

# POOR DOCUMENT

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QUEENS COUNTY GAZETTE, GAGETOWN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1897.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

### Fruit Growing on the St. John River.

To the Editor QUEENS COUNTY GAZETTE.  
Sir: I wish through the medium of your paper to call the attention of the farmers of Queens and Sunbury Counties to a subject in which we should all be more or less interested. I refer to the growing importance of fruit raising; more especially to apples.

It is no longer an experienced but an acknowledged fact that in large sections of these Counties apples can be raised equal, if not superior to those of the Annapolis Valley, and the time has come when we should take concerted action to place this industry on a firm basis which in the future, I am sure, will be a source of considerable profit to us if properly managed.

I would propose as a first step the formation of a Fruit-growers' association, there being already a number of farmers with good orchards whose advice and knowledge would be of the greatest value to new beginners in selecting the best varieties of fruit trees to plant.

It would then be in order for the association to try and influence the Provincial Government and induce them to give a grant to be expended in the employment of a competent fruit grower, who would travel through the Counties giving practical lessons on the proper way to prune and manage an orchard. If the money now frittered away in holding agricultural exhibitions which are of very little practical use, could be utilized in this way it would be a step in the right direction. Now that we have lines of steamers leaving St. John regularly for England, which is the market we should aim to ship to, let us try and utilize them. By the time we can produce any large quantity of fruit for export we should have rail communication with St. John and either cold storage ware houses there to put our fruit in, or else ware houses erected in some central locality in the County and owned by the Association.

Let us therefore organize, and see if we cannot secure some share of this trade which the fertility of our farms, climate, and resources to put of shipment, should place us in a position to hold our own, and successfully compete with other fruit growing countries.

Yours truly,  
FARMER.

Gagetown, Feb. 9th, 1897.

### Conservation.

To the Editor of the QUEENS COUNTY GAZETTE.

The people of this vicinity are sure that Queens County is a rich and fertile land, and that it is well worth the trouble and expense of settling it. It is a pity that the people of this vicinity are not more generally interested in the conservation of the natural resources of the County. It is a pity that the people of this vicinity are not more generally interested in the conservation of the natural resources of the County. It is a pity that the people of this vicinity are not more generally interested in the conservation of the natural resources of the County.

Yours truly,  
A. CORRESPONDENT.

Scottsblow, Queens Co., N. B.

### Scottsblow Notes.

SCOTTSBLOW, QUEENS CO., FEB. 6.  
James A. Purvis is not enjoying the best of health, at present.

Mr. C. A. Balman is rapidly recovering from his supposed decline. He does not now have to confine himself to bread and milk as a diet, but can partake of many of the delicacies of life.

The roads in this section are partly bare owing to the heavy wind that have prevailed of late.

The young people of this place and Douglas Harbour intend meeting once a week to practice for a choir in the Methodist church.

Miss Nellie Carle is the recipient of an up-to-date hood, which is very pleasing and essential in this section of country.

Mrs. J. E. Hainselpecker has been visiting her friends at Fredericton and vicinity.

A short time ago while Mr. Robert Palmer was out driving, he had the misfortune to freeze his face and hands very badly. By good care he is better now.

Master Chas. Carle received a handsome present of a twenty-dollar bill from his aunt a short time ago.

Miss Hattie Carle received a fine day present from friends in New York a short time ago. To her surprise she proved to be the handsome sum of dollars.

Mr. John D. Hood of Fredericton has just received, D. Carle and the 30th. There must be a very attraction for him, in this section.

Mr. William Burpee, and

Thomson, of Sheffield, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Coakly, on Sunday last.

We have back with us for the evening school term the popular teacher, Mr. Ernest Straight, who wins the affections of his pupils, and the neighborhood generally. Mr. Straight is a young man who is generally liked wherever he goes, an excellent teacher, and one who is very highly esteemed by all who know him.

J. C. Hunter and Miss Gussie Burpee, were the visitors of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Carle, on the 2nd inst.

Miss Hattie Carle is visiting friends and relatives at Clark's Corner.

Feb. 8.—Miss Hattie Carle has just returned home from a visit to friends and relatives, at Clark's Corner.

Mr. Rupert Sypher, of Flowers Cove, spent Sunday with friends, at this place.

Mr. S. D. Belmain bought a fine horse while in Fredericton, a few days ago.

Evangelist Alley arrived here on Saturday last. He occupied the pulpit of the Baptist Church on Sunday evening, and delivered a fine address. He was assisted by Rev. Mr. Steeves, the pastor of the church. They intend holding special services during the coming week.

Mrs. Steeves and daughter, accompanied by Mr. Steeves are here, the guests of Mrs. J. W. Olmstead.

Our amateur luncheoners are busily engaged hauling logs.

