

A DOWN TOWN MERCHANT.

Having passed several sleepless nights, disturbed by the agonies and cries of a suffering child, and becoming convinced that Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup was just the article needed, I procured a supply for the child. On reaching home, and acquainting his wife with what he had done, she refused to have it administered to the child, as she was strongly in favor of Homeopathy. That night the child passed in suffering, and the parents were almost returning home the day following, the father found the baby still worse; and while contemplating another sleepless night, the mother stepped from the room to attend to some domestic duties, and left the father with the child. During her absence he administered a portion of the Soothing Syrup to the baby, and said nothing. That night all hands slept well, and the little fellow awoke in the morning bright and happy. The mother was delighted with the sudden and wonderful change, and although at first offended at the deception practiced upon her, she continued to use the Syrup, and suffering crying babies and restless nights have disappeared. A single trial of the Syrup never yet failed to relieve the baby, and overcome the prejudices of the mother. Sold by all Druggists. 25 cents a bottle.

**Brown's Household Panacea.** Is the most effective Pain Destroyer in the world. Will most surely quicken the blood; whether taken internally or applied externally, and thereby more certainly RELIEVE PAIN, whether chronic or acute, than any other pain alleviator, and it is warranted double the strength of any similar preparation. It cures pain in the Side, Back or Bowels, Sore Throat, Rheumatism, Toothache, and ALL ACHES.

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MUCH SICKNESS.

Undoubtedly with children, attributed to other causes, is occasioned by Worms. Brown's Vermifuge Comfit, or Worm Lozenges, although efficient in destroying worms, can do no possible injury to the most delicate child. This valuable combination has been successfully used by physicians, and found to be absolutely sure in eradicating worms, so hurtful to children. Twenty-five cents a box.

**DELICATE WOMEN, Pale-faced, Sickly Children, the Aged and Infirm, alike are benefited by the Strengthening and Blood Making Power of "Harrison's Quinine Wine and Iron." It stimulates the circulation, improves the Appetite; and removes all impurities from the Blood. It is the best medicine you can take to give you lasting Strength.**

Local Matters.

**To Open Again.** Morrison's mill will re-open as soon as the freshet subsides.

**Recovering.** We are pleased to state that the Metropolitan, who has been confined to his bed for some time with sore throat, is nearly recovered.

**Auction Sale.** The sale of the old furniture, wood, etc., at the Assembly Buildings on Saturday last, realized about \$300, the wood going for \$1.70 to \$1.50 per cord.

**High Floods.** Nashua River has been getting on a tantrum. A few nights ago the flood in the river rose very high, and forcing down the ice in a great body carried away the end of Durham Bridge 16 miles above Gibbon.

**Cable Rates Reduced.** Cable rates from this side to Great Britain and Ireland, till further orders, will be 50 cents a word, we are asked to state by the Dominion Telegraph Co.'s agent here, is a reduction of 33 1/2 per cent. on the old rate.

**Petroleum.** Mr. Edward Jack informs us that he has received a telegram from a former official of the Lands and Mines Department in Halifax, stating that the petroleum wells of Nova Scotia give encouragement for a brisk petroleum trade.

**A bad Kick by a Horse.** Mr. James Burden of the Commercial Hotel met with a painful accident Friday last. He was at work on his horse on Tuesday, and was taking his horse to drink, when one of the animals kicked him on the arm, breaking it above the elbow.

**Milling Operations at Bathurst.** There is a genuine hum promised at Bathurst this summer. A gentleman just arrived from there informs us that the two mills owned respectively by Jabez B. Snowball, M. P., and Senator Muirhead will employ 275 men; from Crook's Point down to the vessels belonging to these firms during the summer, carrying deals, etc., to Great Britain.

**Opening of the Normal School.** The Normal School opens to-morrow and 151 have presented themselves for examination. Of this number 88 are males and 114 females. Over a hundred female candidates came up by the May Queen yesterday, but we are pleased to state that on landing they were not subjected to the coarse jests and remarks of the few young men who behaved so disgracefully last term.

**An Important Arrival.** Hon. W. E. Perley arrived in this city yesterday, by the *Florenceville* from Woodstock and brought with him the thoroughbred stallion "Prince Imperial" imported by the Government about 5 years ago. He intends taking him to St. John next Monday or Tuesday to auction him off. Mr. Perley is of the opinion that the Westland Agricultural Society will purchase him, although he thinks there will be some lively bidding.

