Miramichi and the North Shore, etc,

WEST INDIA COMMISSION BUSINESS—See advt.

HAY FOR SALE:—See Messrs. G. A. & H. S. Flett's advertisement.

THE DEATH of Mr. Samuel Samuel, an old resident of Richibucto and well known on the Miramichi, is announced.

NARROW ESCAPE:—Mr. Michael O'Brien, while assisting to put a new boiler into the boiler house at the Pulp Factory on Tuesday, was jammed by the boiler slipping in the doorway and thought to be seriously injured. He is doing well, however, and is out of danger.

IT DON'T WORK:—John Morrissy, the rejected of Northumberland, writes to the *Advocate* to say that the contest just ended was "the people's election." Certainly it was, and the people told John Morrissy what they thought of him. The day has gone by when the cry of "Judas," "traitor," "rat," "scoundrel" will defeat a decent man at the polls.—*Pioneer.*

SMOKE THE OTELLO, the best ten cent cigar in the market. For sale wholesale and retail at Z. Tingley's, Chatham.

COOKED CODFISH:—Have you tried it? It is not the square-package stuff that was in the market last year, but a real meritorious article prepared by a patent process which does not impair the flavor of the fish. All the grocers have it. Nothing like it for fish balls and similar dishes, while, for a quickly prepared dish, it has no equal.

NO LONGER AGO THAN 1850 Wm. Johnston, of Chatham, drove the northern stage from Chatham to Bathurst, Dalhousie and Campbellton. He left the Royal Hotel, Chatham, for the above places every Monday and Friday. The fare from Chatham to Campbellton was £2. "No credit."—*Review.*

PISO'S cure for Consumption and Piso's remedy for Catarrh are sold by J. D. B. F. MacKenzie, Druggist, Chatham.

HE DONT THROW A BAD LINE, HIMSELF:—"Dan." Desmond of the Revere house and Mr. Trueman agent for P. F. Colher & Co., went to Tide Head a few days ago on a fishing Excursion, and scooped forty beauties. One of the trout taken by Mr. Desmond, weighed over six pounds. It went to Moncton to a railway man there.—*Pioneer.*

A. & R. LOGGIE'S N. S. BRANCH:—The Halifax *Herald* says: Robert Loggie, the enterprising New Brunswick fish merchant, arrived at Mulgrave, N. S. on the 21st. ult., and started operations on their new freezing establishment. The building will be of large dimensions and the business entered upon the coming summer on a large and scientific scale of enterprise.

SUDDEN DEATH:—Mrs. Brown, wife of Robert Brown, Esq., at one time a prominent shipbuilder at Bass River, in the Parish of Weldford—died on Saturday, 22nd ult. Mrs. Brown some days previously fell on the ice, striking the back of her head, resulting in paralysis. She was a highly respected woman wherever known, and for her husband, family and relations there is the deepest sympathy.

MORE IMPUDENCE:—The Moncton *Times* has the temerity to make use of Chatham people's names in connection with intoxicants alleged to have been used at the late election. After the exposure that has been made of the inebriated condition in which a certain opposition missionary from Moncton appeared in Chatham and Fredericton, it would be prudent for the *Times* to say as little as possible on the subject of intoxicants.

INSURED AT ONCE:—Mr. Warren C. Winslow has been authorised by the British America Assurance Company to accept all classes of fire risks, issue policies and make endorsements, without delay or reference to the head office.

OLD STAMPS:—The attention of young ladies and others is directed to an advertisement in another column asking for the old used stamps issued by N. B. and N. S. from 1850 to 1866. The advertiser will give $5.00 to $10.00 for each old or used Provincial shilling stamp or $20.00 cash for a 12 pence Canada stamp. As these stamps are intended for an exhibition, now is the time to ransack old trunks and get money for stamps before the opportunity passes.

LEGISLATIVE EXCURSION:—Intending excursionists to Fredericton to witness the opening proceedings of the Legislature will be glad to learn, by advertisement in another column, that return tickets are to be issued by the N. & W. Railway on Thursday morning next, at one fare, good to return until Monday, 17th. The fare from Chatham is $3.65 with proportionate rates from other stations. Trains leave Chatham at half-past six and a quarter past seven, standard time, reaching Fredericton at one o'clock and a quarter past three, respectively.

Singular Conduct of Detective Skeffington.

The Restigouche *Pioneer* last week contained the following editorial paragraph:—

"Detective George Skeffington, the I. C. R. "Pinkerton" failed to get even a clue to Walton, the Dalhousie express thief. What a pity that Walton was not some poor urchin stealing a few lumps of coal from some railway shed. How the great Skeffington would pounce down upon him. But a $35,000 thief can ride over the I. C. R. unnoticed by him."

