

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

FROM FOUR.—The person who lost a purse on the night of Saturday last, can have it by calling at the office of J. J. Sprad, Denzil.

THE SEASON.—The weather for some time past has been dry and warm and the growing crops—more particularly hay—is suffering badly for the want of rain.

STORY.—Don't be deceived. If you wish for a pair of B. Larsson's genuine ax-cut, public spectacles or eye glasses, go to W. R. Gould, Watchmaker, Jeweller, and optician.

MONTROSE SUGAR.—The Montrose papers report that 1,800 barrels of sugar were shipped from the Montrose refinery three days last week.

MOUNT ALLISON COLLEGE.—By advertisement in another column it will be seen that the fall term of the University of Mount Allison College, Sackville, N. B., opens on the 30th next month.

GOOD FISHING ON THE RESTIGOUCHE.—The Telegraph says that U. S. Senator Wade Hampton fished five days in Restigouche river last week and caught 15 salmon aggregating 2394 pounds in weight.

FILE AT DOUGHERTY.—The residence of Mr. John Hickman, at Dougherty was completely destroyed by fire on the morning of Tuesday last. The loss is estimated to be in the vicinity of \$5,000.

SOCIAL CLUB IN MONTROSE.—The business men of Montrose have recently formed a social club in that town. The proprietors say that already the club has good many members and the members believe it will be a success and supply a local want.

PIRATES ON ST. ANNE.—Twenty-one men of pirates for the night of Tuesday last. The pirates were from all quarters of the Maritime Provinces and many of them were armed with special arms and had been fitted up.

A CHILD FOWLED.—A three-year-old son of Mr. Robert West, who resides near Moncton, died on Friday afternoon, after an hour's convulsions, brought on, it is supposed, by eating some peaches, probably bad, which had been sprinkled on some of the flowers in the garden.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.—As there is a Strawberry Festival being held at Sackville on Saturday next, it will be a most excellent opportunity to visit that pleasant locality on our river and see it at its best. As the fall draws the river in one of our river steamers in both places and enjoyable, we would advise all who have the time to make the trip.

PHOTOGRAPHY.—Mr. Morehead has an exhibition at his rooms a number of most excellent views of the volunteers, during the time they were in camp at Chatham. Among the number are the church and street parade, Newcastle, 18th July, 73rd Division and 8th Cavalry.

Y. M. C. A. STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.—The members of the Y. M. C. A. intend holding a strawberry festival in their rooms on Tuesday evening, 17th inst. There will be music, instrumental and vocal and several other attractions to make the evening an enjoyable one. Admission tickets, 10 cents.

DANGEROUS BRIDGE.—The highway bridge across Barnaby River is in a very dangerous condition. Planks have been taken from the covering at the sides to stop holes in the middle of the roadway and prevent horses from going over breaking their limbs and the whole structure is in a tumble-down, rotten and absolutely unsafe condition. Unless steps are taken at once to put this bridge in proper condition it is feared that fatal or other very serious consequences may result to those who are obliged to make use of it. We hope it will not be left as that at Clark's Cove was until a dead awakens the authorities to what is necessary.

Nelson Notes.—Hon. Peter Mitchell was visiting his constituents here on Saturday last.

Messrs. M. Mooney of the firm of B. Mooney & Sons, St. John, and J. McCormick, Miramichi, were calling on friends in Nelson last week.

A semi-weekly mail is established between Nelson and Doyle's Brook. The route embraces three post offices, viz. Nelson Road, Chatham and Doyle's Brook. Mr. Henry Gifford, Postmaster of this place is awarded the contract of carrying the mail.

The Miramichi Steam Brick Works, operated by G. A. & H. S. Fleet, is manufacturing a large amount of brick. They have just completed the burning of one kiln and another one is now in operation. They supply the brick for the building of the Electric Light Station, Chatham, and are shipping a large quantity to Restigouche and other places throughout the Province. The brick made by this firm is said by experts to be of an excellent quality.

Nelson seems to be unfortunate in regard to fire of late. On the afternoon of Tuesday, 3rd inst., the dwelling house of Henry Fleet took fire and was burned to the ground. After the alarm of fire was given a large number of men from the different mills were promptly on hand, but the fire had so far increased it was impossible to save the building. A barn adjoining was saved with great difficulty.

Mrs. Monahan's house and barns caught several times and it was not for the activity and coolness displayed by the men who so ably assisted to save them they would have fallen a prey to the flames.

Mr. Fleet's furniture was nearly all saved. The building burned was insured for \$50, which covers but a small portion of the loss sustained. Mr. Fleet is going to rebuild immediately on the same site as where the building burned stood. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Fleet, as he is universally popular wherever he is known.

On Tuesday last, between 5 and 6 o'clock p. m., a large tenement house owned by Mr. John Fleet caught fire and all efforts to save it proved useless. The house burned stood at the head of a row of five buildings. A strong wind was blowing at the time and it looked as if the whole row would be swept off by the flames. A hand organ was dispatched for to Newcastle and arrived just as the fire was under control, but did good.

Children Cry for

work in extinguishing the remainder of the fire.

