

SPIRIT OF LATEST DISPATCHES.

Parliament may meet 1st December. Sir Charles Tupper has gone to Manitoba. The Minister of Justice is in Halifax. Mr. Patrick, clerk of the Commons has been superannuated.

A LATE storm at Dublin has made 50 families homeless. Warrants are out for some of the Land League members. The Governor General has been entertaining the correspondent of the London Times.

America contributes \$1,500 a week to the Land League. England possibly in the end will have to do what is right. It is said a number of Europeans have been massacred by the Basutos; their villages and houses burned; their cattle and wives carried away.

The news flashes from Cabul that the Ameer has been murdered by Afghan fanatics. The country is in a blaze of excitement, and things are as unsettled as ever.

ANOTHER war tribe has joined the Basutos at the Cape, and both now are making war on the Colonial Government's force. The British Imperial forces refuse to interfere.

The Magistrates of Cork ask for the suspension of the Habeas Corpus. Every night now signal fires flash from peak to peak through many parts of Ireland. There is a great feeling of unrest. Many of the land lords are fleeing to England.

THE PARTY IN NORTHUMBERLAND.

We did not care, on coming in to Chatham first, to have too many things to say at once, because in doing so we might be put down by even our friends as being somewhat of a busy-body. But now that we are established here, and have taken careful note of the public pulse, and how the two parties stand here, we must, without asking anybody's pardon, air a few of our opinions. In doing this we may say it is a matter of small moment to us whose corns we stand upon; and if the party are not prepared to back such a course of action as will bring triumph to the Conservatives of this County, and utter defeat and annihilation to the "pork and molasses" politics, which now disgrace Northumberland, then we shall move away to some other quarter where we can do better for ourselves and be some service to others.

Now, first and foremost, the Conservative party here seems to be disorganized at the present. With this fact, it is not alone strong as it was at the election, but it is 25 per cent. stronger; yet it lacks a centre and a system. Our party members live in the background, they talk behind the doors, while their opponents proclaim their doctrines and their leanings from the honours. The party, too, is peppered with traitors, who run with the hare and hold with the hound, who are Michell at one corner and Snowball at the other. The other side, with a few exceptions, are outwardly even more than they are inwardly, and it is this very course that has us today bowing down before the shrine of pork, molasses and tea, instead of before intelligence, progress and statesmanship.

Our public offices are part-manned with traitors—with men whom Hon.orable Peter Michell appointed to those very posts. Before the last election, gulled by the lies set afloat through the town, they thought the Grits would be sustained, and those who did not fly away during the voting time like sheep, openly voted and worked for the opposite party. No change has come either since the election. The pork influence is so strong, that it has kept every official who was either coaxed or coerced over to the other side just where he was; and in a few cases like that of Mr. Ferguson's they have openly leagued themselves with the enemies of the Government and the country.

Some of these officials now neglect their duties most shamefully, others kill time the year round and draw \$1,000 a year—finding plenty of time on their hands to "talk up the Snowball party," and explain to the people among whom they spent weeks fishing and shooting, how "the N. P. is ruining the country," and what "a hoist this Government will get next time." We learn long ago Mr. Snowball's weekly paper here, took occasion to abuse these officials in every issue: by and by they became afraid, bowed before the pork and molasses shrine, and have since been left alone. This is why there is no

more fault finding now with the officials if they went away and nailed up the offices; this is why they look upon Snowball as Minister of Customs and Inland Revenue, and not the men whom Canada have appointed to these posts.

But they are sadly mistaken if they think they have purchased peace by the surrender of their principles, and the sale of those friends who gave them their offices—we are on their track now and it were well they could get Nemesis himself to take our place. Just think of it—every line of printing belonging to the Customs Department, is sent by Mr. Ferguson up to a paper sustained by Mr. Snowball to blackguard and defeat the Government; and thus the very patronage of the Government is turned by unscrupulous men into an engine for the destruction of the Government party. This is not all; our appraiser Mr. Adam Sherriff has been guilty of the very same thing. All the printing belonging to his office, and paid for by the Government, goes also towards sustaining a paper to defeat the Government wherever it is read. We do not complain now about Mr. Sherriff as a member of the Department, turning the work of his public office into his private hands as auctioneer, though we shall at another time—when we shall have shown how much more is paid than is necessary to maintain our public departments here, and how shamefully the work of the offices is neglected.

This is the merest running commentary on what we have seen since coming to Chatham; in other issues we shall fill in details, and talk in such language as will not be misunderstood by anyone.

Now then we have to make this suggestion. First and foremost the Conservatives of Chatham, Newcastle and adjoining parts, should get together. They should organize as the Conservatives of nearly every town and city in the whole province have organized. They should have a fixed place and time for meeting. They should come to gether about once a month, discuss all party matters, and when abuses like the above are known to exist, move as one man and have them purged out. One man can never do anything, or two men or three men; but the whole party acting would move with such force as to make men unfaithful to their public duties, and traitors to their benefactors, to tremble in their very boots. Once a month would be often enough to meet, often would tend to the degradation of the club, because if there was not engrossing business, the card pack, or the exhilarating battle might be resorted to. The club as we have said could deal with all the grievances existing, and devise the best means for remedying them; could take up the fishery question and other questions—and recommend to the respective departments what would best promote the interests of the public service.

