LOCAL NEWS.

THE ROADS.—There have been big drifts reported by visitors driving in from the country districts.

MAYOR'S ELECTION.—There was no opposition this week to Mayor Allen, and his nomination papers were filed on Tuesday last by the Hon. A. F. Randolph, J. A. Vanwart, G. N. Babbitt, and T. G. Loggie.

A BEAUTIFUL FLOWER.—The specimens of Chinese lily now on view at Bebbington's nursery, are unique. The plant which is called sacred in the celestial kingdom, is raised from a bulb and is rapidly rising in favor among amateur florists.

PRESENTATION.—The choir of the Methodist church in this city have presented their leader, C. H. B. Fisher, with a very handsome gold headed cane, with an appropiate inscription. The presentation took place at Mr. Fisher's residence on Thursday evening.

A SOCIAL EVENING.—On Friday evening a happy party of guests assembled at the residence of Alexander Burchill, Queen street, the occasion being an at home given by Miss Burchill. Music, dancing, and other amusements were freely indulged in and the party spent a very pleasant evening.

CALITHUMPIANS.—A party of the boys driving around in a gaily illuminated coach were very conspicuous on King and Queen streets on Monday evening. They were in carnival array, their faces were blacked, and their chins adorned with sheeps tails, and they carried tin trumpets with them.

PRESENTATION.—C. Lee Cliff, who is leaving the city to join his brother in British Columbia, was on Tuesday last presented with an elegant gold watch the gift of Fred B. Edgecombe. It bears the following inscription: Presented to C. Lee Cliff, in appreciation of his good services, Fredericton January 6. 1891.

WEATHER NOTES. — Considerable snow fell during the earlier part of the week, and on Tuesday the thermometer was 13 above. On Thursday bright sunshine, and mild weather was chronicled throughout the day, but at six o'clock, Friday morning the thermometer registered 22 below, changing to 10 below at eight a. m.

THE LIGHT FANTASTIC.—Some twenty-five couples participated in the fascinations of the dance on Tuesday evening at Tyler Mills' residence at central Kingsclear. Several townspeople drove out notwithstanding the inclement weather, and report a thoroughly enjoyable time. The music was furnished by Abraham Goodine.

AN INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE.—A. G. Beckwith, C. E. is preparing plans and specifications for a bridge across the St. Croix river at Baring. The structure with approaches will be about six hundred feet long, but it will not be expensive. The cost of the work be shared by the provincial government and the Matne townships directly interested.

CHOIR SUPPER.—The members of the St. Mary's church choir met on Tuesday evening at the residence of the vicar the Rev. C. H. Parkinson. Abundance of good cheer was provided and the partition of turkey discussed. Games, music and social chat kept all busily amused until ten o'clock when the party separated, having spent a very pleasant time.

NEW RELIGIOUS WEEKLY.—The initial member of the Methodist, a weekly paper devoted to religious news, has been received at this office. It is neatly printed, and contains educational, missionary, sustentation, sabbath school, Epworth league, and temperance work items. It is edited by the Rev. Dr. Wilson, St. John, and is full of interesting circuit news.

THE COLONIST CHRISTMAS NUMBER.—The special holiday number of the Daily Colonist has been received at this office. It is a representative Newfoundland paper, full of interesting descriptive matter, rendered bright with well drawn illustrations, and full to the brim of gossippy topical chat. It is edited by P. R. Bowers, St. John's, Newfoundland.

WEEK OF PRAYER.—Union services have been held throughout the week at the Methodist, F.C.B., St. Paul's and Baptist churches. The Rev. Messrs. McLeod, Shenton, Crawley, and Payson have taken the leading part in the services and the free interchange of thought has been of great benefit to all in attendance. The services have been fairly well attended.

WORK ON THE BRIDGE.—Owing to the inclement weather the work of building a new abutment has to be proceeded with slowly and carefully. The demolishing of one of the piers has been a work of great difficulty owing to the solid frost, and the men have had to use their axes and picks freely. It will be some weeks yet before the necessary improvements are completed.

