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GOING SOUTH. STATIONS. EXPRESS. ACCOMMODATION. Chatham, Depart, 2:30 p.m., 11:30 a.m.

GOING NORTH. STATIONS. EXPRESS. ACCOMMODATION. Chatham, Depart, 5:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY. 1876—WINTER ARRANGEMENTS—1876. ON and after MONDAY, Nov. 20th, until further notice, Trains will run on this Railway daily, Sundays excepted as follows:

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SELLING LOW AT THE MIRAMICHI BOOKSTORE, CHRISTMAS ANNUALS! Compiling—Fun's Almanac for 1877, Christmas number of Bow Bells, etc.

CHATHAM SHIPPING LIST. We take the following List of Shipping now registered at the Port of Chatham from the "Telegraph," making corrections only of a few errors.

Table with columns: Name of Vessel and Rig, Where Built, Owner or Managing Officer, if more than one, and Address. Lists various ships like 'Adeline', 'Agnes Davidson', 'Alert', etc.

SUMMARY. 12 Barks, 1 Barkentine, 1 Brig, 2 Brigantines, 126 Schooners, 9 Steamers, 151 Vessels.

The Grand Trunk Strike Ended. A Toronto Globe correspondent telegraphing from Montreal on the 6th inst. says:

Presentation to a Miramichi Man. (From the Fion Reporter.) "A number of the curiers of this city had a grand supper in Miss Catherine McMichael's on Saturday evening last, in honor of their runaway boy, Mr. T. G. Loggie."

Special Notice. THE SHIPPER "CITY OF PORTLAND" will leave St. John MONDAY, January 1st—Last Trip of the Season.

"PLYMOUTH" Real Buckskin Gloves!!! I HAVE OPENED A CASE OF THESE VERY CELEBRATED GLOVES.

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Glasgow House. THE Subscriber has in Stock, a full and complete assortment of STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS. Embracing some Lots which are worthy the attention of close cash purchasers.

WANTED. Oats, Hempseed, Country Books and Mitts. WM. MURRAY. 1, 1 1/2 and 2 Inch Seasoned Pine Lumber, FOR SALE. WM. MURRAY.

MANCHESTER HOUSE. JUST OPENED: Mattalasse Mantle Cloth; Dark Brown Beaver; Black French Hosiery; Black Barabans; Black Hosiery; Navy Blue French Hosiery @ 66 per yd.; Men's Hosiery @ 66 per yd.

STOCK CONTRACTS. on the privilege of a wave given a good return: from 10 times the investment in as many days as it takes to pay for the stock.

Fall Produce, &c. The Subscriber has on hand 50 quintals Italian Cabbages (large) 50 barrels No. 1 Herrings 50 barrels No. 2 Herrings 50 boxes Raisins 50 boxes Dried Herring

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Miramichi Advance. CHATHAM, THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 1877.

The Smelt Fishery. The following despatch was received on Saturday last by fishery officer Wyse, from W. F. Whitcher, Esq., Fishery Commissioner, Ottawa: "Minister, I have decided to allow Smelt fishing free with unlicensed nets actually in use to the middle of February subject to fishery laws forbidding destruction of young fish which must be restored alive to the water and obstructing channels and keeping nets reasonable distances apart and against leaving dead fish to waste, also restricting catches of all kinds to commercial uses and food, hook and line fishing allowed throughout winter season."

To Rent. The Chatham Agency of the Bank of Montreal, being about to move to the new office in Wellington Street, the Building on Water Street, lately occupied, is for particulars apply to F. E. WINSLOW.

50 bris. Spring Extra Flour. (Assorted Brands.) 10 " OATMEAL, 25 Wall Street, New York. 10 " CORNMEAL, 25 Wall Street, New York. 10 " BREAD, 25 Wall Street, New York.

Just Received: 500 POUNDS FRESH BUTTER. FOR SALE LOW BY ROBERTSON & McANDREWS, CHATHAM.

EX "IBERIAN." VIA BOSTON. 3 CASES WINEYS 1 CASE Hair Pins and Combs EVERITT & BUTLER, Wholesale Warehouse, KING STREET, St. John.

