Local and General News.

"Dunbrae" for April is at the Miramichi Bookstore.

PERSONAL.—Capt. Tom Quigley, of Newcastle, formerly first officer of the *Mollisons* is now in command of the *Ida*, owned by Hon. Wm. Muir.

ADDITION TO THE POSTAL FORCE.—An addition has been made to the Postal force of the town, in the person of Mr. John Murphy. His appointment takes effect May 1st.

STEAMER PURCHASED.—The Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company have purchased a new steamer, the *General Meade*, at New York, to add to their already long list of steamers.

SITTING BULL.—Lieut.-Col. Smith, of the North West, seems to think that Sitting Bull, as soon as his ponies are in condition, will leave his "White Mother" and go for Uncle Sam.

DENTISTRY.—Dr. M. C. Clarke, of Chatham, N. B., will be at Wheten's Hotel, Richibucto, from 10th April to 10th May next, where he will be prepared to perform all operations pertaining to his profession, in a neat and satisfactory manner, at moderate charges.

SEED WHEAT.—We are requested to state, for the benefit of the farmers, that the local Government is sending one hundred bushels of good seed wheat to the Agricultural Society, which will be sold by public auction, on arrival, of which due notice will be given.

THE R. C. NEW BUILDING.—Mr. Cassady seems to be pushing along the construction of the new R. C. Building, with his customary vigor. The sills and floor timbers are already laid on the basement walls, and almost completed. The whole of the frame for the first story is prepared and the raising will be commenced this week.

LORD DUFFERIN'S DEPARTURE FROM CANADA.—A despatch from Ottawa dated April 5th says it appears probable that the departure of his Excellent General from Canada will take place at an early day, as an auctioneer has received instructions to hold himself ready to conduct a sale at auction of the effects at Rideau Hall, including horses and carriages, early in May.

THE MURDERER VAUGHAN.—It is rumored, on pretty good authority, that Vaughan has made a confession, and that he admits he murdered Mrs. Quinn. His confession, however, is regarded as incomplete in other respects, and the clergymen to whom he is said to have made it, for that and other reasons, has not yet made it public. The condemned man refuses to see any but the clergy and his friends.—*Telegraph.*

A VETERAN.—Lake Pike, aged 86 years, who lives at Chatham, N. B., is said to be the last survivor on the English side of the famous "Shannon" and "Chesapeake" fight.—St. John *Globe.*

The gentleman above named is well and favorably known to the residents of Chatham. He can give details of the fight with exactness, and tells of Mr. Ball being in the hospital at Halifax, for two months after the action. From his present physical appearance he almost seems to have taken a new lease of life.

THE LATE STORMY WEATHER.—We are indebted to G. A. Blair, Esq., of the Meteorological Observatory, for the following regarding the late stormy weather:—

Rain and snow fell from Sunday, March 24th, to Sunday, April 7th, (both days included,) on every day, with the exception of Tuesday, March 26. The greatest snow fall on any one day, was on Saturday, April 6. The total amount of snow was 34.8 inches. The total rain fall was 1.66 inches.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.—At the annual meeting of the St. George's Society, held at the Canada House, Chatham, on Tuesday evening, April 9th, the following were elected office-bearers for the ensuing year:—J. R. Snowball, President; F. E. Winslow, 1st Vice-President; Wm. Wilkinson, 2nd Vice-President; W. B. Howard, Secretary and Treasurer; Thomas Fountain, Marshal. Relief Committee: George Whittaker, R. Stapleton, Dr. J. B. Benson, Thomas Fountain, James Anderson.—Adjourned to meet again on Monday evening, 15th, at 8 o'clock.

NEW PAPER.—The *Bay Pilot* will be the name of a new paper to be published at St. Andrews, Charlotte County, about the first week in May. The editor will be J. G. Lorimer, Esq., whose experience in Journalism is a guarantee that the new venture will be worthy of a place among the best of our country weeklies. The Prospectus, which is the work of Mr. Geo. W. Baker, who is to have charge of the Job department of the new office, is an indication that the *Bay Pilot* will convey freights of news, politics and literature in a style that will be pleasantly recognized. Mr. Lorimer is well known as a writer for the press, and his contributions to the *Printer's Miscellany* has enjoyed since its commencement. Its practical paragraphs, editorials, news of the craft, correspondence, etc, are all good in their way, and the freshness of its pages has been kept up with peculiar ability, notwithstanding many discouragements, thus making it an agreeable visitor to every printing office, as well as an excellent medium of communication for the craft generally. The many flattering notices the *Printer's Miscellany* has received both from Canadian and American journals have been well deserved.