On Tuesday afternoon Mr. Skeffington entered the *Pioneer* office, in Campbellton, and demanded an apology from Mr. McDougall, the editor, but that gentleman refused to apologize, and ordered the I. C. R. Pinkerton out of his office, but Skeffington refused to go and continued to abuse the genial editorial scribe, using very strong language and finally mustered up courage enough to strike MacDougall, who retaliated with a mallet, and the row, once begun, Mr. Chas. H. Fayle, the foreman, went to the aid of the editor, as did also A. C. V. Smythe (both Chatham boys) and, in a few minutes, Skeffington was seeking refuge in the hall of the Telegraph office building. McDougall followed him out on the street and kicked him on the sidewalk and denounced him as a train-spotter and land-pirate. A warrant was sworn out against him, and he was arrested by officer MacKenzie, and he was to have been tried yesterday afternoon, before Mr. Justice Mott. Mr. Murray M. P. P. is Counsel for Mr. MacDougall, and Albert Mott for the defendant. The language used by Mr. Skeffington is said to have been of a disgraceful nature. It is to be hoped that the I. C. R. will not countenance their excitable officials in entering newspaper offices and attempting to settle their criticisms, with profane language, or by bullying editors. MacDougall's victory over the "duke" of the I. C. R. is great fun for the boys all over the northern division.

A Campbellton despatch of yesterday afternoon says:—

Skeffington was to-day convicted for assault on Bruce Macdougall and fined $10.00 and costs. The court also gave him a severe reprimand.

Messrs. Murray and McLatchey for Macdougall, riddled the attempt of Skeffington to bulldoze a newspaper. The addresses of the lawyers were greatly relished by the spectators.

Chatham's Assessment.

The Assessors of Chatham publish their usual notice to the tax-payers. The amount to be levied this year is $8,646,-32, or $1102.94 more than last year. The increase is in the assessment for County contingencies and to pay the newly appointed Inspector under the Canada Temperance Act. A large balance due on account of the new jail, as well as the estimated cost of the proposed artesian well at the jail was placed in the contingent assessment, instead of the money being borrowed, to be repaid out of accumulations of the Public Wharf and land fund, as was understood when the jail was undertaken.

The Assessments for Street and Police purposes are the same as last year, while the Alms House assessment is $80.78 less than last year.

The assessors make the usual request that persons liable to assessment hand to them true statements of their property and income, and it will be well if the class who are ever ready to complain of over-valuation when their tax bills are presented, but never give a thought to the duty of making the statements referred to, would give this notice their attention, or have the grace not to grumble afterwards.

Williston et al.

We had occasion, last week, to refer to a statement made by Mr. E. P. Williston, County Auditor and Secretary of the Newcastle Parish Liberal Association, that "Mr. Smith requested a certain gentleman to write to Ottawa for Government printing for the *Advance*, and authorized that gentleman to state that the *Advance* was the leading Conservative paper in the County of Northumberland." Mr. Williston also asked Mr. Smith to state "the answer that gentleman received from Ottawa."

As no request, such as stated, by Mr. Williston had ever been made by Mr. Smith—or indeed any request whatever of like tenor—it was impossible to state what the answer was. We thought it possible what Mr. Williston would give Mr. Smith opportunity to get at the bottom of the story and therefore said:—

"If Mr. Williston can muster the courage to name the "certain gentleman" to whom he refers, Mr. Smith will prove Mr. Williston what every person who knows him believes him to be."

Instead of naming his authority Mr. Williston enlarged the scope of his offence on Saturday last by publishing a long letter in his favorite local print, most of which is devoted to gross abuse of Mr. Smith and insolent reference to his business affairs. He also propounds to Mr. Smith the following:—

Is it true that you were proposed as a fit and proper person to enter the Liberal Conservative Club at Newcastle, at its last meeting?

Is it true that you did not fulfil your last contract with the Public Works Department at Fredericton, although you drew the pay for the full contract, and the nonfulfilment of the contract was the reason why you did not get the printing of the report the next year?

The charges implied in the foregoing are, of course, as utterly devoid of truth as the other in reference to Mr. Smith ever asking "a certain gentleman to write to Ottawa for Government printing for the ADVANCE." Mr. Williston's refusal to name the gentleman, however, prevents us from having the slander refuted directly, but realising, on Saturday, that there was something tangible in a hint we had previously received that Mr. Williston was inspired by others in a determined effort to damage Mr. Smith as much as possible, politically and otherwise, the latter mailed the following:—

CHATHAM, N. B. MARCH 1, 1890.

Donald Morrison Esq. Secy. Newcastle Liberal-Conservative Club.

DEAR SIR.—Amongst other questions put to me in an open letter published in to-day's *World* by Mr. E. P. Williston, is the following:

"It is true that you were proposed as a fit and proper person to enter the Liberal Conservative Club at Newcastle, at its last meeting?"

As I am in no way connected with your Club, have never even contemplated entering it; and am, therefore not in a position, in any way, to be informed of its proceedings, will you please enable me to answer the foregoing query of Mr. Williston, on your official authority.