Inspector as well, perhaps, as from others who do not agree with him. The Inspector appears to have a bad memory. He says: "Your informant was in error in stating that I had decided not to allow fishing for smelts in Bathurst harbor with bag nets similar to those in use in the vicinity of the Miramichi."

upper Miramichi waters and observe the fish as they are taken from the rivers he will see that they are "black backs," but Jack Frost seizes them almost as soon as they are on the ice and converts them into "greenbacks," and very pale ones at that. The "silver backed" smelt is also visiting us, but it frequents the rivers which empty themselves near the pure salt water, which accounts for the variety being found at Bathurst. The Inspector writes me as asserting that the same smelts appear as in our waters in the month of May. We returned the spawning season was from January to June. The fish which spawn in January return to sea to feed codfish, haddock, etc. (not herring or mackerel, however, as those fish do not smelt) and, with the next full tide come another run which spawn and go to sea again, to give place to the next run. The fishermen know that these monthly "runs" of smelts may be expected and they prepare to catch them. It is a fact generally known, also, that the fuller the tide the greater the bulk of fish, not because there are any less fish in the rivers and their vicinity when the tide are not so full (for them they are more evenly distributed) but because the heavier volume of water, forcing itself upward, carries the smelts with it, and when the water runs off it concentrates them into the narrower channels.

We are quite as anxious as the Inspector can possibly be to have our smelt fishery protected and while it is, doubtless, true as Mr. Venning says, that "if left to the tender mercies of the fishermen themselves, its fate is not a doubtful one," there is an undoubted tendency on his part to pay too little attention to the mode by which protection is secured. We hold that the desire on the part of the fishermen to catch fish to an extent which endangers the existence of a particular fishery is more than counteracted by the fact that an Inspector of harsh or ill-considered means to prevent it, for while fishermen, as a rule, are not qualified to "trammel up the consequences" and cannot therefore be expected to look far beyond their own immediate interests, an intelligent officer should make due allowance for such a state of things and be careful to do nothing by guess-work, which may weaken his prestige and cause the class upon whom he deals with to look upon him as anything but a friend.

THE FISHERY INSPECTOR'S LETTER. A letter from W. H. Venning, Esq., Dominion Inspector of Fisheries for New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, appears in this issue of the ADVANCE and as it is intended to show that our editorial articles of 4th inst. on "Protection of the Smelt Fishery" and "Bass Fishery" were the offerings of misconceptions of facts and the results of incorrect and interested views, we shall take the liberty of dealing with some of its points. For more than two years we have found it necessary, in the discharge of self-imposed duty, to expose views entertained or acted due by both the fishery authorities and the fishermen, themselves, and because we have criticized both as we thought right, we have had our motives misunderstood, and that being so, what there was of reason and right in our utterances was lost sight of to a great extent. When we directed our efforts towards showing that the taxes imposed on the catches of salmon and bass in the Spring of 1875 were exorbitant, and especially so in view of the riparian privileges which had long been enjoyed by many of our fishermen, we knew that the Inspector differed from us and that our motives for what we then said were unjustly impugned in quarters where they should have been more intelligently treated. When those taxes were reduced, in compliance with the prayer of the fishermen's petitions and the Minister of Fisheries gave his official assurance that the fishermen's riparian privileges should be respected, we were blinded by some of the fishermen because we did not continue to be dissatisfied with the Department's position in the matter, and especially so because—guided by the light of legal decisions and the common rights of every British subject—we opposed the absurd and unjust "riparian rights" agitation which was stirred up in the County immediately after, and has practically ended as we said it would. We have, thus, from a departmental standpoint, been guilty of claiming too much for the fishermen, while, in the fishermen's way of looking at it, we have been endeavoring to weaken their hands in what some of them were led to think was a contest for their "rights." Another phase of the Inspector's attitude now comes up and the Inspector intimates that we are acting from a combination of interested motives and ignorance of the facts, and, if we were not of opinion that when both parties immediately interested are dissatisfied with the views of a third in a matter at issue between them, it is a sign that number three is right, we should take no further active interest in the matter. Believing, however, that under the circumstances, it is our duty to follow this matter up, we shall not be deterred from an attempt to hold our own ground, regretting, at the same time, that we have to differ from the

