

Almanacks 1866.

IAN'S New Brunswick Almanack and  
for 1866, can be obtained singly  
s, or by the dozen for retail from  
J. LOCHARY & SON,  
of the old Farmers Almanac always  
Nov. 30, 1865.

Intention of Partnership.

is hereby given, that the partnership  
subsisting between James Moran and  
Moran, of St. George, in the County of  
under the firm of James Moran & Son,  
is dissolved by mutual consent,  
owing to the said partnership are to  
be settled all debts due to and owing  
to the firm.

JAMES MORAN,  
JAMES A. MORAN.  
Attest, September 16, 1865.

TO BE SOLD.

in, if applied for immediately  
posed by the 15th of April, the  
will be let and possession given  
on 1st May next.

THAT desirable situated House for  
business next to the Record Office,  
has been newly shingled and is  
in good repair; contains 9 rooms and  
cellar.

ALSO,  
Town Lots, in good situations for  
purposes. Apply to subscriber.  
Payment liberal.

D. GREEN.

Rubber.

Rubbers

AT THE

Albion House,

IN S. MAGEE.

as received an assortment of

us, Misses,

Ladies,

Gent's,

ber Overshoes.

adies Rubber Balmoral Boots, a nice

the present season, which with a

lens and Ladies Boots,

KELETON SKIRTS,

and the balance of stock of

TER DRY GOODS,

all CHEAP for Current Money

Bills taken at the usual discount.

ORE NEW GOODS.

RECEIVED and now open for sale

at the very lowest prices:

11s, Bonnets,

12s, and Ribbons.

WLS. MANTILLAS.

FANCY DRESS GOODS

ey and White Cottons,

5, Stripes, and Regattas

5, Silicas,

and CORSET CLOTHS

Crashes; Towel-

ling & Table Lin-

ens, Shirt-fronts,

lars, and Fan-

lars, Rubbers,

Boots and Shoes

of Summer Stock lately expected

per "Europa" and when received

at a very small advance on st.

of the goods.

TERMS:

nd Tuition, including all the branches

ian, £50 per annum.

DAY PUPILS.

th, £5 0 0 per ann.

including French, 8 0 0

for season, 0 0 0

REFERENCES.

Percy, D. D. Quebec: J. Thompson Esq.

Esq. high school, Wm. Andrews, M. A.

McGill College, Montreal.

lacion, S. Benson, M. D. Henry Cunard

Q. Ketchum, J. W. Street and Geo. D.

12th St. Andrews.

FOR SALE.

Hosiery, Gloves,

and Worked Col-

larsments for Boys & Girls

s Jackets, Sacks, Pants,

Waists, &c. &c.

tern can be used with ease.

JAS. MCKINNEY.

# The St. Andrews Standard.

PUBLISHED BY A. W. SMITH.]

E. VARIIS SUMMUM EST OPTIMUM.—Cic.

[£50 PER ANNUM IN ADVANCE

Vol 33

SAINT ANDREWS, N. E. WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 1866.

No 22



## ELECTION.

CHARLOTTE to wit.  
ALEXANDER T. PAUL, Esquire, High Sher-  
iff of the County of Charlotte, having re-  
ceived Her Majesty's Writ for the Election of  
Four able and discreet persons to serve in the  
General Assembly of this Province, for the said  
County do, in obedience thereto, hereby Proclaim  
and give Public Notice, that a Court will be held  
by me at the County Court House, in the Town  
of St. Andrews, on THURSDAY, the 7th  
day of June next, at 11 of the clock, A. M., for  
the purpose of the said Election; of which all  
persons will take notice and govern themselves  
accordingly.

And in case a Poll shall be then and there de-  
manded, I do hereby further proclaim and give  
Public Notice, that Polling Booths will be open-  
ed on TUESDAY, the 12th day of June next,  
at 8 of the clock A. M., and will continue open  
until 4 of the clock P. M., of the same day at the  
following places, to wit:—  
For the Parish of St. Andrews in the County  
Court House  
For the Parish of St. David, at the head of Oak  
Bay.  
For the Parish of St. Stephen, at Salt Water near  
the head of Tide Waters.  
For the Parish of St. James, at or near the Kirk  
on the Scotch Ridge, and at or near the resi-  
dence of John King in the Bailie Settlement.  
For the Parish of St. Patrick, at Digdigwash  
Mills.  
For the Parish of Dumbarton, at the Rolling  
Dam.  
For the Parish of St. George, at the Lower Falls  
and at the Upper Mills.  
For the Parish of Penfield, at the School House  
near the Episcopal Church.  
For the Parish of Lepreux, at or near William  
McGowan's, New River.  
For the Parish of West Isles, at or near the School  
House, in Charlotte Cove.  
For the Parish of Campo Belle, at or near the  
School House in Welch Pool.  
For the Parish of Grand Manan, at Grand Har-  
bour and at or near the residence of Lorenzo  
Drake, North Head, for the purpose of  
taking the said Poll.

