





AVERAGE CIRCULATION

THE GLEANER

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING NOV. 30, '88,  
4,224

PER WEEK.

(This statement is not included several thousand sample copies which were mailed to different parts of the Province in November.)

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(The Tri-Weekly circulates principally in the City, Margville, St. Mary's, Gibson, and New Brunswick.)

The Gleaner.

J. H. BROWN, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1888.

OUR CIRCULATION.

We publish to-day at the top of this column, a statement of the average circulation of THE GLEANER, weekly and tri-weekly issues, for the past six months. Hereafter we will publish in each issue a statement of the average circulation of the tri-weekly for each previous week, and the circulation of the weekly issue each week. The statements of circulation are also made in a form of solemn declaration before a commission for taking affidavits to be read in the Supreme Court, a copy of which declaration remains in our office for inspection by advertisers.

In making this statement, and subscribing to the declaration, we feel that we have made good our claim, that the weekly GLEANER has but one rival in point of circulation in weekly issues in the province, and that the tri-weekly GLEANER, and that we have also supported our claim that THE GLEANER, weekly, has a much larger circulation than all other religious papers combined, (excepting the Religious Intelligencer from the list). Should either of these claims be disputed, let the other newspapers make, as the proprietor of this journal has made, a solemn declaration of their circulation. In regard to the tri-weekly, we believe we have clearly established, that in any one issue we have a larger circulation in town and vicinity than any of the other Fredericton papers can claim in their whole issue of one week.

It is with no little pride that we direct attention to our circulation, and its rapid growth. THE GLEANER is the youngest newspaper in Fredericton. It came into existence when the field was in point of number, well supplied, and met with the unqualified opposition of all its local contemporaries and of the more bitter partisans of the conservative element in politics. Our course, with its opposition, finds its reward in our handsome circulation.

THE HOLIDAY TRADE.

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There has invariably been high expectations from the Christmas trade in this city, and this trade has, as a rule, been very profitable. This year there would seem to be an effort made all round to increase the business of the holiday season. Our merchants have enlarged their stocks and given to them a variety of goods in larger cities, at the same time giving exceptional advantages in prices to the purchaser. And they are reasonably not without hope that this enterprise will well repay them. The prospects are certainly encouraging. All that seems to be needed to guarantee smart trade is that the indecements they offer should be generally known to the public.

PARNELL AND THE COMMISSION.

If the proceedings of the Parnell Commission are much further protracted, THE TIMES will have scored a point, and Parnell will not have a victory. It is usually clear that the famous letters which THE TIMES printed are forgeries, but such peculiar tactics have been adopted by THE TIMES before the commission that little or no evidence bearing on the letters has yet been given, nor can it be forced out. Though Parnell's counsel has been endeavoring to bring out the TIMES' evidence on this point, he has thus far failed. In the meantime the expenses of the enquiry are still up, and the Parnellites are being taxed beyond their ability to pay. Much further protraction will mean that Parnell must retire from the case. The only hope for Parnell now is in the president of the court intervening to check the endless repetition of particulars of outrages. Should THE TIMES not be forced to make good its position in regard to the famous letters, it will have scored its point. So far the proceedings have been farcical, and only go to show the power of moneyed men in their efforts to crush out the innocent and patriotic.

HIGH RATES OF SPEED.

The phenomenal rates of speed at which some of the leading South and English railway companies are running trains is attracting a great deal of attention throughout the world. An exchange says: There are twenty-four trains running out of London daily, which run from fifty-one to a hundred and fifty-eight miles without stopping, and these trains make from forty to fifty-four miles an hour, not as spurts but as their ordinary running time. The average distance run by these trains, without stops, is seventy-six miles, and the average speed is forty-eight miles per hour. On the continent, the best trains are found and fastest time is made in Holland; France comes next, Belgium is third, Austria is fourth, and Germany fifth. In Germany, however, the trains are managed on the same principle as the German army is. While no brilliancy can be depended on, and is generally equal to an emergency. The three fastest French trains are those connecting Paris with Marseilles, Bordeaux and Calais. The Marseilles train makes the distance of five hundred and thirty-six miles at a speed of thirty-seven miles an hour, including stops. The Bordeaux train runs three hundred and sixty-three miles at an average speed of forty-two miles, including stops, and the Calais train runs one hundred and eighty-four miles at a speed of forty-three miles an hour, while in motion. The fastest German-Austrian train in the Berlin-Vienna express runs four hundred and seventy-six miles, at a speed of thirty-four miles an hour, including stops. The secret of these great speeds is the nature of the railway, and until such much care is bestowed on their road beds by American railway men as is given by Europeans, it is scarcely an impossibility on this continent, that is, as usual and every day sort of thing.