for food, we cannot see the difference between catching a breeding bass in March and in May. In both cases the progeny are destroyed and if that is to be entirely prevented we must have all protection and no fishing—a state of things which would render protection worse than lost time. Respecting the destruction of Bass caused by setting for Gasparrea, we have nothing to say at present, further than that the Department should make every effort to visit such offences with such punishment as would make their practice very unprofitable. Do we understand the Inspector to mean that because some rascally fishermen will not let bass go when they are caught in their gasparrea seines out of season, the gasparrea fishery with seines ought to be stopped? We are not well up on this part of the subject just yet and only ask for information. The Inspector's statement that "over nine tons of Spawning Bass were taken in Napan last winter" is an exaggeration which we cannot too strongly condemn. When a fishery officer in Mr. Venning's high position will publicly make statements so much at variance with facts, as he is well known by hundreds of persons best acquainted with them to be, he does much to lessen respect, not only for his own authority and efforts but for those of others under him. The Inspector should therefore not jump at assertions so recklessly. Does he not know that the returns in his own (the Department's) possession show that not quite 6 1/2 tons of bass were taken in Napan last winter? The Inspector ought to know that the proportion of breeding fish would not be more than one in every ten, as such fish, but the Inspector goes on to say that most of those nine tons of breeding fish could not be frozen for the U. S. markets, and had therefore to be put on the markets of Chatham, Douglastown, Newcastle, Nelson, Bathurst and other places, as bass were then illegally caught in the Northwest river and sold in those places as Napan bass. The Inspector is evidently enabled by his local knowledge of the Miramichi to put together a very plausible theory, which might be accepted abroad but, in the light of the facts as they are known here, will only be looked upon as fiction. While it is true that a portion of the bass caught in Napan were brought to the town for sale, it is also well known that the greater portion conveyed to Burnt Church and frozen by the patent process to Messrs. Loggie and Anderson's establishments there. Those gentlemen would, probably, be the best judges as to whether nine tons of ill-conditioned breeding bass were taken in Napan last year. We have said nothing to show that the Inspector is not happy in his judgment of what he has positively put down as facts. We believe that he desires to advance our fishery interests, but his modes are faulty and his temperament an unfortunate one for a man in his important office. Those who think that the ADVANCE panders to the local jealousies of the County, instead of using its influence to allay and harmonize them, as the Inspector intimates in closing his letter, are not without their opinion, but we assure our readers that with the Inspector, with his ultra views and dogmatic "facts" on the one hand and the fishermen, with their "rights and privileges," on the other, we see nothing to be gained by anything short of plain statements of facts and the administration of such advice to both as may be able to give, with a view of securing "the greatest good to the greatest possible number."

MONTEAL, Jan. 11.—The annual meeting of the Montreal Telegraph Co. was held to-day. The President read the annual report which showed that during last year the company had realized a profit of \$141,663, out of which dividends amounting to \$75 per cent. had been paid, besides a large sum at the credit of the contingent account, and the statement of the assets and liabilities shows the company to be in a favorable position. The directors elected for the ensuing year are Sir Hugh Allan, Dr. G. W. Campbell, Andrew Allan, Peter Redpath, Hon. E. G. Penny. The assets as valued show a large increase in the capital of the company. The increase of offices during last year was eighty-one.

Correspondence. [We invite correspondence on all local subjects, and will be glad to publish anything that will interest the interested of our readers, but particularly the committees in which they live Local News Items, Notices of Improvements—other moral or physical—Reports of Meetings, Agricultural Landmarking, Fishing, Mechanical, and other interesting articles, but that should not deter any one from sending in their contributions. The news and will see that it goes into the paper in proper shape.]

