

Business Notes.
The ADVANCE office is open for business from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. every week-day. It is not open for delivery of papers in the evening. Town and local country subscribers will, therefore, please call at their papers & the delivery window before 6 p.m.

Advertisements.
The insertion of advertisements can only be insured each day by their reaching this office by 6 p.m. on Tuesday.

Miramichi and the North

Share, etc.

AMERICAN RAILROADS.
Mr. FOWLER of the well-known American merchant tailoring establishment of Dunlop, McDonald & Co., is visiting the firm's north shore customers.

THE TEA MEETING AND BAZAAR held by the ladies of the Chatham Methodist Church on Thursday evening last, was one of the most successful affairs of the kind ever held here. It netted nearly \$300.

REMARKS BY—A portion of one of the glass doors opened in Mr. Taggart's haberdashery, Chatham, was removed on Tuesday night, but, for some reason, no entrance was made to the premises.

A Usher Thanksgiving Service will be held in the Reformed Episcopal Church this morning. Rev. Messrs. Chapman, White and Dr. McCarty will take part in the exercises. Dr. McCarty preaching the sermon.

WEDDING.—On Tuesday morning Mr. J. D. B. Mackenzie, of Chatham, was married at Summerside, P. E. I., to Miss Annie, youngest daughter of Rev. Neil McKay, formerly of St. John's, N. B., and now of the Chatham Methodist Church. The groomsmen were Mr. J. Fred MacMillan, formerly a resident of Chatham, the bridesmaid being Miss Marie McKay, sister of the bride. The newly wedded pair reached St. John on Tuesday evening and proceeded thence on a tour which included Boston, Montreal, etc. They are expected to reach Chatham the last of the next week. We throw all our old slippers after them.

PERSONAL.—Rev. Father Trudelle of Shipshaw was in town yesterday.

Mr. Henderson of the firm of Singleton Dunn & Co., Glasgow, was in town on Tuesday.

Mr. Harrison, of Messrs. Jas. Smith & Co., Liverpool, was in town last week.

Hon. Senator Muirhead has been confined to the house since his return from England. His many friends will be glad, however, to learn that he is improving in health.

J. R. Snowball, Esq., accompanied by Mrs. Snowball, left for Boston.

T. J. Desmond of Newcastle, who has been studying medicine with Dr. McLearn, has left for Montreal to enter McGill College.

Neglect of Duty.
On Saturday morning last, the steamer *Summerside*, Capt. Alexander Cameron, from Sydney, deeply laden with rails, made Esquimaux and ran in towards the bar looking for a pilot, but none appeared. Capt. Cameron reports that he was, at times during the day, near the stranded *barque* and kept his vessel well in, hoping that the pilot might be induced to come out to him, if there was any light. None came, however, and as the weather looked unfavorable and his steamer was deeply laden, he was obliged to run across the Straits for the night. He ran back again early on Sunday morning but, again, secured a pilot. We have made enquiries here of the chief pilot in reference to the neglect of duty on the part of the pilots, but he simply treated it as a laughing matter. Other people, however, will look upon it in a different way. There is too much of that kind of thing allowed to go without proper notice being taken of it. If a steamer were to come on and the deeply laden steamer be lost through not being able to obtain a pilot it would hardly have been a matter to laugh over.

Bestigouche Municipal Elections

An obliging correspondent sends us the following:

Parish of Addington.—Wm. Doherty and Mr. Alexander elected.

Dalhousie.—John Moffat and John McNeill elected.

Colborne.—Geo. White and R. Conacher elected.

Dorchester.—In this Parish there was a keen and exciting contest, the old Councilors were opposed by Mr. Chas. McAllister of the firm of McAllister Bros. A month previous to the election an agreement was made with the Parish, by each Candidate and their respective friends and also on election day. The meeting was called to order by Lawrence Leppin, Parish Clerk, when Paul Devereaux, Geo. and Donald Stewart were nominated for chairmen. A division of the ratemakers was taken, when Paul Devereaux was elected by a large majority. As the close of the poll the vote stood as follows:

Thos. Hayles 156
John Gilligan 133
Chas. McAllister 125
Thos. Hayles took for the fourth time, always leading the poll. John Gilligan had been elected six years in succession.

Concert

A very meritorious concert, of which we think there was insufficient previous notice was given in Maconic Hall, Chatham, on Monday evening of last week. The *Advocate* says of it:

The concert in aid of the R. R. Church, in Maconic Hall, was greeted with a very fair audience, but not so large as it deserved. The ladies in their quaint old-fashioned dresses looked better than when dressed in a more modern style, and the wonder is how or where they unearthed so many little and things that were worn in days of our great grandmothers. Mrs. Burbridge, as grandma, did well and Mr. J. Robins, as grandfater, was a great success. Mr. N. R. Mackenzie, in his character song, "Complaints," received great applause. Miss Gordon and Mr. Macneave, in their respective songs, "Matrimonial Sweeties," which was given in grand style, also received an encore. Anthony White, the solo boy, deserves special mention. Mr. Follen and Miss Gillis rendered the choruses, "A Home by the Sea," in fine style, and received great applause from the audience. Mr. Bos violin solo was highly appreciated. All the singers did well, and the concert was a most entertaining one, reflecting great credit on those who organized it and those who took part in it.

