Central Business.

C. WARMUNDE
IS OFFERING
SPECIAL BARGAINS
—IN—
WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELLERY,
Silverware & Novelties.
during the Holidays. All new goods. Give him a call.
We are glad to welcome visitors, pleased to show our goods and ready to make close prices to all.
WARMUNDE, Revenue Waterbury
Fellon Corner, Chatham, N. B.

STOP IT QUICK!
Why suffer with Cholera, Dysentery, Diarrhoea, Cramps and all such
Summer Complaints
When you can stop it quick by using
PENDLETON'S PANACEA?
Halifax N. S. Aug 1896.
Proprs. of Pendleton's Panacea.
Dear Sirs:—
I wish to give you a few words in praise of your Panacea. I was a victim of Cholera for some two or three years, during which time I consulted different doctors and tried many remedies without any good, so as a last resort, when I commenced using Pendleton's Panacea I was soon cured my complaint. I think this will be a warm recommend.
Yours truly W. E. ROOD.
Ask for Pendleton's. Take no other.
PRICE 25CTS.

MURDOCH'S NEW CARPET
AND
HOUSE FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.
The Best in 5 frame Brussels Carpet at 50c to $1.75 a yard.
The Highest Grade at 30c to 65c
The Best Made Unions at 25c to 75c
The Cheapest in Union Carpet at 15c to 25c
Floor Oil Cloth in Handsome Patterns and 4-4 4-5 and 5-4 at 25c to 40c per sq. yd.
Lace Curtains at $2.25 to $6.00 per pair.
Very Fine Net Curtains (the latest) $3.75 to $10.00 per pair.
Fancy Muslin Curtains.
Muslin Lace 12c per yd. and upwards. Paper Blinds, Cornice Pole, Counterpanes, Table Covers and a complete line of New House Furnishings.
PEDDER BLOCK, CHATHAM, N. B.

GO TO PORTLAND, BOSTON, ETC.
VIA THE
Canada Eastern Railway and Fredericton.

Leave	Loggieville	6.00 a.m.
"	Chatham	6.12 a.m.
"	Chatham Jc.	6.45 a.m.
"	Doaktown	8.50 a.m.
"	Boiestown	9.35 a.m.
"	Cross Creek	10.47 a.m.
Arrive	Fredericton	12.15 p.m.
Leave	"	4.20 p.m.
Arrive	Bangor	11.10 p.m.
"	Portland	3.50 a.m.
"	Boston	7.25 a.m.

Pullman Sleeper runs through from Fredericton Junction to Boston.

INSURANCE.
The Insurance business heretofore carried on by the late Thomas F. Gillespie, deceased, is continued by the undersigned who represents the following first class companies:
SOUTHERN UNION AND NATIONAL.
ALBION.
IMPERIAL,
LONDON, & LANCASHIRE,
LANCASHIRE,
ETNA,
HARTFORD.
NORWICH UNION
ALLIANCE.
PHŒNIX OF LONDON,
MANCHESTER.
FRANCES A. GILLESPIE
Chatham, 29th Nov. 1896.

ADMINISTRATORS' NOTICE.
All persons having claims against the estate of Elizabeth Wade late of Chatham, Milliner, deceased, are requested to file the same duly attested with the undersigned, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to make immediate payment to
JAMES F. COWNORS, Chatham.
Agent for
JAMES D. MURPHY, } Administrators.
MARY CURRAN,
Chatham, 20th August, 1896.

—TO—
Swine-Breeders and Raisers.
To the Farmers of Northumberland County and Breeders of Pure Bred Swine:—
The Subscriber has ready for SERVICE the following Pure Bred Boars:—
"CLONBURN PRINCE"—a pure bred BERKSHIRE, imported from one of the largest breeders of Berkshires in Ontario. Took first prize at last County Exhibition.
ALSO "OAK CHAMPION" a Pure Bred Yorkshire, imported by the Provincial Government;
AND FOR SALE a Pure Bred BERKSHIRE BOAR one year old—a fine growthy pig and first class stock getter, also two Pure Bred Registered HOLSTEIN BULL CALVES, three months old, Bred by Gov. ment imported Stock, "LORD HARRINGTON" and Dam the celebrated "MESDEDES STRAIN".
GEO. E. FISHER,
Woodburn Farm

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY
On and after Monday the 7th September, 1896, the trains of this railway will run daily (Sunday excepted) as follows:
WILL LEAVE CHATHAM JUNCTION.
Express for St. John, Halifax and Pictou, (Sunday excepted) 4.15
Express for Quebec and Montreal, (Sunday excepted) 22.35
Express for Point du Chene, Moncton, St. John and Halifax 11.05
Accommodation for Campbellton, 14.35
ALL TRAINS ARE RUN BY EASTERN STANDARD TIME.
D. POTTINGER,
General Manager
Railway Office, Moncton N. B. 3rd September, 1896

Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, N. B. - - DECEMBER 24, 1896.

