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Miramichi Advance.

ST. JOHN, N.B., JANUARY 31, 1884.

York Election.

The election in York County and Essex-Fraser Temple has proved the successful candidate, although his opponent, Mr. Gregory, was of the Liberal party, who, at the general election in 1872, returned Mr. Plecton with a majority of 917 over the present J. Fraser, who is also a very popular man. A great deal of money was expended, and a great deal of influence. Mr. Temple, who had his influence, Mr. Temple, also had the business purchase of the late member and, on that account, secured many votes which another candidate would not have received. There is no getting around the fact, however, that the victory is as decisive for the Conservatives as it is unexpected. While Mr. Temple is a better man than the average member of Parliament, being naturally ardent, and experienced in general business affairs, besides holding a good social position, Mr. Gregory would have been the best Parliamentary representative, as he has long superior, as a public man, in the Province. The Conservatives are to be congratulated on a marked victory, therefore, when nearly everything seemed to be in their opponents' favor.

So far as heard from—returns from two or three polling places yet to report—Mr. Temple leads Mr. Gregory by 150 votes.

The Lumber Trade.—Mr. J. B. Snowball's annual Wood Trade Circular is at hand and enables us to get our annual report of trans-Atlantic lumber business, the shipments of the Province of Nova Scotia for the past year.

COUNTY OF PARISH OFFICERS.—We publish this week the full lists of County and Parish officers appointed at the late session of the Municipal Council. In some cases the handwriting in which they were made was so very bad as to render the deciphering of the names quite difficult. We don't very much mind that the writers themselves could have done it.

"SHERRIFF DUCHESS'S ACCUSERS" is the title of a very plausible letter in the Telegraph, which holds that penitentiary of a person with a pack of officers bounding him—the ADVANCE being a principal officer. We have only to say that it is amusing to read the letter and then think of Mr. Duce. The whole trouble has arisen out of the fact that an incompetent and irresponsible person was made Sheriff of an important County, and, through his incompetency, he has brought the office and himself into contempt. The ADVANCE made known the facts and instead of profiting in any way thereby, the Telegraph's correspondent insinuates it made a positive charge—a charge to duty, as Sheriff Duce would know. The "heavy libel" pending against the ADVANCE, as referred to by the Telegraph's correspondent, may be a very grave affair; but the Sheriff's statement, and, in that case, of the person who has entered it, but we are quite prepared to fight through at the proper time and in the proper place. If we cannot prove all we have said about Sheriff Duce and his legal adviser in connection with their mail offences, we will be quite ready to pay the damages. We are, really, anxious to learn what our Judge thinks of such a libel and such a legal adviser as Mr. Neville Lawson—who has written on our paper when he had not the opportunity to do so.

Municipal Council Notices. It was a little amusing to hear Conn. Freese, who is a land surveyor and can know very little of railway engineering, tell the Council, on the authority of "a competent railway surveyor," that the length of the proposed line from the north side route, compared with those actually and theoretically laid down by Messrs. Buck and Maxwell, respectively, whose reputation as competent and practical railway engineers could, however, hardly aid by Conn. Freese's deductions upon them. We haven't the slightest doubt that if Conn. Freese were to dispute altogether with the services of his "competent assistant," and substitute, say Conn. Jardine for him, a still cheaper route might be found, provided it passed some where between the latter jolly gentleman's well and barn and didn't interfere with the lion house.

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THE LUMBER SHIPMENTS OF NEW BRUNSWICK & NOVA SCOTIA TO TRANS-ATLANTIC PORTS.

We published, during the early winter, lumber returns as they were received from different ports in the Province, and, this week, in a position to present a statement of the total shipments to trans-Atlantic ports for the year from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, compared with those of 1882 and 1881 for New Brunswick, and with those of 1882 for Nova Scotia. Beginning with the Miramichi, which, last year shipped only about one-sixth less than St. John, the export has been as follows:—

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