POOR COPY

A HEAVY FRESHET.

The Douglas Ice Jam Breaks Away—A Great Ice Floe.

Several Million Feet of Logs Afloat in the Ice.

Extent of the Damages along the River Caused by the Ice and High Freshet.

At seven o'clock yesterday morning the great ice jam at Douglas remained unmoved, although the river was swollen to freshet height, and the current running with irresistible force. What held it fast no one could conjecture. The water in the river continued to rise all day Sunday and Sunday night at a rapid rate, it being estimated that the rise averaged an inch an hour from Saturday night to Monday morning. Shortly after 8 o'clock

The Jam Gave Away.

or a very large portion of it, on the eastern side of the islands, carrying with it an immense quantity of lumber, drift stuff and barn wrecks. This great mass of floating ice and lumber on the top of a freshet fully 22 feet above low water mark came down with great force against the bridge. "The Douglas jam has broken" soon became the watchword, and scores of people rushed to the bridge to witness the scene. The water

Took a Sudden Rise,

caused by the great body of ice in the water, as well as the backed up water that had got vent by the breaking away of the jam.

At the head of the jam came down the Douglas island sheer booms, of the Fredericton boom company, which had been torn away along with the other wrecks. The booms stretched for a long distance in a slanting direction across the river and came down against the bridge piers, damming the ice for a second or two when the

Chains Broke Like Pipe Stems

with the great pressure leaving portions of the boom hanging around several of the piers. There was a steady run of a solid compact mass of ice for upwards of two hours. At times the ice was piled up six and eight feet above the surface of the water, the superstructure of the bridge barely escaping the huge masses. The water was over the top of the highest wharves and the bridge piers themselves were not more than a couple of feet out of the water.

Imbedded in the great mass of ice was a vast amount of lumber which had been carried away by the ice freshet and lodged in the jam. At one time, near the tail of the jam, was a vast field, several acres in extent, of spruce and pine logs, shingle stuff and wood of all kinds.

But with all the great quantity of ice that passed by the city during the forenoon of yesterday, the big

Ice Jam in the Main Channel

had not broken, and did not break away until noon. It reached the city between one and two o'clock. The water was higher, the current stronger, and the strain and pressure against the bridge piers was much greater than in the forenoon. Great bodies of jammed ice, sometimes eight and ten feet out of the water, and much farther below, with logs piled and cross-piled in great quantities in among the ice, came down with tremendous force against the piers. It seemed as if it was capable of carrying everything before it, and many feared from the great height of the water that the bridge would be badly damaged. When such a floe struck the bridge so near the tops of the piers, the tremor from the shock could be perceptibly felt on any part of the bridge, but the piers proudly ploughed their ways through the great mass. One of the temporary supports of a chord was broken away and the draw pier was slightly damaged yesterday, being all the injuries which the bridge sustained. The pier damaged by the ice run on Wednesday did good service yesterday.

About four o'clock the heaviest part of the jam had passed the city. But the water still remained at a great height, and only subsided about five or six inches after the big jam had passed the city.

A despatch from Madawaska states that ice ran out on Sunday evening on the top of a very high freshet, carrying with it all of the logs hung up along the river last fall. The Madawaska ice followed immediately after the Douglas jam in passing the city. The amount of logs that passed the city yesterday, carried away with the ice, cannot be estimated with any kind of exactness. There must have been upwards of

Six Million Feet of Lumber

that floated through the bridge yesterday from early morning until late in the evening. Much of this lumber was badly damaged by the ice. The lumbermen whose lumber was hung above the Grand Falls had hoped that the ice would be cleared out of the lower part of the river before the Madawaska ice came down in order that the booms here might be swung and the lumber saved. But in this they have been sadly disappointed. Nearly every stick of John Kilburn's cut of last year was hung above the Grand Falls and is carried away by the ice freshet this spring. The same may be said of other lumberi[illegible]

Mr. Emery Sewell, however, had a

Crew of Over a 100 Men

strung along the river yesterday and last night between the lower booms and the Long Reach fishing the logs out of the ice. A large number of farmers along the lower part of the river were also engaged in the same work. Possibly in this way, the water being high, the greater part of the lumber will be saved.

The Ice Field Scene.

