



SACRED TO THE MEMORY  
OF JABEZ SNOWBALL WHO  
IS DEAD IN THIS COUNTY.

THE "ADVOCATE'S" PRE-  
VIOUSNESS AND CROWN  
LAND MATTERS.

In the Advocate's last issue it published a review of Hon Michael Adams' report for the year, and stated the report had been presented the day before. In this it was mistaken, for the report was not presented till after the Advocate had reached all its readers. Those who do not understand the nature of the case may think this a betrayal of trust by the Advocate, or a loose mess among the officials of the Crown Land Department; but it was neither. The report was printed at the Advocate's office, the editors thought it would be presented on Tuesday, as at least on Wednesday morning, the paper came out on Wednesday morning and it contained a review of the report. This is the whole sum and substance of the case, and like cases have occurred a hundred times over in the history of the Provincial press, and of every other press. We have several examples in mind, but it is not necessary to cite them.

HOW MR. ADAMS'S SHOWING.

Since the Advocate has "let the cat out of the bag," there can be no great harm in using what it has published. The item that above all the rest strikes our eye, is a statement of the Department's revenue for the year past as compared with 1879. It shows a large increase for the year past and not, it must be remembered, an increase founded on any particular source of departmental revenue, but, as expressed by Hon Mr Adams himself, "the increase is not confined to any one particular branch, but to all the different sources of income." The table for both years is as follows:—

	1879.	1880.
Nature of Receipt.	1879.	1880.
Land sales,	\$3,440 00	\$17,098 29
Labor Fund,	172 63	192 66
Installments,	225 30	523 20
Sales of timber licenses,	7,559 29	18,919 38
Revenue of Timber	15,016 00	20,454 00
Licenses,		
Net amount Stumpage	47,307 81	66,256 01
collected,	849 96	900 00
Royalty on Coal,	840 25	938 75
Miscellaneous,		
Total,	\$76,220 15	\$144,551 29

Truly a creditable showing, and one of which the Surveyor General may feel proud, one on which the Province may be congratulated. The increase is far in excess of previous years, and exceeds the Surveyor General's estimated income for the year by OVER THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

It is easy for the abandoned and malicious critic to assail the character of a creditable public man, but all the falsehood ever uttered by Tom Pepper, all the misconstructions and misrepresentations that malice ever suggested, cannot blot out these figures. The marks of the faithful, the zealous, the efficient public officer are found upon the records of his department, and we hesitate not to attribute in a great degree the handsome surplus of \$30,000 shown this year in the Crown Land records, to a close attention by Hon. M. Adams to the business and the interests of his office, to such a watchfulness of, and an active zeal in the management under his charge, as an earnest and able business man would show in his own private affairs.

It was known some time ago that Hon Mr Adams system of doing business was tending to the result we have noted, but the intelligence was hateful to the ears of those who seem to live as it were, only to malign and slander Mr. Adams. On hearing the "indications" they set to work to find fault; not indeed to complain that Mr. Adams was getting too little revenue in his department but—that he was getting too much! Had they known his receipts would fall below his estimates they would denounce his "mismanagement," and attribute the fault to lack of knowledge of how to conduct the affairs of the department. But it was just the reverse, and therefore they said the revenue was raised at the expense of the poor lumber-

man, while they know very well that if stumpage were not collected on lumber, our forests would soon be denuded and because of the quantities cut and the glut of the markets, go for prices correspondingly low; and that if any rate the money they complained of being "wrong" out of the poor peoples pockets, if an honest watchfulness of the rights of the office be called "wringing," came out of the pockets of those who were able to pay it. It did not put the choppers or the teamsters wages down a iota, nor did it make the "supplies" given to both any dearer. Had the receipts failed to come up to the estimates, the critics would rail against Mr Adams; they have exceeded the estimates, and the critics also rail at him. Were he moved by such bi-sided criticism and reversible fault-finding well might he cry with a hero of Milton:—

"Me miserable, which way I fly is hell,"

But he does not give his assailants a thought; if he do, then what an answer does he not find for all in the figures of his department. We see Mr. Blair has turned aside from his high mission as leader of a forlorn, and disheartened host, to be a correspondent of the News; and an anonymous correspondent at that. The pith of his foolish letter seems to be that the Surveyor General used secret agents to act during the timber sale, in the interest of the department. Well supposing he did,—Mr Blair not unconsciously paying a tribute to the zeal of the Surveyor General? We will do Mr Blair the credit of saying we do not believe he would have done this had he been in Mr. Adams place. He would have capitulated squarely to the organized ring, who came prepared to "control prices," and bring the department to their terms. Mr. Adams knew the rings had been formed, saw their tactics, and honorably and conscientiously defeated the parties on their own chosen ground. So much the more to the hon. gentleman's credit.