I beg that you will also do me the favor of stating whether you are aware of any authority amongst the members of your Club for the following, which is contained in another letter by Mr. Williston, published in the same paper of Wednesday last:—

How was it that Mr. Smith, requested a certain gentleman to write to Ottawa for Government printing for the *Advance* and authorized that gentleman to state the *Advance* was the leading Conservative paper in the County of Northumberland, and what is the answer that gentleman received from Ottawa?"

As Hon. M. Adams, who is the head of your party, may be the "certain gentleman" to whom Mr. Williston refers, will you please make enquiry of him in reference to the matter, or of any other gentleman of your party who may be known to you as a correspondent with Government at Ottawa in County matters.

Truly yours,
D. G. SMITH.

The following reply was received by Mr. Smith on Monday evening:

NEWCASTLE, MARCH 3RD, 1890.

D. G. Smith, Esq., Chatham:

DEAR SIR:—In answer to yours of the 1st inst., requesting a reply to that portion of Mr. Williston's communication in which he says. "Is it true that you were proposed as a fit and proper person to enter the Lib.-Con. Club, at Newcastle, at its last meeting." I beg to say such statement is absolutely untrue. No member of our club ever heard your name mentioned as being proposed at the last, or any previous meeting.

In reply to your second question. "Am I aware of any authority, from our club, or Mr. Adams, or any other gentlemen in the Conservative Party who wrote to Ottawa for government printing for the *Advance*?"—I beg to say that I have been one of the executive committee since the formation of our club, and never heard of anyone writing to Ottawa, or being authorized by the executive of our club, to write in the interests of your paper, and if such was true, I would have known it.

Mr. Williston's statement can in no way refer to Mr. Adams and I know of no gentleman of our Conservative Party outside of our club, who could have done so. Yours truly,

D. MORRISON,
Sec. Lib. Con. Club, Newcastle.

Respecting Mr. Williston's statement in connection with the Report of the Public Works Department Mr. Smith addressed a letter to the Chief Commissioner and, in a day or two, will, no doubt, receive a refutation of that slander.

Mr. Williston has, in both letters, referred, by name, to Mr. P. Hennessy and claims for him an apology from Mr. Smith, because the ADVANCE objected to certain things alleged by Mr. Donald Morrison to have been done by that gentleman in the late local election in the name of the Liberals. When Mr. Smith is convinced that Mr. P. Hennessy is amongst the persons who are inspiring Mr. Williston's attacks, he will be prepared to answer any demands that gentleman may make upon him. Mr. Smith has only to say that in politics—as in all other matters—his hands are clean and his record consistent. He has no unworthy personal spites to gratify, and whether the party with whom he acts fails or succeeds, he endeavors to remember that it is only narrow-minded men who are unduly depressed or elated over the results of political contests. He has never sought any public office and has, therefore, no grudge against anyone whom he may suppose prevented him from getting one; he has always been subject to party discipline, even at times against his personal judgment, and it is perhaps because of his endeavoring to impress this duty upon such persons as Mr. Williston, that the latter has been found so pliable an instrument in the hands of those who are behind him in his attacks on Mr. Smith.

Nothing is so distasteful to us as the treatment of personal matters in this public way, but when such assaults as these of Mr. Williston are made openly in the press, we are obliged to notice them, not that we have any fear of their injuring their object where Mr. Williston is known, but because persons who do not know him and the reputation he bears in Newcastle, may attach some credence to his malicious assertions.

Rev. W. M. Wilson and his Aberdeen Friends.

Hundreds of our readers will, no doubt, be interested in the following account of a very pleasant meeting in connection with the congregation of Rev. W. M. Wilson, a former esteemed pastor of St. Andrews Church, Chatham, which we take from the *Aberdeen Journal* of 6th February:—

"The annual social meeting in connection with the congregation of the North Parish Church was held last night in the Albert Hall, Aberdeen. Rev. W. M. Wilson presided, and among those present were Rev. Mr. Brebner, Gilcomston Parish; Rev. Mr. Ranken, John Knox Parish; Rev. G. M. Park, minister-elect of Deskford; and most of the elders and kirk-session of the North Church. After tea, the Chairman referred to the position of the church, which, he said, had been fully maintained. There were on the roll 2400 members, and during the past year there had been 200 baptisms, 70 marriages, and 100 funerals. The Sunday school was in a most prosperous state, there being present at the social meeting held recently as many as 600. (Applause.) The Young Men's Guild was also thriving, and the ladies' working party very vigorous. (Applause.) Mr. Wilson then alluded to the movement which had been inaugurated to raise funds to purchase an organ. The work was going on enthusiastically, and they trusted soon to have an organ placed in the church. (Applause.)