But the best of it would be that the skulkers who are afraid to speak to a pronounced Michell man, if any representative of the pork and molasses influence is around, would either have to be one thing or the other—it being understood that any name not on the book, was not borne by a Conservative. More anon.

CABINET CHANGES.

EVERY week we have the Cabinet changes soon to be made at Ottawa presented in some new shape. One day we are told that Hon. John O'Connor is sure to take a judgeship in Manitoba, in the place of Hon. James McKeeney, dead. A good many people hoped this rumor would turn out to be true, for the sake of Mr. O'Connor who seems hardly fitted for the turmoil of politics, and for the sake of Mr. John Cosigan who would be entitled to the vacancy for his long years of consistent and intelligent support of the party. However, the vacancy has been filled, and Mr. O'Connor still continues to draw his pay as Postmaster General. Referring to this matter the St. John News a consistent Government paper says:—

"It has been said that the Hon. Mr. O'Connor is to take a judgeship and that Mr. Daly of Halifax is to succeed him in the Cabinet. What is the use of the News gabbling perpetually about a thing that will never come to pass. Nova Scotia has now two Cabinet representatives, whilst New Brunswick, thanks to the people's gullibility, has only one. The "Daly appointment" story has been told by some gossiping old lady or another, to her circle of female friends, who think Mr. Daly ought to have this position. It is natural that a politicians' grandmothers, great aunts, etc. should wish him well, but this feeling of female sympathy and admiration does not touch the question of ability and right.

Suppose a plague came and decimated the Provinces, killing off all the veteran Conservatives out of office, and ready to step in, but left Mr. Daly standing, then we would offer no objection to his appointment. But so long as Mr. John Cosigan is in the Commons without office, the party may expect our position however weak or however strong, to the appointment of Mr. Daly.

The News also circulated the following nonsense:— "It is also reported that Sir Charles Tupper will retire from the Government to join the Pacific Railway Syndicate and that he will be succeeded as Minister of Railways by Senator Macpherson. And it is likewise said that Sir Leonard Tilley is to take Sir A. T. Galt's place in London, and Sir A. T. Galt, Sir Leonard's place as Finance Minister. Some of these rumors will probably prove true.

It is also reported—by Mr. Vennor, that we are to have a thunder-storm about Christmas: why doesn't the News publish that with the rest? We had thought however the above stories had failed to get further admission into the papers and were being prepared as an addendum to the tenth edition of the Arabian Nights.

It has been announced semi-officially that Messrs. Baby and Mason are to resign, and that Messrs. Caron and Chapleau are to be sworn in their places shortly.

In Nelson, Mr. Burchill got 30 votes more than Mr. Flett, but the latter was declared elected. It appears the return from one parish came too late to be counted within the legal hours and without that return Mr. Burchill was behind Mr. Flett. If the law does not provide a remedy in such cases, it ought to be speedily amended.

Mr. Savoy of Gleneg, came in with a handsome majority, as he did Mr. George. Gleneg knows how to show the appreciation of office worth.

ONE MORE FOR THE N. P. The celebrated Allston car wheel company of Allston, Mass., intend starting a branch of their business in the British provinces. One of the directors of this company was in St. John the other day and it is possible that St. John may be the place selected. He found on enquiry that he could get hard coal delivered in St. John and pay the duty on it a little cheaper than he could get it delivered at Allston.

The firm continues all through Canada; nor can the coming winter quiet it. Thousands upon thousands of men of workmen will go to the lumber woods this year, and thousands of people who would otherwise find it necessary to be idle through the winter, for emigrate and employment in the factories started under Our Home Policy.

PROTECTION and Free Trade have been brought upon the American platform. Only a small fraction of the progressive Republic favor Free Trade; because the nation in her greatness does not forget what made her great.

Of late it is said the Czar has been given poison in his drink. He did not die from it, but it is said its effects will remain. His abdication is again spoken of. It must soon come now.

Mr. EDWARD JACK favors the building of a road through the fertile lands in the north of New Brunswick. His ideas seem to be a good one.

It is said Sir Leonard Tilley may swap places with Sir A. T. Galt. The story is a Grit creation—and nothing is more improbable.

The copper mines at Bett's Cove and Little Bay, N.B., have been sold to an American company for \$1,000,000.

It is thought Parliament will meet about Christmas to discuss the contract for building the Canada Pacific Railroad.

Dutrois is not yet virtually opened, and negotiations have been opened up again between the Porte and the Powers.

The Newcastle Advocate has entered on its fourteenth year. We congratulate our contemporary on its age.

The census taker will begin work on the 3rd of April, 1881.

