The Brownies Printing

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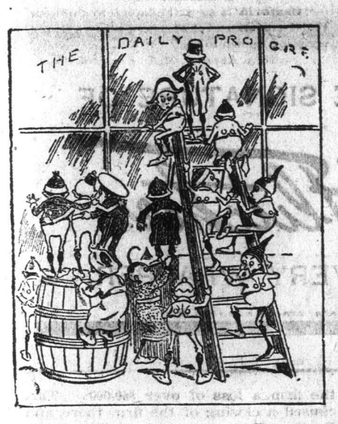
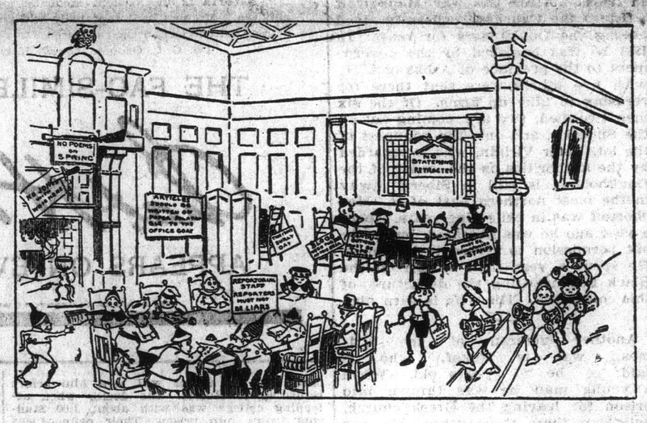
The geese had left the pond below,
The tree received the grain-filled crow,
That all day long laughed in his wing
To see the ragmade scarecrow swing;
The children's merry shout no more
Was heard around the cottage door,
When Brownies with the evening shade
Came forth and plans for action laid,
Said one, "No time we need to waste
In talk where wisdom counsels haste;
The work that lies before us now
Is not to hold the jumping plow,
Nor yet to drag the gasping fish
From water for the peasant's dish.
But to a printing house nearby
To find our way and then apply
Our hands to type and presses great,

A printed sheet to circulate."
Short was the time indeed that rolled
Between the plan and action bold.
But ere they entered in the place
They filled a window's ample space
With faces anxious for a stare
At presses set in order there.
Said one, "How few e'er pause to think
What power lies in a drop of ink,
A dot, a scratch, an airy notion
Can start a thousand wheels in motion.
And bring employment to the hand
Of many a workman through the land;
What legions eat their daily bread,
Through thoughts from some poor creature's head,

Who seems most happy when his gaze
Is into Fancy's wondrous maze."
Another said, "There's nothing strange
In that if you through nature range;
You'll find some birds that spread the wing
And to the clouds of heaven sing,
And only from their soaring drop
To earth, when they've an empty crop.
While others in the hedges mope,
A seed or grub their only hope,
And seldom bring their wings in play
Except to fit from harm away;
Some fish that near the surface scud,
And more that feel content in mud;
Some beasts that have an eye alone
For stranger's heels, or offal bone,
And others of such knowing ways

