Of the New Presbyterian Church, Campbellton, Tuesday, 26th inst.

With Imposing Masonic Ceremonies—A Large Turnout of the Craft-One Thousand Spectators.

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE SUN.) From time immemorial, it has been the prerogative of the Masonic Society to lay corner stones of edifices, not only such as are intended strictly for Masonic purposes, but also constructions of a public character. The national capital at Washington, many state houses, custom houses, colleges, schools, hospitals, asylums, churches, etc., etc., each in its turn has been the subject of the ancient ceremonial about to be described. To expunge the history of Freemasonry from this continent would be to draw from twenty thousand edifices the corner stones planted there by Masonic hands.

The event of Tuesday last drew to Campbeliton a great concourse of people from the sowns and villages on the North Shore. Restigouche was well represented, a special trein bringing large numbers from Dalhousie, the county town, and other places. The procession of the Masons was the largest that has ever been seen on any public occasion in N. B., outside the city of St. John.

The services commenced by the pastor, Rev. A. Ogilvie Brown, making some introductory remarks, in the course of which he said, that it was just fifty-five years ago that very day since the first Presbyterian min-ister, the Rev, James Stevens, planted the banner of Presbyterianism on Restigouche banner of Fresbyterianism on Restiguione soil. He then proceeded to read a copy of the scroll deposited in the cavity of the atone, a few extracts from which may be interesting to the public, as follows:

HISTORY OF THE CONGREGATION. Fifty-five years ago today there landed at Ferguson's point the Rev. James Stevens, a young man of thirty years, and the pioneer of Presbyterianism in northern New Bruns-wick, and in the adjacent parts of what is now knewn as the province of Quebec. From that time until his death, a period of thirty-three years, he labored faithfully and arduously, and he now sleeps within sound of the murmuring ripple of the Restigouche.

surrounded by many of those whom he taught, and whom he loved in life.

The first members of session associated with the Rev. Mr. Stevens were :-Robert Ferguson, Alexander Adams, John Adams, Robert Adams, John Duncan, Jonathan Hoar,

The following members of session were afterwards appointed to have special super-vision over the Flatlands district: James Sillars, Thomas Montgomery, John Mc-Beath. The Rev. James Stevens died on 22nd January, 1864, and was succeeded by the Rev. Wm. Wilson of Scotland, who remained in charge from 1866 to 1868. Dur-ing Mr. Wilson's pastorate the following elders were appointed: Charles Murray, Robert Busteed, D. J. Fraser. Mr. Wilson was succeeded in 1868 by the Rev. William Murray, he was for eight years minister of the congregation. During his pastorate the following elders were appointed: John Adams, John G. Fair, Archibald McKenzle, sr., John Gerrard, Adam Duncan, J. Bradshaw McKenzie.

After a short vacancy, the Rev. J. C. Herdman, B. D., was ordained and inducted into the charge, in which he faithfully and acceptably laboured during a period of acceptably laboured during a period of seven years, until June 1885, when he was invited to go as a missionary to Calgary, N. W. T. He was succeeded by the Rev. Alex. Ogilvie of our vows. There are many aspects of this interesting subject, any one of which

senr., William Adams, Thos. Busteed, Arthur Ritchie, Edward Hoar, Alex, Adams, John Adams junr., William Pratt junr., James Gerrard, Robert Adams. These have all gone to that "bourne, from whence no traveller returns."

THE PRESENT OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH ARE:-

Rev. Alex. Ogilvie Brown, minister; T. Bradshaw McKenzie, Session clerk; Robert Busteed, D. J. Fraser, David D. Gerrard, John Gerrard, John Ferguson, William Firth, Melvin Adams, John Mair, (treasurer) members of session.
Present board of trustees—Thomas Kerr

(chalrman), Wm. Andrew (sect.-treas.), John McAlister, John Cantley, John Henderson, Peter McLean, John C. Ferguson, John Mair, Thos. Adams. Ladles' ald association—Mrs. John Mair president), Miss Mary Ann Adams, Mrs. N. L. McDougall (vice-presidents), Miss Eve-

lign Gerrard (secretary), Miss Clara Kerr (treasurer).