The roads leading into town could not possibly be in any worse condition than they were on Saturday and Sunday, and consequently few people travelled them in either direction. One or two parties, however, made their way to Springhill on Sunday to view the great ice jam which then remained unbroken. Over the whole of the vast expanse of water island land and intervals among the Douglas islands, there was not more than an acre of land in this twenty-five or thirty square miles of territory that was not covered with ice. The water found an escape in a crooked channel over and back of the islands which was filled with floating ice. The acre of land that was not submerged was on Sugar Island on the high ground where the Murray buildings are located. All the other islands were entirely submerged. Many were of the opinion that the ice jam extended to the very bottom of the river, and this opinion was confirmed by the almost endless run of ice that rushed down by the city yesterday from the jam.

Eleven Barns on the Islands

were made total wrecks and others were damaged to a more or less extent. Some of the barns carried away were newly built ones. As stated in Saturday's issue Mr. Rainsford's store house on the islands, as well as his barns, were very little damaged. It was reported yesterday that they had been carried away, but the report is incorrect. The damage done to the islands by the ice and freshet cannot yet be estimated.

The Freshet.

The river and all the smaller streams are at present swollen to a very high pitch. When it is considered that on the head of this freshet there are several feet of unmelted snow in the woods and all over the country on the Upper St. John, the freshet has undoubtedly not yet reached its highest pitch. Parties arriving by train from the upper St. John state that there is still good sleighing in the upper part of Carleton County, and in Victoria and Madawaska counties. The torrent of water now rushing St. John is said down theby many to be unequalled since the year of the cholera.

Down on the lowlands of Maugerville and Sheffield the farmers had taken every precaution anticipating a big freshet and their very worst fears have been realized. A gentleman who came up from down river last night says that water, ice and lumber cover the intervals for miles around extending to the Jemseg and back to Maquapit Lake.

The mill creek bridge below Stewart's mill, commonly known as the White bridge, is several feet under water. Mr. Arthur Glasier, who came to town yesterday says he had to wade his horse belly deep in the water in crossing this bridge, and that many other bridges below were also under water.

The highway road, above Currie's mountain, in Douglas, is several feet under water for miles. Some parties who started to drive to the city from Keswick yesterday were obliged to turn about, and come by train.

The lower flats of many of the buildings in the front part of the city are submerged.

The union line ware-house, which the boys termed the "annual thank-offering" to the god of water and ice, is standing in about five feet of water and may not be swept away this year.

Hill & Berry's wharf has been badly damaged by the ice freshet, the whole facing being torn off. The cost of repairs to this wharf, of course, comesout of the city, as the council has promised to keep it in repair from year to year.

River Notes.

The water remained about on a stand last night.

The movement of steamers was somewhat demoralized by yesterday's big ice run. It is understood that the "Soulanges" left St. John for Fredericton yesterday. Why a boat would have to come up river even after the jam broke is not very clear.

Six woodboats arrived on Saturday and are lying in the mouth of the Nashwaak. They arrived in time to escape the ice.

On Saturday noon, the tug Dirigo arrived from St. John and began at once the work of clearing away the jammed ice from the draw passage. She succeeded in cutting her way through and after passing the draw was engaged breaking away the ice above the bridge. She turned more than a dozen times a few yards above the bridge on the swift current, when at one time her screw shaft stopped on the centre and the boat in a second or two was carried down with great force against the bridge, her smoke stack cutting a hole in the footwalk of the bridge. Fears were had while the boat lay in this predicament that the ice jam would break away, which would have produced a serious result. The boat was got out after about a couple of hours by stretching cables to the shore and working a windlass. The tugboat Relief came to her relief about dark and towed her to St. John where she is now being repaired.

The "Florenceville" is expected to arrive here this evening.

One of the workmen employed cutting the ice away from the bridge draw yesterday got a cold ducking in the water.

Church Notes.

The ordinance of baptism was administered in the old kirk on Sunday morning and in the Methodist church in the evening.

Rev. A. J. Mowatt and Mr. L. W. Johnston are among the delegates appointed from this presbytery who will attend the Presbyterian General Assembly, which meets this year in Winnipeg, on the 9th of June.

Rev. Mr. Macintire occupied the pulpit of the Free Baptist church both morning and evening on Sunday last. The pastor was absent.

Rev. Mr. Mowatt preached a very touching sermon Sunday evening on the death of the late Wm. Manie, who was for many years a faithful member of St. Paul's church

The Presbyterian congregation worshipped in the old kirk on Sunday morning owing to the water in the basement of the new church. The furnace in the Baptist church was rendered useless on Sunday for the same reason. Short services were held both morning and evening.

Water in the Cellars.

In nearly every cellar on the back streets and all over the city water has entered to a greater or less extent. Water has found its way into cellars this year where it was never before known to enter. The residents say they never experienced the like before. The cause is attributed to the fact that there is little or no frost in the ground and the melting snow and high water is freely absorbed by the earth.