And I hereby further Proclaim and give Public  
Notice, that the said Election will be  
closed on SATURDAY, the 16th day of June  
next, at the hour of 11 o'clock A. M., at the County  
Court House, and the persons chosen to serve in  
the General Assembly will be then and there  
openly declared. Of all which said Proclamations  
all persons will take due notice and govern them-  
selves accordingly.

ALEX. T. PAUL,  
High Sheriff of Charlotte.  
Sheriff's Office, St. Andrews.  
May 16, 1866.

The following extracts from the Election Law,  
are published for general information:—  
Sec. 37.—"The resident electors shall vote in  
the district in which they are registered; the non-  
residents at the Court House or building used  
therefor in the Shire Town, unless they have se-  
lected another polling district."

Sec. 40.—"Presiding Officers, Poll Clerks, Can-  
didates and their agents, may poll their votes in  
the district where they are acting, though they  
do not reside therein, if, on the day of nomination  
their names are certified and entered as qualified  
by the Sheriff on the book containing the check  
list and the Sheriff shall strike such names out of  
the list of the district in which they are quali-  
fied to vote."

ALEX. T. PAUL,  
Sheriff.  
May 16, 1866.

### To the Electors of Charlotte County.

GENTLEMEN,—You are again called upon to  
exercise your constitutional right of selecting re-  
presentatives to serve you in General Assembly.  
The adoption or rejection of the expressed  
wishes of Her Majesty in respect to a consoli-  
dation of the British North American Colonies is  
one of the prominent subjects for your considera-  
tion, upon which your mind is to be tested by  
your support of such candidates who respectively  
profess such adoption or rejection.

Imperial policy points to a union alleging as  
reasons therefor the permanent welfare of our mer-  
cantile interests, the stability and more intimate  
connection of British relations, and readier and  
more efficient means of defence from invading  
enemies.

The practical issue upon which you are now  
called to cast your vote is, FOR IMPERIAL or  
AGAINST IMPERIAL policy.

The measure of Union is one which no more  
belongs to Canada than to New Brunswick or any  
other Province, and embraces in its results the  
whole Empire.

A scheme of Union was lately presented to you,  
which from the haste in which it was pressed on  
your consideration was, as not to be wondered at,  
rejected as the safer course to be pursued, and  
this by many who were in favor of union if time  
for consideration had been afforded, that they  
might be satisfied that such terms were obtained  
as would be mutually equitable, and that it was  
in accordance with Imperial desire.

The basis and conditions of a Union again being  
open for negotiation, an opportunity will be pre-  
sented to your representatives for the exercise of  
the most watchful and enlightened statesmanship,  
you having first by your free and loyal voice given  
your adherence to the Imperial policy.

Recent developments have confirmed me in the  
opinion I have publicly expressed in reference to  
a union, to be accomplished by fair legitimate and

constitutional means, and on the best attainable  
terms.

GENTLEMEN ELECTORS.—You have other in-  
terests also to be protected and promoted. You  
have had trial of my ability to represent you; the  
ablest and most discreet men should peculiarly at  
this time be your choice,—of such our constitu-  
tion makes you the judges. If you are unwilling  
to accede to the wishes of Her Majesty, and there  
are other candidates whom you consider more cap-  
able to represent you, it is your undoubted right  
to select such in preference, and in this case whilst  
anxious solicitors for the welfare of our common  
country, I shall feel that in yielding to the urgent  
wishes of many of you to proffer my services as  
one of your representatives, I have not selfishly  
acted, and can retire with greater satisfaction to  
the more pleasurable pursuits of private life.

I am, Gentlemen, with every respect,  
Yours, &c.  
JAS. G. STEVENS.  
St. Stephen, May 21, 1866.]

## Miscellany.

### FATHER AND SON;

#### OR THE Peddler's Secret.

Toward the close of a lovely spring day, a  
traveler emerged from a copse bordering on the  
West Comfort road, and springing over  
the stile took the direction of Aspendale, a  
village about two miles distant. His dress  
was of a superior order, and yet travel-stained  
and neglected.

A few yards behind him, but unobserved by  
the former, came a peddler. The two travel-  
led on together some distance, though the ped-  
dler, being an aged man, gradually dropped  
behind. At last he turned aside into a lane,  
and the young man proceeded alone.