The building committee of the new church

are the secretary of trustees, session clerk, and John Mair, John Cantley, Peter Mo-The contractor is John Andrew.

A BOTTLE CONTAINING the following articles was also deposited in the cavity of the stone:—

Roll of communicants of the church; List of pewholders; Names of teachers and officers of Sabbath

Names of organist and choir;
The last published report of congregation;
The Presbyterian Record, 1886; The Maritime Record, 1886; The Montreal Daily Star; The Newcastle Advocate; Current coins of the realm.

THE REV. MR. BROWN then addressed the most worshipful master (acting) of A. F. and A. M. of the jurisdiction of New Brunswick, E. Lees Street of Newcastle, requesting him to lay the corner stone with Masonic ceremonies. The grand chaplain, Rev. G. W. Fisher, was called upon to open the proceedings with an appropriate prayer. While the stone was being placed in position the choir sang ode

Hail, Masonry divine, Glery of ages shine; Long may'st thou reign Where'er thy lodges stand, May they have great comman And always grace the land; Thou art divine,

Great fabrics still arise,
And grace the azure skies—
Great are thy schemes;
Thy noble orders are
Matchless beyond compare;
No art with thee can share;
Thou art divine.

Hiram, the architect,
Did all the craft direct,
How they should build;
Sol'mon, great Israel's King,
Did mighty blessings bring,
And left us room to sing
Hall rows art

A handsome aliver trowel was then presented, on behalf of the congregation, to the worshipful master by Miss Kerr, [daughter of Thomas Kerr, chairman of the board of trustees. It bore the following inscription:

'Presented to E. Lees Street, Erq, D, D, D, M. nees and beauty. Is it not fitted to the capation of the capat Presented to E. Lees Street, Eq. D. D. D. M. A. F. & A. Masons, at the laying of the corner stone of the Presbyterian Church, Campbellton, N. B., Oct. 26th, A. L. 5886, A. D. 1886."

After the presentation of the trowel the grand master, addressing himself to the grand officers, requested them to assist him in laying the corner stone with appropriate THE GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

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were the following: E. Lees Street, acting G, M; W. A. Park, acting deputy G. M.; W. W. McLellan, acting S. W.; John White, acting J. W.; Samuel Russell, acting secretary; D. McGruar, acting treasurer; R. L. Maltby, acting S. D.; R. H. Armstrong, acting J. D.; Rev. G. W. Fisher, acting G. C.; Henry Bishop, acting sword bearer; Hiram Maltby, acting pursuivant; Thos. Vye, bearer holy writings; John Robinson, jr., D. Currie, Alex. Robinson, acting stewards; Charles Maltby, D. of C.; John Cassidy, tyler. The consecration elements of corp. John Cassidy, tyler. The consecration ele ments of corn, wine and oil, were handed to the grand master and by him placed on the stone, and during the singing of the follow-ing ode, after each verse, the elements were poured in successive order, on the stone :—

When once of old in Israel
Our early brethren wrought with toil,
Jehovah's blessing on them feil
In showers of corn and wine and oil.

The grand master saying: "This corn I distribute as a symbol of goodness and plenty. May the blessing of bounteous heaven be showered upon us, and inspire the hearts of the people with virtue, wisdom and gratitude," all the fraternity respond-'So mote it be."

When there a shirine to Him alone
They build, with worship, sin to foil,
On threshold and on corner stone.
They poured out corn and wine and oil. "This wine I pour as a symbol of joy and gladness," &c., &c.

And we have come, fraternal bands,
With joy, and pride and prosperous spoil,
To honor Him with votive hands,
With streams of corn and wine and oil. "This oil I pour as a symbol of peace, may its blessings abide with us continually, and may the Grand Master of heaven and earth shelter and protect the widow and orphan and bless the undertaking," etc.,

All responding-"So mote it be." The grand master next delivered the eautiful invocation and declared the stone duly laid, and the third ode was sung:

Master Supreme! accept our praise; btill bless this consecrated band; Parent of Light, illume our ways, And guide us by Thy sovereign hand,

May faith, hope, chari'y divine, Here hold their undivided reign, Friendship and harmony combine To sooth our cares and banish pain. May wisdom here disciples find, Beauty unfold her thousand charms, Science inaugurate the mind, Expand the soul that virtue warms.