To-Morrow is Christmas.

To-morrow is Christmas Day—the most highly prized and generally observed of all our holidays. Its annual recurrence, instead of diminishing our interest in and celebration of it, finds us ready to enjoy it with ever fresh zest, for it brings with it happy memories that go back along the years to the time of our earliest recollection, opens our hearts with the desire to have others share with us in the general joy of the season and leads our thoughts away to a future lighted with faith and hope, which illumine the pathway of even the poor and the outcast. The season thus brings its joys and blessings, but let us not forget that it also brings its duties. These are great in proportion to the opportunity of each of us to exercise them. If we would be happy, let us not forget to do our duty in contributing to the happiness of others, or if there are some to whom neither we nor any other earthly friend can impart happiness, let us assist in soothing their sorrows or alleviating their troubles. In proportion as we endeavor to follow the directions of the Teacher in whose honor we celebrate the great Christmas festival, we shall have reason to look back upon it with satisfaction and be glad of the opportunities it has afforded us for doing good and honoring Him. Any celebration of the day which will not square with His teaching, or that may cast a shadow upon the hallowed memories which we cherish in connection with its yearly return, will do Him dishonor and be to ourselves a source of injury and regret. Let us, therefore, spend Christmas Day as those who have liberty to enjoy all that is right, but whose self-respect and sense of accountability cause them to avoid the excess of license. In this spirit the ADVANCE wishes all its readers A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Miramichi Lumber Shipments.

The lumber shipments of the Miramichi to the United Kingdom and continent for 1896 have been considerably above the average of the last twelve years, and the largest since 1889. The shippers, quantities of deals, etc., were as follows:—

SHIPPERS	Sup. ft. deals Resawing Boards & ends	Palings pcs.	Spool wood. S. ft.
J. B. Snowball	21 705,881	1,289,555	
W. M. McKay	30,879,409	18,000	404,078
Brown Hutchison	12,981,630	12,000	
D & J. Ritchie & Co	12,847,668	108,400	
F. E. Neale	11,090,308		
Geo. Burchill & Sons	7,517,000	17,000	
Clark Shillings & Co.	136,000		1,574,597
J. W. & J. Anderson			468,392
Totals	106,011,496	1,464,955	2,447,067

Besides the foregoing there were 1,445,000 sup. ft. deals shipped to Buenos Ayres.

The vessels carrying the season's shipments numbered 136, aggregating 109,976 tons, including three, of 1,858 tons to Buenos Ayres.

The distribution of the trans-Atlantic deal shipments was as follows:—

Great Britain,	59,780,813 s. f
Ireland,	34,886,631 "
France,	6,645,000 "
Spain,	2,137,682 "
Africa,	1,570,692 "
Australia,	1,126,603 "

The palings and spoolwood went all to the United Kingdom.

THE CHRISTMAS ARTICLE in the "Herald" on its editor and publisher's former employer, indicates that the poor little chap's head is too full of holiday effects. We sincerely wish him the compliments of the season and a condition of mind more in keeping with the "peace and good will" which, just now, abound everywhere outside of the "Herald" office. His suggestion that his former employer's life should be taken, and the ADVANCE office razed to the ground is, we venture to suggest, entirely too sanguinary and anarchic for so peaceful and law-abiding a locality as the Miramichi. He ought to go out and stand on the ice for a little while, so as to cool off.

The Ghoul in Politics.

In reference to the criticism of a local paper against the public funeral of the late Lieutenant-Governor Fraser, we are authorised by prevailing public feeling to say that the sentiments expressed therein are generally deprecated, especially on the Miramichi, where Mr. Fraser was born, lived for many years and was held in esteem and honor. The carping cynicism with which the Government's course on the sad occasion was assailed would, perhaps, have appeared less ungracious if the public honors bestowed had been something new—if the Government had established a precedent by its course. It is well known, however, that it is the custom not only in this, but also in other countries for the State to bury its governors, as well as other distinguished public men. We are not aware of a single instance in which a governor of either New Brunswick or Nova Scotia died and was not buried under government auspices. It was so even before confederation, as in the case of Sir John Harvey in Nova Scotia, and those of Hon. Joseph Howe and Sir O'Grady Haley, in the same province since confederation. Similar honor was done to the remains of the late Lieutenant-Governor Boyd of New Brunswick. The article referred to, therefore, entitled "Spectacular Funerals" appearing in a paper in the late Governor Fraser's native county, and reflecting with offensive and cold blooded sneering upon the honors in which the whole province shared, on the day after they were paid, was a manifestation of most wretched taste. The attack may, in the mind of its writer, have been justified on the miserable ground that it afforded him another opportunity to indirectly assail living public men with whom—as with his fellow-creatures generally—he does not agree, but it was, nevertheless, ghoulish in its conception and calculated only to direct public attention to the fact that political rancour will sometimes feed even upon the dead.