"At a subsequent part of the proceedings, Mr. Doig took the chair, and William Coutts presented Mr. Wilson with a pulpit robe and cassock, along with a gold chain attached to which is a pendant with the following inscription:—"Presented to the Rev. W. M. Wilson, North Parish Church, along with pulpit robe and cassock, by the ladies of the congregation, as a mark of their esteem. 5th February, 1890."

"In making the presentation, Mr. Coutts said it gave him great pleasure to appear on behalf of the congregation in order to convey to Mr. Wilson not only their best wishes for his continued prosperity as an individual, but also to present him with a tangible expression of their desire to see him most properly adorned as a minister. (Applause.) Mr. Wilson had taught and wrought for the material and spiritual interests of the members of the congregation with but one aim—namely, their temporal and eternal welfare—(applause)—and the kind way in which the congregation received their lady collectors, the ready compliance with which they met their request, and their presence here in such large numbers clearly indicated that they appreciated his ministry. He had much pleasure in making this presentation, accompanied by the hope that Mr. Wilson might be long spared to wear the robe and cassock and to preach the old but ever new Gospel of the love of God to Man. (Applause.) They were often inclined to think that much of Mr. Wilson's success was due to the influence—the generous, kindly influence—which was brought to bear upon him by Mrs. Wilson in his own home circle; and for that influence, which was brought to bear upon the congregation, they desired to show their appreciation. He had therefore to ask Mrs. Wilson to accept this bracelet from the ladies of the congregation as a token of their esteem and regard for her, and as an indication of their belief that she was the worthy helpmeet of a worthy minister. (Applause.) To Mr. and Mrs. Wilson he wished to convey the congregation's sincere and heartfelt desire that they might be long spared to go in and out amongst the people. (Applause.)

"Miss Weir went through the task of robing Mr. Wilson, and Miss Mackenzie presented Mrs. Wilson with the gold bracelet amid loud cheers.

"Mr. Wilson, in acknowledging the gifts, said he could not find words to express adequately the feelings of gratitude and delight he felt towards the congregation of the North Parish. He had flattered himself that he was making some headway among them, that to a certain extent he had succeeded in winning their affection and esteem—(Applause)—but he had no idea he had succeeded so well, and he was not sure that he deserved this substantial token of their kindness. He viewed the gifts as a manifestation on the part of the congregation of their desire that he should go on working amongst them and attain greater things than he had yet done. (Applause.) He could assure them that nothing would be wanting on his part to do all he could to promote and maintain the success of the North Parish Church. (Applause.) On his own behalf and for Mrs. Wilson, he returned them his sincere thanks for the appropriate gifts. (Applause.)

"Rev. Mr. Ranken gave a racy address based on the prevailing epidemic—influenza—a word derived from the Italian, and meaning influence. He spoke of the moral influence with a large and prosperous congregation like that of the North Parish must have on the community, and laid great stress on the importance of individual effort.

"Rev. Mr. Park also spoke.

"During the evening a concert programme was gone through, contributed to by, among others, the members of the church choir, who sang part songs under the leadership of Mr. Cooper. Mr. Macdonald played the piano accompaniments."

A Parallel to the Cow-Case.

Our representative at Ottawa appears to have grown desperate over the government's neglect of Miramichi interest. He intimates that gentleman in Northumberland, for party purposes, prevent the government from complying with his requests for the promotion of Dominion Works in the county. This seems almost incredible, although it is not any more so than the fact that only a fortnight ago a number of gentlemen—from like motives—worked openly to prevent a portfolio in the local government coming to the county and a reduction of stumpage being made.

On 25th inst., an item of $15,000 for Montreal Dominion buildings was moved in supply when—according to *Hansard*—the following debate took place:—

Mr. Mitchell—I would like to ask the minister of public works if he is going to do anything towards deepening the channel of the Miramichi river this year. I have tried in vain for the last two sessions to get the hon. gentleman to do justice to the county I have the honor to represent. He makes fair promises and then writes down to the people who oppose me in my county to tell them that they do not want anything such as I recommend. I wish to tell the hon. gentleman that the system of navigation which has been so much improved by the deepening of the river has been arrested for the last two years, because I suppose the government. They have in every way shown their animus, even in the advertisement given to the papers. They do not send advertisements to the Herald the same as they do to the Gazette.

Mr. Langelier (Quebec)—Although it is a much better paper.

Mr. Mitchell—A mighty sight better paper. There is some life in the Herald. It gives you an account, and an accurate account, of what occurs in the caucuses of the government, and yet the gentlemen on the government side of the house refuse to send their advertisements to the only live paper in Montreal—I mean the only live English paper in Montreal. I say to the hon. minister, for whom I have great respect.

An hon. member—Name.

Mr. Mitchell—I refer to the hon. minister of public works, for whom I have great respect.

Mr. Walsh—That is more than I have.

Mr. Mitchell—I may tell my hon. friend that I have great respect for the minister of public works, though he is in damned bad company.