VAUGHAN'S SENTENCE.—On Saturday morning last, sentence was passed on William Vaughan, convicted of the murder of Mary Quinn, at Little River, on the 13th February. At seven minutes past eleven Mr. Justice Wetmore took his seat. The prisoner was shortly afterwards brought into court, and, without requiring any direction, stepped into the box and nervously moved back the bench, so as to make himself comfortable. Having crossed his legs and rested his hands, he looked round the room unconcernedly. He was very pale, but showed no signs of trouble of mind. He was asked if he had anything to say why sentence of death should not be passed upon him. He rose and said, "I have nothing to say more than I have. I leave it in the hands of a just God." His Honor then made a very impressive address to the prisoner, at the conclusion of which he passed sentence of death in the usual form, condemning the prisoner to be hanged on Saturday, June 22nd, and praying God to have mercy on his soul. When His Honor had concluded, Vaughan, still unmoved, said with a firm voice, "I am willing to die." He was then removed to his quarters in jail.

—An eminent Physician of large experience who has made Pulmonary Consumption a specialty, says that "although in the worst and most rapid forms of the disease we have still to confess that medicine is almost powerless, yet, in those less overwhelming, and in those more chronic, which happily constitute the far greater number of cases, we have been able to adduce many proofs that much may be done to mitigate, to prevent, to retard, age and even to arrest and cure, this most destructive of human maladies. His experience of fifty years leads him to assert that the "great remedy, more essential and more effectual than any other, is COD LIVER OIL. BUT WHO CAN TAKE IT? Robinson's Phosphorized Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil with Lacto Phosphate of Lime contains all the virtues of COD LIVER OIL, in a form and combination most desirable to obtain its fullest effects. ANYBODY CAN TAKE IT! Prepared by J. H. Robinson, Chemist, St. John, N. B., and for sale by Druggists and General Dealers.

Price $1.00 per bottle; six bottles for $5.00.

Entertainment of the Dutcher Reformers.

On Tuesday evening the Dutcher Reformers held their weekly entertainment in the Masonic Hall, which was completely filled. The chair was occupied by Vice President William Johnston, who called upon the Rev. Mr. McKeown to open the meeting with prayer. The following is the

PROGRAMME.

Chorus—"We shall meet beyond the River," by the Choir.

Address—By the Rev. Mr. McBain.

Solo—"Katie's Secret," by Miss Maggie Johnstone, accompanied by Miss Annie Shirreff.

Recitation—"Under the Gaslight," by Miss Nellie Benson.

Address—By the Rev. W. Wilson.

Solo—"The Shabby Genteel," by Master Willie Shirreff, accompanied by Miss Annie Shirreff.

Address—By the Rev. Mr. Herdman.

Chorus—"We Roam through Forest Shades," by the Choir.

Address.—By Mr. John Stymiest, of Tabusintac.

Solo—"The Runaway Mare," by Mr. H. Pedrigan.

Duet—"In the Star Light," by Mrs. J. E. Goggin and Miss L. Loggie; accompaniment by Miss Annie Shirreff.

Recitation—"The Rum Maniac," by Master Alex. Burr.

Chorus—"Toiling on," by the choir. Accompaniment by Miss C. Johnston.

Quartette—"Good Night," by Misses A. Shirreff and M. Haviland and Messrs. H. Patterson and D. Chesmar.

Recitation—"Paddle your own canoe," by Master Clifford Wyse.

Solo—"A King there was," by Miss S. Gillis. Accompaniment by Miss Annie Shirreff.

The proceedings were brought to a close by the choir singing "God Save the Queen." During the evening signers to the Pledge were called for and several came forward.

Lecture on the Eastern Question.