**Fredericton Railway Matters.** The Annual Meeting of the Fredericton Railway Company was held at Mr. Richards' office on Monday last. A very favorable report of the operations of the road from May, 1879, was submitted by Mr. Edgewood, Superintendent, and the prospect for the coming year was brightening. The Directors elected were: Thomas Temple, Esq., A. F. Randolph, Esq., J. L. Inches, Esq., H. D. McLeod, Esq.

At a meeting of the Directors held immediately after, Thomas Temple, Esq., was unanimously re-elected President, Mr. John Richards, Secretary-Treasurer, and Messrs. Fraser, Wetmore & Winslow, Solicitors.

LUMBERING.

Rafting on the St. John River.

A VISIT TO THE GLASIER AND DOUGLAS BOOMS.

PREPARATIONS FOR WORK.

The Number of Men Employed and the New Management.

For several days men have been going in small knots up to the Douglas Boom, to work, and down to the Glazier Boom, the time having arrived for rafting operations. A STAR representative took a horse yesterday morning and drove up to the Douglas Boom five miles above this city. The charming day, and natures returning life on every side, were ample recompense for the undertaking. It is impossible for one not to feel delighted of a bright spring morning, after winter has run its race, as he drives past green fields and through forests awaking from their winter sleep. A slight tinge of green rested upon the staff of the snow white lambs frisked and nibbled the peeping grass shoots. The robin too had found its throat, and warbled through the forest on every hand. The trees had assumed a green shade and buds, nipped for their audacity by the frost, three weeks ago, were again pushing forth. The farmers all along were engaged in the spring ploughing, and the rich red soil, as he turned out his furrow. At the sound of "wheels" every farmer turns his head to see "who's coming," and the blithe farm maiden, as she disappears through the door way with her milk or water pail pauses for a moment and looks over her shoulder as the stranger passes. It is easy telling if she feel more than a passing interest in the stranger by putting her head to the window till some unkind tree, or knoll interposes itself between you and her. Several farmers along the road, informed the reporter that nearly all the farmers were "going to sow more or less wheat this season."

AT THE BOOM. "So you have come up to see us," said the obliging clerk, Mr. Shep. Ester, as the Reporter drew up his horse; "what can I do for you?"

"If you will answer a few questions I shall be obliged. What is the big house yonder, looking so much like a meeting house, and yet far from that it would seem, so near the boom?"

"Come down and I'll show you." Both entered. The building was the boom house, a large and airy structure, capable of accommodating at least 60 men. In this house the raftmen live through the spring and summer till the rafting is done. They cook and sleep here. A long table extended up and down the apartment, and along the side ran a double tier of berths or bunks, like those used on board ship. Every man had a comfortable and in good order, and while the Reporter was inside he observed the cooks were busy preparing the meals. The men are well-fed, some of them told the Reporter afterwards, getting good pork, corned beef, tea, molasses, and the best of bread.

THE SOCIAL VIEW OF IT. The men get up about daylight in the morning, when the cook has the breakfast "smoking hot" upon the table for them.

If through the day anyone fall in, his wet clothes are dry and ready for him to put on when he turns out in the morning. At noon the horn is blown and the men come in to dinner, after which they work till six, and a couple of hours afterwards when there is a big rush. The air resonates, after the day's work is done, with their songs, sung in the open air, and the damsel from the country round listen and sigh, as they say, "Do you hear the raftmen?"

When they go inside stories are told and cheerful chat goes round; and though there are few total abstinents among lumbermen, it is rare indeed that they have a case of drunkenness. Liquors in bottles or Ten Gallon measures are excluded. The chats kept up till 10 o'clock or so, each one lying on his bunk, and one by one they drop off asleep, till sometimes not one is awake save some garrulous story teller, who is as satisfied "spinning yarns," as man can be. There were 40 men at work yesterday, and there are as many more at the lower boom house of the Glazier, which is in many respects similar to the upper.

The wings of the Douglas shear boom had been carried away by the Madawaska ice coming down the river. This ice generally, remains two or three days after the main river ice, and can be distinguished by its blue color, being quite solid. On Sunday night it ran out, and carried away the boom wings, or rudders: the men were now repairing these.