The day had been one of those balmy ones  
we sometimes have in June; the sky of  
that soft blue white it so seldom sees only in  
the early year, when the spring is just verging  
into summer. All was bright all was har-  
monious, all was beautiful.

The traveler was a man of eight or nine-  
and-twenty; but he looked rather older, for  
his face, though partially concealed by a thick  
beard, was pale and haggard. Yet, for that  
he was handsome; but though there was  
something in his aspect and carriage that was  
graceful and easy, there was at the same time  
something repulsive—something almost dan-  
gerous in the expression of his dark, ever-gi-  
lliant, and somewhat bloodshot eyes.

Half an hour after he had leaped the stile  
he entered the village of Aspendale, and mak-  
ing his way to the Red Lion, seated himself  
in the tap-room and called for some brandy.

The stranger, after eagerly swallowing the  
brandy, sat dozing in a corner, enjoying the  
coolness of the air, which was wafted in at the  
open window, and seemed to listen anxiously  
to the conversation of his companions.

Nation good luck that of Daniel Keen's  
said one of the countrymen, who was cover-  
ing, and whom his companion designated Jack  
Finch. Nation good luck, I must say, wasn't it?  
Why, they do tell me as the squire left him  
a matter of two hundred pounds.

Ay, sure he did such, for I driv' him over  
to-day to the bank to give the brandy—  
Such a lot of shiners! two hundred golden  
guineas all in a bag at once.

Well, people has strange notions. Ain't he  
living up there by himself? Tain't safe. Why,  
he might be robbed and murdered, and nobody  
none the wiser.

They were interrupted by the entrance of  
Peter Coombs, the peddler, who having swung  
his pack from his back, turned around, and  
thus addressed the company:

Morning to ye, Muster Finch; morning,  
Muster Brown! Morning to you, sir!

This last observation was addressed to the  
traveler, who at the sight of the peddler, start-  
ed, muttered a reply which was not distinguish-  
able, and sunk back, as if wishing to avoid  
observation.

Now, Peter, said Finch, hast got any knives,  
man?

Yes, sure I have, answered the peddler,  
producing some from his pack. Them's the  
sort; splendid steel—cut like a razor.

Let's look, said Brown, who had commence-  
d trying the quality one of his horny palms.  
Have this one, Jack, 'tother's got a flaw in the  
blade, close to the handle; do you see?

Ah! so it has, 'tating it! that's a pity, 'cause  
I like that handle best. Come, Peter, what's  
the damage, man? Two and sixpence;  
well, that ain't dear, as things go, is it?

No, I can't say as it is; only I wish the  
other wasn't damaged, I'd have that one  
myself. You ain't got another one, Peter?

No, replied the peddler; them's the only  
two I've got of them sort; but I'll bring you  
over one the next time I come.

The peddler placed the knife in his pack  
and commenced to devour huge slices of pork  
and bread, which he had brought with him.—  
The countrymen, having drunk their beer,

rose, and bidding Peter good-morning, and  
mumbling to themselves that "that stranger  
was a mighty univil chap, and that they didn't  
half like the looks of him," departed.

The peddler's meal being finished, he lit his  
pipe and began to smoke, but, fatigued with  
his long walk, he laid his head on the table,  
and soon fell asleep.

About half an hour after this, when the  
peddler awoke, the stranger was gone. Strap-  
ping his pack on his back, he began to look  
around for his stick. It was not there.

Well, he said, I could have sworn I brought  
that stick in here with me; but I suppose  
that I left it up at Daniel Keen's; I'll go back  
and see. I wouldn't lose my old horse for  
any money.

Cheerily strode the peddler up the hill lead-  
ing to old Keen's house. He was an honest,  
faithful old-man, and his occupation taking  
through all parts of the country, he had im-  
bued a strong love for the natural and pic-  
turesque. The view which spread itself be-  
fore him as he rose to the down of the hill  
was very beautiful, glorified, as it was, by the  
warm tints of the setting sun, and he sat down  
and gazed on it. He sat for some time, drink-  
ing its beauties, till the waning light warned  
him it was time to be moving.

Arrived at the house, the peddler knocked  
at the door. He then pulled the string as he  
was wont, and pushed the door to enter; but  
it was fastened. He tapped again, and he  
waited; but he got no answer.

Daniel Keen's house was situated in a lone-  
ly place, and of late the place had fallen into  
decay, and one side had been pronounced  
dangerous.