On the evening of the 3rd inst., the Rev. A. V. Millingen, who was born in Constantinople and spent some years there as Missionary, gave in the Masonic Hall, a most interesting exposition of the state of things in Turkey and the probable course of events as between Russia and the rest of Europe. He detailed in clear terms the great oppression with which the Turk visited his christian subjects and how offensively he asserted and maintained his supposed superiority. The christians are denied all those privileges and positions which could enable them to secure civil liberty, such as exclusion from the army and all the higher offices of state. The Turk, he said, has no patriotism—he does every thing from an ecclesiastical stand point—country is a secondary consideration. Hence all Turkish lawyers are clergymen. The Rev. gentleman very strenuously repelled the charge against Great Britain that she sought to perpetuate the oppression of the christians in the Ottoman Empire, and gave as an undeniable proof of the contrary that Great Britain sought and urged the occupation of European Turkey by the European powers so as to secure a fulfilment of the reforms demanded and promised by the Treaty of Paris—it was the other powers—Russia included—that prevented this. The charge against Great Britain is a perversion of fact and truth.

The Rev. gentleman gave it as his opinion that Russia would not venture on another war in this Eastern Question if any two great powers should unite against her, but if she could secure the division of the European Powers she probably would do so. He said that if Britain should stand alone she could easily retain the possession of the Dardanelles and Bosphorus and shut up Russia in the Black Sea without any danger to herself, taking possession of a few strategic points, and by fortifying these and the Suez Canal she could prevent any danger to her commerce on the Mediterranean and her Indian possessions.

The lecture was listened to with much pleasure for nearly an hour and a half. The audience was small, but considering the excessively bad roads and night, was most encouraging. Should the Rev. gentleman appear again in our town he may expect a warm welcome and a full house.

Correspondence.

[We invite correspondence on all local subjects and will be glad to publish anything that will advance the interests of our readers, individually, or in the communities in which they live. Local News Items, Notices of Improvements—either moral or physical—Reports of Meetings, Agricultural, Lumbering, Fishing, Mechanical and other Industrial notes are especially welcome. We do not expect that all who desire to assist us in the above way are good writers, but that should not deter them from sending along their favors. We want the news and will see that it goes in to the paper in proper shape.]

School Examination in Northside.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

SIR:—The Semi-annual Examination of Miss McQueen's School, in District No. 12, Parish of North Esk, took place on Friday, the 5th inst. Although the day was unfavourable there was a good attendance of scholars and gentleman visitors. The children were examined in Reading, Geography, British and Canadian History, Grammar, Chemistry and Arithmetic.—Several maps were exhibited by the pupils which were very well executed; copy-books were also shown and were praised for their neatness. Several recitations were given during the Examination. At the close, Mr. R. Adams delivered an address to the scholars, in which he referred to the difference between schools of the present and the time when he was a boy.

Wm. Jones, Esq., spoke next praising the children for their industry and complimenting Miss McQueen on her success as a teacher. He said that he regretted to think that the Trustees took so little interest in the school as not to visit it, as he saw only one present.

Mr. Menzies, one of the Trustees, then arose and said he visited the school whenever he could conveniently do so and he had perfect confidence in the teacher.

Miss McQueen said she had a few remarks to make as she was going to leave the school the first of May next. She had taught two years and the parents of the children had very seldom visited the school, which was very discouraging to her. She thought if they engaged a person to do a piece of work for them that they would pay attention to it but the education of their children did not seem to be of so much importance. She said some fault had been found with her system of teaching small children which she would explain. She then explained the reason she taught the sentence method in place of the old system.

Mr. Shacagreen then made a few remarks, after which the Examination closed.

VISITOR.

That Requisition.

MIRAMICHI April 1st, '78.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

SIR:—I notice in the last issue of the *Advocate* a paragraph stating that the editor of that paper had been informed that a requisition to Mr. Wyse, asking him to retain his office in connection with the fisheries, was being circulated, and that it had a large number of signatures of our leading fishermen.

Following this announcement, the requisition appeared in the *Gleaner* of Saturday last, bearing some ninety-four signatures, of which, nearly forty are not, in the most remote degree, concerned in the fisheries of our river, and would look upon Mr. Wyse's retirement from or continuance in office with equal indifference. Of the balance of the signatures, a great part of them are those of persons outside of Mr. Wyse's district and who, consequently, care nothing about the matter. Where are the names of fishermen for many miles below Chatham on both sides of the river? Most of them, I know, are averse to Mr. Wyse's holding office and, therefore, probably, they never heard of such a requisition until they were told of its being published in the paper above mentioned.