We are glad to see Mr. John Palmer attending church service once more, and taking a full account of the excellent sermons that are preached.

### Welford Notes.

The long looked for snow came at last on Thursday, the first being followed by another and followed, north-easter on Thursday, the 28th, which has made the lumbermen and farmers happy; and will put new life in the stirring little village of Welford.

Councillor Barnhill, of Fairville, has bought five hundred acres of timberland from the heirs of the late Wm. Lyons, and has about eighteen men and five span of horses operating on the same. He intends to get out about five thousand pieces of spruce logs the present winter.

The cut of spruce logs on the Nepos River this winter will be above the average; but the one of pine will be small on account of the dull market for pine logs in St. John market.

Any person visiting Welford this winter and seeing the heavy trains of through freight from the West consisting of grain, meat, butter, and including hundreds of the finest ranch cattle in America and these from our own Canadian West. Any true Canadian must truly be proud of his country to imagine that we have enough and to spare, such abundance to help feed the millions, not only in the Mother Country but to other nations in Europe.

Mr. Isaac Cochran, of Golden Ridge, has been very sick with inflammation of the bowels. His many friends will be glad to hear he is in a fair way to recovery.

### Cody's Station Notes.

The trustees of a school district No. 3, applied to be in a dilemma. As near as your correspondent could learn, the school house at Thurntown has been condemned by the County Inspector, for several years he has been recommending trustees and rate-payers to build a suitable house for the place. At the last annual school meeting, a motion was made to build a new house. Said motion was defeated on division. Now all grants have been held by the Board of Education, the trustees still have a teacher, teaching in the old house. How are they going to pay him? They do not appear to be able for the occasion.

Thursday afternoon a storm from the north east, set in. About nine inches of snow fell. The lumbermen are joyful.

Mr. Daniel Fanjoy, hunter of this place, has caught several foxes. A few days ago, he got a large white cat, which weighed twenty-three pounds.

### Sheffield Notes.

A large number of terms are daily hauling hay and coal to the Fredericton and Marysville markets.

We are all glad to learn that friend, Capt. Taylor is home again.

Miss Packins has returned home from visiting friends in Carleton County.

It is with feelings of heartfelt sorrow and sympathy, we write about the painful accident Mr. Chipman Hunter, met with, last week, while working in the woods. He unhooked his log chain, and before he was able to get out of the way, the load rolled off, and one of the logs rolled over him, breaking two of his ribs, and crushing his chest. Dr. Camp is treating him, and when last heard from, the patient was doing as well as could be expected.

Miss Helen Corbett, of Williamstown, Carleton County, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Thomas Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Bridges spent today with Mrs. Bridges' parents, at Gagetown.

Bad colds are prevalent among many here, but have not led to any serious results so far.

our young men

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Mr. Charles Hindle (colored) residence at Maquod Lake was slightly damaged by fire, Friday morning.

Miss Augusta Burpee, teacher of Douglas Harbour school, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents.

Feb. 6, 1897.

### Jemas Notes.

JEMAS, Feb. 3rd.—Your correspondent on behalf of the citizens of this place, wishes to extend hearty congratulations to the proprietors of the QUEENS COUNTY GAZETTE, in their earnest co-operation to establish a local newspaper at Gagetown, for the benefit of the residents of the counties of Sunbury and Queens.

We hope to see in every home of the two counties, and every person should feel their indispensable duty to subscribe and help the enterprise to success.

Almost every county in the province supports one or more newspapers. Why should not these counties combined, furnish the readers of this paper with news of interest, worthy of note and comment.

As, as a county largely depending on farming, and whose agricultural interests has been somewhat neglected in the past, will now be able to get in more direct contact with each other, and exchange ideas of farming, thus making the paper, to the farmer, valuable and interesting.

Our village has only been served with three mails a week. The people becoming dissatisfied begin to inquire the authorities prospecting for the future.

At present there is a project at work to secure a daily stage mail driven by two horses from the Young's Cove Road Station to here, giving us the benefit of a St. John mail early in the afternoon of each day. The Hon. L. P. Farris, figures prominently in the scheme.

Messrs. C. J. Colwell, Fred W. Springer, and Hax clock turner are negotiating for a steam saw and grist mill, which will be erected on land owned by Mr. Colwell, near the bank of Little Lake.

James A. Colwell's steam lead mill has been busy during the season, and given general satisfaction among the farmers. He is now preparing to cut stone wood.

The Rev. W. J. Blakeney is expected to begin his pastorate of the Baptist Church on the 7th. About twenty-six years ago Mr. Blakeney was connected with this church.