The chairman—I must ask the hon. gentleman to withdraw the expression.

Mr. Mitchell—What is that you say?

The chairman—I must ask the hon. gentleman to withdraw the expression.

Mr. Mitchell—What expression—"damned bad"?—I withdrew it. It seems to me that the chairman is putting on a good deal of side in this matter. However, I withdrew the expression, and now I am in good order again. I have a grievance in regard to the deepening of the channel of the Miramichi river, which the hon. gentleman has heard me speak of before, and, with his facility of expression, he has replied that he would consider it, and so on; but it has never been done. I take this opportunity of saying to him that, I think, he will promote the passage of his estimates if he will simply say to me now that he will look into the matter, and will do what is right. I know that when he says he will do what is right, he will do so; and he knows that I have pointed out to him before that that channel should be deepened, and he has admitted that to be a necessity. I think my hon. friend will agree to this. If he says he will have that river properly attended to, I have no doubt he will. The dredges were only removed because the man who opposed me said it was not necessary to keep them there, and that was for the purpose of defeating me at the next general election, but I do not think that is very near. We will have two sessions before that. The old sorcerer, as my hon. friend on this side called him the other night, will not have the election before that. If my hon. friend will say that he will have the Miramichi river deepened, I will allow this item to be carried.

Mr. Desjardins—What is the item?

Mr. Mitchell—I do not know what it is about, but I think it is one that affords an opportunity for me to call attention to a matter which has been neglected more than any other in this Dominion.

Mr. Welsh—I beg your pardon—that is not true,

Mr. Mitchell—And what for? Because I have opposed the hon. gentlemen, and yet I supported them the other day when Sir John Thompson's resolution came up. I tell them there was a time when Mackenzie's government was in power when they refused to pay a poor widow woman $40 for her cow, and for forty days I fought them, and I made them pay that widow for her cow. If this government does not do what is right and fair, I tell the hon. the minister of public works, for whom I have a great amount of respect, though he is associated with such a lot of—

Some hon. members. Order.

Mr. Mitchell—I will not say what, because they will call me to order. I tell the hon. gentlemen that unless he deepens this channel—I think he is an honest man—he had better beware. He had better do what is right in deepening that channel, or I will not say what I will do. I have a lot of claims, some five or six of them, amounting in all to some $1,400 or $1,500, for damages sustained by people on the Derby branch of the Intercolonial railway, and I now give the government warning. There was a time when I had more vigor and more enterprise then I have to-day, and the government and these grits who are around me refused to do justice to the claims I presented, and stated they would not pay them or inquire into them. Now, in regard to these three or four claims which I have, if they are not paid, there will be another cow case before these estimates get through. I do not see the minister of railways here to-night, but I hope the minister of public works will tell his chief that, if he does not pay these claims, he will have another cow case which will occupy three or four weeks before these estimates get through.

Mr. Langelier (Quebec).—Is this amount of $1,250 for the electric lighting, extensions and alterations to the Montreal Post Office intended to provide for the government taking upon themselves the lighting of that building?

Sir Hector Langevin—No: it is for the usual work and requirements of the postal service, as recommended by the mechanical engineer.

Mr. McMullin What is the entire amount paid annually to the Gazette for the purpose of producing electric light there.

Mr. Mitchell—They cannot pay too much to the Gazette.

Sir Hector Langevin—The contract was laid before the house last year, I do not remember now exactly what it was.

Mr. McMullen—Does this add in any way to the contract?

Sir Hector Langevin—No, but if we require more lamps, or if the lamps get broken, we must pay for that separately from the contract, and we must pay the man who looks after the lamps. The contract is to give us so many lamps at such a price.

Mr. Mitchell—The Gazette supports the government, and you cannot pay too much to the Gazette. I want to say that unless the Minister of railways deals with the question of the few claims I have, I am just going to raise Cain in the matter.

Death of Wm. Davidson, Esq.