It is my firm belief, Mr. Editor, and that of many others, that this requisition emanated, either directly or indirectly, from Mr. Wyse himself,—from the man who, last Fall, asked the Minister to leave him in office until his year expired, and he would then resign. But has he resigned? No, Sir, he is too fond of the salary and perquisites of the office to do so. The fishermen who come under Mr. Wyse's rule, whether rightfully or not, do want his resignation, that requisition to the contrary notwithstanding. This requisition is about equal to the plot of keeping the salmon licenses from the proper officers and taking them round himself and forcing them on the fishermen. Fishermen, who might fish as they liked if they bought at his store, may befriend, him but there are not many of these even.

The *Advocate* says that Mr. Wyse is the best officer on the river. For what? Is it because he went into other overseer's districts to make discord; or, perhaps, it is because he has been so good to himself since he has had anything to do with the fisheries. The fishermen do not pay much attention to what the *Advocate* says, otherwise they might believe that Wyse is right, Venning is right, and Peter Mitchell is right. Our appreciation of the last named gentleman's conduct we will show at the polls next summer. Mr. Venning, when he acted independently, was a good officer, but I am sorry to say he has been led astray by a man who, after using him to climb by, will turn round and abuse him as much as he now fawns on him. If Mr. Venning will return to the old path, he will find that the fishermen of the Miramichi are not so unruly a set as they are represented.

It is not right that a man who is engaged largely in the business of supplying fishermen should hold the responsible office of Fisheries Overseer, the temptation to turn the authority to account is too strong. When it is considered what a large business Overseer Wyse does in supplying different fishermen it is not to be wondered at if his surveillance over some is more strict than over others.

I wish some of the signers of this requisition would explain what good they expect to come from Mr. Wyse's being retained in office. I do not want Mr. Wyse get one or other of his to friends to write and present his views of this matter, but I want to see a letter from some fisherman who *knows* whereof he writes. I remain, Sir, yours truly,

A FISHERMAN.

Mr. Lewis on the Escuminac Church Question.

ESCUMINAC, April 4th, '78.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

SIR,—"Bible Christian" appears to be determined to show to the public that Escuminac Church was built by scheming on the part of the Wesleyans, and fraud by the building committee. I before stated that the Church is to be open to Ministers of all Protestant Denominations to hold religious service in; it is needless for me to say anything more about this. He says that I let the public into the secret of how the little plot was worked. If he means to say that anything was done in an underhand manner I say, without hesitation, that it is not true; every thing was done honestly. Who attended this meeting which "Bible Christian" thinks was so damaging to the interest of subscribers? I will tell you. Fourteen of the principal subscribers of Escuminac, men who, I would say, were wholly interested in the matter. It is true that I objected to Mr. Phillips' resolution as he first put it to the meeting, that the Church to be built be handed over to the Methodist Conference. I objected to this as it was not consistent with our subscription list, but if he would add—"With the express understanding that the door be open to Ministers of all Protestant Denominations to hold religious service therein," I would support it which he did, and it was thus put to the meeting and carried, twelve voting yea and two nay, myself being one of the former. If "Bible Christian's" story be established then the committee are guilty of obtaining money under false pretences, as they acted entirely on their own responsibility such power being given them by those that appointed them, to act as they deemed best for the interests of subscribers. If there is any one to blame in the matter it is the committee for neglecting to notify subscribers. But this would not forward the little scheme of a few discontented spirits in Glenelg and Hardwicke, which is nothing less than this, to drive those intruding Methodists from those parishes, but I can tell "Bible Christian" and his friends that this is not easily done. I deny the charge of alluding to a denomination, I alluded to men, but as I will answer this more fully when, I deal with "Alias," I will go on. If "Bible Christian" believes me to be impartial, and knows me to be obliging, why did he not apply to me for facts instead of applying to one who I believe will yet dispute the title with the "Father of Liars." All that is necessary to say of "Evangelical Churchman" is that Hon. W. M. Kelly only subscribed $5 instead of $15 as stated by "Bible Christian" Mr. J. J. Anslow's name never appeared on our papers. I could point out other mistakes but this is sufficient to spoil his little sum in arithmetic.