"Brown's Bronchial Troches" are used with advantage to alleviate Croup, Sore Throat, Hoarseness and Bronchial Affections. For thirty years these Troches have been in use, with equally increasing favor. They are not new and untried, but having been tested by wide and constant use for nearly an entire generation, they have attained well-merited rank among the few staple remedies of the age.

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A Cough, Cold, Catarrh or Sore Throat requires immediate attention, as neglect often results in some incurable Lung Disease. "Brown's Bronchial Troches" will almost invariably give relief. Imitations are offered for sale, many of which are injurious. The genuine "Brown's Bronchial Troches" are sold only in boxes.

To Tailors and Cutters. A Cutter of twenty years' first-class experience in America and Britain, has invented instruments for measuring coats and gowns, which will produce perfect fitting garments without the need of trying on. For particulars address, enclosing 3c. stamp, G. McLehlan, p. o. box 118, Guelph, Ont. oct30 1880

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STOVES! STOVES! The subscriber has now in stock and is daily receiving the best make of stoves from the Moncton and Amherst foundries. His stock comprises 25 different kinds, which include the stove, Water-co and Farmer, which are the best approved family Cooking Stoves made. Low for cash or satisfactory purchase. H. P. MARQUIS, Conrad St., Chatham.

Tinware, Tinware. The Subscriber offers a varied and extensive stock of Tinware, including Pails, Pans, Kettles, Saucepans, Stew Pans, Coal Hods, Ladles, Milk Strainers, Milk Pans, Flour Sifters, Oatmealers, Tea and Coffee Pots, Patty Pans, Water Sprinklers, &c., &c. All at the lowest prices for cash; easy terms on approved orders. N. B.—I make most of my own wares and can afford to sell at bottom prices. H. P. MARQUIS, Conrad St., Chatham.

GRANITEWARE. I have received a large stock of granite-ware, consisting of all articles hitherto in the line; among which are Pans of all kinds, Preserve Pots and Kettles, Tea and Coffee Pots, &c., &c., gilded in a porcelain, and guaranteed never to rust. H. P. MARQUIS, Conrad St., Chatham.

Coolley Milk Cans. I am sole manufacturer for the agent for the Coolley Patent Milk Cans in the four northern counties. No dairy should be without this excellent article, which is now used entirely by the Dublin and numerous other creamery associations. For sale at Co. All furnished free. Address: True & Co., Augusta, Maine. oct30 adwly

Tenders. Sealed tenders for providing heating apparatus for Legislative Buildings, Fredericton, will be received at the Department of Public Works till 1st day November next. Plan and Specification to be seen at the Chief Commissioner's office. Department not bound to accept lowest or any Tender. Good securities will be required. P. A. LANDRY, Chief Commissioner, Fredericton, Oct. 19, 1880.—oct29 adwly

\$5 Outfit sent free to those who wish to engage in the most pleasant and profitable business known. Everything new. Capital not required. We will furnish everything, \$10 a day and upwards is easily made without staying away from home over night. No risk whatever. Many new workers wanted at once. Many are making fortunes at the business. Ladies make as much as men, and young men and girls make great pay. No one who is willing to work for it to make more money every day than can be made at any ordinary employment. Those who engage at once will find a short road to fortune. Address: H. Hallett & Co., Augusta, Maine. oct30 adwly

Boot & Shoe STORE! The Subscriber offers the most select stock of BOOTS AND SHOES, for Men, Ladies' and Youths' Wear. Ever before offered in the trade. And Low, For CASH. ALSO A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF FELT HATS. Latest Style for Men and Boys. Also a large assortment of FINE HATS, including Fashions. All Low For CASH.

ALSO A LARGE STOCK OF SCOTCH WATERPROOF COATS. Heavy and Fine Rubber, etc. Parties visiting the City will find me in SHARKEY'S New Building, QUEEN STREET, JUST BELOW THE BARKER HOUSE THOMAS LUCY, Fredericton, Sept. 1, 1880.—if

WANTED. Immediately, a good house maid. Work heavy, with small family. Must be well recommended. Apply at this office. Chatham, 27th Oct. 1880.—if

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A plan of the seats for the Chatham Lectures will be an exhibition and tickets by which the price of same may be secured will be for sale at the Miramichi Bookstore on and after Saturday, 23rd inst. The price of tickets will be 50 cents for all parts of the Hall. Tickets for the Newcastle Lecture are on sale at the Drug Store of E. Lee Street, Esq., Newcastle.

\$10 Outfit furnished free, with full instructions for conducting the most profitable business that anyone can engage in. The business is so easy to learn and our instructions are so simple and plain, that anyone can make great profits from the very start. No one can fail who is willing to work. Women are as successful as the men. Boys and girls can earn large sums. Many have made at the business over one hundred dollars in a single week. Nothing like it ever known before. All who engage are surprised at the ease and rapidity with which they are able to make money. You can engage in this business during spare time at great profit. You do not have to invest capital in it. We take all the risk. These who need money should write to us at once. All furnished free. Address: True & Co., Augusta, Maine. oct30 adwly

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Bears Trapped. Mr. Martin Moran and Mr. John Glenn, both of Gleneg, have lately killed a large bear each. These animals were said to have committed several depredations through the neighborhood, thinning out sheep-pens, and making the heifers scarce. It never occurs to the people who do it, that the bears which "thin their sheep-pens, and make the heifers scarce" are allowed to sleep by the stove, and are fed all the cold meat left from dinner?