ICE CUTTING.—The business men of this city are to have a large ice bonanza this year, and the undertaking will be on a large scale. A new system of ventilation will be employed in the storage house in order to prevent shrinkage during the warm season. Preparations are being made for ice cutting near St. Mary's ferry landing, and a large crew of men with teams will be employed.

STOVE STOLEN.—Mrs. A. Murphy complains that two thieves carried off her stove, while her son Frank and Frank McInnis were warming themselves at it, and she is now sitting in the cold. She thinks that the authorities of the town should look after such thieves.

The Chatham World, from which the above is taken, owes the public an explanation of this remarkable occurrence.

PLENTY OF SNOW.—W. Richards from the Miramichi, who has been spending a few days in the city, has large crews of men with teams at work in the lumber woods. There has been abundance of snow, and although some shovelling in a few cases has been absolutely necessary, the work has not suffered much. The cold however has been most intense, and men and horses have had a very trying time of it during the month of December.

SERVICES AT ST. MARY'S.—THE HERALD is asked to state that the order of the services in connection with the St. Mary's parish church to-morrow (Sunday) will be: Morning service at lower St. Mary's 11 a. m., at Marysville 3 p. m., and at St. Mary's parish church 7. p. m. The choir will sing at the Marysville service 3. p. m., accompanied by Prof. Cadwallader at the organ. On Wednesday last the intending candidates for confirmation were addressed by the Rev. Bishop Kingdon.

PRESENTATION.—The Rev. Mr. Rued who has been staying at the residence of the Rev. Mr. Crawley on Westmorland street was on Monday evening made the happy recipient of a purse of $25 from his Marysville friends. The present was made up out of the proceeds of a pie social held by the F. C. Baptist church at that place. Mr. Rued was very pleased with this token of appreciation. His friends in this city have raised $60 in aid of his college expenses and wish him good speed this term.

TO ORGANIZE NEW LODGES.—Grand lecturer T. Hetherington has been in communication with Star Council of this city, and finding that organization complete, and still growing in numbers every week, has determined to organize a new council in this city. It is also intended to inaugurate branches of the order at St. Mary's and Marysville, after which Mr. Hetherington will make a tour of the province, delivering lectures, and strengthening the various organizations on the road.

BEFORE THE BEAK.

A Field Day for the Police Magistrate, Twenty-three Cases.

Lively proceedings in the police court on Wednesday afternoon, when the hearing of twenty three offenders against the Canada temperance act was begun. Police Magistrate Marsh was inclined to smile, the prosecuting lawyer was facetious, and the counsel for the defence satirical. Some of the offenders had more than one complaint lodged against them and one witness had been served with eleven subpœnas.

Bartley Sears of St. Croix, charged with a first offence against the act between the 1st and 4th days of November last pleaded not guilty. J. A. Vanwart prosecuted and J. H. Barry appeared for the defence.

George Hurd sworn said: I know defendent who kept a provision and liquor shop at St. Croix. His store contained a bar. What are the fittings? queried Mr. Vanwart. Squarefaces, long necks, and cigars, pertly responded the witness. Was in the bar on Monday the 3rd. Nov. last when I had one rye and paid ten cents for it. On being asked by defending counsel how he fixed the date, witness produced his time book. The liquor was rye and certainly intoxicating. Oh! yes, he was there before, went to fetch doctor Young, and took the opportunity to get a drink. Yes he did a little doctoring on his own account, he fetched the doctor along and the whiskey too. It was true he had been served with eleven subpœnas but he assured Mr. Barry it only meant eleven drinks.

The second case was that between the 4th and 20th November last, the defendant Bartley Sears committed a second offence. Mr. Barry on behalf of Mr. Sears pleaded not guilty.