DAVITT'S PRISON.

It appears that Davitt was removed from Millbank prison at 4 o'clock on Saturday morning to Portland. The new place of incarceration to which Davitt has been spirited away is built on elevated ground and has eight wings, accommodating 1,500 convicts, and is the prison of the penal station which was established at Portland in 1848. Portland is a peninsula wholly occupied by the Government, and the population of about 10,000 consists of convicts, soldiers and non residents. It is a peninsula nearly four miles long by one and a half miles wide, surrounded on all sides by inaccessible cliffs, except at the place of landing. Escape from Portland Prison is almost impossible. General indignation is expressed by Davitt's friends at his confinement in such a place.

MR. RYAN

Of Gloucester assures some of his friends that he has no charge this session to bring against the Surveyor General; and says he was part coaxed and part driven into doing what he did last winter. He has assented Mr. Barbrie and Mr. Ritchie, and Mr. Fred. Thompson, but Mr. Blair would listen to him, that "the truth after all is the best policy;" that "it never pays to make a charge against a man that is not true, and that you cannot prove." He further declares he "never knew" that, till last spring.

PARNELL TO LEAVE IRELAND.

At a meeting of the Land League in Dublin on Tuesday it was resolved to take the Government's action as a challenge of war, and to oppose it by declining to pay any rent whatever. The League also agreed to ask Parnell to leave directly for America, the object being to place the leaders of the Home Rulers out of the Government's clutches, as it is supposed that the retrospective clause in the coercion bill is designed to seize Messrs. Parnell, Dillon and other members of the League.

MR BLAIR

Had almost abandoned the idea of moving a want of confidence motion, failing to secure the pledge of several independent members whom he used to describe last winter as "chips floating in a puddle." It is even reported, and on seeming infallible authority that some gentlemen who supported the Opposition the past two sessions, have seen good reasons for withdrawing themselves from a body without unity or policy, or members or

J. W. LAWRENCE'S ECONOMY.

It would be an immense saving to the country, if J. W. Lawrence could only have the title of "Honorable" abolished.

THE GALE IN G. BRITAIN.

During the recent gale in England 12 barges sank in the Thames. The gale in Ireland was the most violent since the great storm of 1839. On the 8th a three-masted vessel, thought by some to be a steamer, foundered off Clavelly on the coast of Devon with all hands. Another vessel was seen to disappear in a heavy sea off Billford.

"ON DIT"

That Mr A A Davidson will be appointed to the Legislative Council before the next general election. Mr Davidson would be an ornament to the chamber, and were the personnel of the Chamber composed of such men as he, few would ask for its abolition. But the place has gone to seed.

J. W. LAWRENCE'S ENCYCLOPEDIA.

We are sure the Local Legislature will have no hesitation in granting increased accommodation in the Provincial Lunatic Asylum now that they have seen Mr. J. W. Lawrence's letter.

AWFUL.

The Covert-Gillespie bomb will burst with all the tremendous consequences of the exploding soap-bubble!

The work of the session in Ottawa moves along swiftly now. The "big push" is over; the work of the session is done, the great contract is passed—and Snowball is coming home!

The Skuptschina unanimously passed a resolution on Tuesday in favor of closing all the monasteries in Servia.

The Opposition not being able to suggest a "building up" proclaim a policy of "pulling down."

"Iconoclasts" is a good name for the Provincial Opposition.

THE LOCAL LEGISLATURE.

Mr. Andrew G. Blair is at his old tricks again. He is fairly desperate for power and therefore has another want of confidence motion tacked to the address. The first winter he was in the Legislature he moved three such motions, last session he tried two or three. This time it is poor old superannuated John Covert, the poor old worn out hack, the draft horse of the opposition faction, that brings along in the want of confidence; and it sets forth that there are too many lawyers in the Government, as if John S. Covert, would be an improvement on any member in the executive; and John's confidence amendment is seconded by none other than Mr. T. F. Gillespie of this place who has been good naturedly sent to the legislature, not that he is any acquisition to that body, or of any particular service to his county, but because the "boys" in a fit of generosity for his agreeable and soft hearted parts send him there. Well now, wouldn't Mr Gillespie make a delightful substitute for one of these "lawyers"!