The Chatham Branch. This road was conceived in iniquity and built in sin. It is now the vilest piece of road on the continent, and the juggle of the cars is so shocking that to ride on them is enough to set one crazy with headache. There is no fear of accidents though, in consequence of the sin's pace. It is usual to put the cow-catcher on the front of other trains, but we believe it is put on the rear of the Chatham Branch engine, to keep the cattle from coming aboard when it is at full speed. It is losing money every day, and would be not worth taking as a present. It constitutes part of Mr. Snowball's fortune; and was pointed out with pride to the Marquis of Lorne, by the proprietor.

Personal. Mr. Douglas Hazen of Fredericton spent yesterday in Chatham. Mr. Hazen attended the English delegates from St. John up the river and down, and till they left Newcastle. His report is graphic and excellent; and as it is Mr. Hazen's first extensive reporting, he is to be congratulated on his success.

Mr. Macnutt of the Sun also belonging to Fredericton now, spent yesterday in Newcastle. Mr. Macnutt's report to the Sun is also very creditable. He joined the party at Sussex, taking Mr. Hannay's place. Mr. Macnutt could tell an interesting story of the contemptible conduct of a Miramichi editor. Last winter while he was reporting the legislative proceedings at Fredericton, he received a letter from the Miramichi editor, asking him to furnish his paper with a weekly letter of the doings of the legislature. The condition never imposed was "You must ignore Adams and Gillespie. Keep Hutchinson as much to the front as possible." Mr. Hutchinson was delegated to close the bargain. The proposition, and subsequent doings of the most contemptible nature, induced Mr. Macnutt to telegraph to this person, that he was too low to deal with; that he would not condescend to write for his paper. Mr. Hutchinson then hired some powder about the building, to garble a column each week for 50 cents an issue. When J. G. Lorimer, postmaster now at Grand Manan, was editor of the Bay Pilot, he once had occasion to have a private correspondence with the same Miramichi editor. All his letters were marked "private"; but shortly after he had a quarrel with the man, when the latter merely published one of the letters, which above all Mr. Lorimer had marked "strictly private and confidential." This man represents the Opposition party here!

Mr. Archibald Forbes the great war correspondent of the London Daily News will lecture here on the evening of the 1st prox., and in Newcastle the 2nd. His subject is a good one; the lecturer is famous. He should have full houses. His advertisement in another column.

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Express for Halifax, connecting at Moncton for North..... 7.55 a.m. 8.00 a.m. Accommodation for Point du Chene..... 11.45 a.m. 11.50 a.m. Express for Sussex..... 3.10 p.m. 3.15 p.m. Express for Halifax and Quebec..... 10.25 p.m. 10.30 p.m. A Pullman Car runs daily on the latter train to Halifax, and on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, a Pullman Car for Montreal is attached. On Monday, Wednesday and Friday a Pullman Car for Montreal is attached at Moncton. A Special Freight will continue to leave for Sussex for accommodation of passengers..... 6.30 p.m. 6.35 p.m. WILL ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN

Express from Quebec..... 6.00 a.m. 6.05 a.m. Accommodation from Point du Chene..... 1.55 p.m. 1.50 p.m. Express from Halifax and points South of Campbellton..... 7.35 p.m. 7.40 p.m. D. POTTINGER, Chief Superintendent. Railway Office, Moncton, N. B., 9th June.

In Press—To be published in Jan. 1881. LOVELL'S GAZETTEER OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA. CONTAINING the latest and most authentic descriptions of over 7,500 Cities, Towns and Villages in the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Manitoba, British Columbia and the North West Territories, and other general information, drawn from official sources, as to the names, locality, extent, etc., of over 1800 lakes and rivers; a table of routes, showing the proximity of the railway stations, and sea, lake and river ports, to the cities, towns, villages, etc., in the several Provinces; [this table will be found invaluable] and a neat colored map of the Dominion of Canada. Edited by P. A. CROSBY, assisted by a corps of writers. Agents wanted. Price \$3—Payable on delivery. JOHN LOVELL & SON, Publishers. Montreal, August, 1880.—octif

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Bears Trapped. Mr. Martin Moran and Mr. John Glenn, both of Glenelg, have lately killed a large bear each. These animals were said to have committed several depredations through the neighborhood, thinning out sheep-pens, and making the heifers scarce. It never occurs to the people that the bears which "thin out their sheep-pens, and make the heifers scarce" are allowed to sleep by the stove, and are fed all the cold meat left from dinner?