Henry D. Hayeg was examined at considerable length but failed to establish that he was positively in defendant's bar on the 19th Nov. last. The second witness in this case could not appear as he had been discovered in a state of helpless intoxication, and conveyed to the cells.

The St. Croix cases were resumed on Wednesday evening when James Tague was charged on two counts, and Allen McCullin with two offences also. The McAdam offenders William McCulley, and wife were the next tried, the former being convicted of two charges, and the latter, Mary Ann McCulley, with two offences. William Sears also of McAdam was convicted of three cases, the fines aggregating $700. In these cases the principal witnesses examined were Hayes and Hurd.

On Thursday morning the two charges against Mary Hodds of St. Croix were taken up. Hurd's evidence against the defendant was unshaken, but the witness Hayes again failed to remember the exact dates of his visits to the store kept by defendant.

Police magistrate Marsh on Friday morning delivered judgment in these cases. For each offence the usual fine of $50 and costs were imposed. It is reported that William and Mary McCullough have levanted.

Archibald Jewett was on Tuesday charged with committing an unprovoked assault upon a little boy named Pollock, and was fined $5 and costs.

Two young men convicted of a disturbance against the peace in front of the post office made the usual deposits and were set at liberty.

A case of abuse Mrs. T. Thompson v Lillian Shaw was set down for hearing Friday. As the defendant shaw did not appear the magistrate caused a warrant to be issued for her arrest.

Lodge Installations.

The ceremony of installation of the officers elect of Victoria lodge, No. 13, I.O.O.F., was conducted by J. F. Richards, D.D.G.M., on Monday evening last. The following were installed for the current year:

J. W. McCready, N. G.
H. H. Pitts, V. G.
M. Tennant, P. S.
C. A. Sampson, T.
A. G. Robinson, R. S.
G. Duncan, W.
J. W. Reid, C.
B. F. Hall, I. G.
H. B. Clark, O. G.
J. M. Torrance, R. S. N. G.
W. J. Scarr, L. S. N. G.
G. W. Brown, R. S. S.
W. H. Tobin, L. S. S.

At the regular monthly meeting of Walker Orange lodge, No. 35, the following officials were elected for the current year:

A. L. Haining, W. M.
J. Howie, D. M.
G. I. Gunter, Chap.
W. M. Clark, R. S.
J. B. Grieves, F. S.
R. K. Yerxa, Treas.
E. C. Lunt, D. of C.
J. N. Edney, L.
W. H. Grey, F. of C.

County master Anderson afterwards proceeded with the ceremony of installation,

At the meeting of the Alexandria lodge, No. 33, F. and A. M., on Tuesday last at St. Mary's, the following officers were installed by P. M. Alexander Burchill:

Albert Boone, W. M.
Whitman Brewer, S. W.
Charles E. Jones, J. W.
Thomas D. Babbitt, Chap.
Whitman Hains, Treas.
Edgar Hanson, Sec.
John G. Hall, S. D.
Thomas Patchell, J. D.
Robert Moore, S. S.
Charles F. Mathus J. S.
Jared Boone, D. of C.
James E. Wright, I. G.
Isaiah G. Keith, Tyler.

The Disappearance Trick.

One of our smart young business men told this little anecdote to a HERALD reporter on Wednesday evening last. "The maternal homestead on Charlotte street" said he, "was visited a few days ago by some enterprising individual who managed to purloin ten hens out of fifteen kept on the premises. Anyhow there were only five left. We kept dark about it until one morning I ran against sergeant Vandine, and we entered into conversation respecting these fowls directly opposite the house of the suspected person on York street. Whether that individual overheard our conversation will never be known but strange to say those birds made their reappearance at our house the same evening, for when we inspected the hen house the next morning we found them safe and sound."

The Fredericton Market.