The Meeting of Parliament.

The Ottawa Free Press says: "From what can be gathered in official circles, it is the intention of the government to summon parliament to meet at the earliest possible moment, which will probably be the first week in March. It is also the purpose of the government to go on next session with a new franchise bill, a civil service act and a new superannuation bill. In accordance with the promises made steps will be taken to provide the necessary legislation for carrying out the prohibition plebiscite."

BIG LUMBER FAILURES:—An Ottawa despatch of last Thursday says:—"The lumber trade is considerably shaken by two large failures which promise very little for commerce creditors. One is that of ex-Alderman Joseph Robert, who assigned to-day with liabilities exceeding $140 000. J. Penfold, manager of the Bank of British North America, has been appointed provisional guardian. Patrick Donnelly assigned with liabilities in the vicinity of $100,000. The creditors are many, but for small sums."

THE BAIE DES CHALEURS RAILWAY:—Your correspondent is authorized to state that so far from the government having decided to purchase the Baie des Chaleurs railway, such a proposal has not even been made. As I have already stated, the proposal is that the railway department should keep the road open for the winter only, the cost of which would be a trifle.—[Chronicle.

Canadian Trade.

An Ottawa despatch of Saturday last says:

Canada's foreign trade for the five months of the fiscal year ending Nov. 30 amounted to $119,610,000, an increase over 1895 of $7,350,000

The exports amounted to $68,942,000 and for 1895 to $63,381,000 or an increase of $5,561,000.

The value of imports entered for home consumption was $50,668,000, compared with $48,883,000 in 1895, or an increase of $1,785,000.

The duty collected was $8,210,000, against $8,508,000 in 1895, a decrease of about $300,000.

The figures for November show increase in exports, but a decrease of imports and duty collected.

The imports for November, 1895, were $9,070,000 with a duty of $1,598,000, against $8,592,000 with duty of $1,421,000 in 1896.

There is a decline of dutiable goods imported and an increase of free goods.

Nevertheless, the November imports are nearly a million and a half greater in value than those of November, 1894.

[St. John Telegraph.]

Agricultural Education.

The December number of Farming, an agricultural magazine published in Toronto, contains several articles on the Ontario Agricultural College, an institution which has become a highly important and useful auxiliary to the farming interests of Canada. This college has been in operation for more than 20 years, but it is only within a comparatively recent period that the institution has fully realized the expectations of those who founded it. Now, however, it has attained a degree of efficiency which makes it the equal of any college in Canada, for the teaching of those branches of education which are most essential for the majority of our people. The Ontario Agricultural College has become much more than a mere school for the teaching of farming. Its curriculum embraces, in addition to farming and its ordinary accompaniments, stock-raising, dairying and fruit-growing, geology, chemistry, botany, vegetable physiology, veterinary pathology, entomology and bacteriology. These subjects are all embraced in the two years' course of the college, which is the course usually taken by students and on the completion of which they receive diplomas admitting them to the status of associates of the college. Recently a third year has been added to the college course for the benefit of those who, having reached a certain standard at the end of the second year, wish to prepare themselves, not only for life on the farm, but for original work and teaching in agricultural, horticulture, live stock, dairying and those branches of science which have a more or less direct bearing on agricultural pursuits. Those who take this year at the college, after examination receive the degree of bachelor of the science of agriculture (B. S. A.), and this degree represents a great deal of hard work and a large amount of scientific knowledge.

As we hope before long to see an agricultural college in New Brunswick based on the same general ideas, it may be interesting to describe the equipment of the Ontario Agricultural College, as detailed by its president in an article in Farming:

FOR COLLEGE WORK.

A large and well furnished chemical building, containing a beautiful class room and three commodious laboratories—one for first and second year students in general agricultural and animal chemistry; another for third year students in quantitive work, and a third for special investigations and research in connexion with the dairy and experimental departments.

A large and well assorted geological cabinet specially arranged for purposes of instruction.

A well-equipped biological laboratory with class-room and everything required for theoretical and practical work in botany, zoology, and general biology, including cabinets and specimens for the study of entomology, or that branch of science which treats of insects.

A large and well-equipped bacteriological laboratory for instruction and original work in the vast and highly important field of bacteriological research.

A good physical laboratory with tables and all necessary appliances for instruction in dynamics, mechanics, hydrostatics, hydrodynamics and electricity.

General and special lecture rooms for studying, handling and judging live stock, especially cattle, sheep and horses and for practical demonstrations in the veterinary art.

A complete set of greenhouses, with lecture room and laboratory for instruction in horticulture.

Lecture room with all modern appliances for the illustration of lectures on dairying.

A lecture room for instruction in English and mathematics.

FOR PRACTICAL WORK ILLUSTRATIVE OF LECTURES.