New Methodist Church.

The Methodists of Chatham are challenging the administration and winning the

sympathy of their fellow-citizens by the efforts they have been making for some time past to place themselves in a position to erect a new Church. Their present place of worship, at the corner of Duke and Cornhill Streets, really belongs to the past, and the taste and aspirations of the congregation, keeping abreast of the times, have suggested a more modern and comfortable temple. With a spirit of Christian liberality seldom equalled by a comparatively small and not wealthy congregation they have put their shoulder to the wheel and raised sufficient to warrant them in going forward with the work. We are, of course, not intimately acquainted with the details of the work done, but there can be little doubt that the present efficient and esteemed pastor, Rev. Mr. Chapman, has been largely instrumental in bringing the undertaking to its present satisfactory state. The site of the proposed new church, for which tenders are now invited, is on the corner of Wellington and McCarty Streets, where excavation for the basement walls is now going on. No better or more convenient position for such an edifice could be found. It is centrally located and in a neighborhood where the landings are of a desirable class. The plans, which we have just had an opportunity of examining, were prepared by Messrs. Dunsmuir and Mack, architects, and are complete in all their details. The building is to be of brick with freestone basement and trimmings. It is in the Gothic style with corner tower and spire. The general dimensions are: length, 25 ft. 6 in.; breadth, 20 ft. 6 in.; height of roof, 20 ft. 6 in. The tower will be 10 ft. 6 in. in diameter and will be 20 ft. 6 in. high. The spire will be 10 ft. 6 in. in diameter and will be 20 ft. 6 in. high. The tower will be 10 ft. 6 in. in diameter and will be 20 ft. 6 in. high. The spire will be 10 ft. 6 in. in diameter and will be 20 ft. 6 in. high.

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Rink on Monday evening last, the President, D. Ferguson, Esq., in the Chair. There was a fair attendance and a good deal of interest was manifested in the affairs of the institution, especially by the younger stockholders. The Secretary, Mr. Geo. Watt, read the annual report of the Board, showing

That while the business of the past year had been fairly successful, still the gross receipts had fallen short about \$400 of the amount earned in 1883, while the total receipts from the sale of tickets the past year exceeded those of 1883 by \$200. The falling off had, therefore, been altogether in receipts from carnivals, entertainments, etc.

The gross income of the past year amounted to \$1380.22, which, with \$61.30 on hand from 83 makes total of \$1441.52, all of which had been expended in maintenance and construction, besides which there were now outstanding debts for lumber, etc., amounting to about \$200.

Since the last annual meeting certain improvements had been made which must add to the comfort as well as the convenience of patrons of the Rink, among which were the alterations of the rink rooms, at a cost of \$130.00; a plank floor in the main building at a cost of \$125.00, etc.

In accordance with the conditions of the mortgage on the building, a first payment of \$400 thereon had been made on Jan. 1, 1884, with interest to that date, leaving a balance of \$900 still owing. Of which, with interest, would fall due on Jan. 1st next and a similar payment on Jan. 1st, 1886.

A proposition to lease the Rink to a Company, for the purpose of making a roller rink of it had been made to the Directors and submitted to the Stockholders on 8th Oct, when it was not deemed advisable to entertain said proposition, the management in the past having been satisfactory.

The item, \$250, for music, which was paid last year, seemed to the Directors too large, but until the Rink Company could be formed, no other arrangement could be made for under the hand.

The Auditor, Mr. Wm. T. Connors reported that having examined the accounts he found them correct in every particular, but his attention had been attracted by the fact that receipts had season had fallen off some four hundred dollars in comparison with the previous season, which he supposed might be due to some fault of the management which should be explained.

Secretary Watt said the falling off was altogether in the receipts from Carnivals and other entertainments, and it arose out of interference with the Directors' management by ticket-holders to the rink, who had been in the habit of interfering with the Directors' management.

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small an outlay as possible, while the Directors had to devise every possible means of satisfying both parties, a work which required a good deal of careful management, in which he thought the Directors had been very successful.

After some further discussion, carried on with the best of good feeling, the report of the Directors was adopted.

Mr. Geo. Watt referred to the revenue of the past year, and the thanks of the meeting for their good management of the rink in the interests of both stockholders and ticket-holders.

Mr. M. S. Hocken seconded the resolution. The President said this would afford an opportunity for an expression of the views of those present on the matter of holding entertainments and band nights and such expression would be a guide to the Directors to be appointed next year.

Dr