Miramichi and the North Shore.

THE RIVER continues open. The *Derby* ran between Newcastle and Chatham yesterday.

SEALS IN THE MIRAMICHI.—For some time past the river has been visited by seals which have ascended even as far as Newcastle. On Monday last they were particularly plentiful.

M. C. CLARK, DENTIST, can be found in Newcastle at Mrs. McAllister's residence every Friday and Saturday, where he will be prepared to attend to those desiring his service, commencing Friday, Oct. 5th'77.

REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Services in the Reformed Episcopal Church on next Sabbath, at 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. All strangers invited, and especially sailors and captains of vessels heartily welcomed. Seats free.

THE STORM DRUM.—The Storm Drum was hoisted here at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning. The Drums were also ordered up at Gaspe, Perce, Dalhousie, Bathurst, Point du Chene, Charlottetown, Pictou, Sydney, Glace Bay, Cow Bay, Port Hasting and Louisburg.

HARDLY FAIR.—We do not seriously object to the *Advocate* copying our fishery statistics without giving credit, because we are getting used to that kind of thing, but when it is short of type and is obliged, thereby, to alter the figures, it ought not to charge us with errors. Impecuniosity is no disgrace, but it is naughty to prevaricate.

SCHOONER MISSING. A correspondent writes from Caraquet on the 19th inst., stating that the schooner *Belle*, Parrissey, Master, loaded with fish and oysters, sailed from Caraquet on the 29th ultimo, for Bathurst, and had not been heard of at the date of writing. There have been some heavy gales since she left, and much uneasiness is manifested for the safety of the vessel and crew.—*Advocate.*

AN ESCUMINAC WEDDING.—A correspondent writes—"Quite a large number of persons of different denominations attended the Roman Catholic Chapel at Escuminac on Monday last to witness the marriage of Professor Duplacy, of Eel River, Hardwick, to Miss Elizabeth Helman of Bay du Vin. The Professor looked well and stood three feet eleven inches in height and weighed 124 lbs., his blooming bride looked happy, and stood five feet eight inches and weighs in proportion."

RESTIGOUCHE NOTES.—An obliging Restigouche correspondent writes:—

The Presbyterian Congregation of Louison Brook and their Pastor, Rev. Thomas Nicholson, have most sincerely to thank J. B. Snowball, Esq., of Chatham, for the gift of a large number of clapboards for the Church in the course of erection, in place of that which was burned about a year ago. Such a liberal donation has very decidedly encouraged the congregation in their heavy undertaking.

The weather in Restigouche has been for a long time exceedingly fine for the season, which is very favorable for the lumber operations, which are being carried on to a considerable extent.

MEETING OF THE DUTCHER REFORMERS.—On Tuesday evening at 7.30, the Dutcher Reformers held their usual weekly meeting in the Masonic Hall, which was well filled on the occasion. The meeting was opened by the President, D. Davidson, Esq., after which L. J. Tweedie, Esq., M.P.P., one of the Vice-Presidents, took the chair. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. Mr. McKeown and Mr. I. B. Oakes. Messrs. J. J. Brown and R. Murray on being called on, also said a few words. The choir did good service, and several lady vocalists volunteered their services. Duets were sung by Misses A. Shirreff and Jessie Johnstone and Misses M. Haviland and Annie Shirreff. A song was given by Miss Bessie McKeown, and another by Mr. Harvey Thomson, with a recitation by Mr. A. Burr. The increased accommodation of the Masonic Hall contributed much to the success of the meeting.

To Correspondents.

"NORTH SHORE MAN," ST. JOHN.—Thanks for your note. We had already dealt with the matter referred to.

"CITIZEN," BOIESTOWN.—Your letter came too late for this issue.

Correspondence.

[We invite correspondence on all local subjects, and will be glad to publish anything that will advance the interests of our readers, individually, or in the communities in which they live. Local News Items, Notices of Improvements—either moral or physical—Reports of Meetings, Agricultural, Lumbering, Fishing, Mechanical and other Industrial notes are especially welcome. We do not expect that all who desire to assist us in the above way are good writers, but that should not deter them from sending along their favors. We want the news and will see that it goes into the paper in proper shape.]

Notes From Hardwicke.

BAY DU VIN, Nov. 21st. 1877.

DEAR ADVANCE,—I have been going to let your readers hear from our section of the country, for a long while, but I have put it off from week to week to give you the news, but as we are quiet down here this fall I really had no news to give. Unlike other Elections for Councillors the election, this year, passed off very peaceably with no contest.