"Alias" appears to be no ordinary man, he appears to be an agent for the "Montreal Novelty Company," and tries his hand at a novel, yet cheap advertisement. In the second place he appears to be a defender of the innocents but, Sir, I would tell him not to attempt to defend from insult persons who are guilty of giving contemptible insults themselves, however I agree with "Alias" when he says that there are not more than a half dozen persons in that congregation that have any sympathy with the views expressed by "Bible Christian." Wicked sinner that I am, all the free instructions the people of Escuminac and myself have received the last thirty or forty years, may have taught us to believe in the inspiration of the Bible, but has failed to make us practice what is taught in the 5th Ch. and 39th verse of St. Matthew's Gospel. Again, "Alias," appears to be a man of peace, and in this he will have all honest men to assist him, "Blessed is the peacemaker &c."

On Friday last, Mr. Editor, we had an official visit from Rev. Mr. Anderson of Newcastle and the Rev. Mr. McBain of Chatham, to investigate this church affair and in the interest of peace, real peacemakers they proved themselves to be—gentlemen of the right stamp. Their mission proved successful, and they left for town in the afternoon, carrying with them a blessing from every honest Protestant in Escuminac. May they often pay us a visit.

Thanking, you, Mr. Editor, for your patience in this matter.

I remain, yours truly,

D. LEWIS.

Mr. Wilson on "Bible Christian."

Escuminac, April 6, 1878.

To the Editir of the Miramichi Advance,

SIR.—Allow me a small space in your columns to address a few words to "Bible Christian" and others.

"Bible Christian" does not appear to try to contradict me, but only tries to make light of my losses last season. Now, sir, I do not wish him to understand that I am insulted, but if my last season's loss was his, he would likely grieve more over the loss to his pocket than he will ever over his sly, wicked attack on honest people's private character. I defy him to prove the charge of obtaining money under false pretences against the committee who had the matter in hand, but if he grieves over his three dollars, let him call, or send an order to my residence, and his money will be refunded with interest, for I would not wish the Committee to hold an Indian Gift in their possession. Poor "Christian," I am really sorry for him. "Evangelical Churchman" says he has right on his side, and I agree with him there; but it is my opinion it is the right of getting out of a scrape which he has got himself into by becoming a tool for others. I would advise him, the next time he attempts to enlighten the public by making serious charges against others, to sign his proper name or some one else will have to do it for him, then what will he think of that "Friend Sandy." As to "Evangelical Churchman" I do not think him worth replying to as his is only a rehash of "Bible Christian," I will treat him with silent contempt.

A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh lies shall perish.

Mr. Editor, you must feel grateful to "Alias" for his assistance, I am sure it will cool the *Cacoethes Scribendi* of country correspondents, and therefore be a great relief to the readers of the *Advance.*

By inserting the above you will oblige

Yours truly,

ALEX. WILSON.

D. T. B. at Point Aux Car.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

SIR:—The usual weekly entertainment of the D. T. B. Club of Point Aux Car, held in the School Room, on Wednesday April 3rd, was one of the most interesting meetings we have yet had. The chair was occupied by the President, Mr. Phineas Gunn. After the opening hymn by the Choir, the following programme was proceeded with.

Reading, by Miss Maggie Sweezey.
Song, by Mr. Reuben A. Sweezey.
Reading, by Miss Maggie Barron.
Song, by Misses Annie and Maggie Sweezey.
Reading, by Mr. Phineas Gunn.
Recitation, by Miss Maggie J. Loggie.
Recitation, by Miss Sarah J. Sweezey.
Recitation, by Master Alexander McDonald.
Reading, by Mr. Phineas Gunn.
Song, by Mr. Simon McDonald.
Song, by Miss Maggie J. Loggie.
Reading, by Mr. Phineas Gunn.
Reading, by Master Angus F. Russell.
Hymn, by the Choir.
Reading, by Mr. Charles S. Russell.
Reading, by Mr. Phineas Gunn.
Song, by Messrs. Reuben A. Sweezey and Simon McDonald.
Song, by Mr. Peter Taylor.

The meeting was then brought to a close, the Choir Singing the Doxology.

There are now about 70 names on the Pledge Book, which in proportion to the population of this community, is fully as many as in any other settlement in this County.

The interest in Dutcher meetings seems to be constantly on the increase in all the surrounding settlements.

