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Newcastle Societies.

MEET AS FOLLOWS:

NORTHUMBERLAND LODGE No. 17 A.

E. & A. M., in the Lodge rooms on the

evening of the second Tuesday of each

month at 7 o'clock.

NEWCASTLE DIVISION No. 17 S. of T.,

in the Temperance Hall every Thursday

evening at 7.30 o'clock.

COURT MIRAMICHI No. 165 L. O. F.,

in their rooms, Masonic Hall, on the

evening of the fourth Tuesday of each

month at 8 o'clock.

NEWCASTLE BOARD OF TRADE, in their

rooms in the Creighton building on the

evening of the first Monday in each

month at 8 o'clock.

ASSOCIATED ORDER OF UNITED WORKMEN,

Miramichi Lodge No. 11, in its

Lodge room on public hall on the first

Tuesday in each month at 7.30 p. m.

"No Strangers" L. O. L. No. 47, in

their lodge room on the first Friday of

each month at 8 o'clock.

Derry.

COURT HAPPY RETREAT No. 150 L. O. F.,

in Foresters' Hall, Derry, on the

evening of the 3rd Thursday of each month

at 7.30 o'clock.

Editorial Notes.

Prerogative and dissolution of Parlia-

ment have taken place and the dates of

election announced.

Prior to dissolution Sir John Carling

and The Temple, Esq., were appointed

to the Senate, and took their seats there-

in.

The dates of election are as follows:-

Nomination June 16th, Polling June 23rd.

The writs are returnable on Monday,

July 13th, and the house will probably be

called to meet on Thursday, July 16th.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell retires from the

leadership of the government which posi-

tion will be assumed by Sir Charles

Tupper, who urged Mr. Bowell to take

the portfolio of trade and commerce, which

he declined, feeling that at his time of life

he can well be relieved of the responsibilities

of an important department.

It is stated that Sir Mackenzie Bowell

will remain in the cabinet without portfolio

and be leader in the Senate. Among the

changes mentioned is that Chief Justice

Meredith will retire from the Ontario

bench to accept the post of master of

justice, and Mr. Justice Giesbrecht will

have the portfolio of minister of public

works, Mr. O'Brien becoming leader

of the opposition in his place. Other changes

mentioned as likely to take place are:-

Sir Donald Smith has been appointed

high commissioner at London, in place of

Sir Charles Tupper. The appointment is

a good one and has been most favorably

received.

The Coming Week.

Under the head of "A Week's

Wreck" the Newcastle News gives a column

article selected from various papers, the

subject being the slough of debt and

taxation into which Canada is plunged, and

what the people may expect if Sir Charles

Tupper and his Liberal Conservative

supporters are returned to power. We

venture the statement that it will not be the

Liberal Conservative party which will be

wrecked at the coming election but that of

their opponents, the Liberals, who are now

Prohibition in Politics.

Under this head the *Advocate* has its

usual remarks of disapprobation with the

course pursued by prohibitionists. To dis-

satisfaction is one of the most promising

features of the movement, because it finds

fault with the advanced order issued from

the Provincial Association recently formed

in Fredericton.

Among other things the *Advocate* does

not like and finds fault with the vote of

the majority at the recent convention

when they adopted the Platform of Prin-

ciples of the Provincial Association. The

majority declined to vote in favor of an

amendment to Section 1 of the platform

which reads as follows:-

1. We believe that there is no question

in politics so vital to the moral and finan-

cial prosperity of Canada as the prohibi-

tion of the liquor traffic.

The phraseology was objected to by Rev.

Joseph McCoy. He was not prepared to

admit that there is "no question in

politics so vital," etc., and moved an

amendment that the word "no" be changed

to "more" making it read that "there is

no question in politics more vital," etc.

The amendment was lost by a vote of 5

to 9, and the original motion to

adopt the section as read carried by a vote

of 10 to 4. The vote is certainly in

accord with public opinion, as few pro-

hibitionists or even temperance men who

may not be prohibitionists, think that

there is any other question so vital to

moral and financial prosperity as the pro-

hibition of the liquor traffic.

We wish to say for the information of

the *Advocate* that the platform of prin-

ciples was proposed by a committee of the

organization of the New Brunswick Prohi-

bition Association at Fredericton in Feb-

ruary last. Committee was composed of

through prohibitionists, when that

platform was proposed not a single

word was said against or fault found with

or declaration. Neither the committee

nor delegates wished to mislead, but to

have each declaration made as strong as

vigorous words could make it.

Through prohibitionists look upon the

traffic in intoxicating liquors as the most

grievous evil of the nineteenth century.

None other even approaches it as so vital

to the moral and financial prosperity of

any country, and believing so why should

they not say so?

A few may strive to raise other ills to a

level with the cure of intemperance, but

very much like the editor of the *Advocate*

in his homilies on temperance, they do not

receive much credit as being prohibition-

ists even temperance men when they

thus try to belittle the most significant

of the present day.

Riverside Cemetery Company.

The annual meeting of the Riverside

Cemetery Company, of Chatham, was held

on Monday at the railway office, Snowhill

building, when a fair attendance of mem-

bers. The chair was occupied by

Daniel Ferguson, Esq. The directors re-

ported that a neat fence had been erected

around the front of the cemetery, that much

of property had been gained, roads and

plots laid out and the latter marked with

cedar stakes, in sufficient number for some

time to come.

All accounts, including \$755 purchase

money had been paid and there was a

small balance on hand.

The directors reported that \$1,100 had

Newcastle Assessments.

Below will be found the assessment list

for this year of all values under five

hundred dollars, on Real Estate, Personal

Estate and Income. The list is useful for

the purpose of comparing values of one

property with another which can not be

done so readily by the inspection of the

official lists.

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St. John Letter.

16,000 MILES ON HORSEBACK.—SOME OLD

TRIPS.—THE MARKS.—GENERAL

NEWS.

The poets have told us of many great

feats of horsemanship, not the least of

which was the "doughty

Douglas" at the battle of Otterburn in

1388.

"It falls about the linnets, says,

When he had, some of his boys,

The doughty Douglas heard say to ryle

In England to take a gray."

We all know the story of young

Lochinvar, as told by Scott and of John

Gilpin as put in doggerel by Cooper, and

a good many have heard of Paul Revere

and his horsemanship something more than

a hundred years ago. But Major George

M. Barbour, who was prominent in the

management of Chicago's World's Fair,

proposes to eclipse them all, the "doughty

Douglas," Lochinvar, John Gilpin, Paul

Revere and the whole tribe of equestrian

heroes have been celebrated in prose or verse

by riding a broncho, now in Buffalo Bill's

Show, from