THE SHEER BOOMS. The Sheer Boom, claimed to have been the invention of Mr. Pond, an American, is used on the St. John river from Crook's Point down to the Glazier's. The Sheer Boom, without going into details, is a boom or float, so constructed as to sheer logs floating on the river. Into fixed booms, which retain them, till they are rafted. Several of these booms are set along the river, and at such points as to divert the course of the logs. Before the date of their use, many logs escaped the fixed booms, and floating down the river went to sea and were lost. The Sheer Boom has been used on the St. John River for three years, are also, we believe, used on the Miramichi, and also on most of the lumber rivers of the Union. Mr. Pond and the Eauclair Company with him are said to have "made a fortune" out of the booms.

THE MANAGEMENT. Three years ago, a new boom joint stock company formed and bought out the Glazier interest which included the whole boom system for the river. Beside this, they bought out the Pond Sheer Boom in connexion and went to other expenses, reaching in the aggregate \$30,000, beside the purchase money. In consequence of the purchase last year, no dividend was declared. Doubtless this year there will be.

THE BOOM RECEIPTS. For every M of spruce logs rafted, the company receive 80 cents; for every thousand of pine, they receive 90 cents, and for every ton of timber, 25 cents. Logs, many mixed up, containing every kind of "hacks," are assorted out and together and rafted. Every mark is

known to the company, and there is no difficulty in getting every man's logs separate. It is at this work the men alluded to above are employed.

None of the large drives have come down yet, though a large number of straggling logs have found their way into the boom. There will be about 100 men employed on the booms this spring, their wages ranging from \$10 to \$14 a month. Last year wages ranged from \$8 to \$12; but previous spring paid out \$100,000 more in figures ranging from \$16 to \$20 a month.

St. John Notes.

[From our special correspondent.]

**SCHOOL APPOINTMENT.**—Mr. Charles Connolly of Fredericton, is in the city. He has been appointed on the staff of teachers in St. Michael's Hall, Sydney Street.

**THE SIGN POETIC.**—A sign board on a German-street bar-room has on it the following verse, surmounted by a bee-hive (painted):

Whin this hive we're all alive,  
Our drink is sweet, and our work is dry,  
If you are dry come in and try,  
But don't forget your money!

The school examinations in the city and Portland were held last week. The examinations, as at present conducted, are regarded even by many of the teachers as farcical. The parents of the children with few exceptions, absent themselves on such occasions. [Not creditable to the parents; and we venture to say, the parent who takes no interest in his child's progress, has had little training himself.—Ed.]

**WANTED.**—A society for the prevention of cruelty to animals. It has been demonstrated to a certainty that such societies are doing good in the city and Portland. Horses that have been almost starved to death during the winter and whose appearance would create sympathy from anybody possessing a heart, are being rescued from the cruel hands of their miserably ignorant owners. Some of these animals can scarcely stand up let alone draw loads. Instances have also recently occurred where harmless dogs have been stoned to death by unfeeling wretches calling themselves young men. In Halifax, where an association exists to prevent such cruelties, the gully parties are brought into a more correct view. A similar league would no doubt have a wholesome effect in this city and vicinity. At the County Court sitting His Honor Judge Waters suggested to the Grand Jury a consideration of the cruelties inflicted on animals. That body have attached much weight to His Honor's suggestion and agreeably with their presentment, means will be adopted to prevent such a lawless and unenforced enactment shall be carried out to teach offenders that dumb animals are not entirely subject to the will of men of brutish instincts.

Monday May 3, 1880.

ST. JOHN MARKETS.

(By our own Correspondent.)

Beef.....	\$0 04	\$0 07 1/2
Pork.....	0 04	0 06 1/2
Mutton.....	0 08	0 10
Lamb.....	0 08	0 10
Butter, (firkin).....	0 19	0 20
Butter, (roll).....	0 23	0 25
Cheese.....	0 09	0 11
Chickens.....	0 07	0 10
Ducks.....	0 40	0 80
Geese.....	0 40	0 80
Turkeys.....	0 20	0 50
Lard.....	0 12	0 13
Potatoes per bushel.....	0 35	0 50
Tallow, (rough).....	0 04	0 06
"(rendered).....	0 05	0 06
Oats.....	0 35	0 40
Lambkins.....	0 02	0 03
Hay per ton.....	10 00	12 00
Hams & should's (G) 07.....	0 07	0 10
"(smoked) 08.....	0 08	0 10
"(choice) 11.....	0 11	0 13
Backwheat, (rough).....	0 09	0 10
Hides.....	0 07 1/2	0 08
Yarn.....	0 50	0 60
Maple Sugar.....	0 10	0 12
Maple Candy.....	0 15	0 00

**Liquor Selling in European Countries.** In several European countries and particularly in Sweden, if the vice of intemperance has not been entirely extinguished, its greatest abuses have been suppressed. The sale of liquors is permitted, but under such restrictions that no speculation can be made on it. The privilege of selling this business is intrusted to but one company in each village; the profits realized from it must not exceed 5 per cent on the capital invested, the surplus being paid into the public treasury.