Death has been busy, garnering his harvest in Tracadie since the opening of the current year. Many worthy inhabitants have been gathered into his arms and laid at rest from their earthly toils. Mourning for their losses, has cast a gloom on many families where the memory of the loved ones can now alone bring solace and comfort. In each case the circle of regret was a wide one, but in the death of Wm. Davidson Esq., which we record to-day, that circle extends its area beyond the Parish of Tracadie, for he was well known and highly esteemed on the Miramichi as well as in many other parts of the Province. The deceased occupied for half a century a prominent position in Tracadie. He was largely interested in business, until within the last few years when failing sight, and the debility consequent on advancing age, compelled him to retire, and leave to younger hands the future of a trade he had so successfully built up and, with unfailing attention, guided amidst difficulties but little understood by those of the present generation. By strict integrity and honorable dealing he won for himself the confidence and respect of those amongst whom, in the prime of his early manhood, he had cast his lot. Now that he has passed away, that respect has begotten an affectionate remembrance and to his surviving neighbours, especially those of the earlier years as they look across the void which death has made there remains but happy memories and good words for their departed friend, to bridge it over. During his long residence in Tracadie, he saw his adopted parish attain its present prosperous condition from very small beginnings. None took a warmer interest in its welfare and advancement, and being endowed with a keen business talent and practical good sense, he was ever ready by counsel, as by deed, to further the amelioration of its people's condition. Strictly just and honorable towards his neighbours, he was alike just to himself, and while seeking what was his own, none can ever reproach his memory with any harassing or oppressive act. Unflinching where right had to be maintained, his heart went out to those who were in distress and many survive him who know how true a friend, how kind a neighbour he could be. Where real need existed his hand was never reluctant in giving timely aid, nor was he ever wanting in encouraging the steady industry necessary to bring comfort to the needy. In a word the late Mr. Davidson was a man of sterling worth and sound judgement, a practical farmer as well as a successful business man, he was to his neighbours, in his own person, an example of what industry, integrity and thrift can achieve. Surrounded by all the comforts and loving care, which for so many years, have made his home dear to him, and fortified and consoled by the ministrations of religion, he was summoned on Sunday last, the 2nd inst., after a lingering illness of many weeks, from this earthly ante-chamber into the presence of the King, to receive the reward of a well spent life, regretted by all who knew him here, and deeply mourned by those nearest to him as a devoted husband and fond father. We most heartily and respectfully sympathise with his afflicted family in their bereavment.

He must Apologise.

When Grand Master Armstrong, of the Grand Orange Lodge of New Bruntwick, and County Master Kelly, of St John, returned from the session of the Grand Lodge of British America, some months ago, they were assailed by a number of St. John Orangemen, Rev. A. MacDougall among the number, for the manner in which they had cast their vote in re the Jesuits' Estate resolution. Considerable recrimination resulted, and for a time there was a division among the ranks.

Recently, the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, vindicated the course of its two officers, and passed a resolution suspending Mr. MacDougall for having violated section 147 of the Orange constitution. This section reads as follows:—"Any member who shall utter, print, publish or be privy to the printing, publishing or circulation of any matter or thing derogatory to the association or the character of any of its officers, shall be suspended or expelled."

The action of the Grand Lodge has elicited a letter from Mr. MacDougall, in which he makes several complaints, among them the following:—That no charge was formulated against him; that no notice was given him of any charge; that he was never summoned to appear before any committee and that the subject-matter of the letter he had published was not really considered.

INSECT PESTS:—The naturalist, the progressive farmer and all intelligent and thinking persons will be interested in the series of six articles on the study of insects to begin in the *New York Ledger* of March 1. The series is by Professor John H. Comstock, of Cornell University, the eminent naturalist, and will describe the insect pests which annually injure the fruit and vegetable crops of the country to the extent of $100,000,000. Particular attention is given to the pests which ravage cotton, rice, and grain fields and orchards, gardens and vineyards. Professor Comstock shows that the cotton worm of the South has been responsible for an average loss yearly of $30,000,000 to the cotton crop. He considers the terrible devastations of certain insects, such as the locust in the West, the potato beetle and the cotton worm, have been blessings in disguise, as they have shown the possible powers of those once despised creatures and have occupied the attention of the leading scientists of the world to such an extent, that growers may reasonable hope that the ravages of the insect mentioned may be confined within certain bounds. Professor Comstock also treats of insects useful to the farmer. His articles are of the greatest value.

Mr. Crawford's Stolen Money Recovered.

Last Thursday forenoon there was quite a little scene at the Bowser Hotel, in which the principal character was a girl named Williston, who had been at service there, but had made such progress in religious matters as to have become an earnest Salvation lassie and be about to depart for the training home of the Army at St. John. When Mr. Edward Crawford's pocket book, containing some $225 in cash, besides notes and other valuable papers, was stolen from his room, this girl displayed an unusual interest in the event. She was one of the most anxious that a thorough search should be made, and after the search proved a failure she, according to her subsequent assurances to Mr. Crawford, made, the recovery of the stolen property the subject of her daily prayers. On Wednesday of last week she met M. Crawford and asked him if he had any clue to the money, and on his answering negatively, she consoled him by saying "Never mind the loss of your money, so long as your dear soul is saved." The scene on Thursday was the outcome of a call made at the hotel by Capt. and Mrs. Kimble and Miss Williston. The girl had not the least idea that she was suspected of being a thief. It happened however that such such suspicions had been entertained by the Misses Bowser, the captain and some others for several days. Cadet Williston had, all at once, became almost wealthy. She had given $10 to the captain, which she said she had collected for the training house. A $5 bill had been found in her room where she had carelessly dropped it. She had been shopping extensively and had different dressmakers at work for her. These things had been quietly ascertained, and the Salvation Army captain and his wife and the Misses Bowser had laid their plans accordingly. So when the call was made on Thursday and Miss Williston was confronted with fact after fact, she finally broke down and confessed that she had stolen Mr. Crawford's money on the morning it was missed, having gone up-stairs to ring the first bell and slipped into his room while he was asleep. She had burned the pocket-book and all its contents save the bank notes. She restored $185 of the stolen money and told where many of the articles she had purchased with the balance—about $45—might be found, and by reason of tears and professed repentance, succeeded in softening Mr. Crawford's heart, so that he did not prosecute her. Much credit is due to the Misses Bowser for the intelligent interest they took in the solution of the unpleasant matter and also to Capt. and Mrs. Kimble for exposing the hypocrite within their ranks and relinquishing so enterprising a cadet.