The Chatham Branch. This road was conceived in iniquity and built in sin. It is now the vilest piece of road on the continent, and the juggle of the cars is so shocking that to ride on them is enough to set one crazy with headache. There is no fear of accidents though, in consequence of the small pace. It is usual to put the cow-catcher on the front of other trains, but we believe it is put on the rear of the Chatham Branch coaches, to keep the cattle from coming aboard when it is at full speed. It is losing money every day, and would be not worth taking as a present. It constitutes part of Mr. Snowball's fortune; and was pointed out with pride to the Marquis of Lorne, by the proprietor.

Personal. Mr. Douglas Hazen of Fredericton spent yesterday in Chatham. Mr. Hazen attended the English delegates from St. John up the river and down, and till they left Newcastle. His report is graphic and excellent; and as it is Mr. Hazen's first extensive reporting, he is to be congratulated on his success.

Mr. Macnutt of the Star also belonging to Fredericton, spent yesterday in Newcastle. Mr. Macnutt's report to the Star is also very creditable. He joined the party at Sussex, taking Mr. Hannay's place. Mr. Macnutt could tell an interesting story of the contemptible conduct of a Miramichi editor. Last winter while he was reporting the legislative proceedings at Fredericton, he received a letter from the Miramichi editor, asking him to furnish his paper with a weekly letter of the doings of the legislature. The condition however imposed was "You must ignore Adams and Gillespie. Keep Hutchinson as much to the front as possible." Mr. Hutchinson was delegated to close the bargain. The proposition, and subsequent doings of the most contemptible nature, induced Mr. Macnutt to telegraph to this person, that he was too low to deal with; that he would not condescend to write for his paper. Mr. Hutchinson then hired some prowl over the building, to garble a column each week for 50 cents an issue. When J. G. Lorrimer, postmaster now at Grand Manan, was editor of the Boy Pilot, he once had occasion to have a private correspondence with the same Miramichi editor. All his letters were marked "private," but shortly after he had a quarrel with the man, when the latter meanly published one of the letters, which above all Mr. Lorrimer had marked "strictly private and confidential." This man represents the Opposition party here!

Mr. Archibald Forbes the great war correspondent of the London Daily News will lecture here on the evening of the 1st prox., and in Newcastle the 2nd. His subject is a good one; the lecturer is famous. He should have full columns. His advertisement in another column.

New Publications.

We have received a copy of McMillan's Almanack for 1881. It is brimful of choice information, but is inaccurate in some cases. It says Hon. A. Campbell is Postmaster General, and he is at the head of the War Department; that the President of the Council is Hon. John O'Connor, whereas that gentleman draws the pay of Postmaster General; that the Minister of War is Hon. Mr. Masson, when in reality that gentleman was President of the Council. The Peoples Bank is omitted from its list of financial institutions. In other respects the almanac is a capital issue.

We have received a copy of the American, a weekly journal issued from Philadelphia. Never has a journal had a wider field than this. It will take in America from the Canadian limit, in the North to the confines of Mexico in the South—will be nearly as much cosmopolitan as continental; it contributed by the best writers of the day. So far its articles are up to the highest standard. Success to it.

A Chapter of Losses. It is true for the bard that "When sorrows come, they come not single spies But in battalions." On Monday night last, Mr. Murdoch, who lives at Black Brook, lost 8 sheep by dogs. On the same day a large bull on the farm gored to death a fine mare belonging to him, and also a spring colt.

With reference to the sheep, we would say we think the Government have persecuted the bears about long enough now and ought to set their faces against dogs. For the one animal the bears kill, the dogs kill 20. Yet the hunter who brings in a bear's snout, or anything resembling a bear's snout, gets \$3; while if he brought in a dog's snout out of season he would be rewarded by being sent to jail very likely. The laws of this Province are quite too hard on the bear, and quite too easy on the dog. In Newfoundland now a dog is of some value, because he hauls the poor man's wood and water, and goes out the coldest day of winter into the angry billows, and fetches in the hunters' ducks. In this country a drop of water fell of a cold day on a dog's back he would howl for an hour. He does not draw wood or haul water;—and instead of being a benefit to the farmer for hunting the cows, he is a positive harm. We all ought to know the effect of "dogging" cows; it frightens the animal so as to deprive the milk of some of its virtues, and it helps to dry up the animal as well. The Government should take a leaf out of the Newfoundland statute book, against dogs, put it in force here, and show a little more charity towards the unfortunate and too much persecuted bear.

Appointments. The last Canada Gazette contains the following: His Excellency the Governor General has been pleased to make the following appointments, viz:—

OTTAWA, 20th October, 1880. James Andrew Miller, Esquire, D.C.L., one of Her Majesty's Counsel in the Province of Ontario, to be a Puisne Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench, in the Province of Manitoba, vice the Honorable James McKeagney, deceased.

31st August, 1880. John Lynch, of St. Basil, in the County of Madawaska, in the Province of New Brunswick, Gentleman, to be a Revenue Officer in Her Majesty's Customs.

