concert in aid of the interior furnishing of the very fine Presbytery which has been erected here, adjoining their splendid stone church, should be very well pleased with the result of their efforts. Gotten up under all the disadvantages of a country place, a first public effort in this particular line, it is but fair to say that, in this case, the merit of the entertainment was most certainly not to be thus measured. The young ladies deserve every praise not only for their decided musical taste and ability but also for their histrionic talent so well displayed in the production of the two pieces which were acted. Where all performed parts with marked ability it were invidious to particularize, no matter how great the temptation; suffice it then, to say that the Parish of Tracadie may well feel proud of its daughters who thus, without any prompting from their elders, came forward to bear their part in the rather vast, considering the locality, undertakings which those elders have for so many years been pushing forward with so much praiseworthy zeal and energy to their present advanced stage. The dullness of the times, the complete stoppage, if I may so say, of money-circulation amongst our people, the proverbial apathy of country folks in all that appertains to "culture," the low price at which the entrance fees were put, being taken into consideration, the financial success attending their efforts was most satisfactory—indeed far beyond their most sanguine expectations, They desire to express their warmest thanks to those who by their presence were pleased to patronize them in this their tentative enterprise. But I can assure them that those who did attend their concert were well pleased to note their efficiency in all that they undertook. In towns, public taste is cultivated by philo-harmonic clubs, dramatic societies, open air musical entertainments and in other numberless ways, but in country places, as a rule, there are no such opportunities of improving the taste of the people. No public entertainment tends more in this direction than the one which these ladies gave, uniting as it did the drama with the charms of music. It is to be hoped therefore that they may often lend their talents to this needed taste-cultivation, seeing that their first efforts in that direction have met with so much applause and so much well merited success.

## Stavert-Thomson.

The social event of last week at Newcastle was the marriage of W. E. Stavert, Esq., formerly manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Campbellton, and now of Pictou, and Miss Alme Kate, daughter of Saml. Thomson, Esq. Q. C. The ceremony took place at "The Rocks", and was was performed in due course, by Rev. Mr Aitken. One who was present says:—The bride was given away by her father. Her costume consisted of a grey travelling dress, richly trimmed with crimson plush and hat to match. She carried a beautiful bouquet of flowers. The bride was attended by three maids'—Miss Addie K. Thomson (sister of the bride), Miss Ella Stavert (sister of the groom) and little Edith Smith (aged 5.) The bridesmaids were attired in brown nuns'-veiling, handsomely trimmed with golden brown plush, and each carried a bouquet of white and pink roses. The groom was supported by Reuben Stavert (brother of the groom), and Dr H Luman of Campbellton. After luncheon was partaken of the newly married took the Quebec express for an extended tour through the States. The bride's presents were numerous and costly; that of the groom being a handsome gold bracelet richly set with a solitare pearl.

## The Buctouche and Moncton Railway.

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One of the most important of the branch lines of railway recently placed under construction in this province is that between Buctouche and the large and growing town of Moncton. Buctouche is in the centre of one of the richest agricultural districts in New Brunswick, and possesses also a great wealth of fisheries and forest. The line was not included in the last subsidy act, but owing to the efforts of the local members of the two counties a change was made, and one of the subsidies applied to this road, which promises to be most useful in developing the country and opening up markets. The Moncton town council took up the enterprise with energy, voting the money for the preliminary survey and doing a great deal towards securing the dominion subsidy, without which the road could not have been built. The contract was let to Messrs. Gray, Wheaton, Clark and Trites and the first sod was turned with considerable ceremony in November, 1885. The work of construction was commenced last year, and has since been pushed forward with considerable energy, until now the road is within measurable distance of completion.

At the present time the rails are all laid from Humphrey's, which it was at first thought would be the Moncton terminus, to the big Buctouche bridge, within half a mile of the terminus at Buctouche town. Through the energy of the members at Ottawa additional subsidy was granted last winter to bring the line into Moncton town, a distance of one and a half miles from Humphrey's, and the terminus will be near the sugar refinery wharf. All the bridges, eight in number, with the exception of that across the Big Buctouche river are completed and trains are passing over daily. The Big Buctouche bridge, about 1,200 feet, the longest and most important on the line, is nearly completed. It is a substantial hard pine structure, the same material also being used in the other principal structures. Some of the station buildings, tanks, etc., have been finished and others are in course of erection. The work of ballasting is now making good progress, and it is expected the entire line will be open for traffic next month. Considerable freight and a number of passengers are already carried daily by the working trains. The prospects for a large and paying business are good. The rolling stock equipment at present consists of two engines, one new from the establishment of Fleming & Sons, St. John, about 20 coal and box cars, and one passenger car, others to be added. The contractors have done their work well, especial credit being due to Messrs. P. J. Gray, and Albert Trites, the active managers of the work.