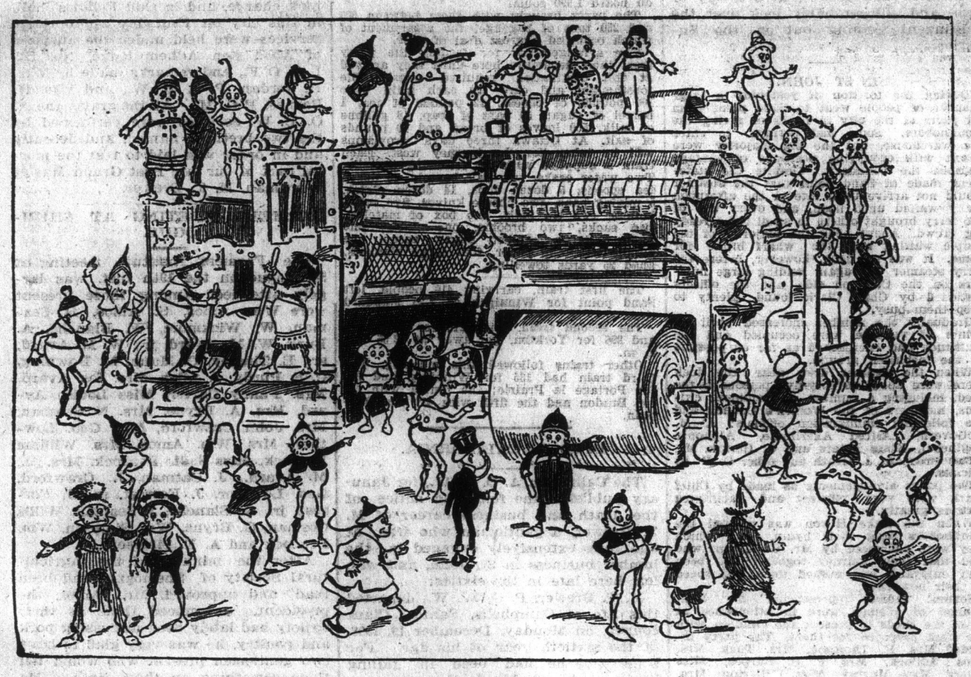




They merit people's love and praise;
If each is happy in its state,
What need have we to mourn its fate.
Since happiness is still, they say,
The boon for which all hope and pray.
The toad is happier under stone
Than in the light upon a throne,
And he who drags him from his bed
With thanks will not be overspread.
Let nature take its course, my friend,
And strive your own weak points to mend;
You'll not lose time, if all is true,
In looking round for work to do;
You'll have a task, not for a year,
But while you stay upon this sphere,
And leave unfinished, I'll be bound,
For here perfection is not found."

No sooner was an entrance gained
Than each his mystic power strained
To show experience in the art
That was assigned him as his part.
Some sat in editorial chairs
And leaders wrote of home affairs;
The foreign policy discussed,
The Turkish loan, the sugar trust,
Alliances that might be found
So advantageous all around;
And naval move in China's cause
To make the bear keep off his paws,
While at the lineotypes they stood
And set the lines as best they could;
And those who knew the Brownies will
Be sure 'twas done with speed and skill.
Some drove a sharp combative pen

And called to arms all fighting men;
Denounced those kissing angel-kings,
Who carry knives beneath their wings;
Urged friends to trust their hugs no more,
For war was at their very door.
The paper rolls with flash and gleam
Ran through the presses like a stream;
Some overlooked the work in hand,
Some saw supply wait on demand,
More stood like newsboys, ready there
To scatter pages everywhere;
And never was a task assigned
To creatures of more willing mind;
From central square to outer road,
At club-house, inn and plain abode,
At merchant's hall and gypsy tent,
They left some copies as they went.



Some working with uncommon zeal,
Found trouble through a crank or wheel,
For things were clicking all about,
Now rolling in, now turning out;
Or taking hold, like fingers strong,
Of this or that which moved along.
The workers were not slow to see
Just where they should or should not be.
But if they had as many eyes

As teeth, there would have been some cries;
So close they crowded, to outdo
Each other at the labor new.
Some Brownies entered in the door
With swallow-tails they proudly wore,
But hungry presses soon got hold
Of any loosely-hanging fold;
The garment quickly disappeared,
Between revolving plates it steered,
And, when the vesture next they spied,

It bore the news on either side.
Some were so marked with printer's ink,
They called to mind the bobolink
When first he dons his springtime coat
And gives the north his matchless note.
All climes and countries, bond and free,
That rise from out the circling sea,
Were true to nature jotted down

Upon their clothing, white or brown
Next morning, when their printed sheet
Was found on doorsteps folded neat,
And at each breakfast table read,
Confusion through the city spread.
For it voiced measures that could make
The strongest minded statesman quake.
The Bourse was shaken to the dregs,
And stocks went smash like broken eggs;
Sealed orders were despatched to fleets
And crowds collected in the streets;
While women pale ran up and down

As if a foe besieged the town;
The Brownies from their hiding place
Looked on the scene with smiling face,
And said, "This proves, one must confess,
The wondrous power of the press."
But when by noon the fact was known
That Brownies had the challenge thrown

To every nation on the ball
That had a corporal's guard to call,
The town resumed its quiet state,
The bonds sold at their normal rate;
The ships once more at anchor lay,
The war supplies were laid away,
And people laughed to think that all
The flurry came through Brownies small.

NOVA SCOTIA NEWS.