A farm of 387 acres of land in fine condition, well tilled and well managed.

A complete set of farm buildings and an ample outfit of agricultural implements.

Representative specimens of all the most valuable breeds of cattle, sheep and swine.

A large experimental building and 50 acres of land, divided into about 1,800 plots, for testing varieties of grain, roots, potatoes and corn, and for experimenting as to different methods of cultivation, dates of seeding, kinds of seed, value of artificial fertilizers, etc.

Special stable, piggery and yards, for experiments in feeding cattle, pigs and sheep.

A separate dairy stable and a special herd of 30 cows for experiments in dairying.

Butter, cheese, and milk-testing rooms, with the latest and best appliances for butter making, cheese making, and milk testing, and the pasteurization of milk and cream.

Two rooms devoted to experimental cheese making for nine months of the year, and to work in the dairy school for the remaining three months.

Large and well arranged poultry buildings, with 25 varieties of the most valuable hens, for practical instruction in the breeding, feeding and management of poultry.

Sixty-three acres of land, including lawn, arboretum, forest tree plantations, vegetable garden, vinery, small fruit garden, and orchards, for instruction and practical work in horticulture.

A carpenter shop, with benches and tools for plain work and general repairs.

The above is a much more complete equipment than any agricultural college that we might establish in this province would be likely at first to obtain, yet it is worthy of being studied as an illustration of what should be the aim of an agricultural college even if it was not possible to realise it immediately. It is clear that any student who took a three years' course at this college, whether he intended to be a farmer or not, would be in a much better position to begin the battle of life than most graduates from the colleges which claim to be the true exponents of the higher education.

One advantage which an agricultural college possesses over the ordinary kind, is that the students are required to do a certain amount of work. The parent who sends his son to an agricultural college need be under no apprehension that he will return to him so great a gentleman as to despise all manual labor and those who engage in it. This is a painful experience for many a fond parent who finds, when it is too late to remedy it, that the means he has relied on to promote and secure his boy's prosperity have gone far to ruin him. Another advantage that the agricultural college has is that it is economical. If we had such a college in New Brunswick, conducted in the same way as the Ontario institution, there is hardly a farmer's son in the province who would be prevented from attending it by financial reasons. Mr. Judson F. Clark, of Bay View, Prince Edward Island, one of the few maritime province youths who have attended the Ontario college, relates his experience of it in the December Farming. He took the two years' course, and his net expenses for tuition fee, board and washing, etc., were for the first year $112.97, and for the second year $80. In explaining these figures Mr. Clark says: "The total cost to me in cash for the two years' course was $192.97; and had I been an Ontario student it would have cost me $30 a year less, or a total of $132.97 for the two years, i. e., $66.49 a year, which would be about the average yearly expense of an Ontario boy who remained one summer term (July and August). If he remained both summer terms the expenses would be less than $50 a year for the two years' course." If we had such an agricultural college in this province it certainly might be made as economical to the students as the Ontario college, and thus our young farmers could obtain a first class education for a merely nominal sum. The needs of our New Brunswick farmers will never be properly met until we have in this province an agricultural college similar to that of Ontario, or until an agricultural department is connected with our existing university.

The Cornwall Election.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—The result of the election in Cornwall Saturday was a surprise to everyone. It had been generally expected that Soetsinger, the Liberal candidate, would win, but no one looked for such a majority. The returns are all in, except from two polling places and so far Soetsinger's majority is 467, which will be increased by these two places to probably 500.

The importance of this victory and the significant bearing the result is likely to have on other bye-elections, will warrant a few remarks by way of comparison with the result of the election in Cornwall on June 23 last when three candidates, a Patron, Conservative and Liberal (Snetsinger) ran. At the June election the total vote polled in Roxborough Township was 840, of which Snetsinger only had 19½ per cent. Fifty-three per cent of this vote was Catholic. His majority there Saturday was 72 with one poll to hear from. The next strongest Catholic district is Finch township, where the Catholic vote is 55 per cent of the total. The total vote in this division was 653 in June, of which Snetsinger had 12½ per cent. He now gets 107 majority in this township. The Catholic vote in Cornwall township is 35½ of the total. The total vote in June was 1,129 of which Snetsinger received 82 per cent. Yesterday he had a majority of 202 in this division with one polling place to hear from. In Osnabruck township the Catholic vote was only 7½ per cent of the total. The total vote polled in June was 1,025, of which Snetsinger secured 29 per cent. Yesterday he had a majority of 61. In the town of Cornwall the Catholic vote is 33 of the total. The total vote polled in June was 1,160, of which Snetsinger had 36½ per cent. Yesterday he had a majority of 22 in the town.

The failure of Hon. George E. Foster to arouse the strong Roman Catholic element against Laurier's settlement of the Manitoba school question has been made most strikingly apparent. Not only did he fail in the Catholic districts, but with equal force was the platform of the party he represents rejected in the strong Protestant districts, notably in the township of Osnabruck. The school question is dead.