To Go On a Pilgrimage.

The Holy Cross Fathers of St. Joseph's College, Memramcook, have organized a pilgrimage to St. Anne de Beaupre, Quebec, to leave Dorchester on Wednesday, June 22nd. Several of the pilgrims who have visited the shrine claim to have been instantaneously healed of their diseases while making intercession to the Saints. The fare for the round trip is only $5 50. The pilgrims will have five or six hours at the shrine and about the same time in Quebec city.

School Changes.

Miss Helen McLeod, teacher of the first department of the model school, has resigned her position. Her sister, Miss Miriam McLeod, has taken charge of the department until the end of the term.

Mr. D. B. Branscombe, a first class teacher of several years experience, took charge of the St. Mary's and Gibson school yesterday in room of Mr. B. Mullin resigned.

Scott Act in Portland.

The Scott act came into force in Portland, St. John, on Sunday. There were no special efforts made by the police officers to enforce the law, and the bar rooms to the number of 50 continued selling, notwithstanding that it was Sunday. The city council decided not to appoint an inspector to enforce the act, and the police say they will not act unless they are first indemnified for any action they may take.

Ordained a Minister.

The many friends of Mr. Daniel Morrison, late of St. John, who three years ago, was sent to Dakota as missionary by the Presbyterian board of publication, will be glad to learn that on the 16th inst. he was ordained a minister of the Presbyterian church in the United States. Mr. Morrison's address is Ipswich, Dakota.

The Antimony Industry.

Strenuous endeavors are being made in London to resuscitate operations at the Lake George mine, formerly known as the Lawrence mine, in Prince William. Mr. Edward Jack has received a cablegram from London enquiring if he has made any further report with regard to this mine and if so to forward the same to London immediately.

Sunday Schools.

A meeting of the executive of the Provincial Sunday School Association will be held in St. John to-morrow, for the purpose of making arrangements for the holding of the next provincial association and also to elect delegates to attend the international convention at Chicago in June next. This province is entitled to send sixteen delegates.

To Burn the Hall.

The Chatham World says: Mr. Gillespie has received an anonymous letter threatening to burn the Masonic hall if the salvation army are not turned out of it.

Free Trade.

The reduction of internal revenue and the taking off of revenue stamps from Proprietary Medicines, no doubt has largely benefitted the consumers, as well as relieving the burden of home manufacturers. Especially is this the case with *Green's August Flower* and *Boschee's German Syrup*, as the reduction of thirty-six cents per dozen, has been added to increase the size of the bottles containing these remedies, thereby giving one-fifth more medicine in the 75 cent size. The *August Flower* for Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint, and the *German Syrup* for Cough and Lung troubles, have perhaps, the largest sale of any medicines in the world. The advantage of increased size of the bottles will be greatly appreciated by the sick and afflicted, in every town and village in civilized countries. Sample bottle for 10 cents remain the same size.

TOWN AND COUNTRY.

News from All Round Gleaned By "Gleaner" Correspondents.

Antimony Mines at Prince William Closed Down.

WOODSTOCK.

Claire Scott Excells in Leah—Small Streams Overflowing their Banks—The Jubilee Plan.

WOODSTOCK, May 2.—The great attraction at the opera house last week was the first appearance here of Miss Claire Scott, the talented young English actress. On Monday evening "Lucretia Borgia" was put on the boards, and on Tuesday "Camilla." On Wednesday evening by special request the company presented "Leah," the forsaken. Miss Scott appeared to the greatest advantage in the leading role of each respective drama. But in our opinion it was in "Leah" that this brilliant and fascinating actress excelled in the highest degree. The deep love of the luckless Jewish maiden for her christian lover Rudolph was personated with so much pathos, and with such a winsome grace, that she at times quite enthralled her charmed spectators. Miss Scott possesses a powerful and pleasing voice and a tragical power of expression that places her at once in the front ranks of travelling artists. Mr. S. K. Coburn, the manager of the company, elicited oft-repeated rounds of popular applause. He is a first class actor and performed his difficult parts with rare good taste and judgment. The support of this company is good throughout.

The water in the river is rising fast. The small streams in this locality are overflowing their banks and "rushing on to join the mighty river."

Rankine & Craig have despatched about sixty men or more to begin operations at driving on the head waters of the Meduxnakeag stream.

The roads are in a miserable condition out of town, there being many washouts owing to the recent heavy rains.

