

General Business.

NOTICE.

Through the efforts of Mr. W. A. Robinson, Insurance Commissioner, who has been in England for some months past, it is expected that in the coming spring a considerable number of farmers with capital will arrive in the province, with a view to purchasing farms. All persons having suitable farms to dispose of will please communicate with the undersigned, who will be glad to see them, to be filled in with the necessary particulars as to location, price, terms of sale, etc. Quite a number of agricultural laborers are also expected and farmers desiring help will also please communicate with the undersigned.

Dated St. John, N. B., Feb. 24, A. D. 1902.

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Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, N. B., FEBRUARY 27, 1902.

Miramichi Lumber Output.

In view of the reports from the other side of the Atlantic in reference to the encouraging tone of the spruce market, it is gratifying to hear that Miramichi lumbermen are persevering in a conservative policy regarding their operations in the woods this winter.

From the best information obtainable we infer that not two-thirds of the usual quantity of logs have been got out on Miramichi waters. There is an excess on the Little Southwest Miramichi, but on both of the main branches operations have been curtailed and on the main Southwest it is not expected that more than 35,000,000 k. ft. will be rafted, instead of 50,000,000 or 60,000,000, as usual. Our shippers think that it is better to get good prices for a reduced quantity of deals than small prices for a large quantity.

THE LOGGERS' UNION has a parliamentary vote was \$5,400 for 1901-2. An additional \$1,000 is to be voted for 1902-3. The amount of the contract was \$5,850.

On the 24th of Feb. was voted in parliament for the Bay du Vin wharf, \$2,000 is a rebate. The total amount of the contract is \$7,745.

A Disappointment in Reference to the Governor's Predilection Resides.

It was understood that Lieut. Governor Snowball had rented the Beckwith House, Fredericton, and that the lease was drawn and its terms practically agreed to. At all events, the arrangements had reached a stage which included the handing over of the keys some days ago to the lessee. Mrs. Beckwith, who owns the property, was in Boston and the negotiations were carried on chiefly by telegraph. When they were completed the lease was forwarded to her by J. H. Barry, Esq., K. C., of Fredericton, who was acting for His Honor the Governor. On Tuesday the latter received a telegram from Mr. Barry informing him that Mrs. Beckwith had refused to sign the lease, unless new conditions which she proposed, and which Mr. Snowball deemed unreasonable, were incorporated in it. His Honor declined to assent to the new conditions and instructed Mr. Barry to break off further negotiations to lease the property, to tender to Mrs. Beckwith a bill for expenses incurred at the house, and to hold the keys pending its settlement.

This episode may have the effect of His Honor being prevented from securing a residence at the provincial capital, in time to occupy it during the coming legislative session.

THIRD SACKVILLE.—The old town of Sackville appears to be willing to remain under the ancient condition prevailing for a hundred years around the "Tussock" region in regard to local self-government, as it held an election last Friday to determine whether it would trust itself or the County Council to conduct the affairs. It decided by a vote of 151 to 108 that it couldn't trust itself.

GOVERNOR'S RECEPTION.—A Fredericton despatch says:—Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Snowball will hold a reception in the assembly chamber from four to six o'clock on the afternoon of March 6, immediately after the opening of the legislature and the moving and seconding of the address in reply to His Honor's speech. Private Secretary Barker announces that gentlemen will be expected to wear afternoon dress, and ladies evening costume. An orchestra stationed in the gallery will furnish music during the function.

MR. GOURLEY, M. P., who represents Colchester, N. S., in the House of Commons, appears to be a roarer. He amused the floor and galleries the other day by deifying the United States, anathematizing Great Britain and declaring that he would go into the trenches with his wife and family for two years, if necessary, in order to defend the sacred soil of Canada from the rapacious Yankee. A hoar and a few rows of potatoes some time in June next will no doubt cool his ardor, if his parliamentary noise shall have ended before that time.