There has been a fair attendance at the market this week. The ruling prices are: beef 3 to 5 cts.; mutton 4 to 5 cts.; lamb 6 to 7 cts.; pork 6 to 6½ cts.; sausages 12 cts.; hams 12 cts.; chickens 30 to 50 cts.. turkeys 12 to 14 cts.; ducks 60 to 75 cts.; geese 60 to 80 cts.; butter 15 to 19 cts.; lard 13 to 15 cts. eggs 23 to 25 cts.; turnips 60 cts.; potatoes $1.50; carrots 80 cts.; buckwheat $2; hay $5 :$7to $10; straw to $5.50; oats 50 to 52; socks and mitts 20 cts per pair.

COMING AND GOING.—Rev. LeB. McKiel who has for the past sixteen years ministered to the spiritual wants of the people of Keswich ridge, has been invited to the rectorship of St. Martins. While rejoicing in, his elevation it is with a feeling of genuine regret that his present parishioners, regard his removal to a new sphere of action. The congregation of St. Pauls church will hold a meeting on Monday next to elect a successor to the Rev. J. Mowatt. Dr. McLeod will occupy the Kirk pulpit at the services to-morrow (Sunday).

A NASTY FALL.—William Tomlinson, storekeeper of Regent street, met with a nasty fall while proceeding to his place of business a few days ago. He was passing in front of Grieves' hotel, when the slippery nature of the sidewalk caused him to fall heavily on his left side, his head striking the ground. He was picked up half unconscious by policeman Phillips and conveyed into the hotel, when it was found the left side of his face was considerably bruised and his shoulder badly hurt.

THE BELLEDUNE MURDER.

What Occurred in Petre's House—The Evidence of the Inmates.

The preliminary examination of the prisoners Culligan, Young, Arseneau, Guitar, and Cameron, charged with being concerned in the murder of George Williams, a sailor at Belledune, took place at Dalhousie; on Saturday the 3rd last before justice Smith at Dalhousie.

Geo. W. Allen appeared on behalf of the crown, and the Hon. Mr. Barberie defended.

Antoine Petre was the first witness. He said he knew the prisoners as the same men who were at his house one Monday night when the sailor was ejected.

Williams came in and when pressed to drink refused and hid under the bed. After a time he came out of his own accord. He again declined to drink with prisoners, and the latter pulled him into the kitchen to induce him to comply. He again took refuge under the bed from which he was driven by Culligan and Cameron. He at length escaped after having been beaten about the head by Young, Cameron, and Culligan with their fists. The beating was not at all serious. Witness did not see the sailor afterwards though he made a search for him.

Thomas Petre, a son of the first witness corroborated his father's statements.

Margaret Petre, sister to the previous witness gave evidence respecting the assault committed upon the sailor, and stated that the prisoners were all intoxicated.

Mrs. Anglique Petre also gave evidence, and said that the sailor had been assaulted after he had left the house, but on cross examination retracted her statement. All the witnesses spoke imperfect English and were very illiterate.

John Frazer of Chatham arrived in Dalhousie Wednesday and says that he met George Williams during the latter part of October, and that the sailor shipped on board the barque Ruby on the 31st of that month. As the 7th of October is the time the alleged murder is said to have taken place, this is very important, if true.

On the opening of the court Friday the crown counsel said he had no further evidence to bring before the court.

Hon. Mr. Barberie then addressed the court, and said that the evidence advanced was not sufficient to warrant a committal of the prisoners, The whole matter was evidently a drunken jollification, during which the sailor did get some blows on the head with a fist and nothing else and had ran away. The prisoners' mouths were practically closed, they could not bring in any testimony in defence at this examination. He claimed that every intelligent man in the community felt that the proceedings were groundless.

Geo. W. Allen submitted that a most serious assault had taken place and that there was evidence to establish a prima facia case of murder.

At two o'clock justice Smith gave his dicision committing the prisoners for trial.

Recent Deaths.