TORONTO, Dec. 21—The Sunday World, (Conservative) commenting on the result of the Cornwall election says:—

"Perhaps Mr. Foster and Sir Adolphe Caron will be satisfied with the result in Cornwall now. At least they ought to be, for it means that even in a constituency where there are many French and Catholic votes, a government that is opposed to coercion of Manitoba is able to thoroughly vindicate their position and to redeem a seat. We venture the prediction that if a constituency is opened in Quebec, and the appeal is made on the school question, the people will sustain a government that refuses to coerce on the matter of education. Things are moving and politicians ought to see it.

[LATER, Soetsinger's majority is 602.]

Pleased With Her First Experience.

A wife and mother living in St. John, N. B., says: "I shall ever pleasantly remember my experience with Diamond Dyes. My husband had a Sunday coat that was getting to be a dingy and faded shade of brown. He needed a new one very badly, but could not afford it. After a day or two of very serious consideration, I suggested that the coat might be dyed a good black, and stated that I would undertake the work. I had never dyed anything before; but having heard how easy it was to dye with the Diamond Dyes, I bought a package of Fast Diamond Dye Black for Wool and proceeded with the operation. I was quite nervous and fearful lest I would completely spoil the coat; but after following the directions for dyeing, I was overjoyed with my victory. I was successful beyond all expectations, and my husband was delighted. The coat when dried, pressed and finished looked like a new one from a tailoring establishment. Thanks for your magnificent dyes."

See That You Get
'GOLDEN RULE" or
"WHITE EAGLE'
FLOUR
FROM YOUR GROCER
AND TAKE NO OTHER.

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

PERSONAL:—Mr. and Mrs. Stafford Benson are expected home to spend the holidays. A very large circle of friends will be glad to welcome them.

THE "ADVANCE" is for sale at Johnson's Bookstore, and the Circulating Library, Desmond building, next door to the Telephone Exchange.

BAY DU VIN:—Mr. J. L. Stewart is to deliver his well known lecture "The Modern Moses," at Bay du Vin on Wednesday next in aid of the church funds there.

ALMS HOUSE COMMISSIONER:—Ex County Warden R. Flanagan has been appointed Alms House Commissioner for Chatham, in place of the late W. T. Connors deceased. The choice is an excellent one.

SEVERAL WILD DUCK, of a species hitherto a stranger to these parts, have been shot by our sportsmen lately. They are large brown birds, and their flesh has none of that fishy odour which is so noticeable in sea ducks.—[St. Andrews Beacon.

THOS. PARKER'S DEATH:—Thomas Parker of Derby, one of the oldest and best known residents of the Miramichi died on Monday evening last at his home. The funeral is to take place this afternoon at two o'clock.

NEGLECTED:—The teachers and pupils of the West End school were much disappointed on Friday because not one of the trustees was present at their examination, and they ask the ADVANCE to express their sense of the trustees' apparent indifference,

A SPECIAL COMMUNICATION of Miramichi Lodge No. 18 F. and A. M. will be held at their Lodge Rooms on St. John the Evangelist, day 27th inst. at 10 a.m. for the purpose of attending Divine Service at St. John's Church. Visiting brethren are invited.

HURT IN THE WOODS.—A man named McDonald working in Cameron and Godfrey's lumber camp, sixteen miles from Bathurst, met with a serious accident by a tree falling on him some days ago. He was taken to Bathurst, and there are now some hopes of his recovery. [Globe.

MIRAMICHI MARBLE WORKS:—No experiment in buying from us. We always send out the best stock and work that can be obtained. No order too small, none too large. We are watching the mails for your correspondence on the subject of cemetery work.
J. H. LAWLOR & Co.

MR. FAIREY'S NEW COMPANY:—Liverpool Timber News of 12th inst., has the following under the heading of "New Companies": Richard Fairey & Co, Ltd., registered on November 20th by E. Bevir, Devereux Chamber, Temple, London, W. C., with a capital of £5,000 in £1 shares. Objects: To carry on business as timber merchants, brokers, and agents.

B. B. S.:—Mr. Thomas Flanagan is the only person in Chatham who has the great English remedy "Holloway's Red Blood Syrup" for sale. Mr. Flanagan will refund money in all cases in which purchasers are not satisfied with its results after using it for one week. It is the greatest remedy known to science for pale, weak, nervous persons, or those run down by consumption, disease or other causes; and one bottle of Holloway's will do more good for suffering humanity than any dozen bottles of any other preparation.

THE G. S. PENRY:—A St. Michael despatch of the 20th says:—The British bark G. S. Penry, Capt Grant, from Newcastle N. B. Nov 26, for Belfast, has put in here in a leaky condition. The G. S. Penry had repairs made on account of bad leaks before she sailed from Newcastle, where she took on a cargo of deals. She is 737 tons register and hails from Belfast, Ireland.