May duty dwell within each breast, Relief attend the suffering poor;
Thousands by this, our church, be blest,
Till worth, distress'd, shall want no more. He then called upon the

REV. E. WALLACE WAITS, B. A., f Chatham, to deliver the oration, who or nounting the atone, said: The request that should address you today, grows not out of a desire to have the order we represent paraded estentationally before the world, nor is it to have its principles so presented and its merits so expounded that its ranks may be strengthened and its influence increased.

May I not rather construe this invitation to address you as an honest desire that I should Brown, January 1886. During the incum-bency of Mr. Herdman, the following mem. this interesting subject, any one of which would be a suitable and suggestive bency of Mr. Herdman, the following members of session were appointed:—David D. Gerrard, John Mair, John Ferguson, William

I do not assert that management is a second of management in the session with the present. Gerrard, John Mair, John Ferguson, William Frith, Melvin Adams.

The gentlemen who had charge of the building of the old church, in which the congregation has worshipped for upwards of fifty years were:—John Adams, senr., John Duncan, Thomas Busteed, William Adams, Adam Ferguson, and the first regularly appointed board of trustees were elected on the 4th June 1834, and consisted of: Robert Ferguson, senr., John Duncan, John Adams senr., William Adams, Thos, Busteed, Arthur Ritchie, Edward Hoar, Alex, Ad. solitary article which was antagonistic to or at variance with the gospel of Jesus Christ. In the ethics of masonry man is represented as the architect of his own character. The as the architect of his own character. The true soul work of man is frequently represented under architectural imagery. Sometimes God is spoken of as the Builder. When he is builder, then souls are represented as "lively stones," etc. In other places the building work is represented as man's. Then he is wood "to build me him."

man's. Then he is urged "to build up him-self in his most holy faith." The truth is that in all the true work of the soul "we are laboring together with God." He is the primary agent in all the virtuous activities of humanity. He imparts the motive. He gives the rule. He bestows the strength for all holy work. Albeit his agency is no way supersedes the necessity, or annuls the obligation of human effort.

All souls are architects. Man is a constructive creature. Some are building scientific

ness and beauty. Is it not fitted to the capacity, the craving, the needs of our spiritual nature? Would not conformity to the image of Christ be the realization of the soul's moral ideal and the completeness and paradise of its being? There must be good materials. There must be good foundation. There must be good workmanship.

If the workmanship is unskilful and poor, and the materials badly put together, what then? If the walls are not perpendicular, gravitation will pull them down. If the timbers of the roof are ill-jointed, the tempest will bear it away. There must be good workmanship in character. There is a wisdom of conduct required in order to turn our lives to the best accounts. Whatever we do, we should the best accounts. Whatever we do, we should the Dest accounts. Whatever we do, we should do well; if we reason, reason well; if we speak, speak well; if we write, write well.

A goed character is everything to thee. It is the home in which thou don't really live, the temple in which thou don't worship, etc.,

In closing his address, of which the above is only a synopsis, Mr. Waits congratulated the pastor, the congregation and the town of Campbelltown, upon the laudable undertaking, and expressed the hope that the new building would be brought to a successful completion and be an ornament to the town and a monument to Presbyterianism.

The collection, amounting to \$90, was then taken up, and the taken up, and the

REV. G. W. FISHER, of the Methodist church, was called upon, who of the Methodist church, was called upon, who made a few happy and well-chosen remarks.

The Rev. Alex. Russell, pastor of the Presbyterian church in Dalhousie, expressed the pleasure he had in being present. He said that he had preached more to the Campbellton congregation than to any other except his own, since he had been a minister in New Brunswick. There was the greatest harmony existing between the two congregations and he ing between the two congregations and he oped it would continue.

THE GRAND HONORS The grand master called the brethren to assist him in giving the grand honors, which was done with precision and good time. The benediction was pronounced by the grand chaplain, the national anthem was sung, and the Masonic precision reformed, and marched to Campbellton Lodge, No. 32, headed by the United Brass band of the town, where they were dismissed by the grand master. nissed by the grand master.