The peddler waited a few minutes, and then  
tapped a third time; he was beginning to feel  
uneasy. It was too early under ordinary cir-  
cumstances, for the old man to have retired to  
rest, and he feared he might be ill.

When he knocked the third time, he listen-  
ed for he fancied he heard footsteps descend-  
ing the stairs. They approached the door,  
softly, and he heard some one breathing short-  
ly and quickly on the other side of the door.

In another instant the door was opened and  
the peddler entered, and it was quickly closed  
again, and the bar dropped in its place.

Towards ten o'clock a cottager, who lived  
on the West Comfort road, saw a man at his  
door, pale and trembling. The man whose  
name was Blackman, did not bear the best of  
characters. He was a notorious ponce.

What's the matter? asked the cottager,  
when he had opened the door. You look as if  
you had seen a ghost.

Something's wrong up at Keen's Jack;  
and, if I haven't seen something as would  
frighten anybody.

What did you see, mate?

I'll tell you. You see, I was just going  
down to Blis-ett's Bottom, to see if I could  
find a hare or a leveret or two, when as I goes  
past old Keen's, I see a light moving about—  
Thinking I, that funny. What's the old fellow  
doing at this time of night? I goes on, but  
somehow I didn't think it was all right; so I  
goes back, and just as I gets up to the door, I  
sees the light pas from one room to the other.

Surely, says I, that's never old Keen; and  
knocked at the door. The light had come  
into the sleeping-room just before I knock-  
ed. As soon as I had, I heard footsteps go back  
up the stairs, but nobody came to the door; so  
then I looked in at the window, for the shut-  
ters wasn't fastened, and there I saw a terrible  
sight. The candle was on the table, "and  
on the floor lay a man—poor old Daniel; and  
I think he was dead, for his face was white,  
and there was blood on his gaberline and on  
the floor. Just as I was looking in, there  
was a noise, then a cry, and then a groan, I  
can tell you, mate, I was so scared I didn't  
stop for nothing, but ran off here as fast as I  
could.

We'll go back, said the cottager, whose  
name was Bedwell, and call up Jabez Banks  
as we go along.

The two men started for Banks' cottage  
and in less than half an hour the three were  
back at the lone house inhabited by Daniel  
Keen.

All was now dark, and the door resisted all  
their efforts; they were, therefore, obliged to  
return for some means of opening it.

Meantime, let us return to the peddler.—  
No sooner was the door closed and barred,  
than a hand was on his shoulder, his feet were  
knocked from under him, and he fell heavily  
to the floor. He attempted to rise, but a blow  
from an unseen hand laid him prostrate, and  
the next instant a mist floated before his eyes,  
and in another moment he was unconscious.

When he recovered his senses, there was a  
light on the table, and a man with his back  
toward him was in the act of wrenching open  
one of the cupboards. The peddler started as  
though he would rise, and the movement  
caught the quick ear of the robber, and he  
turned suddenly round. As the light flashed  
upon his face the peddler uttered a cry, ex-  
claiming:

Heaven have mercy upon me! It is Fred!

Oh! you know me, then? cried the man,

springing towards him; but he suddenly re-  
coiled.

My father! he cried. What a cursed  
chance! I did not mean to harm him.

At the sight of his son the old peddler  
closed his eyes and sank back horror-stricken;  
but in a moment he opened them and fixed  
them on his son, and as he gazed each ap-  
peared riveted to the one upon the other.

The son cowered before the meek, uplifted  
eyes of his poor death-stricken father. He  
stood for some moments spell-bound. The  
peddler's lips moved as if in prayer, a shudder  
passed through his frame as his eyes closed.

Relieved of the reproachful eyes, the son's  
evil passions seemed to return once more.  
It's my cursed ill-luck! he said, saying the  
candle. Where can the old fool have stowed  
his money? and he proceeded once more to  
search the house.

After a time he noticed a door which he had  
not previously opened; there was no key, but  
a blow from his powerful arm and it flew  
open. At first glance the room appeared  
empty; but a second glance showed in one  
corner an iron-bound box. To break open  
the box was the work of a moment, and the  
next, a heap of shining gold lay before him.

With a cry of exultation he commenced to  
transfer it to his pockets. When he had secur-  
ed it all he seized the candle, and descended  
into the room below. There lay the the  
body of his father, and old Daniel Keen. He  
was just looking at the peddler's body, fancy-  
ing the chest showed signs of life, when he was  
alarmed by a loud knocking at the door. He  
lastly set down the candle and rushed up  
stairs. In a minute or two after there was a  
cry, a noise of the falling of some heavy body,  
and a deep groan, and then all was still  
again.