WOLFVILLE, Jan. 18.—The Society of Christian Endeavor in connection with the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church of this town, under the enterprising leadership of the Rev. Mr. McDonald, has arranged for a course of lectures. The first of these was given on Tuesday evening by Rev. J. S. Caruthers, lecturer in elocution, Pine Hill College, Halifax. Mr. McDonald in introducing the talented lecturer referred to him as a former "teacher, pastor and friend," and paid a high tribute to his ability as a speaker.

The subject, The World Gone Mad, was treated in an interesting and able manner and was listened to with rapt attention by an appreciative audience. He said that Christian people were often accused of undue excitement on religious subjects. This was unjust, as in politics, business, fashions and fads, and even in parliament and the law courts, waves of excitement had many times swept through the country, until men, and women too, seemed mad indeed.

The excitement which prevails during a closely contested political campaign is widespread and often arises to fever heat. In business circles, consider the inflamed activity in the stock exchanges, and the mad rush for gold which will carry men through every difficulty and danger. The lecturer gave a graphic account of the reception of the Mississippi scheme in Paris, where it was said that "not one sane man remained," and the "south sea bubble" in more conservative England, when men of all classes clamored for a chance to invest their money in this venture. The credulity and madness of some people were well illustrated by a bet, by a well known Englishman, that stock would be taken in any scheme which would be placed before the public. He therefore placed a sign in front of his office announcing that stock would be sold for a railroad to the moon, and before night sixteen shares had been sold.

The aesthetic craze, as introduced by Oscar Wilde, with its big sunflowers, and cracked china resurrected from the garret and ash heap; the wild following after fashions, the persecution of the so called witches, were all admirably portrayed in a humorous and telling manner.

A vote of thanks by Mayor Thomson, who spoke appreciatively of the lecture, was seconded by Prof. Keirstead in a few complimentary remarks. This vote was responded to in a graceful manner.

WESTBROOK, Jan. 17.—While returning from spending an evening with a neighbor on Monday night, Mrs. J. C. Taylor fell on the ice on her own doorstep and broke her ankle. Dr. Rand was at once summoned, who reduced the compound fracture. Mrs. Taylor, though past fourscore years, has always enjoyed excellent health, and has been naturally active for her years.

Miss S. Bernice Cox is spending a few weeks here among friends. She taught school here about ten years ago, and later in Halifax River and River Hebert. Subsequently she abandoned the work for the profession of art, for which she possessed peculiar talent, and has proved herself well qualified. Graduating in art in Boston, she entered Vashon College in Tacoma, Wash., where she accepted the position of professor of art. In addition to her regular duties she took up the study of science and graduated. She taught painting in the west for about five years, and during the last year has been continuing her studies in New York. She has with her some beautiful specimens of her artistic skill, the most attractive of which are some studies in tapestry, notably Byron's Maid of Athens, the Fisher Girl and others. Miss Cox has worked, unaided, her way up to her present position. She has made the best of her gifts, her ambition rising above obstacles, till by steady application she has made a success of her chosen calling.

CORNWALLIS, N. S., Jan. 19.—Henigar Blenkhorn of Canning died at his home on Saturday of consumption. The deceased was forty years of age. He had lately returned from a visit to Princeton, Maine, for his health. He was one of the firm of Blenkhorn & Co., whose factory was burned early in the fall. He had lately been acting as secretary for the company. He leaves a wife, four children and a father; also three brothers—Sydney of Canning, Dr. James Blenkhorn of Princeton, Maine, and Lorne of Berwick; and three sisters—Mrs. John Biglow and Mrs. William Sturk of Canning, and Mrs. William Thompson of Oxford, Cumberland Co.

The bark Blomidon is loading potatoes for Havana at Picket's wharf. William Chase of Wolfville bought them up at forty cents per bushel.

At a recent meeting of Court Habitant, No. 1,051, Independent Order of Foresters, officers were elected for the coming year as follows: E. B. Eaton, C. R.; James McGowan, V. C. R.; George Parker, P. C. R.; Joseph A. Northrup, F. S.; E. Bigelow, R. S.; Fred Northrup, treasurer; Fred Thomas, chaplain; W. H. Follet, S. W.; R. D. Eaton, S. B.; George Kerr, J. B.; J. W. Miller, M. D., physician; Sidney Blenkhorn, C. D. H. C. R.; Fred Vaughn, J. W.