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MONEY TO LOAN.

FRED ST. JOHN BLISS, BARRISTER.

Office-Queen Street, Fredericton, opposite Post Office.

London and Lancashire

FIRE INSURANCE COY

Risks accepted at lowest rates.

Claims promptly and equitably settled.

FRED ST. JOHN BLISS,

AGENT, FREDERICTON, N. B.

Fredericton, Aug. 14th, 1888

SPECTACLES ON SCIENTIFIC PRINCIPLES.

D. HARRIS ENGLISH OPTICIAN.

53 Germain Street.

St. John, N. B., near Market.

Mr. Harris is enabled to suit perfectly even the most difficult cases, and his stock being made up on every "scientific principle, he can with confidence exhibit them to his patrons.

Office hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

1000 Bushels of Oats for the People.

For Sale Low from the Cars.

ELY PERKINS.

Fredericton, Nov. 27, 1888.

December 1st.  
Perforated  
FELT WORK  
JUST OPENED AT  
JOHN U. MEDDALL'S.  
TEA, COFFEE, TEA.

These are our Specialties, and we spare no Pains nor Expense in making this one of the Leading Branches of our Business. Please Note the following Prices:

Good Black Tea, 20 cents per lb.	- - - 6 lbs for \$1.00;
Better " 25 "	- - - 5 " 1.00;
Better " 30 "	- - - 4 " 1.00;
Better " 35 "	- - - 3 " 1.00;
Sahyune Congou, 40 cents.	Panjong Congou, 45 cents.
India Tea, 50 "	Golden Oolong, 50 "
Orange Pekoe, 65 cents.	

COFFEE fresh Ground 25 to 38 cents.

Confectionery, Raisons, Currants, Peels, Nuts, Spices, Flour, Fish and all other Groceries we will sell as Cheap as any other Place in the City.

VERXA & VERXA,

158 QUEEN STREET.

EVER BROS.

NEW WOOL GOODS.

NEW SHETLAND SHIRTS AND DRAWERS,

In all Sizes.

New Canadian Shirts and Drawers,

From 30 cents up.

A CHEAP LINE of BOYS SHIRTS AND DRAWERS

In all sizes.

NEW WOOL BLANKETS,

In White, Grey and Fancy Colors.

DEVER BROS.

WILEY'S DRUG STORE

Sturgeon Oil Liniment, Wilson's Pills, Wilson's Cherry Balsam, Fellows' Dyspepsia Bitters, Porous Plasters, Bellcaps Plasters, Court Plasters, Surgeons' Plasters, Corn Plasters.

JOHN M. WILEY, 196 Queen St

Fredericton, Oct. 18th, 1888.

CORN.

Now Landing: One Car of Corn,

Which we are prepared to Crack or Mash into Feed with our Mashing Machine, which we have placed in our Feed and Seed House.

Also Landing: One Car of Oats, One Car of Hay.

W. E. Miller & Co.

155 and 156 QUEEN STREET.

Fredericton, Dec. 6th, 1888.

Fredericton, Nov. 27, 1888.







THE GLEANER, FREDERICTON, N. B. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6.