The electors present voted $1,50 per day as pay for the Councillors. Whether it will be lawful to assess the parish for this amount or not I think will be a question of law; my own opinion is that it cannot be done, as the Law most distinctly says that Councillors shall receive no pay for their services. I may be wrong, but I do not believe that one parish can, by its vote, upset a law that was passed by the Legislature of the Province. There might be a subscription list got up to pay the Councillors for their services, and I think that is the only way they can get paid, as the law now stands. I hear it said that some parties will not pay if it is assessed, but will try the case. Perhaps, Mr. Editor, you could give us your opinion on it. If you know the laws relating to the County Councillors as well as you do Fishery Laws and Regulations, we will be guided by your decision in this matter.

We have lately had our Church (I mean the Church of England) painted. It looks splendidly and strangers say that it is now the prettiest Church in Northumberland. We may thank F. E. Winslow, Esq., of Chatham, for having it painted this fall, as he paid the painter and did much more besides, assisted by J. B. Snowball, Esq., Messrs. Kelly and Muirhead, all of whom deserve the thanks of the people of Bay du Vin. I, myself can testify to what Mr. Snowball did towards defraying the expenses of painting the Church.

A peculiar case was tried before Justice Mills in Hardwick to day. It appears that a pig owned by George Scott, Plaintiff, went into the field of Joseph McLennaghan, who took his gun and shot the animal. It was not killed, or—according to testimony—much hurt. In fact Mr. McLennaghan says that he did not point the gun at the pig, but only fired to frighten it. The pig was, however, shot in the legs. It is said that the Defendant forgot, in pointing the gun, and shut the wrong eye. The jury brought in a verdict that the Defendant pay six dollars and costs and keep the pig.

The smelt fever has begun down here, and it is feared, will spread, if there is not some strong desinfectant used. I hear that about 2 tons have been caught in Eel River in two days.

We hope, soon, to hear of beneficial results following the visit of the Hon. A. J. Smith, such as allowing us to fish for Bass from the 1st of September, as formerly. We would not catch any Bass at all if we did not get this privilege and we never catch a salmon in the Bass nets, as falsely stated by interested parties in a certain section of our County, who are jealous if any Bass are taken at any time of the year excepting the winter.

We have not yet heard anything about the Election, only what has been hinted at from time to time by the ADVANCE. If there is a contest between Messrs. Mitchell and Snowball, it will be warm work down here, but more of that anon. In the meantime I am, yours respectfully,

TEAZER.

[The Municipality Act says, very distinctly (sec. 53), that "No Warden or "Councillor shall receive any salary or "emolument for his services as such." An exception is made by which any parish in Carleton County (sec. 54) may secure pay for its Councillors by a majority vote polled on the day Councillors are elected, the amount so paid, however, becomes a charge on the parish. When the Municipality Act was under consideration in the Legislature a strong effort was made by several members to have the Carleton County provision made general, but without success. The Hardwick Councillors cannot, therefore, receive pay. as such, from any source.—EDITOR.]

"Nothing Cuts Like the Truth."

DOUGLASTOWN, 22nd Nov., 1877.

MR. EDITOR:—On my return from P. E. Island this morning, my attention was directed to a letter subscribed by the trio, who were the subject of my remarks in your paper of the 8th inst. I shall not descend to the billingsgate, which is the staple of the contents of the letter referred to. I stated that they had not the courage to render an honest verdict, and confined my statements to the evidence adduced at the time the investigation was being held, and not, as they had done, collected information to endeavor to make the worse appear the better cause. I cannot see that they have contradicted what I then said. They now say that they did me more than justice in the matter of the Donovan logs. I certainly, never asked nor expected such of them. It would be rather strange that I should have relinquished my claims to ground paid for, and never even offered repayment till after I received the logs and paid for boomage and rafting; they account for what was not disputed. It is quite possible had I anticipated this trouble, their services would not have been required. I deny the gratuitous assertions that there was any collusion with Donovan, nor did I know of the order of Fish to get the logs from me.

Where did these sapient three get the information that part of the Hemlock logs were cut upon other lands; certainly not from the evidence. John Goodfellow's was the only evidence given, and he was the only one who knew. After the Sheriff had seized and had the obligation of Fish to keep them safely, it was surely his duty to do so.