When the three men returned to old Keen's  
house they brought with them a lantern and a  
crowbar. The door was forced, and a sorrow-  
ful sight met their view. The room bore evi-  
dence of a struggle having taken place, and on  
the ground lay two old men, weltering in their  
own blood.

On examining the body of the peddler it  
was evident that life was not extinct, and one  
of the men set off to the village, to give alarm  
and procure medical aid.

In the meantime the other two proceed-  
ed to search the house. As they ascended the  
stairs they were alarmed by a sound; but  
from whence it proceeded they could not ex-  
actly tell; but it seemed as though it came  
from an upper room. It was low, hollow  
sound, as of some one in pain. They stopped  
to listen, but all was silent. They advanced  
slowly and cautiously up the stairs, for they  
felt certain that the murderer was in the house  
and though they were not positively cowardly,  
they feared he might spring upon them un-  
awares, and at any moment. On they went  
now started by the loud creaking of the stairs  
and now alarmed by the echo of their own ex-  
clamations of terror.

Then came a low wailing, as if the wind  
was moaning in melancholy cadence in the  
trees outside, and they stopped again. Was  
it the wind or was it a human cry?

With many stoppings, and great excite-  
ment, they searched every room in the house.  
On their return they looked in at the rooms  
which was shut. At one moment they thought  
they saw a form moving in dim shade at one  
end of the room. Just at that moment a gust  
of wind extinguished the candle, which one of  
them had incautiously taken out of the lantern,  
and they were left in darkness.

Without waiting for any thing more, the  
two men made their way down stairs and pro-  
ceeded another flight.

At this moment they were joined by the  
doctor and his assistant, together with the con-  
stable and Banks; and now emboldened by  
numbers, they searched the house thoroughly  
but no traces of the murderer could be dis-  
covered.

The doctor pronounced Daniel Keen to be  
dead; but there was life still in the peddler,  
and he hoped for the best.

The excitement the next morning was great  
in Aspendale, and in the course of it reached  
West Comfort and strange rumors were cir-  
culated as to the murdered peddler.

Circumstances also transpired which, in the  
minds of most people, seemed to fix the murder  
upon the peddler. The instrument with  
which the murder was perpetrated proved to  
be the very knife which the countryman,  
Brown, had refused to buy on account, of the  
flaw in the blade, and which was known to  
have been in his possession a few hours before  
the murder was discovered.

If any one objected, and pointed out that the  
peddler was desperately wounded, that was  
said to be no obstacle to his guilt, as the man  
might have turned upon him.

Another thing which favored this idea was,  
that though the peddler was partially recover-  
ed he refused to give any account of the trans-  
action.

An inner rest was hidden, but nothing trans-  
pired to throw any further light on the mys-  
tery, except that Black affirmed he looked  
that he looked through the keyhole, and he  
fancied he saw the face of a man, and, if it was

a man, he was a stranger, and had a dark  
beard.

This called to Mr. Finch's mind the stran-  
ger, he had seen in the tap-room of the Red  
Lion, and a search was immediately instituted  
but no trace of such a person could be found;  
nor had an one seen him after he had left the  
public house.

The search for the stranger having passed,  
public suspicion next fell upon Blackman, and  
he was arrested.

On hearing this, Peter Coombs was great-  
ly excited, and a report was circulated that  
the peddler had confessed.

In the course of the following day unfavor-  
able symptoms set in, and before midnight the  
peddler had breathed his last. The last word  
that he spoke was in attestation of Blackman's  
innocence, and his last act to sign a deposition  
to that effect; but nothing could induce him  
to say anything more.

This was enough; and in the estimation of  
every one, Peter Coombs died a murderer.  
And did the real murderer escape? Let  
us see.

A few months after, the house in which this  
foul deed had been perpetrated was pulled  
down. It was then discovered that there was  
a back staircase communicating with an upper  
room. The stairs from decay, had fallen, and  
at the bottom was discovered the remains of a  
man, in an advanced stage of decomposition.  
On examining the clothes, the whole of the  
murdered man's money was found upon him  
besides papers proving his identity.

It was the peddler's dissipated and long-lost  
son.

### May—Farmer's Month.

The present month is usually an interesting  
and busy month among the cultivators of the  
soil. Gardeners and farmers are now busy,  
all engaged in making appropriate use of the  
"seed time" promised by the Creator a promise  
that has never failed to fulfillment.

"As you plant so shall you reap." As a  
general thing this saying is verified. Unless  
one plants and sows he cannot expect to har-  
vest. If one neglects his garden or his farm  
in seed time, he has no claim for reward in  
autumn, when the industrious man shall be re-  
joicing