HIGH TEA AND LITERARY ENTERTAINMENT. In the evening of the same day, bigh tea was served in the Masonic hall. The crowd was so served in the Masonic hall. The crowd was so great that multitudes went away without being able to obtain admission. After the tea was served a programme consisting of music, readings, speeches, etc., was rendered in excellent style, by the young people of Restigouche. The meeting terminated about midnight, and all returned home, pleased and prefited by the all returned home pleased and profited by the proceedings of the day. The receipts were about \$350 to the building fund.

Our School Inspectorate—Teachers' Salaries.

To the Editor of the Sun:-SIR-In a late issue of THE SUN a writer of the nom de plume Delta, gave some excellent points in connection with the educational progress of our province during the last three years' direction by the present government and chief superintendent. His article was an excellent digest of the ad-

vancement (?) of our present educational With regard to the plan of inspecting our schools at present, I would like to know if it is now any better than a farce? They may dismiss some of the ablest for not being able to perform impossibilities, or work miracles; but it does not tend to make things any brighter to the province at large. t, had these men been of the same mind still be in office. From the reports which I have gleaned, I would be pleased to know wherein is the necessity of inspectors under the present arrangement? From Sheffield comes the following: "As the grammar school has not been visited by an inspector of schools for nearly two years and a half, we are led to suppose that the educational condition of the district is good, and if all the schools in the province could do as well it would be a saving to the government if they would dispense with the inspectors altogether." Nor is this the only case on record. I could point out other instances of schools that have not been visited by an inspector for upwards of two years. And under the present arrangement, when the inspector arrives he scarcely takes time to say "how do you do," and "good-day." The inspec-tion is of a meagre kind, not even as thorough as when our schools were paid visits from Inspector Daval, years ago. No doubt, there were objections to the ranking system which was at one time in vogue, yet I claim that the mode of inspection was far better than at the present. Now, as this government is such an economical one, would it not be a wise plan for it to follow out the auggestions made by the board of trustees in Sheffield? Perhaps if they would war rant a sufficient sum to each secretary of trustees to enable him to pay the postage on a letter, he would send them an annual statement of the educational progress of their district, state of house, register, etc. In this way a mighty saving would be brought about, and doubtless as good satisfaction

given.

By some such plan as this more money tive creature. Some are building scientific systems, some mercantile schemes, some social or political institutions, all are builders. But what are all building? Character. Markets, governments, palaces, cathedrals, are nothing to this. This is the only real property man has. If a man's character is good, God gives him the credit; if bad, he lays the sole biame on him, and leaves him to suffer the just retribution. Character determines his worth in the universe. In the eye of God and the myriads of his holy ones, man is estimated not according to his wordly wealth, social status, genius,

ST. JOHN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the St. John Agricultural Society was held Thursday and was attended by Messrs. Drs. Steeves and Berryman, Golding, Law, McLean, Fox, L. Donovan, jc., Merritt, Moriarty, J. Donovan, Connolly, Jas. Shaw, Drummond, Ward, Clark, Creighton, Kee, Hall, Hamm, Ferris, Shatford, McCormick, McFate, Fowler, Davidson, Hatheway, Magee, Johnson and others, the president, Wm. Shaw, in the chair.

fine weather and has never had a more creditable one. The exhibit of horses was unusually good, especially in young stock, The Ayrshire and Jersey cattle were a credit to any society, but I regret to say that there was not a single animal of any other breed on the grounds. In sheep and swine the exhibits were more numerous and in quality far ahead of former years. The exhibits of produce although not many were of the best/description; of grain the judges tade especial mention, oats weighing 50 pounds and backwheat over 51 pounds to the bushel. In butter the directors made every effort to secure large numbers of exhibits by offering special mirror.

bushel. In butter the directors made every effort to secure large numbers of exhibits by offering special prizes which they opened for competition to the province, but outside of our own members there were no exhibitors, consequently it is to be supposed that the members of this society can hold their own at butter making with all competitors. The quality of the butter at our exhibition could certainly not be surpassed. In connection with exhibitions I would particularly draw your attention to the number of members enrolled in this society for the current year, which is 85, as compared with 53 for

THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance brought forward from 1885... \$301 85 Total

THE ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Shaw, Thos. Clark, S. S. Hall, Jas. Shaw, Thos. Davidson, J. C. Hatheway, S. T. Golding, R. McLean, W. H. Merritt, J. Donovan, J. D. Shatford, D. McBrien, Dr. Steeves, W. H. Creighton, H. J. Ward, J. M. Johnson, J. Lee, W. A. McFate, D. E. Berryman, A. M. Magee, J. A. Harding, D. W. McCormick.

S. Hall and adopted:-Resolved—That the society view with a great deal of satisfic-ion the consideration that the government is giving to the lut-rests of agriculture in the importation of a number of thoroughbred horses, which the society believe will be of great service and of pecuniary gain to the farmers of this province, and this society would urge upon the people of this county the importance of joining the society and by various other means aiding in securing the service of one or two of these herees in this section of the country.

Mr. Hall presented a resolution that such

Mr. Hall presented a resolution that such members of the society as desired to see the horses recently imported, with a view to securing the services of one or two of them, should join in a proposed excursion to that place, at a possibly reduced rate.—Passed,

Dr. Steaves are notice, that he would at Dr. Steeves gave notice that he would at the next meeting propose the expunging of the last section of article 12 of the by-laws. Ad-

PROVINCIAL STOCK SALE.

A Fair Attendance—Not a Financial Success.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

vas as follows: -Gentlemen—Again I offer for your consideration my annual report of the operations of the agricultural society of the city and county of St. John for the year just ended. of St. John for the year just ended.

The directors have given good attendance at the meetings of the society, which have been held regularly during the year. I was pleased to see that the suggestions offered by our society were not in vain and that the local government acted so quickly upon them and secured two horses last spring, and although late in the season, we have reason to believe that they will greatly benefit the stock of the country. The society did not purchase the services of either of the horses direct, but they arranged with the Sussex and Studbolm as country. The society did not purchase the services of either of the horses direct, but they arranged with the Sussex and Studholm society of Kings county for the services of the Percheron horse in St. John every third week during the season. I am sorry to say, however, that the opportunity was not taken advantage of as much as might have been expected. As a further result of our exertions in this matter, we note with pleasure the large importation by the government this autumn of thoroughbred stock horses, of which this society should secure one of the best for next season. But it was to our exhibition that the directors especially turned their attention this summer and as a result it has been noticed that our society has been favored with exceptionally fine weather and has never had amore credits be one. The exhibit of horses was unusually good especially in young steel.

cularly draw your attention to the number of members enrolled in this society for the current year, which is 85, as compared with 53 for last year. The comparison, I think, is very significant and speaks strongly for the benefit derived from exhibitions in keeping up the membership roll of a society.

The crops through the country, especially root crops, have been unusually good. Hay on the uplands, however, has been very light, owing, no doubt, to the extreme dryness of the early part of the season.

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The finances of the society show a large balance on hand, viz: \$802.85 (less the prizes due competitors, which amounts to \$——have not yet been paid and will consequently show in the society's accounts for next year.)

In conclusion I would only say that the directors are doing their best for the advancement of agriculture in the province, but more particularly for the county of St. John.

A. M. Magee, Sec. Treas.

followed, showing receipts of the year \$792 85.

for the entiting year was then proceeded with and resulted as follows: A. L. Law, Wm. Shaw, Thos. Clark, S. S. Hall, Jas. Shaw,

mick.
The following resolution was presented by S.

The annual sale of stock at the government farm Wednesday, was not attended by as large a crowd as last year, although there was quite a good gathering. The sale financially was a failure, compared with last year, and some of the best stock sold for a mere nothing. At no time during the sale was the bidding at all spirited and a person really desiring to invest could scoure stock at almost his own price. The cause of all this is attributed by some to the fact that the country is pretty well supplied

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lannual Meeting.