In the matter of the McKay logs, I should like to know from what part of the evidence did they get the amount of debt contracted with Fish by that "unbounded liar;" it was certainly not in my hearing, and surely if $106.33 was all he had of the $400 Bill of Sale; he had a perfect right to ask for the balance, and I repeat that McKay had no right to cut or carry away any logs from the property without my permission, and that only for the purpose of paying for it. I have never made any pretensions to piety, and will, therefore, not compare mine with any of those worthies. As to the screw-auger agreements, &c., &c., I may ask some of that sapient crowd to procure one of my augers if they can and make a comparison with their own; it would be found while mine has an inch bit, their own would be double that in over-reaching. It was, perhaps, this insatiable auger that, some time ago, prevented one of these worthies from paying his honest debts, and another, that he has so frequently applied for the impression on the back of his paper, no doubt its cut is so much clearer than any other, judging from the amount of my commission, which exactly represents the hole made thus—0 %.

I defy any of that sapient trio to prove that I ever asked or exacted from any one a dollar, but what I had a perfect right legally to receive. In conclusion, I leave such base insinuations for such *garbage-gathering sleuth hounds* to use, should they "return to their vomet again," and again re-eject it. I shall not again trouble you. Thanking you for the time and space already occupied.

Yours,

R. HUTCHISON.

Provincial Notes and News.

THE DREDGE, "ST. LAWRENCE".—The Dredge *St. Lawrence*, lately at Sydney C. B. is again to be employed in St. John Harbor, near the ballast wharf.

THE DONATION OF MONTREAL TO ST. JOHN.—The sum of $5,665.67 received at the office of the Mayor of St. John on the 20th, from Montreal, makes the whole amount given by that City $15,377.28.

HALIFAX TEMPERANCE HALL.—The Temperance Hall, Halifax, was damaged by the late fire to the amount of $2,000. It was insured for $12,000 and the Sons of Temperance had $1200 on their furniture.

THE ALLAN LINE STEAMERS.—A. M. Payne, Esq., Secretary of the Importers' Association, Halifax, has received a cable telegram stating that on and after Thursday the Allan Line steamers will run to Halifax instead of Portland.

THE FIRST WINTER MAIL.—The first winter mail, to be forwarded to the Upper Provinces from Halifax, arrived in the S. S. *Moravian* on the morning of the 20th. The mail was a very large one. The *Moravian* had a rough passage of ten days.

SHIP-BUILDING AT BATHURST.—J. C. O'Brien Esq. of Bathurst, will build another vessel this winter at that place. She will be about 1000 tons burden, and will be owned by Messrs. S. H. Deveber & Son of St. John.

THE P. E. ISLAND CABLE.—Mr. J. W. Golder by means of the S. S. *Vanguard* has successfully removed the P. E. I. submarine cable from the dangerous bank where it was laid four years ago to deeper water. About a ton and a half of new cable was put in, and it is believed there will be no further danger of interruption by ice.

MR. D. BANKS MCKENZIE.—Mr. D. Banks McKenzie, the temperance reformer, who is holding meetings in St. John, and lately cast some aspersions on the police, has retracted them, and also stated that he had the fullest confidence in those who had the management of the Relief Fund of the city. Mr. McKenzie does not appear to be a person whose opinion on any subject is worth a great deal.

MR. DUTCHER AT BRIDGETOWN.—Mr. Dutcher lectured on temperance in the Baptist Chapel in Bridgetown on Saturday and Sunday evenings, the 17th and 18th inst. A Reform Club was organized, and some four hundred of both sexes became members. On Sunday evening the house was crowded to excess, and the gallery which is held up in front by iron rods from the ceiling gave way on the west side and settled some five or six inches, with a loud noise. No injury resulted, and quiet was restored.

THE ASSESSMENT ACT IN P. E. I.—The Government of P. E. I., finding it necessary to replenish a failing treasury, passed the Assessment Act in 1877, by which Assessors were appointed to value property for direct taxation. A correspondent of the St. John *Telegraph* says, that the people angry at being taxed at all, are made doubly so by the unfairness of some of the valuations, and the situation is being taken advantage of by the Opposition. The Government will probably amend the act.

SALE OF TROTTERS.—A sale of trotters lately took place in St. John at the stables of Mr. Barker, Portland. The brood mare Lady Messenger, was withdrawn. The silver grey filly Silver Bell, dam Lady Messenger, was offered, and started at $200 she was finally bought by Dr. Hamilton for $240. The chesnut gelding, Ned, who has already good speeding qualities, and has trotted inside of three minutes, was next offered, the first bid being $150. Mr. McLauchlan became the purchaser for $255.