[St. Michael is the principal island in the Azores group and lies 800 miles due west from the southern half of Portugal, of which country the whole group is a province.]

COURT FAIRLAND.—The following are the officers of Court Fairland, Independent Order of Foresters, Hardwick:

C. S. Bremner, C. D. H. C. R.
A. G. Williston, C. R.
Thos. McMaster, P. C. R.
C. C. Williston, V. C. R.
E. H. Noble, R. S.
J. A. Mills, F. S.
Jonathan Noble, Treas.
H. B. Williston, Chap.
John B. Williston, S. W.
Robert Noble, J. W.
John Mills, S. B.
Andrew Mills J. B.

The Court numbers eighteen members. Court Bay du Vin has also been organized.

WELL-CUT DEALS:—London Timber Trades Journal of 5th inst., says:—"Much of the import of spruce deals is either in the ships or lying upon the quays, and, even with these contingencies taken into consideration, is small compared with the average of previous years. One or two of the cargoes now landing will go direct into consumption. Of these, the "Norman," from Miramichi, is discharging a cargo containing a large quantity of 7x3, which for cleanness and accuracy of cutting we have never seen excelled. This is one of Messrs. Ritchie Brothers' shipments, and imported by Messrs. James Webster & Brother."

AN ATTRACTION to lovers of family groceries, provisions, dry goods and general household supplies is offered by Mr. Roger Flanagan at his well known store on St. John Street, Chatham, in the form of silver knives and forks, silver spoons, silver cruet stands and boxes of tea. He issues tickets which are presented by customers every time they make purchases, and no matter how small the amount, it is punched off, and when the purchases aggregate either $15 or $30, as the case may be, one of the articles specified viz.—a cruet stand, or a dozen of silver knives or forks for a $30 ticket or a 5 lb. box of tea, or 1 doz. silver spoons or a $15 ticket is given free.

NEW BRUNSWICK NURSE.—The Globe of Fall River, Mass., gives an interesting account of the opening of the new nurses' home in connection with the Fall River Emergency Hospital. The training school was organised two years ago with a superintendent and six nurses. To-day it has thirty-two trained and accomplished nurses on the roll. The Globe says "this building is their permanent home, and here they receive their training under the direction of Miss Maggie H. Allen, a native of Fredericton, N. B. She received her training in the Waltham hospital and is entirely competent to direct an institution of this kind." Miss Allen is a daughter of the late Captain John Allen, of Fredericton, and a granddaughter of the ex-Chief Justice, Sir John C. Allen.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN S. MARY'S AND S. PAUL'S:—Friday next, being the Festival of our Lord's Nativity, there will be services in S. Mary's and S. Paul's Churches as follows:—1st, evensong in S. Mary's on X'mas eve at 7.30 o'clock; 2nd a midnight celebration of the Holy Eucharist, in S. Mary's, beginning at 12 o'clock and followed by a Te Deum in honor of the Holy Redeemer; 3rd a celebration of the Holy Eucharist at S. Paul's on Christmas Day at 8 o'clock a.m.; 4th morning prayer, Holy Eucharist and sermon in S. Mary's at 11 o'clock a.m., on Christmas Day. Before this service, during the ringing of the bell, the Sunday School children will sing Christmas Carols; 5th evening prayer and sermon at S. Paul's at 3 o'clock.

The offerings will be for the sick and needy.

Excursion Rates on Canada Eastern.

The Canada Eastern Railway Company are selling excursion tickets to and from all stations on their line for the holiday season. These tickets are to be had on Dec. 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th, 31st and Jan. 1st., good to return until January 9th.

Goose Supper—Cobweb Party.

The ladies of Loggieville are making most liberal preparations for entertaining their friends from far and near in the Temperance Hall, in that enterprising village to-morrow, Christmas evening. They are to have a goose supper and cobweb party, and are determined that it shall surpass all former entertainments of the kind held there. Every visitor may go fully assured of a sociable and pleasant evening. There will be good music and a good time. Supper will begin at 5 p.m. and continue throughout the evening.

Mayor Benson to Mrs. Fraser.

CHATHAM, N. B, Dec. 12th, 1896.

DEAR MADAM.—

By a resolution passed by the Town Council I was desired to convey to you its sincere sympathy in your sad bereavement, and assure you of the respect and esteem in which your late husband, our Lieutenant Governor, was held by all classes of our community. A native of this county its people have watched with interested pride the upward career of its distinguished son, and hailed with delight his accession to the highest position attainable in the province, and sincerely regret that he was not longer spared in health to enjoy the well earned honor and dignity.

With sincere assurance of my personal sympathy in your hour of trial,

I have the honor to remain,
Very Faithfully Yours,
JOS. BENSON, Mayor.

Australian Cargo Claim.