Bull Scotis, calved March 21, 1886; derk red; sire, Lord Lansdowne, 1,557, D A. H. B.; dam, Lamson 10th, imported. Dr. Steeves of Provincial Lunatic Asylum, \$36. Bull Sir Aleck, calved March 24, 1886 (twin); dark red and white; sire, Lord Lansdowne, 1,557, D. A. H. B; dam, White Lady, im-ported. A. B. Hayes, Kings Central Agricul-tural Sociate, 242 ported. A. B. Hayes, Kings Commun.

Bull Sir John, calved March 24, 1886 (twin);
light red and white; sire, Lord Lansdowne,
1,557, D. A. H. B; dam, White Lady, imported, J. S. Leighton, Woodstock, Carleton
county, \$36.

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Bull Jumbo, calved May 24, 1886; red and white; sire, Lord Lansdowne, 1,557, D. A. H. B.; dam, Avon Duchess, imported. John McLeod, Black River, St. John county, Heifer Queechy, calved May 21, 1886; red with a little white; sire, Lord Lansdowne, 1,557, D. A. H. B.; dam, Rose, imported. J. S. Leighton, Woodstock, Carleton county,

SHORT HORNS.

Bull Sir Randolph, calved March 26, 1886; white roan; sire, Major, imported; dam, Elora 5th, imported. Andrew Stephenson, Woodstock, Carleton county, \$25, Bull Diamond Duke, calved July 27, 1836; Dismond Duke, calved July 27, 1886; red with a few white spots, white switch; sire, Major, imported; dam, Colleen 3:d, 189, N. B. H. B., by Prince George, imported; 2ad dam, Colleen, imported. David Porter, Rotheray, K. C., \$10.50. Heifer Queenie, calved June 1, 1886; red, white spots on left loin; sire, Major, imported; dam, Queen Anne, imported. Howard D. Troop, St. John, \$38.

POLLED ANGUS. Bull Norman, calved March 26, 1886; black; sire, Laird of Drum, imported; dam, Miss Watt, imported. A. B. Hayes, Kings Central Agricultural Society, \$31. Agricultural Society, \$31.

Bull Bismarck, calved June 8, 1886; black; sire, Laird of Drum, imported; dam, Princess, imported. J. L. Inches, Fredericton, \$27.

[Afterwards bought from Mr. I, by G. L. Heifer Tillyfour Lass, calved April 24, 1886;

black; sire, Laird of Drum, imported; Miss Watt 2ad, imported. Robert Connors, St. Francis, Madawaska county, \$75. POLLED NORFOLK. Bull Rob Roy, calved March 30, 1886; red;

Bull Kon Koy, calved March 30, 1800; red; sire, Benjamin, imported; dam, Snelling, imported. J. S. Leighton, \$27.

Bull Sheldon, calved March 29, 1886; red; sire, Benjamin, imported; dam, Lady Norfolk, imported. J. K. Sherwood, Upham and Hammond Agricultural Society, \$30.

Haifar Miss Norfolk, calved April 7, 1886. Heifer Miss Norfolk, calved April 7, 1886; red; sire, Benjamin, imported; dam. Norfolk Lass, imported. J. S. Leighton, Woodstock, Carleton county, \$71. SHREP.

Cotswold ewes—No. 1, Andrew Stephenson, Woodstock, \$4; No. 2, Andrew Stephenson, Woodstock, \$5 50; Ne. 5, Henry Pierce, Norton, \$2; No. 3, Andrew Stephenson, Woodstock, \$5 50; Ne. 5, Henry Pierce, Norton, \$2; No. 3, Andrew Stephenson, Woodstock, \$3; No. 4, Dr. Doherty, Kent County Agricultural Society, \$2; No. 7, Dr. Brady, Barnesville, K. C., \$2 50; No. 6, W. W. Dodge, Nauwigewauk, K. C., \$3 25; No. 8, John Mc-Leod, Black River, St. John county, \$7. Ewe lambs—No. 1, John Drummond, Simonds, St. John county, \$3 25; No. 2, A. B. Hayes, Kings Central Agricultural Society, \$2.60; No. 3, H. H. Fraser, Hampton, \$2. Ram lambs—No. 1, John McKenney, Hammond river, \$3 75; No. 2, do. do., \$3; No. 3, Geo. Pettingell, Rothesay, 60 cents.