Wishing every success to all members of the Cold Water Club, I remain, yours &c.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Point Aux Car, April 4th, 1878.

Pokemouche, April 6, 1878.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

SIR:—A disturbance took place in Tracadie on the 18th March last, and as a statement of it may be interesting to some of your readers, I send you the following for publication.

Mr. Wm. Ferguson, one of the Trustees of the absconding debtor John B. Gagnon, having taken his (Gagnon's) books for collection, summoned some sixty persons to appear before Justice Wm. Archer of Tracadie, on the 18th and 19th of March. Many of those were residents of the parish of Inkerman, living a distance of from 12 to 15 miles from Court, who were considerably disappointed to find a case from Tracadie occupy the court all the forenoon.

In the afternoon, another case from Tracadie was heard, (Ferguson *vs* Benoit) the Plaintiff's side of which occupied the remainder of the day, leaving those who had come from a distance uncertain at what time their cases would be tried. Some of them believing they were being trifled with, expressed themselves strongly to that effect, when they were immediately fallen upon by Mr. Ferguson's party. They were, however, not prepared to meet with such a stubborn resistance from the "Pokemouche Irish", and though they used sticks and clubs freely on the heads of those strangers for a while, it had not the desired effect. Five or six of the Pokemouchers getting their "Irish" thoroughly aroused, drove them in a confused mass from the premises and harmony was restored. Mr. Adams, of Newcastle, counsel for Mr. Ferguson, on the first appearance of trouble, displayed his agility by making a hasty exit through one of Mr. Archer's windows—some say breaking a pane of glass to get through. His fears were however, groundless, for I am sure no one of either party would molest the little fellow. His cap and coat were found in the room when all was quiet. Mr. Ferguson the plaintiff in the suits, seems to have taken an active part in the affair, as I saw him next day with his eyes considerably darker than usual.

Next morning the Court met at the usual hour and concluded the case of Ferguson *vs* Benoit when they adjourned for dinner. When they met in the afternoon, I heard Gagnon's books could not be found. They will it is hoped be returned at a proper season for collection.

I am happy to say no one suffered much injury the only thing being black eyes and bruised faces on Mr. Ferguson's party, and a few extra bumps, which I doubt phrenologists could name, on the others and as these will soon disappear, I think the circumstance should be forgotten.

ONE WHO WAS PRESENT.

Newcastle Fire Company.

NEWCASTLE, 2nd April, 1878.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

SIR:—There has been a company formed in our town for the protection from fire of the lives and property of the citizens. A meeting was called on Tuesday evening last, at which Allan Ritchie Esq., was elected Captain of the Company by those present. He is a man of high standing among all classes and is quite capable of fulfilling the duties of Captain of a Fire Company in a very satisfactory manner. Competent men were also elected to the other offices connected therewith, among whom was one celebrated for his "graining, glazing, Fresco-painting &c" and who seemed to take an interest in organizing the Company. On Thursday evening last another meeting was called to complete the organizing of this wonderful Company at which this "Fresco" man was present, and at which last mentioned meeting it was learned that Mr. Ritchie would not accept of the position which his Electors thought he was so capable of holding. After the usual routine of business, the next thing to be done was to elect another Captain, about which of course, there were the usual discussions and objections, and after a lengthy debate, one of our prominent young Barristers was nominated for that very high and responsible office. Some others were also nominated, and perhaps equally as well fitted to fill that position, but they did not stand so high in the minds of those present as the Barrister and the consequence was that he was elected by a majority of two.

Before the close of the meeting all the other officers such as Secretary, Treasurer &c., were filled and it was moved and carried that another meeting should be held on Monday evening at eight o'clock. After this the meeting adjourned.

At the hour of the meeting on Monday evening, there were quite a number of persons present, conspicuous among whom was the "Fresco" man. After the meeting was called to order the Barrister's resignation from his position as Captain was read and accepted. The motion for acceptance was made by the "Fresco" man who by the way has not long since returned to his native place from the United States. The motion was carried and the election of another Captain was necessary. But before the election, a "Son of Erin" who has lately come to "Ameriky," and who seems to think himself somewhat of an elocutionist spoke at length on the mode by which the officers were elected. It appeared to his mind that they should be ballotted for, fairly and squarely. Other members also spoke, not only on this subject but on the whole of the proceedings, in general, among whom was this "Fresco" man who wound up by moving a reconsideration of the method by which the officers were elected, thinking doubtless that by these means the other offices would be vacated and himself be put in nomination for Captain by some present who upheld his views. He failed in his object, and a member was chosen who plies his brush otherwise than to shingled roofs of fashionable houses, so called. The present Captain is a person who has been in connexion with a company of a similar nature in another part of the Province and who, no doubt, will, fulfil his duty as Captain in a satisfactory manner. The Company is now formed, and it is expected that if a fire should take place it will be subdued heroically on the part of the members of the Newcastle Fire Company. Yours, &c.