REV. HOWARD SPRAGUE'S ENGLISH MISSION.—The Rev. Howard Sprague of St. John, who went to England on behalf of the Methodist Churches in St. John, recently gave an account of the result of his labors, in the Exmouth Street Church. He stated, in conclusion, that his latest advices were that the fund for the St. John Methodist Churches, amounted to about $15,000. Over half this amount had been already paid in to the Mission House, London, and the sum was being increased weekly.

DEATH OF DUNCAN ROBERTSON ESQ.—The death of Duncan Robertson, Esq., one of the oldest barristers in St. John took place on Thursday last. Mr. Robertson was called to the bar in February, 1837, and there is only one of the profession living whose name stands before his on the roll, viz., Wm. Jack Esq., Q. C. Mr. Robertson bore a high character for honor and integrity and his death will be a source of much regret. He was a member of the Encampment of St. John of the Order of the Temple, and had served two years as Head Principal of Carleton Chapter of Royal Arch Masons.

WAR NEWS.

FIGHTING ON THE LOM.

A London despatch dated Nov. 21st, says that a Turkish official despatch claims that a strong Turkish force, while making reconnoisance, carried the Russian positions on Metchka heights, at Pirigos and near Jounchiftlich, destroying at the first named place seventy casemates, filled with ammunition and provisions. The Russians lost 1400 men. The Russian attack on Kadikoi was repulsed.

A Russian official despatch states that the Turks after a temporary success were repulsed.

ROUMANIAN SUCCESSES.

A Bucharest despatch dated Nov 21st, says the *Roumanian*, an official paper, announces that the Roumanians captured Rahova this morning after three days engagement. The Turks fled towards Lom, Palanka and Widdin, with the Roumanians in pursuit. Simultaneously, with the capture of Rahova, a Roumanian division crossed the Danube, opposite that town.

THE SIEGE OF PLEVNA.

A London despatch dated Nov, 21st says seventeen thousand men from the Kars army are to be detached to assist in the siege of Plevna.

General Melikoff started suddenly for Erzeroum on Sunday. He will take command of the besieging forces there.

A Russian general suggests a bold march through Asia minor to Scutari, leaving a corps to cover Erzeroum.

ERZEROUM.

A despatch dated London, Nov. 26th, says it is reported by way of Constantinople that Mukhtar Pasha has probably withdrawn from Erzeroum.

THE ROUMANIANS.

The Roumanians after ten days' fighting, have occupied the strong position of Provitz.

MATTERS AT SOFIA.

It is represented that things at Sofia are unsatisfactory. Mehemet Ali can get neither men nor artillery enough to form a relieving army. The Turks have evacuated Morica and all the villages of Tarams district, and retired beyond Bayara.

INDEPENDENCE OF SERVIA

Servia's intervention is now certain. It is stated that her independence is to be proclaimed, and all her militia are ordered to be ready to march to the frontier by Nov. 29th.

KARS.

A despatch dated London, Nov. 22nd., says typhoid fever is spreading in Kars in consequence of the scarcity of provisions and its bad sanitary condition.

THE CAMPAIGN IN BULGARIA.

All interest now centres around the operations in the neighborhood of Plevna, Sustchuk and the Lom, where important movements are in progress. Since the success at Kars one party at the Russian headquarters urges, as the Turks have stripped Roumelia of troops, that the Russians should make a dash on Shipka and the neighboring passes as soon as Mehemet Ali commences a movement to raise the siege of Plevna. The Russians have sixty thousand men concentrated in the neighborhood of Tirnova available for such operations.

PLEVNA.

The Turks seem disposed to attempt the relief of Plevna by threatening the Czarowitch's army and the crossings of the Danube. A despatch from Bucharest announces that the regular bombardment of Plevna has commenced.

REPULSE OF THE MONTENEGRINS.

A despatch dated London, Nov. 23d, states that the Montenegrins' divisions moving towards Scutari found the Turks entrenched near Anomalik but an attack made by 600 Montenegrin volunters was eventually repulsed.

ATTACK ON NEVESICH.

Mehemet Ali telegraphs from Orchanie on Thursday as follows: "We arrived here to day. The Russians sent one regiment of infantry and one of cavalry from Vratza against Nevesich. These were overwhelmed and the cavalry regiment, except six members, was destroyed. We also captured two guns and a number of prisoners."

MEDIATION.

