

Lieut. Col. Senior and the right wing of the 65th Regiment with the Baggage and women and children were embarked on Friday morning on board the "Sophia", and the embarkation of the remainder was completed last night at 9 o'clock, without the slightest loss or accident from the period of disembarking at Petticodiac on Sunday the 11th November.

In the performance of their arduous and harrassing service I beg leave to state that I am keenly indebted to Bliss Botsford, Esq., at the Bend of the Petticodiac for his assistance and information, and I take the liberty to bring his name under the most favorable notice and consideration of His Excellency, the Major General. I am, at the same time, to acknowledge the great personal exertions and attention of D. Hanington, Esq., member of the House of Assembly, in assisting me to obtain accommodation for the troops and in providing Boats for the purpose of embarkation.

It is an act of justice, also, for me to inform you that all the inhabitants at the Bend of the Petticodiac, and this place, evinced the most laudable and earnest disposition in affording me every facility for the execution of the important duties with which I have been intrusted,

I have the Honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Oliver Goldsmith,

Ass. Comm. Genl.

Captain Harvey,  
Aid de Camp.

In the early part of the 19th century a sailing packet ran regularly between Summerside and Shediac. The first was the "Delphin", Simpson being owner and master. About 1850 this was succeeded by two vessels, "D. C. Pope" and "H. Ingram", which were lively competitors for freight and passenger traffic.

Shortly after a steamer "Conqueror" was placed on this route, and developed considerable business. Freight destined for points south of Shediac was taken by road to Moncton and thence carried by water to St. John. It is interesting to note that at this time P. E. I. horses were famous and many were shipped via Shediac.

After the opening of the Railway to Saint John in 1860 a regular line of steamers was placed on the route between Point du Chene and Summerside and continued to run until recently when the Tormentine-Traverse route was opened.

The earliest Church building was St. Martin's-in-the-Wood, erected in 1822-23 largely through the efforts of William Hanington, who named it in memory of St. Martin's-in-the-field in London, of which he had been a member. An American named Frost, made the