

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

PIANO, ETC., at auction—See Mr. Wynn's advt.

"GARIBALDI," is advertised by Messrs. A. & R. Loggie.

HOUSES and premises at private sale in Newcastle—See advt.

A GOOD FARM on the Richibouctou Road is offered for sale by Mr. Brophy.

FIVE STEAMERS are now under charter for the Miramichi. The Steamer "Liddendale," 1160 tons is the last reported.

PERSONAL.—Mr. A. N. Desbriay, Esq., of Thop. Desbriay, Esq., left Bathurst on Tuesday morning for Miramichi.

"SIX WILLIAM WALLACE"—Mr. Hamilton will reach Chatham with the above Horse on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

BATHURST HARBOUR ice is still firm. Horses were crossing it on Monday, after the streets of the town were comparatively bare and dry.

BATHURST SCHOOLS.—The public oral examinations of the Bathurst Schools took place last week in both the Town and Village and passed off very creditably.

GEORGE AND BRANT.—Messrs. Arthur Johnston and John U. Loggie returned on Thursday last from a shooting expedition to Kouchibougué beaches. They killed 21 geese and brant—four of the latter.

THE LAW.—Mr. D. S. Hutchinson, son of the late Principal of Harkis Academy, has opened a law office over the store of Joseph Hays, Esq., Newcastle. We hope he may capture many cases and always win when he is on the right side.

THE ICE DOWN RIVER.—Mr. J. B. Williston drove his horse all the way from Bay du Vin to Black Brook on Monday morning last and says the ice was good all the way. In his opinion it will be a week or more before it goes out.

HENRY W. BALDWIN, Esq., Registrar of Deeds, Judge of Probates and Issuer of Marriage Licenses for the County and District, died at Bathurst on Tuesday afternoon, 2nd inst., after an illness of about a fortnight. He was an estimable citizen in every way. The funeral will take place this Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

POLITICAL.—It is said there will be no opposition to Mr. Snowball's return to Parliament for another term. This seems natural in view of the excellent position he has taken in the Commons. The party will look in vain for a better representative.

FIRE AT BATHURST.—A special to the ADVANCE states that the house occupied by Mr. Dawson and family in St. Peter's Village was burned to the ground yesterday afternoon (Wednesday). The origin of the fire is unknown. There was no insurance. The furniture was saved.

HOME FROM OTTAWA.—Mr. Snowball, M. P., and Mrs. Snowball were unexpectedly summoned home from Ottawa on account of the serious illness of their youngest child. They arrived on Monday morning. As Parliament is expected to be prorogued on Friday of next week it is not probable that Mr. Snowball will return this session.

THE METROPOLITAN returned from the Synod, arriving at Newcastle on Tuesday evening, and held a confirmation service there last evening. He is to come to Chatham by train to-day and will be the guest of His Honor Judge Wilkinson at Bathurst. He will be present at both services at St. Mary's Church, Chatham on Sunday next.

CHURCH OPENING.—The new Roman Catholic Church in St. Peter's Village, Bathurst, was opened for worship on Sunday last, by his Lordship, the Bishop of Chatham. It is not yet finished inside, but temporarily arranged for the holding of services. The offertory last Sunday amounted to over \$300. Work is going on in the interior this week.

MR. McMELEN, at different intervals, in the Telegraph composing room, has gone to Chatham as foreman of the Miramichi Advance. The proprietor, Mr. D. G. Smith, is to be congratulated upon having secured the services of such an excellent workman to preside over the mechanical department of his office.—Printer's Miscellany.

REMOVAL.—Messrs. H. & J. Stables have removed from their former store, Canada House, to the corner store lately occupied by Messrs. Carmichael Bros., where they have a very fine and varied stock of groceries, candies, fruits, canned goods, etc. From the appearance of their store and the energy they are displaying, they seem determined to push business and will no doubt receive a fair share of public patronage.