The price of hay in this section of the province is unusually high. Farmers are in terror that their supply will run short, hence the great scarity. It readily commands from $10 to $12 per ton.

Several of our worthy citizens contemplate "keeping the jubilee" by erecting a public drinking fountain in some thoroughfare of the town.

SOUTHAMPTON.

An Interesting Budget from the Upper Part of the County—Business and General Notes.

SOUTHAMPTON, April 30.—The two saw mills of our district owned respectively by Geo. W. Brown and Geo. Ingraham have begun their spring sawing. Both have a full force of men on and are taking every advantage of the good run of water. Mr. Brown intends beginning driving operations on Monday.

Much sympathy is felt for Messrs. Charles Grant and David Tompkins who lost a large part of their winter's cut of logs during the run of ice on Monday afternoon. They had them on the flat at mouth of Grier's creek. The ice jamming below caused the water to back in over the flat and when the jam broke and the water ran off it carried the logs with it.

Geo. H. Fox and Freeman Fox are getting a large quantity of stove wood sawed and split ready for shipment to the Messrs. Edgecombe as soon as navigation opens.

During the past week candy parties have been held at the houses of Leonard Miller and Asa Brooks. The latter got up by the boys and of which longer notice was given was very well attended being favored by the presence of several sleigh loads from Northampton. Music was furnished by Mr. McMillan, violinist, and dancing indulged in till quite a late hour. Sad to say, although the Scott act is well enforced in both these parishes, several of those present under the influence of something the act does not designate as temperate drinks, were quite incapable of taking part in the gayety, and this occurrence somewhat marred the enjoyment of what would otherwise have been a very pleasant evening.

On Saturday last while Arlington Wright was engaged in hewing the frame for a house his axe glanced and struck him in the knee inflicting a severe wound. The limb was properly dressed and everything done to make the sufferer as comfortable as possible. He will probably be laid up during the greater part of this, the most busy season of the year.

All previous records in this place in the line of hen fruit have been beaten by one of Solomon McFarlane's hens which has produced an egg measuring eight inches in length and six and a half in circumference. They intend to have the egg hatched and see what sort of a "critter" it will bring forth.

MILLVILLE.

Driving and Milling Operations—Personal and Church Notes.

MILLVILLE, April 26th, 1887.—The weather is spring-like; snow going fast.

About 75 men left this station yesterday for up-river drives. Gilman Bros. are going to their Keswick drive this morning.

Mr. S. Ryan's mill commenced operations yesterday.

MILLVILLE, April 27th.—A few days ago Mr. Herbert Hay left to take up his abode in the west. He was accompanied by Mrs. Walter Hay and family.

A new meeting house is being erected in the Hawkins settlement, about a mile and a half from the village. This has the promise of soon becoming a prosperous and thickly settled neighborhood. Within the last year several new and very pretty dwelling houses have been built, among which we may mention those of Messrs. Dunbar Jones, Benjamin Appleby, Gilford Palmer and John Marr.

Rev. Mr. Prosser, of Bath, Carleton Co., has been holding meetings here for a few weeks back.

Rev. Bennett Trafton has been laboring at Mapleton. Several were baptised and added to the church.

BATHURST.

A Bar Keeper Brought to Justice.

BATHURST, April 30.—A bar keeper named Andrew Donnolly drove a Frenchman out of his store yesterday and beat him cruelly with an iron bar. He was brought up to-day (Saturday) and fined $20 and costs.

NASHWAAK.

The Trade of the Place and Some that are Engaged in It.

NASHWAAK VILLAGE, April 30th, 1887.—A brisk trade is being carried on among the the shops in this locality. Mr. John Buchanan, as might be expected from his popularity and obliging disposition, is doing a prosperous business and probably takes the lead. Next in the dry goods and provision trade are the Young Bros., who have their store situated in the midst of a wealthy and populous district on the western side of the Nashwaak. They are doing a thriving business and withstanding the dull times. The Messrs. Young are very obliging and accommodating, and their store is mostly always filled with customers. Next is Mr. James Bell who receives a liberal share of patronage from the travelling community, beside the trade in dry goods. Mr. Bell runs a large hotel, which is much appreciated by travellers and sportsmen. There is another store in this place which, although not the least, I do not deem prudent to make any mention.

ST. CROIX.

The Last Day of School.