A. G. Blair, Jr., of the firm of Blair, Ruel & Blair, St. John was in town on Tuesday in connection with a commission taken out in London in reference to a cargo shipped hence to Australia in June, 1894. Hon. L. J. Tweedie, Q. C., Provincial Secy., appeared for Hon. Wm. Pugsley, solicitor for defendants, Messrs. Winther & Co. of London, the plaintiffs being Messrs. Jas. Moore & Co. of Melbourne, who were not represented by counsel. The claim of the plaintiffs was that the cargo in suit arrived in Melbourne in very bad condition. The testimony here, however, proved conclusively that, so far as the shippers were concerned, it was one of the best ever shipped from Miramichi, the deals being seasoned, bright and fully up to, if not above usual Miramichi shipments to Australia, and superior to those sent to the British market.

Miss McCoy's Concert.

A number of the young ladies of St. Andrew's Church, Chatham, are engaged in the laudable work of raising money, by different schemes to be devised by themselves, for what is known as the Talents fund. In other words they employ their talents in the direction indicated. They may sew, sell books, give parties or concerts, or engage in any other proper work for raising funds. Miss Queenie McCoy, who is, herself, a sweet singer, organized a concert in aid of the Talents fund, which was given in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Friday evening. It was well attended and very successful. Following is the programme:—

Chorus,	Voices of the Night.
	Choir
Piano Solo,	Miss M. Ellis.
Song, 'Slipping Away,' by W. O. Forsyth.	Miss McCoy.
Quartette, 'Sweet and Low,' by J. Burnley.	
Mrs. Cameron, Miss Loggie, Messrs. Nicol and Kerr.	
Trio,	Memory,' by Leslie.
Miss Edgar, Mrs. MacLachlan and Mr. McCoy.	
Violin Solo,	Miss Minnie Watts.
Miss Betti; McDonald.	
Song, 'Home, Dearie, Home,' by Milloy.	
Mrs. H. H. Fallen.	
Reading, 'Through the Flood,' by Ian Maclaren.	
Mr. McCoy.	
Piano Duett, 'The Charge of the Uhlans,'	
Miss Edgar and Mr. Chesman.	
Song, 'Daddy,' by A H. Behrend,	
Mrs. MacLachlan.	
Quartette, 'Sleep on thy Pillow,' by W T. Giffe.	
Messrs. Nicol, Johnston, Edgar and Kerr.	

The numbers were all well rendered. At the close ice-cream, cake and coffee were passed around, tickets for which had been sold during the concert intermission. Miss McCoy's "talent" gained other talents for the Kirk to the amount of about $15.

Strayed.

Monday Dec. 7th, from the home of Mr. James A. Edgecomb of Limestone a mare colt, four years old. Said colt is light red color, white in face, black mane and tail, with very little white on one hind foot. Anyone returning the colt to the owner, or who can give information as to its whereabouts will be liberally rewarded.

JAMES A. EDGECOMB.
Limestone, Maine.

Miramichi papers please copy.

A Royal Arcanum Case.

A verdict of importance to members of the Royal Arcanum and of other benefit societies throughout the country was rendered at White Plains last week. The widow of Thomas F. Smith sought to recover $3,000 from the order on a benefit certificate issued to her husband in 1887. Payment was refused on the ground that the council room was the proper place for the receiving of assessments. The jury found for Mrs. Smith and awarded her the full amount.

Ordained.

The following from the Milwaukee "Church Times" will be of interest to the friends of Rev. Mr. Cuthbert, formerly pastor of Immanuel Reformed Church, Chatham:—

On Nov. 15th, the XXIV. Sunday after Trinity, being also the Feast of S. Machutus, Bishop and Confessor, in All Saints' Cathedral, Milwaukee, the Rt. Rev the Bishop ordained three candidates to the Diaconate, viz.—Messrs. Robert Clayton Hindley, M. A., Ph. D., of Racine; Douglas Sutton, of Hazel Green; and Thomas Hinde Cuthbert, of River Falls. The sermon, an able and eloquent discourse, based on the Epistle for the day, was preached by the Rev. James Slidell, Rector of S. John's parish, Milwaukee, who also presented Dr. Hindley, under whom, in former days, he had studied at Racine College. The Rev. Canon, St. George presented Messrs. Sutton and Cuthbert and acted as Master of Ceremonies. The Bishop was attended by his Chaplain, the Rev. C. B. B. Wright, who carried the pastoral staff. After the Bishop had conferred the office and the Sacramental grace by the essential acts of ordination, the Holy Gospel was read by the Rev. Dr. Hindley. The musical setting of the Mass was A. J. Eyre, in E flat, which was beautifully rendered by the large vested choir, supplemented by an auxiliary choir of female voices. At the offertory Mendelssohn's anthem, "How lovely are the Messengers" (Rom X., 15—18) was sung.