A despatch dated Vienna Nov. 23rd, says "The Turkish ambassador here recently interviewed Count Andrassy on the subject of mediation; when the Count replied that mediation was inopportune and would be disavantageous to the Turks."

ERZEROUM.

A despatch dated Nov. 24th, says that General Melikoff, when summoning Mukhtar Pasha to evacuate Erzeroum, informed him of the capture of Kars, and that if he resisted he would be attacked by eight thousand men, with overwhelming artillery. Mukhtar replied that he would hold Erzeroum to the last.

GREECE.

The ministry in Greece have resigned but the Government refuse to accept their resignations and a crisis was the result. The people are much excited by the fall of Kars.

CONSTANTINOPLE.

A despatch dated Constantinople, Nov. 15th, says an order has been issued calling out 150,000 civic guards in Constantinople and the provinces, to maintain order during the possible absence of the regular forces. Christians are summoned to participate in this levy.

GOURKO ACROSS THE BALKANS.

A despatch dated New York, Nov. 25th, states a cable special says a Russian expedition, composed of two fresh divisions of the Imperial guard, and all regular cavalry and Cossacks of the guard, the whole under command of Gen. Gourko, have crossed the Balkans into Roumelia.

OSMAN PASHA.

A London despatch of the 25th, quoting a Pera despatch of the 22nd, intimates that it is doubtful if Osman Pasha can hold Plevna until Mehemit Ali can organize an army of relief. A doubtful rumour prevailed in Constantinople on Saturday night, that he had forced the Russian lines.

RUMORS OF MEDIATION.

Mr. Layard, the British Minister, has received instructions not to take the initiative in the matter of mediation, but to wait until England's interposition is requested.

AN ARMISTICE CONTEMPLATED.

A despatch dated London, Nov. 27th, states the Russian preparations for wintering in Bulgaria have been countermanded, as it is expected that after the fall of Plevna, an armistice will be concluded, and the preliminaries of peace arranged.

CAPTURE OF PRAVETZ.

The capture of Pravetz enables the Russians to threaten Mehemet Ali's communications, should he attempt to force the Orchanie and Plevna road.

ANTIVARI.

A Turkish fleet of ironclades and transports is expected at Antivari.

MONTENEGRIN WAR.

A despatch dated London, Nov. 26th, says "the *Times*' Cettinge despatch says the citadel at Antivari still holds out, encouraged by assurances of relief coming by sea."

Another despatch from Cettinge says the Montenegrins captured, after several hours desperate fighting, two forts commanding tha town and part of Spizza. The Montenegrins now hold the whole of the territory to Bogawa, except the citadel at Antivari.

CAPTURE OF ENTREPOL.

A despatch dated London, Nov. 26th, states that the Russians on Saturday captured the fortified town of Entrepol, twenty miles north of the Balkaus, with trifling loss. The Turks fled in disorder.

EVACUATION OF ORCHANIE.

The *National Zeitung* has a telegram from Sofia stating that the Turks evacuated Orchanie on Saturday.

THE PROSPECTS OF PEACE.

A New York despatch of the 26th, says that the Sultan has expressed an intention to treat separately with the Czar. He abandons all idea of applying to any foreign power for mediation. The Russian newspapers profess a strong desire for peace, and the talk of the probability of an early settlement daily grows stronger.

GENERAL NEWS.

THE ONTARIO LEGISLATURE, it is expected, will meet on the 19th of January.

THE LATE REV. W. H. TILLEY.—It is proposed in London, Ont., to raise a testimonial to the late Rev. William H. Tilley.

ANOTHER MONTREAL FAILURE.—W. S. Wood & Co., silk and woollen manufacturers, of Montreal, have assigned. Liabilities about $73,000.

THE GREAT EASTERN is employed in the grain trade between England and New York; the companion cable steamer, the *Faraday* is in the grain and cattle trade.

DINNER TO SIR A. T. GALT.—On the 26th, a meeting of citizens was held in Montreal to make arrangements for a public dinner to Sir A. T. Galt on his return from Halifax.

FLOODS IN VIRGINIA.—Richmond and other sections of Virginia were visited by a storm on Thursday last causing floods which have swept away millions of dollars worth of property.

THE BARQUE "ENCHANTRESS" from Newcastle, N. B., which arrived at Glasgow on the 30th, sailed again and is now ashore in Rothsay Bay. Efforts are being made to get her off.