At the Rink.

There was a good attendance and an interesting programme at the Chatham Skating Rink on Tuesday evening. The 73rd Batt. Band furnished excellent music, showing constant improvement. Four little fellows—Frank Sadler, Willie Benson, Thos. Kain and Wm. Jardine contested the 1st race of 10 laps, Sadler being first and the others ending in the order named. Next came the big event between Theodore Jardine of Newcastle and Barclay Wyse of Chatham, for the Championship of the Miramichi. It was a 3-mile race—15 laps to the mile. Jardine proved the best stayer and won, skating the last three laps alone. It was claimed by some of Wyse's friends that he misunderstood a call of laps for an intimation that the race was over, which accounted for his not skating the race out.

The third race was one mile, between Stewart Benson and Wm. Murray of Chatham and Jas. Stewart of Newcastle. Benson showed form, speed and staying qualities which surprised the audience and gave promise of his developing into a first-class speed skater. He easily won, Murray being second.

The gentlemen's race was quite an event. The entries were D. Ward, Campbell Johnson, W. C. Stikeman and Macdougall Snowball. Ward proved a good starter, but the company was too fast for him and he retired early. Stikeman showed most speed and Snowball made his turns with great originality but Stikeman did honest work and was awarded the medal, which he now wears.

Death of Mr. P. Affleck.

The Stillwater, Minn. Daily *Gazette* of 28th ult., brings intelligence of the death of Mr. Pataick Affleck, who was well-known to many on the Miramichi. The *Gazette* says:—

Patrick Affleck died of his injuries at Stillwater on 27th. He was injured by being struck and borne down by a log at Poo & McAlpin's landing on Monday and suffered a fracture of the skull, at the base of the brain. He died about midnight last night at the City Hospital, without having regained consciousness. The funeral was held this afternoon, the remains being placed in the receiving-vault at Fairview cemetery. Mr. Wm. Hubbard, the Myrtle St. grocer, had been a long-time friend of the dead man, having known him in the provinces, and has disinterestedly assumed direction regarding the funeral and remains. Mr. Hubbard has also written to Affleck's friends in New Brunswick. As yet it is not decided to remove the remains to Canada. They will lie in the vault until spring, at which time Mr. Hubbard will transfer them to his own lot at Fairview. Deceased was 32 years of age and a native of Prince Edward Island, whence he went to Chatham, N. B., afterwards moving up the river 6 miles to Nelson, when he married a Miss Conick, who survives him, together with a daughter 10 years of age. In New Brunswick, Affleck was foreman of a large saw-mill; also interested in a mercantile business and gained a local reputation as a politician, always being regarded as an exceptionally upright and promising young man. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Mothers!

Castoria is recommended by physicians for children teething. It is a purely vegetable preparation, its ingredients are published around each bottle. It is pleasant to the taste and absolutely harmless. It relieves constipation, regulates the bowels, quiets pain, cures diarrhœa and wind colic, allays feverishness, destroys worms, and prevents convulsions, soothes the child and gives it refreshing sleep. Castoria is the children's panacea—the mother's friend, 35 doses, 35 cents.

The Secret of a Long Life.

You sometimes see a woman whose old age is as exquisite as was the perfect bloom of her youth. She seems condensed sweetness and grace. You wonder how this has come about; you wonder how it is her life has been a long and happy one. Here are some of the reasons:

She knew how to forget disagreeable things.

She understands the art of enjoyment.

She kept her nerves well in hand, and inflicted them on no one.

She believed in the goodness of her own daughters and in those of her neighbors.

She cultivated a good digestion.

She mastered the art of saying pleasant words.

She did not expect to-much from her friends.

She made whatever work came to her congenial.

She retained her illusions, and did not believe that all the world was wicked and unkind.

She relieved the miserable, and sympathised with the sorrowful.

She retained an even disposition, and made the best of everything.

She did whatever came to her cheerfully and well.

She never forgot that kind words and a smile cost nothing, but are priceless treasures to the disencouraged.

She did unto others as she would be done by, and now that old age has come to her and there is a halo of white hair about her head, she is loved and considered.

This is the secret of a long life and a happy one.—March *Ladies' Home Journal.*

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria

DIED.