Shropshire ewes—No. 1, J. D. M. Keator, Nauwigewauk, K. C., \$4 75; No. 2, A. B. Hayes, Kings Central, \$5 25; No. 3, J. D. M. Keator, Nauwigewauk, K. C., \$3 25; No. 4, George Barnes, Sussex, \$4 25 Grade—Whitney Kierstead, Rothesay, \$4 Grade ram—No. 1, J. D. M. Keator, Nauwigewauk, K. C., \$3 25; No. 4, George Barnes, Sussex, \$4 25 Grade—Whitney Kierstead, Rothesay, \$4 Crade ram—No. 1, J. D. M. Keator, Nauwigewauk, K. C., \$3 25; No. 2, L. Donovan, St. John, \$2 25; No. 3, H. H. Fraser, Hampton, \$2 10.

No. 2, L. Donovan, St. John, \$2 25; No. 3, H. H. Fraser, Hampton, \$2.10. Border Leicester ewes—No. 1, W.W.Dodge, Nauwigewark, \$1; No. 2, Dr. Stevens, \$2 25; No. 3, N. S. Clark, model for the control of The latter report had been audited and both were approved.

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S. Clark, model farm, \$2; No. 5, N. S. Clark, model farm, \$2; No. 6, John McLeod, Black river, St. John, \$2.75; No. 7, Robert Brown, Northampton, Carleton Co., \$4; ewe lambs—No. 1, Dr. Steeves, \$2 40; No. 2, Henry Pierce, Norton, \$2; No. 3, Dr. Steeves, \$4. Ram lambs—No. 1, H. M. Campbell, Studholm, \$5; No. 2, Dr. Steeves, St. John, \$1.50.

PIGS. Yorkshire boars six weeks old-1st choice, Wm. Murray, \$2.25; 2ad do. J. S. Leighton, \$1 25; 3rd do. Dr. Pugsley, M.P.P., \$2.75; 4th do. John McKenney, \$1.50. Sows—1st choice, John McKenney, \$3.40; 2ad do. John McKenney, \$1.50; 4th do. J. S. Leighton \$1 do. J. S. Leighton, \$1

Berkshire boar—tobert Brown, \$6 Sows

- lat choice, William Murray, \$2.10; 2nd do

Robert Brown, \$2; 3rd do Robert McConnell,

St. 75; 4th do Arthur Burnett, \$1 75; 5th do Arthur Burnett, \$1.30; 6th do Robert Brown,

At the conclusion of the sale of farm stock the Ayrshire bull St. Elmo, calved March 29, 1885, from the celebrated Cow Lucy 3rd, 207, the property of Dr. I. W. Doherty, of King. the property of Dr. I. W. Doherty, of Kingston, Kent County, was sold by auction to L. Donovan, St. John, for \$26.
T. A. Peters purchased a Holstein bull belonging to Mr. Page of Amherst, for \$105.
An informal meeting of the board of agriculture was held in the afternoon, and President McLellan, in a general way, described the recently imported horses. The president speaks in glowing terms of the horses and believes he has received such stock as will be greatly appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Barker provided an excellent dinner for all present at the sale, and received the hearty thanks of all visitors for their kind and courteous treatment.

THE BIG RAFT

Moved Some Forty Feet Down the Ways.

that the main difficulty is and has always been that in consequence of the manner in which the foundation timbers were placed in the first instance, the workmen have been unable to give the ways sufficient grade to ensure the launching of the raft. As the tide left the raft on Wednesday it commenced to slide down the ways, which would make it appear that the water acts as a cushion to the raft in the present position, and that it can be more easily launched before the tide reaches it than when the outside end is almost entirely covered with water.