KINGS COUNTY nominations, to fill the existing vacancy in the legislature, were made on Saturday. About five hundred electors were present. The candidates are O. P. King, government, and Fred M. Sproule, opposition. Mr. Sproule's chief dependence for success is on the fact that somebody forged a list of electors for the parish of Rothesay. He declared that the person who did the trick was politically near to Attorney General Pugsley and that was why he wasn't detected and punished. Mr. Sproule seems to know who did it, yet he has never caused any information to be given in the direction of having the party identified. It all happened more than a year ago and seems a peculiar issue on which to run an election. Polling is next Saturday.

JEALOUS OF HIM.—Brother Hawke of the Transcript and brother Ellis of the Globe have long been recognised as almost perfect allies. To everything announced by the one the other was always ready with an unctuous, "Amen." Of late, however, the Senator has not entirely met the expectations of his Monoton worshippers, because, in his envy and hatred of the local government, he has espoused the cause of a red-hot conservative candidate for the Legislative Assembly in Kings county. So brother Hawke has been inspired to keep an eye on brother Ellis at Ottawa

and the first-fruits of his observations, while not a new discovery, by any means, are embodied in the unkind declaration in the Transcript that "Senator Ellis is getting quite giddy." References to such things are not recognised as good form between newspaper men—especially when they are professed friends.

Miramichi and Restigouche Bridges.

New superstructures are to be placed on the piers of the Northwest Miramichi and Metapedia (Restigouche) Railway bridges, involving, of course, the entire removal of the old ones. Six of the present spans are to be removed from the piers of the Southwest Miramichi bridge and new ones placed therein. The amounts to be voted for this work on the three bridges aggregate \$276,000.

Fot and Kettis.

The Monoton (subsidy fourteen thousand dollars a few years ago when its political friends were in power) says: "The St. John Gazette (subsidy five thousand a year) comes to the assistance of the Telegraph (subsidy twelve thousand a year) in trying to excuse 'Mr. Blair's management of the International,' etc., etc."

The Times has, evidently, a profound sense of consistency and dignity as necessary elements in the effective discussion of public questions.

DeWet as a Breaker.

It is presumed to be conceded almost without question that our troops in South Africa are doing the right thing, and accomplishing all that is possible, but we cannot help having some misgivings as to the authenticity of some of the news from that interesting centre of warlike activity and attributed to commander-in-chief Kitchener. The other day it was telegraphed by Lord Kitchener that DeWet and his men, having been cornered by the British, the great Boer commander-in-chief was obliged to mix up with a lot of stampeding cattle in order to escape through the lines of our troops who had surrounded him, making escape almost impossible. It was inferred by the military authorities that his forces were dispersed and poor DeWet a refugee, wandering in hopeless isolation without a follower. The latest news, however, is that DeWet has actually made another break. This time he has broken in through the British lines and is doing the usual business of employing the British in surrounding him.

Mr. Gibson's Generous Courtesy.

It is understood that—through the courtesy of Alex. Gibson, Esq., President of the Canada Eastern Railway Company—the Alex. Gibson Railway and Manufacturing Company—a special car will be furnished for the free conveyance of Governor Snowball's friends who desire to go from this end of the line to be present at the opening of the Legislature at Fredericton on Thursday next, and also to return with them on their day's journey home on Friday. In doing this courteous act Mr. Gibson adds another to his many proofs he has already given of his generous interest in the people at the Miramichi end of his railway, and of the fact that their appreciation of his liberal business treatment of them has not been misplaced.

Chatham's Pumping Plant.

The people who are supplying the machinery for the Chatham pumping station have put forward a person who signs himself: "A. Duncan, erecting engineer" to say in a letter to the World that the editor of the ADVANCE "lied maliciously" when he reminded the proprietors of the town of Chatham of the duty of exercising vigilance in regard to the finishing work of the contractors, not only for the pumping plant, but also for the laying of the water and sewerage pipes. Mr. Duncan also uses some other expressions peculiar to persons of the class to which he evidently belongs, and demonstrates, that his employers propose to have their hired man throw mud to blind the eyes of the public to the shortcomings in fulfilling the terms of their contract.