At the annual meeting of the Kentville Board of Trade the following officers were elected: Cutler Dodge, president; James Sealy, vice-president; George Calkin, secretary-treasurer. A committee was then appointed to consult with Edward Burgess in regard to his proposition of building a canning factory.

A number of cases of la grippe are reported in Cornwallis.

The Nova Scotia Carriage Co. are erecting a large factory at Kentville.

AYLESFORD, N. S., Jan. 18.—A very pretty but quiet wedding took place here this morning by which Aylesford lost another of its popular young ladies, in the person of Miss Winona E. Parker, daughter of Andrew R. Parker. The happy young man was Arthur W. Gesner of Belle Isle, Annapolis Co., N. S., and the ceremony was performed at the bride's home by Rev. J. B. Morgan, B. A. After partaking of a tasty luncheon with a pleasant little company of immediate friends and relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Gesner took the morning express for their future home at Belle Isle amid copious showers of rice and good wishes.

Joseph H. Eaton, one of the most highly esteemed and respected citizens of North Kingston, is dangerously ill. He has been confined to his home for about four months, and until recently was thought to be slowly recovering. But since the first of the year he has rapidly developed alarming symptoms, and a consultation of physicians a few days ago revealed the presence of a large tumor in the posterior region of the abdominal cavity. Wm. Carey of North Kingston is suffering from internal cancer and cannot recover.

La grippe has been very prevalent in this neighborhood during the fall and winter.

LETTER FROM DAWSON.

Mr. Henderson Tells How His St. John Party is Doing.

The Mercury Down to 52 Degrees Below Zero—Expect to Strike Gold Before Long—Something About Game.

The following is taken from a letter written by M. G. B. Henderson to A. Gordon Leavitt of this city, and dated Dawson, Nov. 20th, 1898:

We are all well and hearty, and enjoying ourselves trying to dig from the bowls of the earth some of the "yellow stuff," which is the chief commodity of purchase, although it is only taken at $15 per ounce here. We have been talking turkeys, etc., for Christmas, but as they hung so high in the live state, viz., $20, about a month ago, I think we will have to take roast beef or moose steak at $1 per lb. in lieu of same.

We are located on Quigley Creek, about ten miles from here. The temperature is very low. Our glass showed 41 below yesterday at Quigley, and at our summer residence, about three miles from here on the Klondyke, last evening, our mercury froze until it showed "a dimple in the bulb." On the wall above us some thermometers showed as low as 52 degrees, but the official record here only showed as low as 46 degrees so far.

We have been working outside for a few days, with the glass 35 to 38, but with the exception of cold feet and noses, we do not mind it any more than 10 below at home.

We have not struck anything yet, but expect to before very long. Our creek is about the handiest to Dawson, being only about 7 miles to where it enters the Klondike on the left bank above "Bananza" and about two miles this side of "Bear," both of which contain considerable gold at nearly every claim. Our creek has never yet been prospected, but we and three other parties are now working as fast as circumstances will allow and expect before the new year to know something of the value of our claim.

I see a few St. John boys occasionally, Isaac Burpee, Domville, Jim McAvity, Bill Williamson and others. One of the butchers in Dawson procured a gallinago (water snipe) somewhere, which he had hung up for several weeks, but not for sale. This is the only one of the kind I have seen, although I "put up" a yellowleg (Tattler) on "Bonanza" one morning about daylight, when I was prowling around trying to escape the open shafts and bogholes which were quite numerous in the vicinity.

We have seen considerable game since we came in, but it has been "hung up," or in other hands. I have shot a couple of ducks or a grouse with a revolver, but do not get many chances at them. The former have now left for warmer climes, and the latter have been thinned out pretty well. You can readily believe this, when every person carries a gun, rifle or revolver, and many carry two. I have seen our robins and blackbirds and several of the sparrows in numbers, but magpies only once on the Yukon near Selkirk. Moose birds (Canada Jay) are very tame around the cabins and will take anything from your hand without fear.

There are a great many going out, or preparing to go out over the ice just at the present; some to stay and others on business. The former are the more numerous.

Everything is looking lively on the creeks. Eldorado, Bananza, Dominion, Sulphur, Quigley, Hunter and Pear will be worked on almost every claim, and if the output of this season's work does not exceed anything heretofore, I and many others will be greatly mistaken. Every claim will not pay, but some will do so fabulously.