L. G.

Douglasfield D. T. B. Meeting.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

SIR:—On last Wednesday evening, our weekly Dutcher meeting took place and, notwithstanding the disagreeable weather, a large number were present. The meeting being called to order by Mr. T. Brehaut V. P. the choir sang "See the Temperance Banners flying" Then followed a recitation by Master John Irving, a song by W. Williams and a reading by Master James Baldwin, entitled "The five Bacholars" The choir again sang "The Crystal Spring" and this was followed by a recitation, "Aunt Tabitha," by Miss Mary Brehaut which received great applause. A reading by Miss Sadie Brehaut, was next on the programme. Mr. Frecker of Chatham, being called on to address the meeting, said he was unprepared, but had much pleasure in introducing Mr. Woods of Chatham, who, being called on, sang "The Hat my Father wore" and being encored, he responded with "McCarthy's Mare." Master Howard Irving gave an appropriate address, entitled "The Wine Cup" and was followed by Miss Ettie Jackson who sang "The Potomac" and received an encore.

Mr. Frecker now took the stand and gave an eloquent address, portraying the evils of intemperance and advised the young men always to hold fast to their pledge. I think if Mr. Frecker would visit us oftener, it would tend much towards strengthening the cause. The choir sang "I'll never take to drinking any more." Our little friend Willie H. Brehaut asked the President if he might say a few words to the young men and being permitted to speak, advised them to come forward and express their views, and give the younger ones a rest, as he, speaking so much lately, felt very tired, also adding "It was hard on the lungs", this brought down the House. He next gave a recitation entitled "I am a Dutcher". I would ask Mr. "Teazer" if his *Noble* Boy can best that? Three recitations followed by Misses Trevors and McIntosh and Master Baldwin. Miss Woods (of Chatham) sang "Birdie's Dying," after which Mr. Thos. Baldwin gave a reading "The Epitaph" John Baldwin Esq., then took the stand, and addressed the audience in his usual pleasing style, saying that as so much had been said on Temperance, there was little for him to say, and concluded by saying he was proud to see the temperance movement progressing. Mr. Williams sang one of his comic songs, and was followed by Mr. Frecker who gave a recitation entitled "Puff Stuff".

A collection was taken up and the meeting adjourned, the Choir singing "Home".

ANON.

Douglasfield, April 6, 1878.

[The writer of the above neglected to send his name. Correspondents must remember that, in all cases, they must send their names in confidence to the editor, their not complying with this rule renders their communications liable to consignment to the waste basket.—ED.]

Resignation of Rev. W. Caven.

We are requested to publish the following extract from the *Presbyterian Witness:*

"On Wednesday, the 27th inst., the Presbytery of St. John visited St. Paul's congregation, Fredericton. After sermon by the Moderator, *pro tem*, and the usual examination, the Presbytery proceeded to consider the resignation of this charge, laid upon their table by the Rev. W. Caven. After lengthy deliberation, the brethren present were constrained with no small reluctance, to acquiesce in the decision arrived at by their esteemed brother, and to notify the same to a meeting of the members of the congregation, which was held in the evening. The announcement of Mr. Caven's demission made a deep impression upon the people assembled. He will carry with him from Fredericton the best wishes of all who know him. It is known that very substantial tokens of the people's good will are to be presented to him. And from the laborious character of the work undertaken and done by him during his pastorate of St. Paul's he cannot fail to be a most useful and successful minister of the Gospel wherever his lot may be assigned."

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MARRIED.

At St. Mary's Chapel, on the 3rd inst., by Rev David Forsyth, Rector, Mr. John Percival to Miss Mary C. Ullock, second daughter of Mr. William Ullock, both of Chatham.