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It may interest the public to know how much this great raft cost and how much would have been saved if it had been Is unched when the first attempt was made. A reporter of THE SUN interviewed several of the principal business men in the vicinity of the Joggins, most extensively engaged in the piling business. The result of the interview was about as follows: There are in the raft about two and a quarter million feet of lumber, which could not be carried from the Finger Board to New York in less than fifty schooners. The average price of piling cut and conveyed to the shore ready for shipment is 1½ cents per foot. There are required to place it on board the versel 2½, which includes the freight and the cost of discharging. This brings the cost of the piling, delivered in New York, up to 3½ cents per foot, and in addition the port charges and commission will bring the cost upto 4½ cts., these charges averaging about ½ of a cent per foot. An ordinary schooner will carry about 20,000 feet, and her cargo landed in New York will cost the shipper \$825. As there are about fifty such cargoes in the raft, the cost of the lumber, if it had been carried in vessels, would have been about \$40,000. The raft, as it stood in August last, when it was first in readiness for launching, was in the vicinity of \$13,000, and it is perhaps not out of the way to mention that the builder, B. B. Barnhill, lost something like \$5,000 Already about \$10,000 have been expended in attempts to launch it, which brings the cost up to \$23,000. From this it will be seen that the owners can afford to expended on attempts to launch it, which brings the cost up to \$23,000. From this it will be seen that the owners can afford to expend some thousands of dollars yet to launch the raft and land it in New York with a lesser outlay than would have been required had the lumber been shipped in vessels.

HON. MR. FOSTER

Interviewed on Politics in the Maritime Provinces.

HIS VIEWS OF THE POLITICAL SITUATION FROM THE CONSERVATIVE STANDPOINT.

(Ottawa Journal.) Hon, Mr. Foster, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, who has just returned from the Maritime Provinces, was interview by a journal reporter this morning.

"How do you regard your trip?" was

asked. "It was very successful. The weather was delightful, while at every place we had large and attentives audiences. Hon. Mr. White, Minister of the Interior, dealt chiefly with Northwest matters, including lands and railways, while Hon. Mr. Thompson, Minister of Justice, and myself discussed the other questions of the day, Replies were given to the speakers who previously paraded the province in supporting the secesion movement. The meeting at St. John, under the auspices of the Young Men's Liberal Conservative association, is said by all politicians to have been one of the largest and most enthusias. tic, if not the most enthusiastic, held in the tic, if not the most enthusiastic, held in the history of the city. The same can be said of the meeting at Monoton, where an opportunity was given of disposing of the arguments, of speakers who had previously appeared there. The meeting at Sussex, in the constituency, held in the largest my own constituency, held in the largest hall available, was densely crowded. The speakers were well received. The same success characterized the meetings at St. Stephen and Fredericton. At the latter place we were shown through an extensive cotton mill by the proprietor, Mr. Gibson, in person."
"What are the prospects in New Bruns."

wick for the government?" "I think that the province is as strong if not stronger than before. I did not see a single constituency which we were likely to lose, while we hope to recover two or three seats at present held by the opposition. I had a good opportunity of observing the feeling and temper of the people, I talked with their prominent men and everywhere the same feeling was apparent." "How about Nova Scotia?" queried the re-

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Yorkshire sows—six months old—J. S. Leighton, 1st choice, \$10; 2ad do G. Robertson, \$6; 3.d do Thomas F. Barker, \$i; 4 h do J. S. Leighton, \$3 40; 5.h choice, D. B. Hatfield, \$2.85. Boars—1st choice, John McKenney, \$11.50; 2ad do J. S. Leighton, \$10.75. opposition, but a change at the next elections would not suprise the government. The meeting at Halifax was one of the most successful in our tour. The Re-corder directly and the Chronicle indirectly corder directly and the Chronicle indirectly incited the populace to create a disturbance, also urging them not to listen to us. The impression was general that the meeting would be stormy, even if it would not be broken up. The general verdict was that the meeting proved the most successful in the history of Halifey. The presence of the history of Halifax. The presence of the ladies was a feature of all our meetings. The organization of the conservatives was complete, and no disturbances took

> "What about the secession cry?" "Mr. Fielding has publicly announced," said Mr. Foster with a smile, "that secession must be postponed. He has been sound and ing the public men of New Brunswick and has come to the conclusion that, as they are quite too timid, it would be useless

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