ST. CROIX, April 29.—Our school which has been taught by Miss M. E. Moffatt, of Fredericton, for two successive terms has this day been closed, occasioned by the illness of Miss Moffatt's father, who requires her attention. We regret the unfortunate circumstance. She leaves behind many fine little scholars, as the result of her highly appreciated services. The last day of school was not hailed with the usual joy by her scholars, which have became so friendly attached to her that the parting announcement caused many sorrowful faces, and tearful eyes. When it is decided to have have another term of school in our district, it is hoped that we may be favored with the services of Miss M. E. Moffatt.

KNOWLESVILLE.

The News from this Section for the Past Week.

KNOWLESVILLE, Carleton Co., April 28.—The concert and pie social that came off on the 21st in district No. 8, was a success considering the bad condition of the roads, the sum realized being $9.81.

Mrs. John Gayton, who has been sick the past winter is slowly recovering.

The diphtheria has been in this locality the past few weeks, but not with dangerous results.

Miss Goodine has returned home after spending the icy six months down south.

Several valuable horses are to depart from this locality for American buyers.

Rev. Mr. Benison, also his wife and son have been visiting friends the last few days in this place.

Farmers and their stock are anxiously awaiting bare ground for the barns are empty and hay as hard to procure as gold.

The weather in this section continues to be dull and cold and the snow going slowly, only a bare spot here and there visible.

KESWICK.

The Rising Water Breaks up a Party of Pleasure Seekers—General Notes.

KESWICK, April 29.—There was a candy party and social dance at the residence of Mr. Isaac Yerxa on Monday evening last. The water rose rapidly during the evening and the pleasure seekers were nearly caught by it. They broke up, however, as soon as it was found out, and reached home in safety.

Mr. B. R. Yerxa has strung booms across the Keswick creek in order to catch the remnants of the last summer's drive of logs. When they were first strung, the force and rush of water was such that they forced the booms apart, and when they were repaired again forced the ice and logs under it.

Mr. Crangle, of Birdton, was buying hay to-day of Shepherd Bros. of this place. Mr. Crangle reports plenty of snow in Birdton. Shepherd Bros. have done quite a business in selling hay this spring at $16 per ton. Mr Sloot has also been selling at the same rate. They have sold about all they intend to sell.

The ice piled very high this spring, piling upon and blocking up the highway road at what is known as Mrs. Smith's Crossing.

PRINCE WILLIAM.

Antimony Mines at Lake George Closed Down.

LOWER PRINCE WILLIAM, April 27.—The antimony mines at Lake George have shut down, throwing fifty or more men out of employment.

The ice run here on the 26th. The roads are in a bad condition owing to the heavy drifts of snow in some places.

Dr. Caldwell has located here and is getting a good practice. There are several cases of diphtheria at Magnagadavic and are being treated by Dr. Caldwell.

CARLETON STREET.

A Request for Improvements.

To the Editor of THE GLEANER,—

SIR,—Might I ask if it is the intention of the city council to macadamize Carleton street this spring? As it stands at present the end nearest the bridge is a veritable quagmire after a rain, while the portion between Queen and King streets is so depressed and the gutters so obliterated that the water lies in large pools until evaporated by the action of the sun. There were, two summers ago, a few loads of gravel dumped into some of the holes only to be washed out by the first heavy rain. Now that the sewer has been laid and new gas pipes placed between Queen and King streets, would it not be the part of wisdom to macadamize from the river to Brunswick street and give a good firm roadway to the heavy vehicles that constantly traverse this street from the bridge? Improvements have been made on many of the buildings of Carleton street this spring and property-holders are anxiously looking to the council to supplement their efforts.

Yours, etc.,
CARLETON STREET.

Fredericton, May 3rd, 1887.

THE STREET CORNERS.

A Timely Suggestion to the Roadmaster—Will He Give it His Attention?

To the Editor of THE GLEANER,

SIR,—Let me ask the roadmaster, through the columns of your widely circulated journal, to set his men to work filling up the depressions in the streets caused by laying service pipes, and also to level down the places above the street level; also where the street crossings are too high to fill in finely broken stone on either side. Were he to be driven rapidly in a carriage, especially a two-wheeled one, over some of the places above indicated, he would soon understand the reasonableness of my request. The crossings at Fisher's corner, at the corner of Queen and Regent streets, at the Inches building, and at Lemont & Sons, are all raised too much above the street, and badly require repairs, as in their present form they have a destructive effect on the carriages, and an unwholesome influence on the minds of the occupants.

Yours &c.,
CITIZEN.

Fredericton, May 3rd, 1887.

Five Feet of Snow.