Melanchoy Death. The wife of John Farrell, of Sea Cow Pond, started for Miramichi in a schooner a few weeks ago, took sick on the passage shortly after starting, and was very desirous to go ashore at North Cape, but the wind was blowing so fiercely at the time that it was impossible to make a landing, so she was compelled to remain on board until the vessel arrived at Chatham, N. B., where she was put under the care of the Sisters of Charity, who did everything in their power for her but were unable to save her life.—Sun, 4th.

STAR BRIEFS. To MORROW'S HALLOWEEN. —Frost came upon the window-panes last night. —Robertson's saw mill between Richibucto and Bouchouche, was destroyed by fire on Monday night. —Mr. Robert Mercer, who formerly kept a bakery in Chatham has been visiting his Miramichi friends for the past few days.

Diphtheria. Diphtheria has made its appearance in town, and several deaths from it are reported. Mr. George Staples lost a fine boy 11 years old, from it on Friday. A few days before Mr. James Morris lost a fine little fellow from the same disease. The origin of this disease no doubt is the cess-pools we have been rating the town officers about.

Delayed. The barque St. Helena was loaded nearly two weeks since, but only left Chatham yesterday, owing to the water being low on the Miramichi Bar.

Large Sale of Apples. Mr. William Wyse sold 140 barrels of Nova Scotia apples by auction this morning for \$2 per barrel.

The Elections. Jared Tupper and James Somers were elected as councillors in South Esk.

Alnwick Notes.

I have much pleasure in informing your readers of the statement of the Municipal Election held yesterday in this Parish. As you are aware, Mr. John Johnston of Babustan, came out to oppose Wm. Boggie, brought by a very small party.

SAVOY, LOGGIE, JOHNSTON. Polling Dis. No. 1, 38 34 81 " " 2, 40 47 51 " " 128 81 59

And therefore Savoy and Loggie are duly elected by a very handsome majority. Mr. Joseph McKnight was chairman of District No. 1, Alnwick. Mr. Ralph Payne was chairman of District No. 2.

Yours, etc., A. River des Chiches, Oct. 27, 1880.

Newcastle Local Items.

MISSING.—Our policeman, when he is wanted. THE WRONG MEN.—The School Trustees. THE RIGHT MEN.—Inspector Cox and Teacher McCully.

Messrs. Miller's steamer Derby ran into and damaged a scow in the river here on Monday evening. The owner of the scow was indemnified for the loss sustained.

CAUTION.—Trustees of schools should make it a point when engaging either male or female teachers to "enquire particularly as to their fighting weight, strength, courage, etc." It would save the district the cost of advertising for new teachers, and the Trustees many a deserved beating, if properly looked into before hiring.

Cow Pasture.—What about the value of the chain fence now? Will the two or three old fogies who thought the chain worth so much, step forward now that Mr. Davidson has withdrawn his offer, and erect as good a fence as he intended erecting and on the same conditions? As old Mr. Hamilton would say, "I pause" for a reply.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COURT.—Snowball vs. Muirhead. Mr. Wilkinson for defendant is now addressing the jury. At the conclusion of this case Court will adjourn for two weeks or more. County Court sits in Gloucester next Tuesday.

Municipal Election: KENT ELECTIONS. We take the following returns from the Montevideo Academies: Dundas—Chas. Cormier and Martin Goudet elected. St. Mary's—Daniel Landry and P. Belliveau. St. Louis—Joseph Richard and Francis Richard. Wellington—Damien Gallant and P. Gratton. Harcourt—Dunn and Duckfield. Wolford—Brook and Walker. Carleton—E. Curran and P. Hanagan. Richibucto—G. Livingston and D. O'Leary. (Mr. Livingston is a brother of the Star Editor.)

WESTMORLAND ELECTIONS. Also taken from the Academies: Moncton—There were three candidates in the field: Messrs. Mills, Lutes and Bourgeois. [The latter ought to have been a good type of a man.—Ed. Star.] The two former were elected. Shediac—Messrs. C. H. Gallant and E. J. Smith. Dorchester—A. D. Richard and Wm. Dobson. Sackville—Ogden and Campbell—there was another in the field. Salisbury—Kay and Humphrey (by acclamation). Westmorland—Black and Trueman. Botsford—P. Rielly and John Avar.

The Academies amusingly adds: "A despatch from Bathurst informs us that M.M. Samuel Melancon, our agent, is elected." No doubt he was elected just because he happened to be agent for the Montevideo Academies.

Notes From the Capital. On Wednesday morning, Rev. Mr. Greer of Ormoco, was married to Governor Wilnot's daughter, Miss Annie, in the Cathedral. On Thursday morning Mr. William Fenety and Miss Louise Black were also married in the Cathedral; the Metropolitan performed the ceremony in both cases.

I may say the Capital has been hardly detailed enough in its description of some of the weddings lately. For example a fly lit on one of the groom's sleeves, which was duly knocked off by the groom—and it was not noticed anywhere in the Capital that I can see. Besides this the brides blinked their eyes several times, and moved their fingers—not a word of which appeared in the Capital.