DANCING.—The Newcastle Square Committee propose to celebrate the opening of Navigation by a dance in the Masonic Hall of that town on Tuesday, 16th inst. The gentlemen on the Square Committee are Messrs. R. Mackenzie, John McLagan, Dr. H. C. Fish, John R. Nicholson and Alex. Stewart, whose names are a sufficient guarantee that the affair will be "the ball of the season." Gentlemen's tickets are placed at \$1 each.

LINEN SURVEYOR'S Sale Cards, each card being for all lengths up to fifty feet, and all diameters up to twenty-four inches, are now to be obtained at the ADVANCE office. There are two kinds—one printed on ordinary cardstock, at 4 cents each, and the other on heavy mounting board, at ten cents each.

Survey Bills, giving no. of raft, block mark, no. of pieces, sup. of ft. of spruce, pine and balsam separately, totals, etc., at twenty-five cents each, may be ordered by mail to any address on receipt of the price named.

OUR SHEPHERD is procured from the most reliable and fresh sources, and we perceive that they are furnished by our enterprising and not over scrupulous neighbor, the World, to the portion of the public who read that most estimable sheet. It is said that there is an affinity between great minds and it was for something of that calibre that the World Publishing Company we would feel flattered, because, by a significant coincidence, that paper entirely accords with the ADVANCE in any way that occurs in our ship notes. The late Star had an affinity with this paper in the same way.

THE IDEL.—The following item from the World illustrates the fact that the people who have not joined the oceans are sadly in need of work— "We put in a 'Want' notice for Messrs. A. & R. Loggie & Co., in our last issue, and the next day they had almost fifty applicants, or ten times the number of persons they required."

A business man who desired to employ

a person in a certain capacity, placed an advertisement in the ADVANCE directing applicants to apply to certain initials by letter. He said, if advertised in his real name, his store and the street in its vicinity would be blocked with applicants. And yet we have the N. P.

New Steamer.—John C. Miller, Esq., of Millerton has contracted with the Barrill-Johnson Iron Works of Yarmouth, N. S., for a Steamer, which will, no doubt be the fastest and most perfect thing of the kind on the Miramichi. The new boat will be fifty feet long, ten feet beam and five feet in depth. She will have a four feet propeller, worked by double compound surface condensing engines. This will be a new thing in the way of steam engines here—not in the Province—as there will be four cylinders—two high and two low pressure. Mr. Miller's well known taste in steam yachts and his practical knowledge of steam machinery aided by the able and practical engineer as Mr. Johnson, the builder of the new boat, will no doubt, produce a yacht creditable alike to builder and owner, as well as to the Miramichi.

The Schools.—We are reluctantly obliged to hold over our report of the school examinations until next week.

The Provincial Synod.—The Provincial Synod of the Church of England met at Montreal, on Thursday morning last. The meeting was for the purpose of electing a successor to the late Bishop of Algoma. The clergy and lay delegates met in the Synod Hall and proceeded in procession to the Cathedral, where considerable discussion was had by his Chaplain, Rev. Chas. Hamilton, of Quebec, and Rev. D. Forsyth, of Chatham, the latter bearing the cross. The Litany was sung by Dr. Kingston, Coadjutor Bishop of New Brunswick and the sermon was by the Bishop of Toronto.

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This address was accompanied by a field binder for Mr. McElin, a dressing case for Mrs. McElin, and a purse for Miss Minnie, their little daughter. In reply, Mr. McElin referred to the pleasure he had derived from being so frequently present at the Sabbath School, the membership of which had increased so considerably during the time he has spent here. He had also been gratified with the fact that several of the children of the school had become members of the church during his ministry. There were a good many others of sufficient age to follow the example of those who had already become members and he hoped they would also do their duty in the matter. He paid a tribute to the zeal and fidelity of the teachers and officers of the Sabbath School and urged the children to study their lessons carefully and apply them practically to their hearts and lives. He hoped the school would go on and increase under the able and judicious supervision of his Chaplain, Rev. Chas. Hamilton, of Quebec, and Rev. D. Forsyth, of Chatham, the latter bearing the cross. The Litany was sung by Dr. Kingston, Coadjutor Bishop of New Brunswick and the sermon was by the Bishop of Toronto.