We are delighted to have the pith of the Surveyor General's speech to print to-day. He fairly overwhelms both Blair and Willis, who seem to have directed the strongest guns against him. His reference to Blair's own political purity, and to his tacit admission of being guilty of bribery and corruption is very good. We commend it to our readers.

We only wonder why the House will listen to Mr. Willis, or that some one does not put a muzzle on him. As a public man, his record is so contemptible, and his ways so crooked that it does one little credit to refer to him at all.

He is the bane of the opposition, cursed by Blair, and despised by the rest. By the Government party he is held in supreme contempt.

Mr Kenny in moving the address, was cool, clear and convincing, and won the admiration and compliments of the House. We too congratulate Mr Kenny.

The attorney general spiked all of Blair's guns most effectually, and if Mr. Blair is so constituted that he can blush, he must have blushed when Mr. Fraser rebuked him for trying to teach him (Fraser) lessons on dignity. Mr. Blair has cheek enough to give lectures on faith to the Apostle Paul.

THE TRANSVAAL WAR.

A Durban despatch says the Boers have attacked Lydenburg and Rustenberg and been repulsed, and are threatening the fort at Ammerport. As Lydenburg is in the northern part of the Transvaal, it is assumed that the rising has become of some magnitude in that section. Troops are advancing forward to the scene of action in the vicinity of Newcastle as rapidly as possible from Durban.

The detached squadron from the Falkland Islands was expected to arrive in Durban Wednesday. A mounted escort which left Sir George Colley's camp at noon Tuesday for Newcastle with the mails, returned, having exchanged shots with a Boer patrol numbering one hundred and fifty or two hundred between the Ingogo river and Newcastle. It is expected that the raiders will cut the telegraph wire. A thousand Boers are in the rear of the left flank of Sir Geo Colley's laager. It is believed that they must have passed through the Orange Free State. Their object is to attack Fort Amiel and capture the cattle there.

Later telegrams from Durban report affairs in the Transvaal as very alarming. Heavy firing has been heard near Newcastle, which place is powerless against the Boers unless reinforcements can reach there.

A JUDICIOUS WIFE.

[Ruskin.]

A judicious Wife is always nipping off from her husband's moral nature, little twigs that are growing in the wrong directions. She keeps him in shape by continual pruning. If you say anything silly she will affectionately tell you so. If you declare that you will do some absurd thing she will find some means to prevent you from doing it. And by far the chief part of all the common sense there is in this world belongs unquestionably to women. The wisest thing that a man commonly does are those which his wife counsels him to do. A wife is a grand wielder of the moral pruning knife. If Johnsons wife had lived there would be no hoarding up of orange peel, no touching all the posts in walking along the streets, no eating and drinking with a disgusting voracity. If Oliver Goldsmith had of been married he never would have worn that memorable and ridiculous coat. Whenever you find a man whom you know "fiddle about, oddly dressed and talking absurdly, or exhibiting eccentricity of manner, you may be sure he is not a married man, for the corners are rounded off—the little shoots pared—in married men. Wives have generally much more sense than their husbands, even though they may be clever men. The wife's advice is like the ballast that keeps the ship steady.

PARISH OFFICERS.

- Overseers of the Poor: Henry Getchell, Lemuel Burke, John O'Neill.
- Constables: James Casey, Michael Gratten, Thos. McDonald, Thos. Doyle, Stephen Duthie, John Ratican, Levi Thebedo, Reuben White, Jersey White, Silas Williams, Richard Walsh, S. W. James Regan, Isidors of Legere.
- Commissioners of Roads: Peter Gorman, Charles McCarty, Michael Savoy.
- Commissioners of Bye-Roads: James Ivory, Michael Savoy, Thomas McDonald.
- Collectors of Rates: Michael O'Brien, District No. 1, Stephen Duthie, District No. 2, James Horne, District No. 3.
- Town Clerk: Marshall Flott.
- District Clerks: John O'Neill, District No. 2, H. Miller, District No. 3.
- Fence Viewers: B. Reynolds, Michl. Mannahan, Daniel McCarthy, James Woods, (Jas's son.) James Kain, Jas. Shea, Chas. Vye, sr., Dennis Creamer, Thos. O'Shea, Jas. Smith, Jas. Harper, jr., John Doyle, Patrick Bohan, Nich's Willel, Chas. Hachey.
- Pound Keepers: Michael Sullivan, Alex. Flett, Richard Dawson, James Russell, Isaac Leslie, Thos. Gorman, Jas. Murphy, Patrick Bohan, Michael Grattan, John McGraw, Dennis Carroll, Cyprian Gogan, Thos. O'Shea.
- Hog Reeves: Thos. Gorman, B. Reynolds, John McAsse, Walter Johnston, John Ratican, Jas. Robinson, Richard Dawson, Peter Stewart, James Black, Robert Harper, John Walsh, (S. R.) Dennis Shehan, Thomas Murphy, John Bowman, Joseph Conely, Charles Hashey.
- Clerk of the Market: Henry Getchell.