At the Manse, Tabusintac, on the 3d inst., by the Rev. Wm Fogo, Andrew Cassidy, to Mary, daughter of Robert Davidson, of Burnt Church, Parish of Alnwick, County Northumberland.

DIED.

At Douglastown, on the 9th inst., after a lingering illness, which he bore with patience and resignation to the will of God, Richard Augustine, youngest son of Mr. John Troy, aged 25 years. *Requiescat in pace.*

[Halifax papers please copy.]

At his residence, Bay du Vin, on Thursday, 4th inst., Benjamin Williston, aged 74 years, leaving a large circle of friends and acquaintances to mourn his loss.

At Newcastle, on the 3rd instant, David Gelkie, a native of Perthshire, Scotland, aged 60 years. His end was Peace.

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EQUITY SALE.

In the Supreme Court in Equity.

Between John Williston, Plaintiff, and William Taylor and Elizabeth Taylor, his wife, Luther Williston, Phineas Gallagher and Ellen Gallagher, his wife, Robert McCosh and Ellen McCosh, his wife, John McDonald and Jane McDonald, his wife, Jos. B. Williston and Thomas E. Williston,—Defendants.

There will be sold at Public Auction on THURSDAY, the sixteenth day of May next, at 12 o'clock noon, at Letson's Weigh Scales, in Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, all the right, title and interest of the above named Plaintiff, and of the Defendants, William Taylor, Elizabeth Taylor, Luther Williston, Phineas Gallagher, Ellen Gallagher, Robert McCosh, Ellen McCosh, John McDonald and Jane McDonald, in the following Lands and Premises, that is to say:—

1.—All that piece of Land situate on the Southerly side of Bay du Vin River, in the Parish of Hardwicke, in the County of Northumberland, originally granted by Letters Patent to the late Luther Williston, now deceased, and known in the original Grant as Lot B, containing one hundred acres, more or less.

2.—Also all that piece of land situate on the southerly or easterly side of the said River, being a part of Lot No. 14, granted to John T. Williston by Letters Patent, bearing date the tenth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and particularly described in the said Grant and Plan attached thereto.

3.—Also all that other piece or parcel of Land, being one equal undivided moiety or half part of all that Lot of Land situate in the Parish of Hardwicke aforesaid, on Fox Island at the entrance of Miramichi River, being part of the Lot formerly granted to John O. Bear, the said lot being bounded on the East by Miramichi Bay, on the South by lands granted to Paul Muzzall, on the North by lands granted to Donald McLean, the piece of the said lot (of which the undivided half is intended to be conveyed) being the front or east part of said Lot, ten rods in width, from north to south, commencing on the beach or shore on the south line of said lot, thence westerly along the said line ten rods from the edge of the grass, thence north on such a course as will strike the north line of the said Lot at the distance of ten rods from the edge of the grass, thence easterly along said north line to the water.

4.—Also those two lots, pieces or parcels of land situate on Fox Island aforesaid, and formerly owned by Gilbert Muzzall and Paul Muzzall and which were conveyed by them to the late John B. Williston, deceased, George Williston and Luther Williston, deceased, of which said lots one acre was reserved by William J. Fraser in his deed to Luther Williston, deceased.

5.—Also all that other piece or parcel of land situate on Fox Island, known as the Lot granted to Benjamin Stymiest which is bounded as follows: on the north by land known as the Lake Lot, formerly owned by John T. Williston, on the south by lands belonging to the Heirs of William Gardner, deceased, westerly by lands formerly owned by John B. Williston, and easterly by the sea, excepting thereout the front and fishing privilege reserved by William J. Fraser, in his deed to the late Luther Williston.

6.—Also all that other piece or parcel of Land situate on Fox Island aforesaid, fronting the Bay Shore inside of the said Island, bounded northerly by the McKinnon Lot, easterly by lands owned by Alexander and William Williston, and in the rear by the rear line of the Lots fronting on the Sea Shore and known as the Taylor Lot, being the same pieces or parcels of land that were conveyed to the said Luther Williston, deceased, by William J. Fraser and Jessie his wife, by Deed bearing date the twenty-ninth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, as by reference to the said deed will fully appear.

7.—Also all that certain piece, parcel or tract of Land situate in the Parish of Hardwicke aforesaid, bounded and described as follows to wit:—