# PARSONS' PILLS

These pills were a wonderful discovery. No other like them in the world. Will positively cure or relieve all manner of disease. The information around each box is worth ten times the cost of a box of pills. Put out your tongue. The box will tell you what to do. One pill a day. Parsons' Pills contain nothing harmful, are easy to take, and come in convenient packages. The medicine power of these pills, they would wait 100 miles to get a box if they could not be had without. Sent by mail for 25 cents in advance. 100 cents for a year's supply. Send for it, the information is very valuable. J. S. JOHNSON & CO., 20 Queen Street, BOSTON, MASS.

## Make New Rich Blood!

SCIATICA, NEURALGIA, NERVOUS HEADACHE, TAPLEY'S REMEDY

Persons who have been troubled with the above distressing Complaints, and never Anticipated a Cure, have found it in using this Remedy, and scores of cures from one to twenty years' standing, are vouches for by most reliable persons in various sections of the country.

For Sale by all Druggists.

Fred. March 6th, 1888

## EDGECOMBE & SONS,

YORK STREET, - FREDERICTON.

Now is the Time to Leave Your Orders for

## SLEIGHS & PUNGS

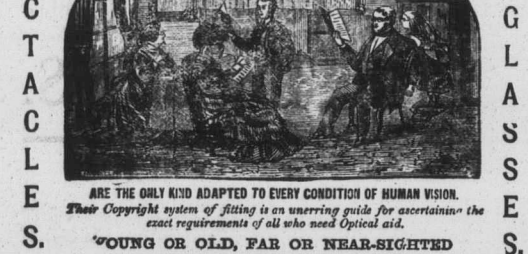
We Have on Hand, and are Finishing Up, 200 Double Seated and Single Seated Pungs and Sleighs, which we are Determined to Sell Out at

PRICES THAT WILL ANYWHERE DEFY COMPETITION.

Leave Your Orders Early.

## EDGECOMBE & SONS,

Fred. Oct. 10th, 1887.



ARE THE ONLY KIND ADAPTED TO EVERY CONDITION OF HUMAN LIFE.

THEir Copyright system of fitting is an unerring guide for ascertaining the exact measurements for the wearer. And we guarantee you a perfect fit.

YOUNG OR OLD, FEAR OR NEAR-SIGHTED.

A full and complete assortment always on hand.

JUST RECEIVED.

Leaves of Morris Spectacles and Eye Glasses in the city. Our ground and good enough for the world. And we guarantee you a perfect fit.

Don't be deceived by similar names used to take in the public by an inferior article.

S. F. SHUTE.

302 Queen Street.

Sole Agent for the Rockford R.R. Watches!

## Canned Goods.

CORN, TOMATOES, PEAS, BEANS, PINE APPLES, PEACHES, OYSTERS, LOBSTERS, SALMON, CORN BEEF, LUNCH TONGUE, POTTED HAM, Condensed Milk, Condensed Coffee.

FOR SALE LOW AT

## S. L. MORRISON'S

Queen Street, Cor. of York.

Fred. June 21st, 1888.

## APPLES

IN STOCK.

375 Barrels Apples.

Consisting of Nova Scotia, of all varieties, and American Baldwins.

The above were bought extremely low, and will be sold at a very small margin above cost.

Also: A lot of very fine De Anjou Pears. A luxury at this season of the year.

## G. T. WHELPLEY

810 Queen Street.

Fred. Nov. 21st, 1888.

## RECEIVED TO-DAY.

Cape Cod Cranberries, Florida Oranges, S. C. Hams and Bacon, New Dates and Figs, Mixed Pickles in kegs, Cucumber Pickles in kegs, English Biscuit in tins, New Raisins and Currants.

## APPLES.

IN STORE BEFORE THE COLD WEATHER.

160 Bbls. No. 1 American Baldwins, 40 Bbls. No. 1 Bishop Pippins.

20 KEGS GRAPES.

## W. R. LOGAN.

Queen Street, Fredericton.

## THE FISHERMAN OF NAPLES.

BY ALEXANDER DUMAS.

CHAPTER XXI.

MADNESS.

Masaniello looked at his foot the next day with a smile.

"Followed to the canal by the sea," he exclaimed, "I have not the least fear of the water."

"You are a brave man," said the fisherman, "but you are not a fisherman."

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