

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

THE ROYAL CANADIAN is to meet this evening.

GLOVES—A special line, black. See Mr. Fair's ad.

HAY, STOCK, BEER, etc., at Auction. See Mr. Kerr's advertisement.

TWO TEACHERS are wanted in District No. 3 Chatham (Black Brook). See adv.

A KITCHEN MAID and a Housemaid are wanted for excellent place. See adv.

SERIOUS LOSS—John O'Brien, Esq., of Nelson lost a fast and valuable mare on Monday last.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY is to be celebrated in Newcastle by a skating carnival at the rink. See adv.

NEWCASTLE COULERS visited their Chatham brethren and played at the rink of the latter yesterday.

REV. MR. TEEB of the Chatham Methodist Church has been asked to accept an important charge in Prince Edward Island.

DEATH OF AN OLD RESIDENT. Mrs. Armstrong, who died at Chatham on Friday night last, was one of the oldest residents of the town, being in her 88th year.

THE BOARD of Northumberland Agricultural Society is to meet at the Canada House, Chatham, on Thursday afternoon of next week, at 3 o'clock, and members are hereby requested to attend.

THE COURTS—The Circuit Court, His Honor, the Chief Justice, presiding, will open at Newcastle on Tuesday, 20th inst.

The County Court, His Honor, Mr. Justice Wilkinson, presiding, will meet on Tuesday, 4th April.

OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT, which is well known as one of the most efficient in the Province, is well abused by the World. After that paper's late letter addressed to the Chatham Fire Department, it will change its opinions in this respect.

SNOW SLIDES from roofs have been a source of some annoyance to pedestrians during the past week. Several persons have been slightly injured by them and in one case, on St. John Street, a young lady was knocked down and completely buried.

SALMON—Seen from the coast of the Maritime Provinces in the spring earliest between Halifax and Shelburne, the halibut carrying off first honors as a rule. Two salmon, we learn, were caught that of a fortnight ago, one of which weighed 18 lbs.

THE "WORLD" has, evidently, learned that it was improper to refer to private club matters for the sake of making a point against the editor of the ADVANCE, but it cannot make persons of correct taste believe that the "Debates" question had anything to do with the Curling Club or that such reference was not unworthy and highly improper.

RAND INSTRUMENTS FOR SALE—The old instruments formerly in use by the 62nd Battalion Band, are offered for sale. As all the pieces (12 in number) are in good order, this is a first rate chance for any one organizing a new band. Full particulars will be furnished by addressing Capt. R. T. Sturges, 62nd Battalion, St. John.

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Workmen were engaged in boring holes through the wall of the Post Office and Custom House building the other day, and the portion of the public who saw them hoped they were about to demolish the crazy old trap, so that the Dominion authorities might erect one more creditable to themselves and in keeping with our public requirements. It was however, only another patching operation and it is to be hoped that sufficient has been done to render "the elephant" safe for a time, at least. But the workmen must return again and put a new step in at the Post Office. When repairs were made to the building a few years since a new step—a block of sandstone—was placed at this door, and it is so worn down towards the front side that people have great difficulty in entering the building over it. It is a source of danger, especially to aged persons, and it is not easy to understand how it was overlooked when the iron bands and straps and rods were being put in the other day. If it is not procured too much, we would suggest to the Public Works people, that sandstone is a very poor material for a post office step. Granite would be much better and cheaper in the end, and as we know money has been no object, heretofore, when that building was in question, we might reasonably expect a granite step for the Post Office public door.

That Old Subject.

The World devotes over a column to a leader from Mr. Smith and the Debates. It is a first rate chance for any one organizing a new band. Full particulars will be furnished by addressing Capt. R. T. Sturges, 62nd Battalion, St. John.

ACCIDENT—Mr. J. T. Cottier, clerk in the store of Mr. D. Morrison, lost a portion of the first joint of the thumb of his left hand on Saturday night, while closing a safe. He had placed his left hand on the inside of the safe, the thumb slightly overlapping where the door comes to, and when he swung the door to its place, the piece was taken off. Dr. Fish, called, and found that the wound was not serious, and that he was in a fair way to recover. He was in a fair way to recover.

THE ROAD between Chatham and Napan is in a very bad condition. There should be some provision in law to oblige people to do to state labor after severe snow storms. We understand Capt. McNaughton, Councillor and Supervisor, is going to do something towards making an improvement on the road in question and he cannot get at it too soon. Next week we hope to be able to report that he has won all the spare love and votes in that region by making the way smooth for his neighbors.

PERSONAL—D. L. Welsh, Esq., Attorney-at-Law, was in town for a few days during the past week.

Rev. Richard Hutton has been confined to his residence for the greater part of the last three weeks by a illness resulting from a severe cold. It will be a matter of pleasure however to the community generally, to hear that he is recovering and will, apparently, be in excellent health again in a few days.