The funeral of the late Mrs. W. H. Hall took place at St. John on Sunday afternoon from the residence of her son, T. H. Hall, on Orange street. The Revs. Mellick, Stewart and Spencer officiated, a large number of relatives and friends being present. Deceased was for 56 years a consistent member of the Baptist church, and Mr. Spencer, in a brief address, alluded to her Christian life and character. The sons and grandsons of the deceased were the pall bearers, and the remains were interred in the Rural cemetry at St. John.

Mrs. Adelia Saunderson the beloved wife of Albert H. Saunderson of this city died on Thursday morning at her residence on Charlotte street. Deceased who had for some time been a sufferer from that fatal disease, consumption, died a sincere christian. She was much respected in this community. The funeral will take place at 2.30 a. m. Sunday.

Mrs. Keen, wife of Jesse Keen, of this city, and daughter of George F. Foster, Kingsley settlement, died on Wednesday last after a lingering and painful illness. The funeral took place at the old Pickard burying ground on Friday morning, the Rev. Mr. Henderson officiating. Only the immediate relatives and friends were present.

Induction of Rev. A. J. Mowatt.

The induction of Rev. A. J. Mowatt in Erskine church Montreal on Thursday was largely attended. Rev. Dr. Warden presided. Rev. Mr. Heine of Chalmers church, preached, his text being "In Him was light." Rev. Dr. Warden then narrated briefly the various steps that had been taken in connection with the call and put to the pastor-elect the questions of the formula, which being satisfactorily answered he, in the name and by the authority of the great head of the church, declared Mr. Mowatt inducted into the pastoral charge of the congregation, and in the name of the Presbyterians extended to him the right hand of fellowship. The members of the Presbytery also welcomed Mr. Mowatt in the usual manner. Prof. Scrimger addressed Rev. Mowatt. The office to which he has been inducted was two-fold. He was a ruler over his flock, and his office was also that of a preacher. Rev. Mr. Dewey gave a congratulatory address.

Dr. Warden announced that Mr. Mowatt would commence his ministrations on Sunday evening.

Heraldisms.

Major Baugh will pay a visit to the Salvation army in this city on Saturday evening, when commissions will be presented to successful soldiers.

The directors of the People's bank in this city have declared a half-yearly dividened of four per cent.

The school inspectors have in conference made arrangements for the work of the current year.

The Fredericton brass band were allowed to have the use of the City hall free on the occasion of their recent concert.

The Marysville sandwich club paid a visit to the city on Monday and partook of an oyster supper at the W. C. T. U. rooms.

The Women's working band of St. Paul's church announce a concert for the 16th inst. at the city hall. The St. John string orchestra will attend.

Schedule rates are now charged by the C. P. R.

A Farewell Sermon.

Our Harvey correspondent writes: Rev. A. J. Mowatt preached here on Sabbath last in the church in the forenoon, and in the hall at the station in the evening. It is needless to say how largely these services were attended and how much interest was taken in them. Mr. Mowatt left for Montreal by the night train Monday evening, and will be inducted into the pastoral charge of Erskine church there on the 8th instant. During the eleven years he has been in Fredericton, Mr. Mowatt made frequent visits to Harvey, and will be just as much missed here as in Fredericton. No clergyman who has ever visited us has been held in higher esteem. He is a prophet who has been honored in his own country and amongst his own people, the teaching of scripture to the contrary nothwithstanding.

A Prince Edward Islander.

A commercial gentleman staying in this city gives a deplorable view of the state of affairs in that bright little Island of which he is a native. The question of the adoption of the temperance act has thrown the Islanders into a great state of excitement, and its recent rejection by a majority of 14 at Charlottetown shows how closely the affair was run. He says it is impossible to walk through the woods in some districts without encountering the rendezvous of a private still. These places when found by the police are invariably burned, but the liquor business has up to the present in most cases evaded the arm of the law. The revenue of course suffers through this illicit distilling, and the state of affairs in the Island is not very promising.

GOSPEL TEMPERANCE MEETING.