Children Cry for
CASTORIA.

The friends of T. A. Colpitts in Albert county and other localities where he is known will be pleased to hear that he is recovering after the painful operation of lithotomy which was successfully performed by Drs. Bell and Garrow at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, on January 9th.

Mortgagee's Sale.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

There will be sold at Public Auction at Chubb's Corner (so called) in the City of St. John, in the Province of New Brunswick, on SATURDAY, the Eighteenth day of February next, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon:

"All that certain (leasehold) lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Duke's Ward, in the City of St. John, and known and distinguished on a plan of the said city on file in the office of the Common Clerk by the number (858) eight hundred and fifty-eight, the said lot being forty feet front on the south side of Duke street and extending back, continuing the same breadth one hundred feet more or less, with all and singular the rights, members, and appurtenances to the said lot belonging or in anywise appertaining."

The above sale will be made under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain indenture of mortgage dated the ninth day of January, A. D. 1892, made between Mary Knox, wife of James Knox, of the said City of St. John, cabinet maker, and James Knox of the first part and Laura A. Smith of Shediac, in the County of Westmorland, and Province aforesaid, spinster, of the second part, which said indenture of mortgage is duly recorded in Libro 41 of Records, folio 492, 493, 494, 495 and 496 for the City and County of St. John, reference being thereto had will more fully and at large appear, default having been made in the payment, principal money and interest.

Terms cash.

Dated this fourteenth day of November, A. D. 1898.

LAURA A. SMITH,
Mortgagee.

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NOTICE OF SALE.

To the Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns of Mary Knox, late of the City of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick, Widow, deceased, and to all others whom it may concern:

TAKE NOTICE that there will be sold at Public Auction at Chubb's Corner (so called), in the City of Saint John, aforesaid, on SATURDAY, the FOURTH day of FEBRUARY next, at twelve o'clock noon,

ALL that certain lot of upland situate in the Parish of Simonds, in the City and County of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick, on the northern side of the new road to Loch Lomond, beginning at the eastern side of a reserved road of twenty-five feet, leading from the new Loch Lomond Road to the old Westmorland Road, along the eastern side of Mr. Tisdale's land, thence from said reserved road along the northern side of the said Loch Lomond Road, south eighty-seven degrees, east four chains and seventy-five links, or nineteen rods; thence north eight degrees twenty minutes, east two chains and fifty links, or ten rods; thence north eighty-seven degrees, west six chains eighteen links to the eastern side of the said reserved road; and thence along the same south fifteen degrees, east ten rods to the place of beginning, containing one acre and one-third, more or less, being all that certain piece of land conveyed by Robert Jardine and wife to one, the Reverend James W. Disbrow, by deed bearing date the eighteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight. And also all that certain piece of upland commencing at a stake at the north-east corner of a certain lot of land situate on the north side of the new Loch Lomond Road, conveyed by the said Robert Jardine and wife to the said Reverend James W. Disbrow, by deed dated the eighteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight; thence north eight degrees twenty minutes, east two rods or thirty-three feet; thence north eighty-seven degrees, west six chains eighteen links to the eastern side of a reserved road leading from the Old Westmorland Road to the said new Loch Lomond Road; thence south fifteen degrees, east two rods or thirty-three feet, until it joins the said lot conveyed by the said Robert Jardine and wife to the said Reverend James W. Disbrow; thence along the line of the said lot to the place of beginning, containing five-sixteenths of an acre, more or less; And also all that certain tract or parcel of land situate in the said Parish of Simonds, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the new road to Loch Lomond, on the northern side of said road near the residence of the said Reverend James W. Disbrow, at the corner of the fence of Walker Tisdale's property; thence along Mr. Tisdale's line north fourteen degrees, west seven chains and eighty links to the old Westmorland Road; thence along the south-eastern side line of said road, north-easterly ten chains, to the line of land formerly owned by Francis A. Kinnear; thence along the line of said land south fourteen degrees, east thirteen chains and seven links, to a stake on the northern side of said new road to Loch Lomond, and distant two rods from the middle of said road; thence south sixty-eight degrees, west four chains and seventy-five links, to a stake at the eastern side line of the enclosure of the said James W. Disbrow, distant two rods from the middle of the said road; thence north eight degrees thirty minutes, east three chains and sixty-six links; thence north eighty-seven degrees, west six chains and thirty-seven links, to the western side line of the said James W. Disbrow's enclosure; thence south fourteen degrees, east three chains and fifteen links, to the road; thence along said road westerly forty links to the place of begining, containing eight acres and one-third of an acre as by reference to a plan thereof drawn by Robert C. Menzie, and dated the fourth day of April, 1853, reference being thereunto had will more fully appear; save and except therefrom a piece of land conveyed by the said Mary Knox and her husband, by deed dated the sixteenth day of November, A. D. 1885, to James Poole and James Foley, described as follows: Begining at the north-easterly angle or corner of the land conveyed to said Mary Knox by the heirs of the late Reverend James W. Disbrow; thence running south-westerly along the southerly side of the old Westmorland Road so called one hundred and ninety-seven feet; thence south-easterly two hundred and eighty-five feet, from the easterly line of said land so conveyed to said Mary Knox, as aforesaid; thence in a south-easterly direction to a point on the northerly side of the new road to Loch Lomond, distant two hundred and eighty-seven feet westerly, from the south-easterly angle or corner of said land so conveyed to said Mary Knox, as aforesaid; thence north-westerly along the easterly boundary line of said land to the place of beginning—together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and the rights and appurtenances to the said land and premises belonging and appertaining.