We are not to be led away from the question of the contractors' treatment of the town in this important matter, either by their brother's intimidation, which was begun last spring when we objected to the deception by their tender was accepted, or by their putting forward this person, Duncan, to write abusively concerning our statements. We repeat what we said last week:

"This matter of the pump is an important one, and transactions connected with its purchase have already been the subject of public discussion and public opinion. It was forced on the town against Eugene Oulif's advice, and he afterwards protested in writing against being held responsible for it. We have reason to believe that in the matter of efficiency it does not come up to the terms of the specification which the contractors for it offered, when they submitted their tender. The undersigned pump is doing all the service at the pumping station, and if anything should go wrong with it our water system will be useless, meantime. It seems too bad that after all the money that has been spent we are all in the hands of the contractors who, no doubt, are laughing at our good-natured way of dealing with them."

Mr. Duncan may be required, in order to keep himself right with his employers, to do any kind of job which they assign to him, but it would look more reputable and show that he had, at least, some self-respect, if he were to attend to his part of the business and let them look after theirs. He has had the Worthington pump "working" we believe, and that is all that can be said for it; but it was not ready for testing even when Mr. Duncan wrote his letter, and engineer Scott had gone home after waiting beyond a reasonable time, at \$125 a month paid by the town, for it to be made ready. It has not been tested yet and the fault is the contractors'. We repeat, also, that—by some means not understood by the engineer in charge in behalf of the town—the efficiency—the duty—requirement offered in the tender for the Worthington pump has been obliterated in the con-

tract, and the tenders, as contractors, are thus put in a position to evade the duty test as tendered for.

It is evident that the tactics by which the tender was accepted will characterize the business until the end, unless the greatest vigilance on the part of the town authorities is exercised. It seems a strange thing that one or two of our citizens resent any reference to the dilatory and shortcomings of the contractors, as if they were more concerned for them than for the interests of the town, which it is their duty to protect. These men local gentlemen busy themselves in the task of finding excuses for the unusual delay in the performance of the work, and blame everybody but their pets of the pumping plant thereof. If they were the co-employees of their friend, Mr. Duncan, who has so evidently mistook his calling as to imagine that he appears to advantage in print, they could not be greater champions of the contractors than they are. All the same, intelligent citizens know that these contractors have not carried out their undertaking with the town, and their impertinence in attempting to bulldoze those who criticize their failures will only serve to invite the greater attention to them and their methods.

The ADVANCE one motive in dealing with the matter is to assist in protecting the town against its water-supplying facilities being cheapened, in order that these contractors from Montreal and New York may profit thereby. As to Mr. Elliot, who has written the article, we have, we have no doubt, that he is sorry that he permitted himself to be brought into the business. If he is not he ought to be, for his own sake, as a citizen of the town. If, however, he can be considered the contractor, and he thinks he has carried out his undertaking, as contracted and tendered for, and will so state, we are ready to discuss the matter with him. It can be done, however, without resort to the "alumni" vocabulary which characterizes Mr. Duncan's writings, although we do not hold the poor fellow responsible, as he, no doubt, understands what his employers have him for and is willing to do any kind of job, so long as he is paid for it.

THE SPROING, Liver and Blood rigging cleaning as Spring approaches. There is no better remedy than Wheeler's Rotato Bitters. Use it for Headache, Sour Stomach, Dizziness, Indigestion, Constipation, Bloating, Dull Pain in Kidneys, Dropsical Affection, etc. Purely Vegetable, 25 cents.

The Question of Dominion and Provincial Fishery Rights Again.

A Charlotte despatch of 17th says that an important question involving the right of the Dominion and Provincial Governments in respect to the fisheries was given in the Supreme Court last week by the full bench. The case was brought before them by a writ of certiorari removing convictions made by the agent of the Dominion in respect to the fisheries. The grounds for the certiorari were that the Dominion Fisheries Act was beyond the competence of the Dominion Parliament to enact. Under these circumstances the Governor-in-Council had, in 1898, passed an order-in-council ordering that the water of North River should be kept apart for the propagation of oysters, and another order-in-council, passed the same year, forbidding the digging of mussel mud within two hundred yards of the river, on North River, contrary to the provisions of the Fisheries act and certain orders in council passed thereon.

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