The Synod went into the business in hand at St. George's Church School room, and after considerable discussion and routine business, Rev. Dr. Sullivan of St. George's Church, Montreal, was unanimously elected to the vacant See.

Riparian Rights.—After a long struggle the country has the satisfaction of a judgment by the Supreme Court of Canada against the assumptions of the Dominion Government in respect of rights of fishing in non-navigable rivers. The case related last week had the Minister of Marine and Fisheries has no right whatever to issue leases or licenses in connection with fishing privileges in such rivers—such privileges being conveyed by the grants of the riparian proprietors.

We have always contended against the outrageous interference of the Fisheries Department with the rights of riparian proprietors and felt that when the matter was settled it would be exactly as the Supreme Court's judgment now fixes it. For the plucky fight made in the common interest by such men as Judge Steadman, Oscar Hanson, Henry Phair and J. D. Wolfe Spur, riparian proprietors ought to be thankful and, even though "the insolence of office" which has, heretofore, caused the Department to ignore the manifest rights of the owners of the river, may still lead fishery officers to ignore this judgment, as they did that of the New Brunswick Supreme Court; yet such official assumptions can only be maintained by physical force and if necessary they can and ought to be resisted in a similar way. We hope, however, the Department will not further provoke the people in this direction, but see the progress of at once abandoning the position it has held for so long a time, and through the holding of which it has become liable for a very heavy score of damages.

Departure of Rev. J. A. F. McElin.—Rev. J. A. F. McElin, who for the past four and a half years, has been pastor of St. John's Presbyterian Church, Chatham, left on Monday evening for Montreal, to take charge of the holding of new charges, the church in Georgetown, near Montreal, in the Province of Quebec. He leaves behind him many warm friends who regret his going away and will long bear him kindly remembrance. On Friday evening last the congregation and Sabbath School held a meeting in the school room attached to the Church. Mr. Thomson was called to the chair. The hymn, "Shall We gather at the River" was sung, followed by prayer offered by the chairman. Then, Dr. McCurdy came forward and read the following address:

Rev. J. A. F. McElin, On the eve of your departure from Chatham, the congregation of St. John's Church, of whom you have had charge for the last four years, feel that they cannot allow the separation to take place without expressing on record their appreciation of your manifold labors in their midst, of the fulfillment and consummation of your ministry, and of the affection and esteem which has subsisted between pastor and people.

They would, at the same time, take this means of expressing the universal regret at your decision to remove to a new sphere of labor, and of assuring you of their affection and prayers for your future welfare and success. They would further hope that a change of scene and air may tend to the full restoration of your health. In token of our regard we would ask you to accept of this little gift. Although assured that no such tangible reminder is needed to recall the years you have spent on the Miramichi.

Be kind enough to convey to Mrs. McElin an assurance of our affection and esteem, and our hearty wishes for the future good health and well-being of herself and family. Yours with much respect,

JOHN THOMPSON, J. Committee JOHN McCURDY, of the Congregation Chatham, N. B., 28th April, 1882.

The gift presented was a very valuable gold chain, one of the best, from the stock of Mr. Harris—a gift of no small value to itself. Mr. McElin, had, of course, no time for a formal reply, but he feelingly expressed his thanks for the address and the gift and above all for the regard which prompted the congregation to offer him. Referring to his coming to Chatham and his stay here he said he had never, for a moment, regretted having done so. He had met with much kindness from the people. On behalf of Mrs. McElin and himself he expressed thanks to all and felt that both of them had done all they could for the congregation and community. He referred to the increase in the membership of the Church and of the Sabbath School during his Ministry and to the cordial relationships that had always existed between pastor and people and said the present prosperity of the church augured well for its future. He would not soon forget all the kindness he had experienced at the hands of those whom he now addressed and of very many others in Chatham.

The hymn, "Oh had a friend we have in Jesus" was next sung, after which Master Harry Sherriff, on behalf of the Sabbath School