Mr. David Gilman arrived at Mouth of Keswick last night from the scene of his driving operations at the head of the stream. It was reported that all of last year's lumber, several million of feet that was hung in the Keswick, had been carried out with the ice, but this report has proved to be incorrect. Mr. Benj. Yerxa has safely boomed the lumber at the mouth Mr. Gilman says that anywhere in the woods on the Keswick a man can take a peevy and run the small end into the snow down to the dog. The snow is all of five feet deep and has scarcely begun to melt yet. The drivers walk on the crust along the water's edge of the stream in following the drive.

Independent Foresters.

The high standing committee of the Independent Order of Foresters of New Brunswick met in St. John on Friday evening last, when it was decided that the meeting of the provincial court in Fredericton should be held in July, the exact date being left with High Chief Ranger H. C. Creed. It was also agreed to run an excursion on the St. John at the time of the meeting, similar to the one held in St. John last summer. Messrs. Creed and Emmerson were appointed a committee to arrange for the excursion.

St. Dunstan's Dramatic Club.

The "Ups and Downs of a Baronet," Byron's celebrated English farcial comedy, will be produced by the St. Dunstan's T. A. Society dramatic club, in St. Dunstan's hall, next Friday evening, May 6th. The club has made a special effort to make as good an evening's entertainment as ever was given by local talent in this city. They should, as they no doubt will, be greeted with a bumper house.

A Handsome Bouquet.

THE GLEANER acknowledges with thanks the receipt from Mr. Bebbington of a very large and handsome bouquet of flowers. Mr. Bebbington, as a florist, has no superior in this city. The appreciation by the public of his efforts in that line must be a source of satisfaction to him.

DRAMATIC NOTES.

Claire Scott at the City Hall—Notes of Interest to Theatre Goers.

Miss Claire Scott played Lucretia Borgia at the City Hall last evening to a large and enthusiastic audience and showed herself fully equal to the portrayal of that great character. She gave a most vivid expression to the conflicting passion that surged in the fervid heart of the Borgia, when penitence and benevolence, excited by maternal love, strove for the mastery over malevolence and hatred of enemies forced upon her by her situation. Her acting rose to the sublime in the palace scene and the sad denouncement of the plot. She was well supported by Mr. S. K. Coburn, the well known actor of the Booth and Salvinic school, whose acting and elocution was of a high degree of excellence. Miss Scott has a notably strong supporting company.

Every one should see this grand actress this evening in her world renowned impersonation of "Leah." The company have made a very favorable impression here and everybody who was present last evening were more than delighted.

Mr. E. A. McDowell's Comedy Company have been playing to good business in London, Toronto and Montreal the past few weeks.

Atkinson's Peck's Bad Boy Co. still draw very large houses. They played at Montreal the week of April 18 to fine business.

Lytell's "Michael Strogoff" Co. is now playing through Upper Canada.

It has been a remarkable thing that in two cases where the Star, who was billed to appear in London, Canada, died. The first was Kennedy, the Scotch vocalist and this month J. T. Raymond and in both cases London was the last place billed.

T. J. Murphy, the noted Irish Comedian is now playing in Pennsylvania to S. R. O. The plays, "Kerry Gow" and "Shaun Rhue" are the most taking pieces on the American stage to-day.

Lizzie Evans in "Fogg's Ferry" is engaged to open the new opera house in Portsmouth on May 9th.

The manager of the opera house has had a new ornamental rail placed in front of the box office, at Portland, Me. How nice the same thing would be in our city hall here.

It is arranged that Patti's engagement at Her Majesty's Theatre, London, Eng., will extend through May, June and July.

A reporter asked an actress if she had ever suffered from stage fright. She replied that she never had except once when crossing the Rocky Mountains. The stage came within an ace of being tipped over a precipice.

She Paid For the Laugh.

A New York girl visiting recently in Philadelphia was taken to the opera by a young man, and at the close of the performance was asked to partake of some slight refreshment in the way of a supper. She accepted the invitation, and at the conclusion of the repast was somewhat astonished to see her escort reach for her pocketbook, which lay on the table at her side, and coolly pay the bill out of her money. This, it seems, is customary in Philadelphia when a young gentleman's means are somewhat limited. It relieves his lady friends of the embarrassment they might otherwise feel on partaking of any entertainment at his cost. It struck the New York girl, however, as being very ridiculous, and she began to laugh. "I fear you are laughing at my expense," said the young man. "Let me explain." "Oh, no," she replied, "I was laughing at my expense!"

FRESHETS IN MAINE.

No Trains or Mails from the West.