Letter from the Inspector of Fisheries. To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance. SIR.—In your issue of the 4th inst. editorial articles on the "Protection of the Smelt Fishery," and on the "Bass Fishery," containing errors, which, with your permission, I would like to correct, and I will feel obliged if you will give the following remarks a place in your next issue. Your informant was in error in stating that I had "decided not to allow fishing for smelts in Bathurst harbor with bag nets similar to those in use in the vicinity of the Miramichi."

You state that the labor and expense of fishing with hook and line is out of reasonable proportion to the results obtainable. Had you been on the ice in Bathurst harbor any day during the past month, and seen the poorest class of people, who are totally unable to procure not only so expensive an implement as a bag net, but even the common necessities of life, (now that winter has cut off their usual sources of employment in milling and agricultural operations) earning from \$1 to \$3 per day, cash in hand, you would probably think it not bad remuneration for the work of that class of people. Seeing this, and seeing also the great destruction by bag nets of small and unmarketable fish, both might possibly lead to the reflection that "the greatest good to the greatest possible number" of those who needed it most, would point to the propriety of protecting this new source of employment, and of keeping it in the hands of those to whom it is a god-send. Your personal observations, and the evidence of those who have given the subject their attention, are very much at fault in supposing that the smelts now being caught at Bathurst are of the same variety as those that ascend your rivers in May and June to spawn, and on this error your whole argument is based. They are a distinct variety from these, differing greatly in appearance and having very different habits. They are now either spawning or on the very point of doing so, as a very cursory examination of them will prove. They do not swarm in your rivers for six months of the year, as you say, but will return to sea soon after depositing their spawn and mit, and long before the smaller variety, known as "black-backs," make their appearance. This being the case, you will readily perceive how great a drain the destructive bag net make on the breeding fish as well as on the young ones that are now uselessly exterminated. I have very grave doubts as to the propriety of the smelt, prohibe as it is, in a very few years, be quite exhausted, if the present wasteful mode of fishing is permitted to continue. Not only are the full grown parent fish destroyed, at the very time when they are about to deposit their spawn, but the young ones are killed by wholesale. This burning of the candle at both ends must soon consume it. As this fish promises to be a very valuable addition to our exports, and a great boon to the poor, it becomes a question of the greatest importance how to protect and foster it. I suppose you are well aware that if left to the tender mercies of the fishermen themselves, its fate is not a doubtful one.

All your reasoning on the great fecundity of the smelt, the immensity of the supply, and the impossibility of exhausting it, being based on the false premises I have above pointed out, the conclusion you have arrived at is fallacious. The destruction of the smaller variety of smelt, and the consequent increase in the numbers of the larger variety, which are abundant on the coasts and in the Bays, the deep sea fishing is always good, and that when they are scarce, it is always bad. The mass of the people are not aware, or are ignorant of these facts, and I consider it one of the duties of an intelligent Editor to educate them up to more enlightened views. Until a more healthy state of public opinion and feelings is brought about by an enlightened press, I most deeply regret that the Government will not be followed by the failure of the outside fisheries. If your people were alive to their own interests they would permit this stupid waste of the most attractive bait that your river produces, but would protect it with the same care, knowing that when smelts are abundant on the coasts and in the Bays, the deep sea fishing is always good, and that when they are scarce, it is always bad. The mass of the people are not aware, or are ignorant of these facts, and I consider it one of the duties of an intelligent Editor to educate them up to more enlightened views. Until a more healthy state of public opinion and feelings is brought about by an enlightened press, I most deeply regret that the Government will not be followed by the failure of the outside fisheries. 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Local and General News.

St. Patrick's Society was gleefully dancing when we went to press last night.

AMERICAN PAPERS and Periodicals of last week have been received at the Miramichi Bookstore.

Dr. J. H. Arnold, who has been consulted at his office, over Mr. Street's Drug Store, Newcastle, -Advt.

Mr. W. S. McKnight's Lottery, which was arranged to be drawn at Kouchichougan on 15th inst., is postponed until Thursday Feb'y. 1st.

PERSONAL.—Messrs. J. B. Snowball and Allan Ritchie left Miramichi for England on Saturday morning.

Hon. Mr. Fairbairn has arrived in England.

The Gas furnished to the town is pretty poor stuff just now. The pipes appear to be choked by deep as paupers' graves and are covered by frost on the slightest provocation.