Surveyors of Dams: Thos. Ambrose, James Kain.

Surveyors of Grindstones: Michael Hays.

Assessors of Rates: Peter Evson, Geo. Harper, Enoch Flett.

Surveyors of Roads: Thomas Murphy, Charles Vye, Reuben White, Edward Allan, David Thompson, Owen Sweet, Theophilus Larway, Walter Johnson, Wm. Cushman, Jeremiah Casey, Alex. Park, Daniel Firth, James Desmond, Ed. Jamieson, Michael O'Shea, Michael Monahan, Thos. Gorman, Wm. Dooley, Patrick Gaffney, jr., Jas. Wallace, Jas. Walsh, S. R. John McCarthy, S. R., Dennis Carroll, Nicholas Butler, James Dalton, John Bogie, sr.

Timber Drivers: John O'Brien, S. R. Isaac Esson, Thos. McDonald.

Field Drivers: Thos. Doolan, jr., Michael Hays.

Revisors of Votos: Allan, A. M. Saunders, John P. Burchill, John O'Brien.

Game Wardens: A. A. Underhill, Surveyors of Lumber: Thos. Lynch, David Vye, Daniel Baldwin, Joseph Carmalt, John Kain, Dennis Kirk, Jas. Lynch, sr., John Buckley, (Carl St.) John Kirk, Alex. A. Cowden, Jas. Flett, Peter Esion, Michael O'Brien, Daniel Sheehan, John Dunn, John M. Sutton.

Surveyors of Lumber, Bark, etc.: Michael Hays, John Bohan, (Jas's son), Patrick Grattan, Geo. Harper, William Doolan, Richard Walsh, James Carmalt, Arthur A. Underhill, John Doolan, Christopher Murphy, David Shaagreen, Wm. Hays, Allan A. M. Saunders, Robert Harper, Peter O'Neill.

Inspectors of Fish: Wm. Vye, Srvanus Hubbard, Alexander A. Cowden, Joseph Bateman, jr.

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Boat Master: Patrick O'Brien.

remarkable but true that while a salmon will sometimes spawn in the rapids, the trout always goes to a hole sandy at the bottom; and the young fish always returns to its native brook. Roam the sea at winter ever so far, at the approach of spring they come back again to the streams of their birth and infancy; nor will they make a mistake in ascending the wrong brook; and those missing the proper streams have been seen in a state of the greatest confusion and acting differently from fish in a known track till they find their place. Hence it is that a brook depopulated once, remains so for a very long time, if not always. It is a pity and a shame that no steps are taken to enforce the law in protecting those fish. They are a source of profit to many people living in those parts who catch them with a hook and line and sell them, and because they draw hundreds of sportsmen there with rod and line, and the worst yet is those using the nets come sometimes from afar, while for the sake of the fish, not for fear of the obnoxious Mr. Doyle, those living near fish within the law.

THE SUNDAY MAGAZINE.

This number is one of remarkable excellence, and the new editor, Rev. Mr. Taylor, has catered most successfully for the ordinary and entertainment of his readers. There is, as he remarks, something for everybody, of whatever class, or whatever age. Bible students, and serious readers, and temperance reformers and lovers of stories will all find in this issue something to suit them and to help them to pass the time pleasantly and profitably. Among the distinguished contributors are the Rev. J. M. Whiton, R. C. Lighton, W. T. Wylie, T. B. Van, Bishop of Kansas, C. F. Deems, David Swing, H. Bonar, Bishop Peck, etc.; Alfred H. Guernsey, Estlin W. Arnold, Mrs. J. G. Hurcott, Josephine Poland, Frank H. Converse, Louise C. Moulton, etc. The opening articles by the editor, Our Home Heavens, is highly interesting, and equally so is, Scenes on the Danube, by A. Guernsey, both are finely illustrated. The serial story, out of the World, is continued, and the several short stories, sketches etc., are replete with interest and well written. The numerous poems are of singular merit. Mr. Deems explains Hard places in the Bible, the sermon is by Rev. S. M. Sims, on the supernatural success of Christianity. But it is impossible to convey in a brief notice any idea of the rich literary and artistic feasts prepared by the editor. There are 128 quarto pages and over 100 engravings. A single copy is only 25 cents, a year's subscription, \$3. Postpaid. Address—Frank Leslie's Publishing House, 53, 55, and 57 Park Place, New York.