Maine, as well as this province, is just now being visited by unusually high freshets, which are causing considerable damage. The New Brunswick Railway Company gave notice yesterday that in consequence of the heavy rise of water and washouts on the line between Vanceboro and Bangor, the train service between those points will be suspended for a day or two. Passenger trains for points on the New Brunswick railway will run regularly, but passengers destined west of Vanceboro cannot go beyond that point until the running of trains to and from that place is resumed.

The Kennebec is higher than for eighteen years past, and at last accounts the water was still rising. Nearly every boom in the river has been swept away, and millions of logs, it is feared, will be carried out to sea and lost. East of Bangor, on the main line of the Maine Central, there have been no washouts, although the track has been overflowed in several places and especially on the Vanceboro bog.

LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE.

The City Council and the Appropriation of the Scott Act Fines.

The adjourned meeting of the temperance workers of the city was held in Fisher's building last night. The meeting was well attended. The organization of the "Law and Order League," having for its main object the enforcement of the Canada Temperance Act, was completed with the exception of the election of officers which takes place at the next meeting to be held in the temperance hall on Monday evening next. A lengthy discussion took place over the appropriation of the Scott Act fines, it having been understood that it was the intention of the city council at their meeting to-night to pass an order for the appropriation of all monies collected under the Scott Act to the general fund of the city. The members of the league were unanimous in their opinions that the purport of the order in council was to the effect that all such monies should be appropriated for the purposes of the act, and exclusively for that purpose. A committee was appointed to act with the temperance members of the council in this regard.

Mr. Gill's Entertainment.

Mr. J. G. Gill has completed arrangements for the holding of another entertainment in the city hall, on the evening of Wednesday, May 25th. He has secured the services of Mr. and Mrs. Allison Cook, who will render some of their latest songs during the evening. Among the other attractions of the evening will be an extempore address by Mr. Gill at the opening and the readition of some selections from authors of high literary standing.

FREDERICTON PARK ASSOCIATION.

Annual Meeting of the New Park Stockholders at the Queen Last Night.

At a meeting of the above association held at the Queen Hotel on Monday evening the following stockholders were elected directors for the ensuing year:—

Geo. E. Fenety,
A. A. Sterling,
D. F. George,
F. P. Thompson,
J. A. Edwards.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mayor Fenety was elected president; Sheriff Sterling vice-president; Mr. C. H. Lugrin solicitor, and Mr. W. P. Flewelling secretary-treasurer.

At the meeting of the association the directors for the past year submitted a report, showing that some work had been done on the track last fall; that they had purchased a quantity of cedar posts and boards for fencing the premises, and that everything was in readiness for work to be continued on the track and the fences and buildings so soon as the season would allow.

It is the intention of the new directors to call for tenders for the work of grading the track, erecting the fences and the buildings as soon as the specifications can be prepared, and to that end a competent engineer is to inspect the locality in a day or two.

Plans for judges' stand, grand stand and stables have already been partially prepared and will be completed shortly.

The location of the new track is quite convenient to the town, the situation of the grand stand being only a very short distance farther from the city hall than the grand stand on the old track, in fact only about 200 yards farther.

In Short Metre.

Yesterday was a busy day for the truckmen.

The interior of the county court house is being whitewashed

The city schools opened at nine o'clock yesterday morning.

The bridge is again the Sunday afternoon favorite resort for both young and old.

Several trains on the New Brunswick railway were delayed on Saturday by washouts.

Mr. Yerxa states that sixteen barns in all were destroyed on the islands by the ice jam.

A stone crossing is badly needed on Queen street, at the lower entrance to the post office.

The Keswick bridge was lifted about six inches this morning by the great water freshet.

It is rumored that a professional man in an adjoining town is soon to rob the city of a member of its teaching staff.

A cow, frightened by a dog, ran across the Carleton street (east) pavement yesterday, seriously damaging it.

A conversazione is to be held in the Church hall on Thursday evening in aid of the Victoria hospital.

The Saturday Gazette is the name of a new paper published in St. John, of which Mr. John A. Bowes is editor and proprietor.

Owing to the rain, the social at Tilbson, Saturday night, was not very liberally patronized. It will probably be repeated in the near future.

Mr. Benj. Yerxa and Rev. J. E. Reud arrived in town from Keswick to-day. Owing to the height of water over the highway road they were obliged in several places to travel on the railway track in order to make the city.

Rev. Joseph Annand, who preached in the Presbyterian church here on Missions not long since, and who started from Halifax about the beginning of the year, to engage further in missionary work in the island of Santo, has arrived safely at Sydney, New South Wales.

The Dead Infant.