A fire engine is badly needed in this place. Why do not our leading citizens and property owners, seeing the numerous fires and knowing the loss of property sustained thereby, take some steps towards providing the necessary means of safety.

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Downtown Notes.

DEAR SIR.—You will be thinking perhaps that we have all fallen asleep up here, but we have not. We have been in the city of the country for a long time. The youth who used to write a few notes once in a while must have gone west or to some other warm country. However, I thought I might be able to interest your readers a little until he comes back. Well, sir, since the holiday season set in, there have been pretty lively road work, thanks to the Northern & Western Railway. The trains every day bring crowds of passengers to and from Fredericton and Chatham, and a great many from the country districts, all looking happy and well pleased with their trip. In connection with this I may say it is hardly to notice the marked increase in the passenger and freight traffic of the road over last year and I think if the Managers would put on night-trains, one to leave Chatham about 10 or 11 o'clock p. m. and another to leave Chatham at about same hour it would meet the requirements of most of the people along the line, and the travelling people, generally, say they would get into Chatham and Gilbert (Fredericton) early in the morning and have all day to do business and take a good rest and return next night. I can safely say that I am expressing the earnest wish of all the people of this little place and the majority of the farmers and business men along the Railway.

The Hotel here, owned and managed by John L. Murray, Esq., is being patronized this summer, the trains bringing lots of guests for dinner every day and all are well pleased with the management and the service of the hotel and obliging landlady, Mrs. J. L. Murray, who spares no pains or cost to furnish first-class meals. In fact her tables can compare very favorably with those of any first-class hotel in either Chatham or Fredericton.

The most extensive business firm here is Messrs. R. Swin & Son. They carry on a large dry goods and grocery business and keep a large and well stocked store. They also own a mill where they manufacture lumber and shingles, and they are well known for their fine operation on the river. It was made by the Miramichi Foundry at Chatham, and gives good satisfaction. Messrs. R. Swin & Son also farm very extensively and own a large tract of clear land and also valuable lumber lands, on the whole, they are an enterprising and independent firm.

Samuel Russell, Esq., of Milton, is just putting the finishing touches on a fine store here and expects to have it ready in a few days. Mr. Percy Russell, his son, will conduct the business here and as this young man is generally, very well liked, he will command a good share of the public patronage.

Mr. J. V. Messer's photo saloon occupies a very prominent position in front of Messrs. Swin & Son's store, and I think if the operator would do as well as other saloons, a good many more step in and "see themselves as others see them," in fact a good many are anxious to see the operator back again. Following the road down, we come to the mill and sawing property of Harold D. Swin. This gentleman owns an extensive and well stocked farm and his large saw-mill which is situated close by the Railway, manufactures the best of lumber. He also owns and operates a grist mill and carding mill. The next noteworthy property is that of Samuel Freese, Esq. He also owns a steam mill in which he manufactures shingles and clapboards. The machinery, consisting of a shingle maker, clapboard saw, planer and band saw, are run by a ten horse-power automatic engine. Mr. Freese is an enterprising mechanic and is doing fine work with his mill.

The crops here are looking fine, and by the help of kind Providence the farmers will reap a bountiful harvest this year. I may add, that, very fortunately for the absence of the liquor is very noticeable here. You cannot get any without travelling miles and I assure you the farmers or business men don't wish to see it introduced into the place either.

I guess, Mr. Editor, I will bring this preamble to a close for the present. If our worthy friend don't return you will hear from me again after our picnic is over which is to take place on Thursday, 18th. Thanking you, Mr. Editor for your valuable space. I remain yours truly, ANTOUCSTALIS.

Mitchell Notes.

July 10. The Presbyterian minister having a fancy sale of useful articles in the Masonic building on Wednesday, 13th inst. There will be abundance of refreshment and in addition a first-class dinner to be served from 12 o'clock at noon, till 2 o'clock p. m., in a tent near the building. The proceeds are in aid of the new Presbyterian Church.

Lewis Carroll, Esq., was in town yesterday, and left by train this morning.

Mr. James Ferguson, who represents the dry goods house of Macdonald & Co. of Montreal, is in town. He is accompanied by Mrs. Ferguson.

Tourists are constantly arriving in large numbers at "The Beeches," many coming from the United States, the Upper Provinces and different parts of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Wm. Brown, Esq., who was for fifteen years in the Customs service at this port, is on a visit to his old friends here by whom he is always gladly welcomed. Mr. Brown recovered from his attack of "Florida fever" and has permanently located at Summerside, P. E. I.

Mr. Wilcox Brown, C. E. is in town and is stopping at "The Beeches."

A large party numbering twenty-five, left by train this morning for St. Anne de Beaupre, Province of Quebec. Mr. Wm. Grogan of "The Exchange" was one of the party. He proceeds to St. Anne de Beaupre hoping to benefit his health which has been much impaired of late.

Miss Mary Ann Funnell, died at her late residence in this town on Friday evening after a short illness. It is thought that this lady was suffering from a cold, which was complicated by a severe attack of rheumatism and was attended by her sister and brother who reside in the neighbourhood of the mill.

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