## The Great Railway Bridge.

The corner stone of the great railway bridge at Fredericton, to the laying of which by Lady Macdonald we referred last week, rests on the site of the city shore pier at the foot of Sunbury street. At this point starts the bridge which runs in a straight line across the river at right angles to the current striking Gibson's wharf about 150 feet from the inshore end. After leaving the bridge the railway runs in nearly a straight line until it joins with the track of the Northern and Western at a point on that road, about 300 feet east of the passenger station.

The sub-structure of the bridge consists of 8 piers, 1 pivot-pier and 2 abutments. These piers each rest on a foundation of 140 spruce piles driven in the bed of the river to an average depth of 17 feet. The bed of the river is gravel to a depth of about 8 feet, under which is a stiff blue clay in which the points of the piles rest. The piles go three inches at the last blow from a hammer weighing 1,900 pounds, falling 32 feet. After the piles are driven down they form a foundation rectangular in shape 58 feet long and 18 feet wide over this foundation a staging is erected and a saw working under water on a vertical shaft which travels back and forward over the staging, cuts the piles off at the level of the river bed, leaving a perfectly level platform of piles as a foundation for the piers. Water tight caissons are then built on the shore and launched into the river. These caissons are of the same dimensions as the pile foundations, viz., 58 x 18, and are made of timber 12 inches thick, the bottom of the caisson being of two thicknesses of 12x12 inch timber laid close together, and firmly secured by iron drift bolts, the seams calked and made perfectly water-tight. When these caissons are launched they are in the form of a huge box whose sides are composed of 12 inch timbers, and the bottoms of two thicknesses of 12 inch timbers. Masonry is then built in these caissons up to a certain height when they are towed into position directly over the pile foundations before spoken of. More masonry is put in until the caisson sinks to the bottom of the river and rests on the pile foundations, the bottom of the caisson forming the timber foundation on which the masonry rests. The building of the masonry is then continued in a perfectly water-tight box up to low water level. The sides of the caisson are of no practical use after the pier has been brought above water level, and the top timbers will be taken away so that no part of the caisson will show above low water level. The pier will be a rectangular block of masonry 51x12 up to low water level where the cut-water will commence. The cutwater will be carried up to within six feet of the top of the pier or to the top of ordinary freshet level and will run back at an angle of 45 degrees both ways, forming a sharp edge for the ice to break on. These cutwaters will be of large granite, strongly dowelled together with iron dowels. The top of the pier will be 26 feet long and seven feet thick.

The piers will be built of Spoon Island granite and Miramichi free stone, the cutwaters and quoins being entirely of granite. The best of English Portland cement will be used. When the work is fully under way the piers will nearly all be under construction at the same time, staging being erected at each pier for the derricks and steam hoists to rest on. The pivot pier on which the draw span rests will be circular in shape, 26 feet in diameter. It is expected that these piers will be all completted before the first of 1888.

The bridge, which rests on these piers, will be a through truss of steel and will consist of six spans of 242 feet each, one draw span of 245 feet, and two spans of 165 each; total length of bridge, 2,027 feet. The draw will be the third span from the Fredericton side and the two 165 feet spans will be the first two from the St. Mary's side. The draw, when opened, will leave a clear space of 102 feet on each side the pivot pier for vessels to pass through. The bridge will be 15 feet in width on the inside, 42 feet high in the centre of the truss, and 28 feet high at the ends. The different spans will be fastened securely to the piers at one end, will rest on steel rollers so that the bridge will be free to move horizontally to allow for expansion and contraction from heat or cold. The floor system will consist of southern hard pine ties eight inches apart in the clear on which the rails will be laid. Guard rails will be spiked on the ties immediately outside the rail. These guard rails will be southern pine covered with iron.

THE BRIDGE

will be built to sustain a load of 3,002 lbs. per lineal foot with two excess panel loads placed two panels apart sufficient to provide for two engine driven loads of 96,000 lbs. each on 14 wheel base.

The contractors are M. J. Hogan and the Dominion Bridge Company of Montreal.

Mr. Charles E. Fish, Newcastle, has the contract to supply the freestone for the Bridge. The stone will be taken from the Mill Cove, Indiantown and Nelson Hollow quarries. Shipments of it have commenced already.

## A Paradise of Sport.

Hon. S. Proctor Thayer and Mr. G. S. Thayer, of North Adams, arrived at the Barker House last evening from a three weeks fishing tour on the Little S. W. Miramichi. They had a very successful tour, caught lots of fish, a quantity of which they are carrying home with them. They call New Brunswick a paradise for sport and emphatically state that if the angling resources of this province and the admirable advantages afforded for sport generally were only known to sportsmen, the country would swarm with tourists from all parts. Like all other pioneer tourists to this province they have left with the fixed resolve to return again the next season.—*Gleaner.*


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## Arrivals and clearances at Miramichi of British and foreign-going vessels, from opening of Navigation to August 11th, 1887.