PORTAL.—A Bellefleur correspondent informs us that a petition signed by every taxpayer of that district was sent to Hon. P. McMillan, P. O. Inspector, something ago to have the Bellefleur River landed at Bellefleur Station.

DANCING.—Prof. Colby's dancing classes for ladies and gentlemen opened on Monday in Masonic Hall, under very favorable auspices.

It will assemble again to-morrow night, when there will be no new members and who desire to learn dancing will have an opportunity to make a beginning.

"WISDOM OF HIM."—While at Moncton the other day, Miller of the Post remarked that the way to wisdom is to be wise for about half an hour when, finding that the furthest end of his ear on the north side of his head got touched with the frost, he blew and published in his paper the following: "The thermometer stood at 40° below zero at Campbellville."

A RUKAWAY HORSE, which was speering along the road near the Northwest Bridge on Saturday last, came near upsetting Councillor Somers and Constable Sullivan, who captured it a few minutes after and tied it up. The sleigh was quite demolished, and the driver, a young man, who had attempted the luxury of a sleigh-ride had been unceremoniously disappointed.

Too Fam.—The Board of Education has ordered Messrs. Burns & Mehan of Boston, who were dismissed from the office of School Trustees by the Inspector of the County of Gloucester, to be reinstated. Messrs. Burns, Mehan and John Stewart are the Bathurst Trustees for the present year.

A telegram to the Times says the Inspector, in dismissing the Trustees, was "extremely angry." We presume that means, injudiciously, or unjustly.

AN OLD INHERITANT GONE.—Our obituary column contains a record of the death of Mrs. J. M. Johnston, near the age of 87. The deceased lady belonged to one of the oldest families on the Miramichi River and up to within a few days of her death would talk energetically and with accuracy of events at the time of and antecedent to the great fire of 1825. She was blind for the last twenty years of her life but retained her other faculties with wonderful tenacity and perfection. The funeral which took place yesterday from the residence of S. Habbey, Esq., was very largely attended.

REMARKS ON THE.—The Reformed Episcopal Church congregation occupied a new place of worship in Chatham for the first time on Sunday last. The Rev. Mr. Thompson L. Smith, delivered a very eloquent and appropriate sermon, and the congregation was most numerous.

Our Councilmen and Incorporation. Since the public meetings on the question of incorporating the town of Chatham, we commenced Councillor Fotheringham has maintained an attitude of "masterly inactivity" in the matter, while Councillor Lawlor has opposed the scheme to the best of his ability.

Southwest Boom Co., Meeting. At the Annual Meeting of the Southwest Boom Company held at "The Hotel," Newcastle, on Thursday last, the following gentlemen were appointed Directors for the present year:

Richard P. B. Joyce, Ernest Hutchison, Daniel McLoughlin, Scott Fairley, Robert R. Call, John Sallier, Alexander Morrison, Allan Ritchie.

The Board met immediately afterwards, when Alex. Morrison, Esq., was reappointed President for the year.

A Committee was retained consisting of R. Call, Dan'l McLoughlin, William Richards, Robt. Swin, and Robt. Ritchie, Esqrs., to take into consideration the present state of the Boom, and what number of blocks will be required to be erected during the present season.

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I was a very bold and fearless child and my brothers and sisters often dared me to go into lonely places in the dark, or do perilous feats of various kinds, which challenged my nerve.

Thomas should come for them. I expected my father and mother soon after eight o'clock, and I told Thomas they were about that time, as they would soon be home, and it looked a little like rain.

They got up, and the steps and voices went down. It was horrible there in the dark. I was stifling. I moved the panel slightly. No light entered. I hid softly back. My resolution was taken.

Medical. NEW DRUG STORE. THE SUBSCRIBER respectfully announces to the public that he has commenced business in WILLISTON'S BRICK STORE near the Post Office, and has now open, his stock of

Medical. DR. J. H. ARNOLD, (Late from Berlin, Prussia.) HAS TAKEN UP HIS PERMANENT RESIDENCE AT NEW CASTLE.

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