William Wilson, M. P. P. Discourses on an all Important Topic.

The meeting at Temperance hall on Sunday evening last was well attended. E. C. Freeze occupied the chair, and in a few well chosen remarks introduced William Wilson, M. P. P.

Mr. Wilson, who was well received spoke of the advantages ensuing from continuous agitation of this vital question of the day. The importance of keeping temperance topics continuously before the public cannot be over estimated. In the mother country modern reforms had been advocated and successfully inaugurated by keeping the masses alive to the importance of the reforms needed. The people of England carried out reforms by repeated agitation, and in temperance matters old ideas had to be presented continuously before the public. The moral and social advantages to be derived from the liquor traffic might be summed up in one word—nil. The skilled mechanic who by his genius invented a machine which would revolutionise trade conferred an inestimable benefit upon mankind. Invention marked the age of progress, and public benefits advanced a nation. The liquor seller had nothing of the inventive turn about him, his works did not mark a progressive age, and his benefits to mankind amounted to nothing. In the political world, and particularly in our own fair province, the efforts of the state had been spoiled by the pernicious effects of liquor. The free educational atmosphere of New Brunswick had been darkened by the cloud of the rum seller. The young man of the day had felt the influence of this evil, and scenes of debauchery had been witnessed at the election polls.

Mr. Freeze in a concluding address spoke of the prohibition question, which was the subject for combined action on the part of all denominations. A petition signed by all classes throughout the dominion will be presented to parliament at the next session, and the voice of the people would undoubtedly make itself heard.

The meeting then closed with the usual benedition.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

The Business of the Past Month as Reported by the Various Committees.

A quiet, business-like meeting on Tuesday evening last, Mayor Allen in the chair, and present aldermen Vandine, Gillman, Estey, Moore, Farrell, Richey and McPherson.

The usual routine business was transacted. Auditors' report for December shews for roads and streets, $89.15; public works, $67.50; administration justice, $19.60; contingent, $42.05; sewerage and water, $338.97. The water committee reported that accounts had been duly examined for past month. The school committee, in their report, stated in reference to increasing debit balance, that the trustees had met the committee. The trustees said the increasing demands of the schools demanded a full expenditure of $14,000 yearly, and that the taxes collected on that assessment did not realize that amount thus increasing the indebtedness of the board. It would be necessary to increase the annual assessment and the trustees said further that it was proposed to ask the legislature to authorize an increased assessment, and the issuing of additional debentures in order to provide for the pulling down of the York street school and the erection of a modern building.

The yearly account for the administration of justice for the county was referred to the usual committee. The city contributes one third of the total amount which is $2826.21. The item of repairs to public buildings amounts to the large sum of $1473.06.

The resignation of Robert Belyea, snow ploughing contractor was accepted and $20 paid in discharge of all claims; the contract was given to Aaron Smith for $113 for the remainder of the season.

The wharf committee were authorized to make arrangements for the selling of two lots of 50 feet each at the highwater wharf for building purposes.

This concluded the business of the evening.

The Turf.

It is universally acknowledged that New Brunswick leads the provinces in trotting sires. Two of her horses have entered the magic circle this year, viz.: Sir Charles has to his credit Maggie T. and Maud C.; and Aurora, Maud and Daniel Lambert.

Duchess has been seen to great advantage on the marsh road at St. John, and has been going at a wonderful rate of speed.

On Friday afternoon a number of elegant horses were to be seen along Queen street, and some fine exhibitions of speed took place.

Sybil Wilkes has been taking exercise this week, and great things are expected of this promising young-star. Ed. Monahan of Milltown is feeling happy, as his Elation colts are showing up well. Mr. Monahan has already been offered large prices for them and will no doubt realize the value of them.

The Roarin' Game.