The above sale will be made under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage, dated the fourth day of August, A. D. 1896, made between the said Mary Knox of the first part, and the undersigned Eliza Horn, Emma Eliza Murray and John M. Robinson, Executors and Trustees of the last Will and Testament of John Horn, deceased, for securing the payment of certain monies therein mentioned, and registered in the Registry Office for the City and County of Saint John, in Libro. 59, folio 227 to 230, default having been made in payment of the monies secured by said mortgage.

Dated this third day of January, A. D. 1899.

ELIZA HORN,
EMMA B. MURRAY,
J. M. ROBINSON,
Executors and Trustees of the last will and testament of John Horn, deceased.
GEORGE MURRAY.

J. R. ARMSTRONG, Solicitor.

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NOTICE OF SALE.

To the Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns of Henry J. Du Vernet, late of the Parish of Gagetown, in the County of Queens, farmer; Priscilla A., his wife, and all others whom it may in any wise concern:

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in two several Indentures of Mortgage, made between the said Henry J. Du Vernet and Priscilla A., his wife, of the one part, and the undersigned, James A. Caswell of the Parish of Gagetown, aforesaid, doctor of medicine, of the other part, the first of which said mortgages bears date the fifth day of November, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, and the second the fifth day of September, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, there will for the purpose of satisfying the moneys secured by the said mortgages, default having been made in the payment of the principal and interest secured by the said mortgages, be sold at Public Auction, in front of the office of the Registrar of Deeds and Wills, at the Parish of Gagetown, in the County of Queens, on SATURDAY, the Eleventh day of February, A. D. 1899, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, the lands mentioned in the said several Indentures of Mortgage, and described therein as follows:

"All that certain tract, piece or parcel of "land, situate, lying and being in the Parish "of Gagetown, in Queens County and Province of New Brunswick, willed by the "late Chief Justice, the Hon. Robert Parker, to the said Henry J. Du Vernet, and "bounded as follows: "On the north by "lands owned and occupied by one John "McKinney; on the west by the base line "of the river lots, on the south by land "owned and occupied by the said Henry J. "Du Vernet, and the road leading from the "front or river road to the shore of the "River St. John, and on the east by the "Saint John River (except and excepting "therefrom a piece of land thirty feet "square, near the shore of the River Saint "John, deeded by the said Henry J. Du "Vernet and Priscilla, his wife, to Her Majesty the Queen, by deed dated the thirty-"first day of March, A. D. 1894, and recorded in Book No. 2 of Queens County Records, pages 31 and 32, being the site of "the Light House as by reference to the "record will more fully appear, containing "two hundred and fifty acres, more or less, "together with all and singular the buildings and improvements thereon, and the "appurtenances to the said lands and premises belonging, or in anywise appertaining."

Dated this twenty-eighth day of December, A. D. 1898.

JAMES A. CASSWELL,
Mortgagee.

JOHN R. DUNN,
Solicitor for Mortgagee.

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