At Richibucto, 5th inst., Samuel J. Samuel in the 77th year of his age

New Advertisements.

HAY FOR SALE.

Twenty tons of good upland Hay—pressed—for sale at Barn or delivered on cars. Apply at Miramichi Brick Works Nelson.

G. A. & H. S. FLETT

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Government Stallions will be leased at

PUBLIC AUCTION

in Fredericton on

Thursday, March 27, inst.

The Thoroughbred Stallion Sir Peter, will be sold absolutely at Public Auction at the same time and place.

CHAS. H. LUGRIN,
Secretary for Agriculture

Department of Agriculture,
Fredericton 3 March 1890.

(No Newspaper will be paid for publishing advertisements from the department of Agriculture unless specially authorized to copy.)

Assessors' Notice.

THE ASSESSORS OF RATES for the Parish of Chatham having received warrants for the assessment on the said Parish of the following, viz:

On the Parish for County Contingencies		$2,108.10
" " "	School Funds	2,769.97
" " "	Alms House	613.80
" Police District for Police Fund		1,494.50
" " "	Fire Purposes	1,494.50
" Inspector Canada Temperance Act		165.45
Total		$8,646.32

hereby request all persons liable to be rated in said parish to bring in to the Assessors within Thirty days from date, true statements of their property and incomes liable to be assessed

The Assessors also give notice that their valuation List when completed will be posted at the Post Office, Chatham.

SAMUEL WADDLETON
GEORGE STEWART
ROBERT LOGGIE, B. Brook } Assessors.

Chatham, March 4th 1890.

Farm at Auction.

On Wednesday, 2nd July, on the premises, the subscriber's farm in Napan, containing 140 acres more or less 80 rods wide in front, 50 acres cleared. Cuts annually 12 to 15 tons brook hay. Well watered, good cedar fencing, school convenient, 3 barns and dwelling house. Sold in 2 lots if desired. Payments in 4 or 5 years if wanted. For particulars—Apply to

WM. KERR

Chatham, March 5th 1890.

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Ask your grocer for

Cooked Shredded Codfish

and try it,

New Advertisements.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS WANTED.

I will give from 1c. to

$10.00 cash for each old used or cancelled postage stamp

sent me, issued from 1850 to 1866. There are lots of these old stamps lying around among old correspondence and anyone, can easily make

$10 TO $50 A WEEK

hunting them up. Look into old office desks, trunks stowed away in old garrets, and send the stamps on the entire letter back or original cover, as they are worth more when not removed. I want any quantity of the old

Nova Scotia or New Brunswick

or other Canada stamps USED BEFORE CONFEDERATION, and now is the time to hunt them up.

Six Young Ladies Wanted

to canvass their friends for stamps. For pay, etc., send postage card to

G. HOOPER.
550 King St., Ottawa, Ont.

Excursion to Fredericton.

Return tickets at one fare will be issued at Chatham and other stations in Northumberland for Fredericton, by the

Northern & Western Railway

—ON—

Thursday, next, 13th

inst., good to return until

MONDAY, 17TH INST.

to enable excursionists so desiring to be present at the opening proceedings of the Legislature.

Thos. Hoben,
Superintendent.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the next Session thereof by the Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick, for an act to enable the said Company to amalgamate or otherwise acquire the railway known as the Chatham Branch Railway and change the corporate name to the Canada Eastern Railway Company, with power to lease their said railway or to make arrangements for the joint operation of the same with any other company, and to authorize the said Railway Company, after such amalgamation or acquisition to issue bonds or debentures.

Dated the 26th day of November, A. D., 1889.

WELDON & McLEAN, Sol. for Applicant.
J. B. SNOWBALL, Pres. N. & W. R. R. Co

5 C. BREAD-MAKER'S YEAST 5

Never fails to give satisfaction.

SOLD BY ALL DEALERS.

Tenders Wanted

SEALED Tenders marked Tenders for "Odd Fellows' Hall" will be received up to Saturday, the 15th March, for the erection and completion of the Odd Fellows' Hall, according to plans and specifications to be seen at Mackenzie's Drug Store. The committee does not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.

Committee } J. D. B. F. MACKENZIE, ANDREW MARQUIS, A. D. SMITH.

Chathnm, N B., 26th Feby, 1890.

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As I have now on hand a larger and better assortment of goods than ever before, comprising

Japanned, Stamped AND Plain Tinware

would invite those about to purchase, to call and inspect before buying elsewhere, as I am selling below former prices for cash.

The Peerless Creamer,

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The Success OIL STOVE!

—Also a nice selection of—

Parlor and Cooking Stove

with PATENT TELESCOPIC OVEN

the lining of which can be taken out for cleaning thereby doing away with the removing of pipe or even as is the trouble with other stoves.

A. C. McLean.

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Its a very contented good natured firm which salutes you.

Contented because of a steadily growing business and good