A MONUMENT TO CUSTER.—The N. Y. *Herald* advocates the erection of a monument to Custer and his men, who were killed by the Indians in the fight at the Little Big Horn.

O'DONOHUE AMNESTIED.—A Montreal despatch dated Nov. 23rd, states that the Dominion Government have amnestied O'Donohue, who was concerned with Riel in the difficulties in the North West.

ABANDONED.—A despatch dated London, Nov. 21st, states that the brig *Brisk*, Trefry, from Miramichi, October 24, for Glasgow, was abandoned, waterlogged, on the 14th inst.; the crew have landed at Cardiff.

THE POTATOES OF THE FUTURE.—The New York *Times* says that the idea of teaching every girl to thump a piano and every boy to be a bookkeeper, will make potatoes worth $4 per bushel in twenty years from now.

GALE ON THE BRITISH COAST.—A despatch dated London Nov, 26th states that a severe gale raged around the British Isles on Saturday night. Thirty vessels are ashore between Ramsgate and Deal and many lives are reported lost.

STORMY PASSAGE.—The S. S. *Thames* left London on the 20th. October and arrived on the 19th inst., at St. John's, Newfoundland, having experienced heavy gales which disabled her, and washed overboard her 2nd. and 3rd. officers and a seaman.

COLLAPSE OF A BUILDING SOCIETY.—The Canadian Building Society of Montreal has got into liquidation. It passed a resolution repudiating a loan of $18,000 from the Ville Marie Bank, on the grounds that the Directors had no authority to incur debt.

CHANGE IN THE PROPRIETORSHIP OF THE TORONTO "MAIL."—The Toronto *Mail* has changed hands, having, it is said, become the property of Mr. Christopher Bunting. A large amount of capital is said to have been once more embarked in the enterprise.

TROUBLES OF THE CHINESE IN CALIFORNIA.—The Chinese in California are under such grave apprehensions of a raid being made upon them by their white brethren, that they have requested the protection of the President of the United States which will, no doubt, be granted.

ARRIVAL OF GOVERNOR CAUCHON AT WINNIPEG.—An Ottawa despatch dated Nov. 24th. states Gov. Cauchon has arrived at Winnipeg. He was met at the border and presented with an address; there was no demonstration or opposition. Madame Cauchon, who was seriously ill, is reported better.

SHOCKING RAILWAY ACCIDENT.—A despatch dated Charleston, S. C., Nov. 24th, says a passenger train on the Charlotte Railroad, South Carolina, broke through a trestle bridge at Fishing Creek late yesterday afternoon, all but the locomotive falling through. About twenty passengers were on the train, most of whom are killed, drowned or injured.

THE GRAIN MARKET.—The *Mark Lane Express* says the firmer tone which has prevailed in foreign wheat, is due to English wheat having turned out badly in quantity and condition. It thinks a termination of the war would, in setting free an accumulation of grain in the Black Sea ports, produce something like a panic in the wheat market.

COMPETITION BETWEEN ENGLAND AND BELGIUM.—The Sheffield *Telegraph* says that the competition between the iron masters of the North of England and of Belgium is unusually severe. Bars from the latter country are being offered for delivery in London at considerably less than the lowest quotation in the same market for English bars.

THE OKA INDIAN DIFFICULTY.—The Oka Indians seemed at first inclined to accept the proposition of the Dominion Government, namely, that a sufficient quantity of good land should be given them in satisfaction of their claims. They have now an idea that the Seminary will be dispossessed of the disputed Seignory, and that in such case, matters would turn out much more to their advantage.

OUR AMERICAN FRIENDS SURPRISED.—A despatch dated Washington Nov. 25th says:—The authorities here are very much surprised at the award of $5,5000,000. A prominent official said, "Its as much of a surprise as the announcement of the claim of $15,000,000 in the first place. It will require about half of the balance of the Geneva award fund undistributed to pay it. Of course it will be paid."

INTERVENTION IN THE WAR.—The English papers which support the Premier's foreign policy are now demanding the active intervention of England. It is rumored that the Premier has intormed the Russian Minister if Adrianople be taken and Constantinople be jeopardized there may be such an outcry in England as to make war on the part of Great Britain inevitable. Information of this declaration has been sent to the Russian headquarters and made a strong impression.