Stockholders in these companies cannot themselves engage in the sale of liquors, which is entrusted to a separate company, are fixed by the Government. So that whether the makers nor the sellers can have any interest in increasing the sale. This is the essential feature of this system. On this hinges the whole reform effected in this regard, a reform which has proved so successful, an evident benefit to regard social order and good manners. Moreover the Government derives from this system a revenue which is of course applied to the reduction of duties.

**Personal.** Hon B R Stevenson arrived here on Saturday last and has been in town since.

Mr Robinson of Canterbury, is here on business. She is delighted with Grand Southern prospects, poor old woman, and did who were to run for Charlotte now, she would not get 30 votes; and it is said she darts not sleep, her nose abroad or she will be barred and feathered by the supporters interests she opposed in the Upper House. What an unhappy old woman!

Mr Jones, Legislative Councillor, is also at Bathurst. She is delighted with Grand Southern prospects, poor old woman, and did who were to run for Charlotte now, she would not get 30 votes; and it is said she darts not sleep, her nose abroad or she will be barred and feathered by the supporters interests she opposed in the Upper House. What an unhappy old woman!

**The Dongs in Tay Creek.** Mr Henry Hawkes from Tay Creek who brought us about 20 lbs. of Maple Sugar this morning, informs us that nearly every farmer at the Creek has a bush of Dongs this summer. Last summer only four farmers sowed it; one of these was Mr John Owens who sowed 14 bushels. The rest of the bush is 7 bushels and the rest of the bush will sell in proportion. Out at Tay Creek, he says, they had a bush of Dongs, but the acre sufficient, though some put in 2 bushels to the acre. The farmers he also tells us, have just commenced the spring ploughing. Last year Mr Hawkes made 400 lbs. of sugar and 1 gallon of honey; this year though he had the same number of bush he says he made only half that quantity. It was a "poor spring for sap to run," he says, being so cold.

**O. F. Bazaar.** Mrs Manger reached Fredericton this evening after several weeks absence in Boston. She now proposes to carry out the O F Bazaar, and has made such arrangements as promise a great success. Excursion parties have decided to come from various points of the Massachusetts, and such a gathering will be at the Fair, it is said, as seldom been seen here on a like occasion before.

STAR BRIEFS.

—The Aurora borealis was brilliant last night and the night before.

—There will be a regular meeting of the City Council this evening.

—That abominable whistle blew this morning from the City Marshall that received \$100 a year for his duties.

—A "Dreadful Scouring" a letter in our last should have been dated Gibson, but the writer of the letter forgot this important part.

—We again call the attention of the road master to the man-trap at the corner of King and Regent streets.

—The injuries received by McCorkindale who was stabbed some days ago in Temperance Yard, are now serious than were even at first anticipated.

**Going to New York.** Mr Richard Wayport of the Dominion Telegraph office left here the 3 o'clock train for New York, spending a few days in St. Andrews on his way. Mr Wayport has secured an excellent position in New York, and is a desirable and desirable than the one he leaves, which was a fair position. Mr Hawthorne, who will be in charge of the Dominion Telegraph at half dozen Permanent Boarders, Rooms spacious. Furniture and Bedding new. The most strict attention will be given to Boarders.

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ROHN MACKAY.

Feb. 3.—about. Far. Jep. Mas.

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CHAS. E. PERKES

From Jan. 31, 1880.—1f

CIGARS & TOBACCO

THE BEST IN THE CITY.

At GEO. H. DAVIS,

Steamer "Florenceville."

UNTIL further notice the Steamer "Florenceville" will leave Fredericton for Woodstock on TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY mornings, at 6 o'clock, returning will leave Woodstock for Fredericton on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY mornings at 8 o'clock.

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