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Newcastle, Sept 27, 1880.—sep27d

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that a Bill will be presented to the Legislature at its next Session to authorize the Gloucester County Council to exempt all Starch Factories that may be erected in the said county within two years from all Parish and county Taxes for Ten Years, and also to exempt from like Taxes all Out-Mills erected within two years. Bathurst, Gloucester Co. Feb. 2nd 1881.

LOCAL MATTERS.

FORTY FOUR DAYS HAVE THE PEOPLE MOURNED HIM.

The Kindly Bains

Have replenished the wells, sadly diminished the snow, and put the snow melting business in several county places at an end.

Back to the Woods.

Several of the small parties who had come out of the lumber woods in consequence of the deep snow, since the last rains have returned again, and resumed their chopping and hauling.

Our Streets.

Hard frost will make the sidewalks in most of the back streets in an impassable condition; and it is all due to the kind of zeal Mr. Commissioner Murray brings to his duties.

Personal.

We are pleased to learn that Senator Muirheads condition continues to improve.

We have been told that our Deserter is homebound bound. But he is too late. The fight is fought and the battle lost to the side he deserted. We learn Mr. Henry Muirhead is also homebound bound.

Sudden Death in the Woods.

Yesterday the body of a young man named Clark Haynes, who lived in the lower end of the town, was brought home. Deceased was a young man no longer married, and he had been employed with Mr. Graham in the lumber woods near Red Pine station, I. C. R. Two days ago he took out his gun to hunt caribou, but on returning in the evening parties went and found him lying dead beside a tree. The poor fellow probably died of heart disease, of which he had been complaining. Our sympathies are extended to the bereaved wife and others.

The Season at an End.

Those who harked because the Government shortened the smelt fishing season four days, can now see the wisdom of the order. The very day before the order was to take effect, telegrams poured in from New York agents, Buy more; the market will not be able to take them, and so on. Had the time been fixed at the 15th, at the next spring tides there would be very large hauls these would be thrown upon the market and they would perish there. The would sell, it as true for manure, as about a dollar a ton. Beyond this again shippers for the past month would have shipped all the fish they had instead of holding them back as they wisely have done, and the result would have been that the prices would have ruled so low that the fishermen would not have made 60 per cent of what they have made. Inspector Venning, and Overseer Wyse, and the Department generally are to be congratulated on the success of the "order."

Hemlock Bark—A word to the Legislature.

There are huge piles of hemlock bark lying along the I. C. Railway at various points between here and Moncton. Much of this of course is intended for the Messrs Miller proprietors of the extract factory at Derby. But a good deal of it is not intended for extract purposes, but for transportation in its raw condition. The STAR was the first paper to take up the hemlock question, and all the other papers are seeing about the subject now, is a mere echo of what we have so often said. They are all prepared so far to say something must be done to preserve our hemlock, and even Mr. E. Jack has written over his name some of the papers to the same effect, but neither Mr. Jack nor any other have put in a curative clause in any of their reasonings. The question facing us now is, How are we to protect our hemlock, without working serious mischief to some of our important industries here? This is the question members of the Legislature ought to consider, and this is the point upon which the noisy St. John papers ought to express themselves. We have stated twenty times that the destruction of our hemlock tree is to continue, and it will soon be not of any value left; we have pointed out that the curative clause in the Bill are devouring our bark every year while they allow their hemlock forests in Maine to stand. The Shaws export the raw bark, while the Messrs Miller export the extract. Let us show the difference in profit to the country. The Shaws send away enough hemlock bark in one year, keep an extract factory employed for ten years; but as they only give employment to those who cut and haul the bark, and to the railroad the Millers who manufacture it he give as much employment for the tenth quantity they use, as Shaws do for ten times as much. What is set out of the Province in one year, raw would supply the factories for ten lot that be borne in mind. We understand the Messrs. Miller have taken steps for turning the pecky hemlock trees into boards; and that end will erect mills in suitable places or at least one mill. We believe they also intend transferring their business from Quebec to the Province. One thing is clear, it is taken for granted that the pecky bark for that purpose, they have their trees as the miser does his plant; but they can do the next best thing, and that is pass a statute of disincentive. Increase the stumpage three fold on all bark cut for other than local tanning or extract purposes. That will give the pecky employment to many of our people. We hope members of the Legislature will cut this item.