WRECK AND LOSS OF LIFE.—A despatch dated Norfolk, Va. Nov. 25th, says.—"The United States steamer Huron, with 134 souls, went ashore on Saturday morning about 10 o'clock off Life Saving Station No: 7, near Oregon Inlet, on the North Carolina coast. Wrecking steamer Resolute was despatched to her assistance. Admiral Frenchard sent the U. S. steamer *Swatara* and the tug to *Fortune* render assistance. Later information says she has gone to pieces under an unusually heavy sea. Many bodies were washed ashore; 34 persons saved.

REPEAL OF THE RESUMPTION ACT.—One of the first acts of the Democrats of the U. S. in getting into power was to repeal the bill for the resumption of specie payments on the 1st Jany., 1879. This repeal bill did not pass the Senate, but the matter has been revived this session, and on Friday last the Resumption Act was repealed in the House of Representatives by a vote of 133 to 120. All who voted for the repeal, with the exception of 28, were Democrats. There will probably not be time for the bill to pass the Senate this session, but the sense of Congress on the subject is now a matter of fact.

A CANADIAN NATIONAL SOCIETY.—A Canadian National Society has been formed in Montreal for the development of national sentiment and to soften the asperities arising out of difference of race nationality and religion. The first meeting was held on Thursday evening and was attended by about 500 persons, mostly young men. The organization is a kind of sequel to that of the "Canada First" party, and does not promise to be very much more successful, simply because it assumes to itself the monopoly of aspirations which are shared in by every true Canadian.

WHAT THE BRITISH WORKINGMAN PAYS FOR STRIKES.—The British working man is preparing for a hard winter by striking all over the country, and wasting his savings in conflicts with his employers. The strike at Bolton is reported in the Manchester papers to have already cost the men between £80,000 and £90,000, to which must be added £10,000 more, as the cost of the strike of "self-acting minders." The strike of Ashton continues, and has cost about £30,000 already. The joiners at St. Helen's have been on strike for twenty-three weeks, and have been compelled at last to accept work on their employers' terms.

RUN INTO.—Capt. Larsen, of the Norwegian bark *Fortuna*, of Lillesand, from Miramichi, reports at Gloucester, 1st Nov. that "at ten minutes past 1 o'clock on the morning of the 4th October we sighted a red lantern about half a point on the lee bow. We were then steering E. by S., wind N. by E. and N. N. E., blowing strong. We at once ported our helm, at the same time slacking off the mizen sheet, and then saw the other vessel on the weather bow coming down upon us. Immediately afterward the other vessel ran into us, carrying away our foremast with everything belonging to it, and also bowsprit and jibboom. Hailed the vessel, but received no answer."

THE COUNCIL OF THE DOMINION BOARD OF TRADE.—The Council of the Dominion Board of Trade have resolved to submit the following questions to the Board. Amendment of the Inspection Act, in so far as it relates to the inspection of hides, the object of the Board being to make inspection compulsory; the repeal of the Stamp Act, referring to bills of exchange and notes; the repeal of the 17½ per cent duty on pork barrels and all packages containing meats; desirability of urging Government to take such steps as will result in securing to Canadian vessel owners the right of using American canals and rivers, as provided by the Washington Treaty, and to urge the impropriety of allowing American bottoms to be treated as Canadian vessels by simple registration; the question of the repeal of the Insolvent Act will be discussed at the general meeting of the Board, to be held in December.

DARWIN AND CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.—On the 17th inst., the degree of Doctor of Civil Laws was conferred upon Charles Darwin, at Cambridge University. The clerical power has hitherto opposed any honors to Mr. Darwin, and consequently the occasion was a great triumph for the anti-clerical party. There was the usual amount of hooting and chaffing by the under-graduates, and at a critical moment in the proceedings, an effigy of a monkey robed in an under-graduate's gown was lowered into the middle of the hall from the most prominent point in the gallery. This effigy bore a legend in large letters, "The Missing Link." In the evening Dr. Darwin was further honored by a public dinner, but delicate health prevented his attendance, and Prof. Huxley responded on his behalf.

INTERNATIONAL AMENITIES.—The *Volunteer Service Gazette* states that for many years past the camps of the teams sent over by the Dominion of Canada, to represent that important portion of "Great Britain" at the Imperial Rifle contests on Wimbledon Common, and the regimental camp of the London Irish Rifles have been pitched side by side, the result of this proximity being a constant interchange of hospitalities, the Canadian officers being year by year constituted honorary members of the Irish officers' mess. In acknowledgement of this, the Canadian officers have presented a handsome piece of plate to their "brethren in arms" made of Canadian silver and workmanship, mounted on a stand of maple-wood, consisting of a snuff-box, in the shape of a bugle, about five inches high, entwined with maple leaves, while on the cover is placed the emblem of Canada, a silver beaver, holding the gold maple branch in its mouth. The presentation was made by Lieutenant-Colonel Gzowski, President of the Dominion Rifle Association, at a lunch given 19th July, 1877, by the Canadian Team, and the bugle will be placed in the hands of Colonel the Marquis of Donegall, K. P. commanding the London Irish Rifles to be brought out at mess on state occasions.