The function was most dignified and impressive throughout, and must have been to the large congregation assembled both helpful and edifying. It is of interest to note that Mr. Cuthbert, who is a graduate of the Western Congregational College, Plymouth, England, was formerly a leading minister in the Reformed Episcopal sect in Canada, being in charge of the R E society at Oshawa, Ontario, and an officer of the general Conference. He has been licensed by the Bishop as missionary at Trinity Church, River Falls, where of late he has been acting as lay reader. Dr. Hindley will assist in S. Stephen's Mission, Racine, under the direction of the Rev. J. W. Gilman, M. A.; and Mr. Sutton will continue his ministrations at Hazel Green, where already he has done an excellent work as lay reader, under the Rev. Mr. Edgelow's care.

A Large Business.

Referring to the two steamers that are being built at Chatham by Senator Snowball, the St. John Sun says:—

The days of shipbuilding are not yet past on the Miramichi. Senator Snowball is building a new hull for one of his tugboats, 114 feet between the uprights, 25 feet beam and 10 1-2 feet hold. The frame is of juniper and the bottom of hardwood. The engines are compound, 250 horse power. He is also building a new tugboat, 80 feet between the uprights, 17 feet beam, and having a flat bottom to work in shallow bays. It will have about 40 horse power. These two tugboats will be launched in the spring, and Senator Snowball will then have a fleet of five tugboats. In the busy summer season of towing rafts and deals from along shore between the mouth of the river and Pokemouche, he employs about fifty men on steamers and schooners. Sometimes, when the are many ships at his wharf, and the mill is running night and day, the Senator's pay sheet is a long one. One pay sheet in the fall had over 980 names on it, of men employed in the mill and loading the ships. This did not include the tugboat and schooner men or men on the regular office staff, which would swell the list to over a thousand men for the time covered by that sheet.

The Departing Teachers.

After the examination programme at the Chatham Grammar School had been carried out on Friday forenoon, the teachers and pupils assembled in the room of the Principal, Mr. D. L. Mitchell, to present that gentleman with an address and other reminders of their good-will. The address was as follows:—

To D. L. Mitchell, Esq., Principal Chatham Grammar School.

DEAR SIR: We the teachers and pupils of the Chatham Grammar School and members of the Grammar School Athletic Association, having heard of your intended departure from Chatham, desire to express our regret at the severance of the association which has existed between us for the last four years. We have at all times found you anxious to assist in the prosecution of the work of the different departments and zealous in the performance of the various duties which devolved upon you as Superintendent of so important a centre of the educational system as this is.

Your exertions on behalf of the Teachers' Institute in this county have been much appreciated and will not soon be forgotten, and your efforts in advancement of the pupils under your immediate control will, we trust, be marked by a development of character which will be productive of much good in the community.

We regret that circumstances have rendered your departure a necessary and prudential step, and trust that your removal to a less rigorous climate may be productive of beneficial results, and that in your new surroundings you may experience the full enjoyment of health.

Allow us to ask your acceptance of the accompanying gifts; and with the hope that you may carry with you some kindly remembrance of your sojourn in Chatham.

We remain on behalf of the teachers, scholars and G. S. A. A. etc.

Mr. Mitchell, in reply, thanked the scholars and teachers for their kind address and the valuable present, and said he did not, before, realise that he had done so much for the Teachers' Institute and the educational interests of the county. He had always tried to do his duty and was leaving Chatham without many regrets apart from his scholars. He did not believe that there could be found, anywhere, better boys and girls. He would remember as long as he lived the kindness of the scholars and teachers of the Grammar School, and would try, perhaps, some time to forget the treatment he had received from the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Stewart of the School Board and Rev. Jos. McCoy also spoke.

The gifts to Mr. Mitchell were a valuable pair of Persian lamb gloves from the teachers; a shaving set in a celluloid case from the scholars; and a bronze inkstand from the Grammar School Athletic Association.

At the Wellington street school the following addresses were presented to the retiring teachers, Mr. McKenna and Miss Coughlan:

The address to Mr. McKenna was read by Miss Lena Cunningham and the presentation was made by Rogers Carroll and Philip Barry.

To M. J. McKenna, B. A., B. Sc.

DEAR TEACHER: We the pupils of Wellington street school, learn with deep regret of your departure from our midst. We feel that before severing your connection with us, we should tender to you our heartfelt thanks for the kindly interest you have always taken in our school while fulfilling your duties as Principal. Wishing you every success in your new field of labor, we ask you, dear teacher, to accept this small gift as a token of our esteem, and we hope that you will ever remember with pleasure the days you spent among us.

Signed on behalf of the pupils,
LENA CUNNINGHAM,
ROGER CARROLL,
PHILIP BARRY.

Chatham, N. B., Dec 18th, 1896.

The address was accompanied by a silver ink-stand, a gentleman's dressing case, and a toilet set.

To Miss M. A. Coughlan.