The regular monthly meeting of the Curling club of this city on Wednesday evening to consider challenges from foreign clubs resulted in the following skips being elected. To play at St. Stephen: A. F. Street, T. G. Loggie, J. B. Grieves, and W. K. Allen. To play the St. John Thistle club: J. H. Hawthorne, J. B. Grieves, E. H. Allen, and T. G. Loggie. The Thistles who are expected to fix an early date to play the home club here are: A Watson, G. A. Kimball, A. O. Skinner, and H. V. Cooper.

A FINE FAMILY.—Samuel D. Scott of Prince William, who came into town Friday, is a vigorous hearty man of 60 years of age and boasts that he has never paid a doctor's bill. He has seven fine sons working in the lumber woods at Wisconsin, Magaguadavic, Machais, and New Hampshire, one son and three daughters at home. The only expense for medicine his family has ever cost him was $4, and this was incurred through an accident to the hand of one of his boys. The above is surely a convincing proof of the healthy climate of New Brunswick.

CONCERT AT DOUGLAS.—The temperance people of Douglas held a concert in the agricultural hall at that place on new Year's eve, when a programme of instrumental and vocal music was rendered. The principal performers were Messrs. Thomas Colter, Lesley Hawkins and Milton Brewer, Mrs. Ernest Ebbett, the Misses Hattie and Minnie Dunphy, Georgie Irving, Annie and Delia Tracey. Miss Ella Colter presided at the organ and a good attendance made the affair a success, about $30 being realized. The proceeds will go to pay current expenses.

MARYSVILLE ACCIDENTS.—A few days ago of the carpenters employed on the repairing of the shingle mill, William Moore by name, slipped from a plank on which he was standing and fell to the ground. He was severely bruised about the body and cut his right hand in a serious manner.

William Austin an employe at the shingle mill, in walking along the embankment a few days ago, slipped and fell heavily on his face, cutting his head, and inflicting an ugly bruise on the right cheek. He was obliged to return to his home in town. He is now doing well.

A MEMORIAL ALCOVE.—An exchange says: The Bridges memorial alcove is the latest addition to the St. Stephen public library. It is a biographical section established by the former pupils of Prof. H. S. Bridges, formerly principal of St. Stephen high school and now holding the chair of classics in the university of New Brunswick. The library now contains about one thousand volumes, and is so well patronized as to prove that it is doing the good work it was intended to do. A course of lectures in connection with the library is talked of.

TURNING THE TABLES.

How a Prince William Farmer Doubled on a Skinflint.

There was a jolly sample of the Prince William agriculturalist in town Friday, and the following particulars of a recent event was communicated by him to one of the staff of this paper. A young fellow who is in the habit of driving from town to Prince William and back, one afternoon got stuck in a snow drift and all his efforts to extricate the sled were fruitless. Our farmer seeing his plight hitched on two of his horses and got the young man out of his difficulty.

About a week later the young fellow had again to visit Prince William and unfortunately fell into the same predicament again and had to be rescued by the same party. The Prince William farmer, knowing his young friend was going back to town asked him if he would kindly bring with him a barrel of meal on his return to which the young man consented. This was done, but a few days ago as our farmer was standing in the market place he was interrogated by the young man to whom he had rendered so many important services.

"Have you any change about you?" "Yes, how much do you want?" "Oh! I'd like you to give me fifty cents?" "What for?" "Why for hauling that barrel of meal for you." Our farmer said nothing but paid the asked-for amount.

A day later he waited upon young Shylock and after a few preliminaries respecting the weather asked him if he were prepared to pay a little account he had against him.

"I pay a little account?" said Shylock. "Why man alive I don't owe you anything."

"Oh! yes you do and it must be paid forthwith."

"Why what do you mean?"

"Just this and nothing more, I hauled you twice out of that snow drift on the road, and my charge is two dollars!" Shylock stammered, hesitated, but being hard pressed by the farmer, fished out a two dollar bill and paid the piper. This a true recital of the facts, which are not denied by the young man who figured so disastrously in the matter.

PERSONAL

Concerning People Known to Most Readers.