Quebec East.

A special despatch received at this office at 9 o'clock last evening announces that Mr. Laurier is elected in Quebec East, by a majority of 316.

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Pain cannot stay where it is used. It is the cheapest Medicine ever made. One dose cures common sore throat; one dose cures BRONCHITIS. Fifty cents' worth has cured an OLD STANDING COUGH. One or two bottles cure bad cases of PILES and KIDNEY TROUBLES. Six to eight applications cure ANY CASE OF EXCORIATED NIPPLES OR INFLAMED BREAST. One bottle has cured LAME BACK of eight years' standing. Daniel Plank, of Brookfield, Tioga County, Pa., says: "I went thirty miles for a bottle of your Oil, which effected a WONDERFUL CURE of a CROOKED LIMB, by six applications" Another who has had ASTHMA for years, says: "I have half of a 50 cent bottle left, and $100 would not buy it if I could get no more." Rufus Robinson, of Nunda, N. Y., writes: "One small bottle of your ECLECTRIC OIL restored the voice where the person had not spoken above a whisper in FIVE YEARS." Rev J. Mallory, of Wyoming, N. Y., writes: "Your ECLECTRIC OIL cured me of Bronchitis in one week."

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Shipping Intelligence.

Port of Chatham.

CLEARED.

Nov. 21—schr. Lilly, Atkinson, Summerside, boards, master.

Schr. Reality, Perry, Tignish, lumber, Wm. Muirhead.

22.—schr. Lydia, Allen, Summerside, lumber, B. Atkinson.

Schr. Break of Day, Larkin, Tignish, lumber, master.

24.—schr. Marianne, Miller, Tignish, do., do.

MARRIED.

On Wednesday evening, in the Methodist Church by the Rev. H. McKeown, Isabel S., third daughter of George Whittaker, Esq., to James Nicol, all of Chatham.

DIED.

At his late residence, Douglasfield, Chatham, on Friday, 16th inst., Thomas Smith Brehaut, in his 80th year. P.E.I. papers please copy.

At Napan, on 12th inst., after a short illness, Mr. John Bryce, in the 66th year of his age, a native of Doune, Scotland.

At Douglastown, on Sunday evening, the 25th inst., after a long and painful illness, George McLean, aged 58 years, for many years in the employ of Messrs. Gilmore Rankin & Co. He was a consistent Son of Temperance, and in every relation of life conducted himself with propriety. He leaves a widow and family, as well as many relatives and friends, to sorrow for their loss.]

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NEW MATALASSE CLOTHS

for LADIES and GENTS,—BUTTONS, BRAIDS and TRIMMINGS to match.

PLAIN and FANCY DRESS GOODS,

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Chatham, 28th Nov., '77.

W. B. HOWARD.

GHATHAM SKATING RINK.

SEASON OF 1877-8.

THE RINK being now in such condition as to allow of its being opened on the coming of suitable weather, the following are given as the prices of tickets, etc., during the season, for the information of intending patrons:—

Season Ticket,	Gentleman,	$4.00
" "	Lady,	1.50
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" " " Skater, " " " 20c.

W. T. CARMAN,
Chatham, Nov. 28, '77. SECRETARY.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1875

AND AMENDING ACTS.

In the Matter of William H. Frecker, an Insolvent.

A Writ of Attachment has been issued in this cause and the Creditors are notified to meet at my office in Chatham, on FRIDAY the 21st day of December next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to receive statements of his affairs and to appoint an Assignee if they see fit.

Dated at Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, this 29th day of November, A. D., 1877.

JOHN ELLIS,
Official Assignee.

OIL PAINTINGS AT AUCTION.

TO be sold at Auction on FRIDAY, 30th Nov., at 3 o'clock, p. m., at the store adjoining S. Nealis, Esq's.,—and continuing on Friday evening and Saturday till all are disposed of—a large and well-selected stock of

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A. D. SHIRREFF.
Chatham, 28th Nov., '77. AUCTIONEER.

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