Mr. Zebin Everitt is prospecting for a site on which to build a shoe factory. Mr. Everitt has been one of our most successful business men, and when others here went to pieces, he paid 100 cents on the dollar. He has plenty of capital, and will make the business a success. However I would advise Sir Leonard Tilly not to give Mr. Everitt any of the Government buildings here.

Mr. A. Gibson has presented the Methodist Church at Lincoln with \$200. Mr. Gibson is a prince of liberality.

LT. COLONEL MAUSSELL has returned from England and receives before leaving a present from the military here. While in England he took a short course of instruction in the Woolwich school—the former Woolwich school as the Farmer says.

Messrs. McMurray & Fenety have put in a plate glass front. They are now doing an excellent business. I understand M. S. Hall will remove his business to the Ormoco.

Mr. Frank McPeake came into town a few days ago with sprained hand and lacerated heel, received from a car on the Grand Southern. He has resumed duty again.

Dr. Archer I learn has begun another History of Canada for the schools.

Communications.

A COMPLAINT FROM A FISHERMAN. To the Editor of the Star. DEAR SIR,—I heartily ask of you one favor that is if you have any command over our fish-warden Russell, please see each year. He is getting more partial each year. It is very nice to be related to the Ward as they could fish bass before the time last year, both in Bartibogue and at the head of Bartibogue Island; this year he paddles down Grand Downs, seizing poor man's nets; brings him up next morning; makes a big catch at Johnson's Cove. Kin make a seize this summer; and we learn they intend to haul for bass; they are quite safe; they know Russell. But suppose any other man did this, then it was not legal, and his nets must be seized right away. Can you have a stop put to this partiality and oblige OAK POINT.

MUSIC IN THE CHURCHES. To the Editor of the Star, DEAR SIR,—During my last visit to Chatham, I visited some of the churches there, attending Divine Service. I wish to especially give you my impressions of the two Presbyterian churches. The music in these was quite bad, something quite inexcusable, considering the singing talent there must be among the younger ones of the congregation.

A wealthy congregation such as St. Andrew's, ought not to be without their organ; if they wish to retain their younger members, for music hath charms, etc., you know. Hoping my next visit St. Andrew's, I will hear the sweet strains of an organ assisted by the few well organized voices; and the present music exterminated. I beg to remain, Yours, etc., STRAFNER. Tabusatic, Oct. 24, 1880.

BY TELEGRAPH.

The War in South Africa. LONDON, Oct. 29. The following are the details of the fight which took place previous to the relief of Mafeking. The ambulance company were charged by a large body of Basutos, who descended the hills at full speed. A hand to hand fight ensued. The Basutos were armed with assegais, imitating the Zulus, and killed twenty four yeoman. The reinforcements arriving, the rebels were repulsed with considerable loss. The Basuto made a second charge at full speed, which was entirely checked by the well directed fire of the Cape Town rifles. The enemy was estimated to be 8,000 strong. A Cape Town despatch to Reuters' Telegram Company says the enemy are reported to have occupied the country in rear of the forces which relieved Mafeking.

A despatch from Natal states that the Legislature has assembled. The loans to railway corporations and estimates for war contributions, included in the Budget, as announced from Zululand, will, it is expected, prove beneficial rather than detrimental to the interests of Natal. Large reinforcements are to be awarded to General Clarke, and it is now the prevailing opinion that the Government will be fully able to maintain its authority in Basutoland.

CABLE BRIEFS. Madame Thiers is seriously ill. Prince Gortschakoff will spend the winter at Nice. Lord Beaconsfield is very much troubled with the gout. The miners throughout Belgium are on a strike. The French Chamber has been prorogued for the 9th of November.

The Clyde shipwrights and engineers demand a 10 per cent. increase in wages. Baron Rissoldi, the Italian statesman, died in Rome on Sunday, of apoplexy, aged 71 years. A despatch from Paris says there are floods throughout the country which have done much damage.

The Duke of Buckingham has met with a severe accident in making the ascent of Mont Blanc. The Czar's yacht, "Livadia," has put into Ferrol with her bow plates damaged by coming in contact with some wreckage. It is rumored in Athens that the united fleets are coming to the Darlanelles. Among all foreigners and the great mass of the community there is great rejoicing at such a prospect.

It is reported in St. Petersburg that there has been fighting on the Russo-Chinese frontier. The Czar has had a relapse, and symptoms of apoplexy have returned. The members of his family are hastening to Livadia. It is stated that Lord Ardilaun has received a threatening letter, and as a result is about to take up his residence in London.

A despatch from Constantinople says the Sultan has ordered Riza Pasha, under any circumstances, to surrender Dulcigno within five days. A despatch from Berlin says that Germany has asked Austria and France to join in certain proposed pacific measures. Dulcigno will probably be surrendered on Tuesday. The Porte has invited its bondholders to send delegates to Constantinople.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS. A very large tiger cat was captured a few days ago near Red Head. Crews are busy rafting in the Dougl's and Glazier Booms, St. John River. The work of fitting up the Sugar Refinery at Moncton is rapidly progressing.

The Canada Temperance Act will soon be submitted to the people of St. John. The jam of logs has moved at Grand Falls. Thousands of pieces are coming down the river.