Robert Chestnut of this city left for Sackville academy to-day Saturday.

Post master Hilyard is recovering slowly from his severe relapse of last week.

D. W. Hoegg, Parker Manzer, and Harry Atherton have returned from a business trip to Boston.

J. D. Phinney M. P. of Richibucto has been seriously ill with congestion of the lungs. He has been confined to his house for some time.

Among the arrivals at the Queen this week were G. R. Kendall, assistant mech. supt. C. P. R., J. W. Gilmor of the St. John Telegraph; W. Owen and wife, Birmingham, Eng.; G. T. Baird ex. M. P. P. Perth; Wm. Cameron of the London Eng. lace company; Warwick W. Street, O. E. Le Blanc St. John; and W. C. Grimmer, M. McMonagle St. Stephen.

Meetings at Keswick.

On Saturday evening last grand secretary Robinson, S. of T. addressed an enthusiastic meeting held at the Mouth Keswick under the auspices of Vesurius lodge, of Temperance.

On Sunday morning Mr. Robinson delivered an impressive discourse in the Baptist church at that place, and spoke at a large meeting held in the church after the evening service. There was a good program of sacred music provided at each meeting. The organ was presided over by Miss Ella Colter.

CITY HALL PERFOMANCES.—The Boston comedy company have been playing to large audiences in the city hall this week. On Thursday evening the military drama of British Born was presented, the company being assisted by a detachment from the R. S. I. corps. Eugene Sweetland was seen to great advantage in the title role, and was ably supported by Edwina Grey as the heroine. Price Webber's improvised localisms brought down the house, and E. Everett Parker was a dignified counsel The performance was under the patronage of Colonel Maunsell and officers of the military school. The company play in Houlton next week.

SEIZURE OF LIQUOR.—The replevin action of Wm. F. Pattern v James N. McDonald for alleged illegal seizure of liquor came up before chief justice Allen Friday. M. McMonagle appeared for the plaintiff, and W. C. H. Grimmer defended.

Defendant put in claim to set aside the writ of replevin on the grounds that the goods were in the custody of the law.

Chief justice Allen referred the matter to the full court.

LOST AND FOUND.—A gentleman entered a west end clothing establishment a few days ago, and after completing his business departed. A few moments after his departure the proprietor noticed an American $10 bill lying on the floor of the establishment. The gentleman returned some time after, and on giving an account of his loss the bill it was promptly restored, and he went on his way rejoicing.

MOOSE STEAKS.—The lumbermen employed at Timothy Lynch's camps on the Miramichi must be having a good time of it. They report abundance of game, and sport in plenty. On Thursday morning Pete Muzrell secured two fine moose with his winchester, and the men had the satisfaction of enjoying a good meal of moose steak for supper on that day.

POCKET CALENDAR.—Messrs. I. S. Johnson & Co., proprietors of the well-known Johnsons Anodyne Liniment, have issued a useful vest pocket dairy with daily memorandum and which is entitled "unlike any other." The readers of the HERALD can obtain one by sending a postal with their address written on it to the above named firm at 22 Custom House St., Boston.

THE BATHURST SCHOOLS.—The Protestant rate payers and electors of the school district at Bathurst village have complained to the board of education of the employment of sisters of charty in the schools of the district, a similar protest largely signed it is understood will be forwarded by the protestants of Bathurst town to the board of education.

FANCY SALE.—The ladies of the Methodist church at Nashwaak village have been busy organising entertainments in connection with the building fund of the proposed new church. At a recent fancy sale and bazaar sixty dollars was realized. It is proposed to hold another fancy sale and entertainment shortly and for this purpose contributions of fancy articles are earnestly invited.

A NATURAL CURIOSITY.—An exchange says: A gentleman brought in a live frog the other day with the intention of laying it on the editorial table, but by request he left it in the press room. Not to wondered at either, the press room is just the very place where a lively animal can jump at conclusions.

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