| Date | Rig | Name | Tonnage | From | Consigned to |
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| | Bk | Atlantis, | 1127 | | Wm Richards, |
| | Bk | Borzone | 539 | | " |
| May 10 | Bg | Kong Carl, | 437 | Norway, | " |
| 11 | I k | Ida | 507 | London, | G Burchill & Sons |
| 13 | " | Patriot Queen, | 510 | Liverpool, | D & J Ritchie & Co., |
| 16 | " | Prinds Oscar, | 662 | Norway, | do., |
| 17 | " | Hjelmes, | 490 | " | do., |
| | " | Erato, | 544 | " | Wm Richards, |
| 18 | Bk | Norden, | 528 | " | G Burchill & Sons, |
| 23 | Bk | Osauna, | 794 | Liverpool. | D&J Ritchie & Co, |
| | Bk | Capenhurst, | 606 | do, | do, |
| | Bk | Konoma, | 799 | do, | do, |
| | Bk | Hinderon, | 561 | Rochefort, | J B Snowball, |
| 27 | Bk | Ilmatar, | 578 | Waterford, | do, |
| | Bk | Gerolomo Mortolo, | 491 | Marseilles, | G K McLeod, |
| 28 | S S | Alaska, | 1380 | P Niladelphia, | E Hutchison, |
| 30 | S S | Buteshire, | 872 | Boston, | J B Snowball, |
| | Bk | Elida, | 664 | Gloucester, Mass. | Burchill & Sons, |
| 31 | Bk | Broderesel, | 454 | Norway, | D & J Ritchie & Co, |
| June 1 | Bk | Boroma, | 793 | Liverpool, | do, |
| 3 | Bk | Romeordia. | 436 | Barron, | J B Snowball, |
| | Bk | Starfaston, | 586 | Liverpool, | do, |
| | Bk | Australia, | 696 | London, | E Hutchison, |
| 4 | Bk | Althea, | 492 | Norway, | Ritchie & Co, |
| 5 | Bk | Olcese, | 439 | Cape de Verde, | J B Snowball, |
| 7 | Bk | Entella, | 693 | Baltimore, | Burchill & Sons, |
| | Schr | John McLaggan, | 228 | Launched, | Ritchie & Co, |
| June 11 | Bk | Relgno Liberta | 845 | Baltimore | Burchil & Sons |
| 13 | Bk | Lothair, | 656 | Belfast, | J B Snowball, |
| 14 | Bk | Ravenna, | 687 | Baltimore, | do, |
| 15 | Bk | Nepotini, | 536 | Cape Town | W Richards, |
| 14 | Bk | Henriette, | 584 | Sydney, | Ritchie & Co, |
| 20 | Bk | To Brodre, | 583 | Liverpool, | J B Snowball, |
| 22 | Bg | Tremior, | 555 | Norway, | Ritchie & Co, |
| 24 | Bk | Eleanor, | 714 | Monte Video, | W M McKay, |
| 25 | Bk | Freia, | 405 | Glasgow, | J S Snowball, |
| 27 | Bk | Hertha, | 416 | Dingle Bay, | D & J Ritchie & Co, |
| 28 | Bk | America, | 448 | Norway, | do, |
| 29 | Bk | Marthium, | 723 | New York, | N B Trading Co. |
| July 5 | Bg | 'Belle' Brune, | 171 | St Pierre, | J B Snowball, |
| 7 | Schr | Gazelle, | 263 | New York, | T F Gillespie, |
| | Bk | Europa, | 732 | Bordeaux, | D & J Ritchie, |
| 11 | Bk | Brage, | 443 | Limerick, | E Hutchison, |
| | Bk | Sulitelina, | 963 | Pictou, | Wm. Richards. |
| 14 | Bk | Minerva, | 694 | Leghorn, | J B Snowball, |
| | Bg | Felicite, | 220 | St. Pierre, | do., |
| 15 | Bk | Armenia, | 676 | Philadelphia, | Order, |
| 18 | Bk | Alliance, | 263 | St Pierre, | Wm Richards, |
| 20 | Bgt | Loceto, | 588 | Halifax, | do |
| | Bk | Janet Ferguson, | 581 | do, | do, |
| | Bk | Akyab, | 521 | Capetown, | E Hutchison, |
| 25 | S S | Sleipner, | 1148 | Boston, | Wm Richards, |
| 27 | Bk | Emed, | 609 | London, | J B Snowball. |
| 28 | Bk | Atlas, | 602 | Denmark, | do, |
| 29 | Bk | Olivari, | 482 | Genoa, | do, |
| | Bk | Norden, | 528 | Belfast, | do, |
| Aug 3 | Bk | Ellida, | 537 | Norway, | N B Trading Co |
| | Bk | Village Belle, | 598 | Londonderry, | J B Snowball, |
| 6 | Bk | Razetto Padre, | 442 | Marseilles, | do |
| 8 | Bk | Finland, | 539 | London, | N B Trading Co. |
| 9 | Bk | Maria Casabona