The contract for building the new wing of the Dorchester Penitentiary has been awarded to Messrs. McManus & Sons, of Memramcook. The New Brunswick Railway Company held a meeting this week in St. John. The new company will pursue a vigorous settlement policy.

Eleven mill men were poisoned at a boarding house at St. Martin's on Saturday by eating diseased pork. The men have revived, though for a time it was feared the consequences would have been fatal. Murray Kay has Mr. James Greene of the Grand Southern before the court in Fredericton, trying to show that the lease of the Carleton Branch to the Grand Southern is no good. Mr. Kay will not have a single judge to take the grounds he takes.

A Night of Horrors on the Miramichi. [WRITTEN FOR THE STAR.] Lately reading the Star, which seems to have engrossed all the hunting stories of the Province, I thought that I could detect the narrative of a brother hunter in "Hunting on the Miramichi with a clergyman," and was there reminded of an occurrence of my youth, when in its early morning of life full of pride and vigor, I followed after the wild animals which frequented the deep recesses of the Miramichi forests. The greatest poet of Italy has said "Midway in this my mortal life I lost my soul." How I longed for the morning! What a night of agony! How much suffering can be crowded into a short hour! The wind began to rise, and, as each blast swept past me, the heat or cold closed its ghastly eyes, to open them again after it had passed. How I longed for day. Day did come at last, but how slowly. At its advance the light seemed to fade from these eyes, until at last they had disappeared altogether before the clear light of day. Rising from my hard bed, I advanced to where my tormentor had stood. What do you think that it was, reader? Many of you have seen the ghastly light which decaying fish or dead beech wood emits in a dark night. It was the latter which had caused my trouble. A beech stump, the centre of which was entirely rotten and exposed to the air, was partially concealed by a piece of its bark which yet clung to it. In this there were two holes which a woodpecker had made while digging in the tree for worms; through these holes the phosphorous light of the decaying beech shows with its unearthly glare. The wind was caused by the wind moving this barkwards and forwards; and thus ended my night of horrors.

Chatham Markets. CORRECTED AND REVISED FOR THE STAR. Flour, best brands Spring Extra, \$ 6 10 Higher Brands, \$6 50 to 8 50 Corn Meal, per bbl., 3 40 Oat Meal (Canada), 6 00 do. (home made), 5 00 Beef, Mess, per bbl., 14 00 Prime Mess, do., 12 00 Pork, Mess, do., 20 00 Prime Mess, do., 17 00 Pork Hams (cured) per lb., 10 Home Made (none), 08 Fresh Pork, 11 Salt Pork, per lb., 10 Butter (Irish), per lb., 20 Butter (in roll), do., 24 Eggs, per doz., 15 Cabbages, per doz., 60 Salmon (in case), 20 Lobster, do., 12 Oysters, do., 12 Oysters (Harrington's best) p. bbl., 2 00 From other sources, 1 00 Mackerel (fresh) per doz., 30 Mackerel (salt), 25 Codfish (dried), per lb., 04 Potatoes, per bbl., 60 Carrots, per bush., 05 Turnips (none), 10 Fresh Beef, per lb., 10 Lamb (good), per lb., 07 Partridge, per pair, 30 Brant, do., 08

MAIL CONTRACT.

Tenders addressed to the Postmaster General will be received at Ottawa until noon on Friday, 19th November, for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails, on a proposed contract for four years, three times per week each way, between Lyttleton and Newcastle from the first January next.

Conveyance to be made in a suitable vehicle drawn by one or more horses, subject to the approval of the Postmaster General.

The mails to leave Newcastle on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week at 4 o'clock a. m., reaching Lyttleton in four hours, and four of days.

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Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen, and blank forms of tender may be obtained, at the Post Offices of Lyttleton and Newcastle.

JOHN McMILLAN, P. O. Inspector. Post-Office Inspector's Office, St. John, Oct. 22, 1880.

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Express for Halifax, connecting at Miramichi in a schooner with accommodation for North— 7.55 a.m. 8.00 a.m. Accommodation for Pointe-a-la-Croix— 11.45 a.m. 11.50 a.m. Express for Sussex— 5.10 p.m. 5.15 p.m. Express for Halifax— 10.25 p.m. 10.30 p.m. A Pullman Car runs daily on the latter Train to Halifax, and on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, a Pullman Car for Montreal is attached. On Monday, Wednesday and Friday a Pullman Car for Montreal is attached at Moncton.

A Special Freight Train will continue to leave for Sussex for accommodation of passengers— 6.30 p.m. 6.35 p.m. WILL ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN

Express from Quebec— 6.00 a.m. 6.05 a.m. Express from Sussex— 9.05 a.m. 9.10 a.m. Accommodation from Pointe-a-la-Croix— 1.55 p.m. 2.00 p.m. Express from Halifax— 7.35 p.m. 7.40 p.m. D. POTTINGER, Chief Superintendent.

Railway Office, Moncton, N. B., 9th June.

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