A jury was impanneled by Coroner Dr. Coulthard at 2 o'clock this afternoon for the holding of the inquest on the body of the dead infant found in Scully's grove on Sunday week. The jury, after viewing the body, adjourned until 8 o'clock awaiting a post mortem examination which is being conducted by Dr. Crocket. The police have no particular clue of the guilty parties.

Special Advertisements.

Attention is directed to the large special advertisement on this page of the Messrs. Dever Bros. They advertise a fine line of seasonable goods at exceptionally low prices.

The space now given to Dever Bros. on this page is set apart for special advertisements for short seasons. If any other of our merchants wish the space for a few issues they should lose no time in securing it.

Personal.

Rev. Dr. McLeod spent Sunday in Sussex.

Mayor Thorne, of St. John, spent Sunday in town.

Mayor Fenety is expected home from the south on Saturday next.

Sir Leonard and Lady Tilley leave next Tuesday for Ottawa.

Attorney General Blair and Surveyor General Mitchell go to Ottawa this week.

Rev. Mr. Mowatt went to St. John this morning, to attend the Presbytery of St. John, which is in session to-day.

Mr. Jerry Harrison, late teller of the Maritime bank in this city, has received an appointment to a clerkship in the bank of Nova Scotia, St. John. Mr. Harrison left for St. John yesterday afternoon.

Equity Court.

The equity court sat this morning. The only case heard was that of Wm. F. Ferguson vs. Philip S. Eaman et al. Judgment pro confesso. Assessment and sale was ordered on motion of Mr. J. D. Hazen.

University Sports.

Prof. Havener, the trainer, arrived at the University at noon to-day and will at once begin his duties of putting the college athletes in training for the sports to be held on the 25th. The new professor will reside at the university.

Police Court.

Leonard Howard was before the police court this morning charged with selling liquor on Regent street. He was convicted and fined $50 and costs.

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A MYSTERIOUS FIND.

The Dead Body of a Man Found Unburied in a Carleton Graveyard.

As three men were wandering through the Roman Catholic cemetery in Carleton, St. John, on Sunday morning, they came upon the dead body of a man lying upon the ground. Although the body was that of a man who had evidently been dead for some time, it had only recently been placed in the lot where it was found. The remains were apparently those of a man 40 or 50 years of age, as what hair remained about the head was of a greyish color. The flesh on the face was entirely gone, the scalp being laid bare. Near the body lay two or three boards which had evidently been used in conveying the body thither. But how the body reached the cemetery no one appears to know. The theory that it was brought to the cemetery in a wagon is strengthened by the fact that between two and three o'clock on Sunday morning a woman who lives near the turn of the road heard a wagon driving past her house. The case is a mysterious one, and will probably be found to have its origin in murder. An inquest is being held on the remains.

A Drugger Joins the Exodus.

Mr. G. L. Atherson, druggist, took an unexpected leave of the city yesterday, leaving the drug business managed by him in the hands of Ald. Gaunce, who is to-day selling off at cost.

For Coughs

and Colds, use Allen's Lung Balsam. Relief is warranted or money refunded.

Maritime Bank.

The appointment of liquidators of the insolvent bank is to be made on Thursday next.

Going into the Hen Business.

Says the Woodstock Press:—"H. V. Parker, who has been employed with his brother in town, is preparing to move to Lower Woodstock on a farm, where he will engage in the hen raising business."

The Making of a Mechanic in Him.

Mrs. Brimmer—I don't see when a man has a good trade why he should prefer to be a burgler.

Mr. B.—Who are you talking about?

Mrs. B.—That man who was caught breaking into a store last night. He's a machinist.

Mr. B. Who told you that?

Mrs. B.—The paper says that while he was at the station-house, and the officer was making his report, the burglar made a bolt for the door.

New Advertisements.

In the Matter of the Maritime Bank!
OF THE DOMINION OF CANADA.

I HEREBY appoint THURSDAY, the fifth day of May, instant, at the Judges' Room, in the Parliament Building, in Fredericton, at 12.30 o'clock, p. m., as the time for the selection of three Liquidators from the persons nominated at the meetings of the shareholders and creditors of the said Bank, held on the 27th day of April last, at which time the shareholders and creditors who voted at either of the said meetings, may be heard in the matter of such selection; and I direct that a copy of this order be forthwith served upon the President and some one of the Directors of the said Bank, and upon the Provisional Liquidator, and that a copy be also published in two of the daily newspapers of the city of St. John, and in one newspaper published in Fredericton.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 1887.

JOHN C. ALLEN,
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

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