### Upper Gagetown Notes.

Feb. 9th.—It would be quite difficult to find a place with so energetic and industrious a population as the quiet little village of Upper Gagetown. To a passer by, on a week day, it would appear as though all were asleep, but to a careful observer it would be quite different. He would see that, besides the usual amount of lumber, boom poles and cordwood, at nearly every suitable place for shipbuilding, saws, either in the course of building or lumber being placed on the bench for that purpose. There are now eighteen or twenty saws under way, nearly all of which are being built by contract.

For several weeks the Baptist churches here held a series of union meetings, but during the last week, each church has held special meetings of its own. During the revival, eleven persons have been baptized and received in the different churches. The meetings are still to be continued.

A gripe in a mild form is making its annual visit through the land, and is producing sounds not at all in harmony with the spirit of the times.

"Gripes," or some evil genius, has awakened an idea in the minds of some of the people of this place and Burton, that Mr. Blair has dreamed of running a branch line of railway from Welford to Gagetown. This has caused a silent fear in the minds of some of his warmer supporters, and has called forth anathemas, both loud and deep, from others. Whilst his opponents feel that though it depends largely on what he will, yet, they would rather have some credit for the work if it were to pass along the river valley as was first proposed. Your correspondent would like to see some further comments on the subject.

The Nova Scotia Gold Fields.  
(Correspondence Toronto Monetary Times)

I trust you will considerably publish in your valuable journal this reply to Jas. D. Lewis's letter published in your issue of the 11th ult. I have waited in vain for a reply to it from the proper source; namely, the pen of J. E. Hardman, S. B., whom Mr. Lewis so satirically attacks. I presume Mr. Hardman thinks Mr. Lewis too small game, and that he is "not worth the candle." But Mr. Hardman should not forget he owes a duty to Nova Scotia. Whether he profits or not, by experience, in this country, he certainly profited in a substantial manner, financially. I am sure, writing his comments, that though it depends largely on what he will, yet, they would rather have some credit for the work if it were to pass along the river valley as was first proposed. Your correspondent would like to see some further comments on the subject.

From a careful analysis of Mr. Lewis's invective remarks, I am constrained to believe his object in writing is to aim a blow at Nova Scotia. Mr. Hardman's shoulder, I know, itching whatever of the gentleman's patriotism, strain, or patriotism, I fear, however, he is from "over the border," as no true Canadian or Britisher would utter such untruthful remarks for the purpose of detracting from one part of his domain, in order to attract to that of another in which he is more interested.

Mr. Lewis makes numerous references to mines, including in scope the United States of America and Mexico, as being favorable to British Columbia and derogatory to Nova Scotia. I happen to have personal knowledge of some of these

mines referred to. Let me quote Mr. L. Lewis's own words on the subject. "The Santa Barbara mine in Chihuahua, Mexico, which 250 years ago built the cathedral in the city of Chihuahua, at a cost of \$800,000, from a tax levied on the product of the mine, at the rate of one real (120) on every 64 ozs. of silver taken from the mine, has been worked ever since, and is being worked to-day. This mine is in syenite formation."

The above is what Mr. Lewis states, while the facts are: the tribute levied for the building of the cathedral was from many mines—the great Santa Barbara group of mines—a large district. In the next place there is no record of the amount of tribute levied or of the cost of the cathedral. I have examined it carefully inside and outside, even to putting my hand in the niche clipped out of one of the bell tower pillars by the bell from the first corner fired in the Maximilian rebellion, and I fail to see a cost of \$800,000 in this pile of stones. And further, at the time when this tax was levied these mines were worked under Spanish rule, with practically slave labor. And yet the work was stopped because it could not be made to pay, and the mines remained idle for many decades. Finally they fell into the hands of a German by the name of Muller. From him they passed into the hands of a New York company, and from them to the present owners, who have equipped them with the best machinery known to modern science. And yet, alas! alas! where are the dividends?

Permit me also to inform Mr. Lewis that these mines are not in syenite, but are in carboniferous limestone, in proof of which I have before me a beautiful specimen taken from the roof of one of them with my own hands. May we not judge the value of the rest of Mr. Lewis's references by that of the one just referred to? Regarding Nova Scotia, Mr. Lewis states, "I do not know where Mr. Hardman got his experiences. If it was in Nova Scotia only, I can assure Mr. Lewis that he is not a true Nova Scotian."

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British Columbia. The effect of such woful untruthfulness is certain to bring disrepute and calamitous results. Such a state of affairs shows not only the iniquitousness of the people connected with so many of these diabolical schemes to fleece the public, but their near-sightedness as well; the unfortunate part of which is they who have been instrumental in bringing discredit and disrepute upon us, will not be the only ones to suffer.

That the province of British Columbia is bound to have a great future as a mining region no well informed Canadian doubts. Only let its great resources in gold, silver, coal, forest and fisheries be honestly presented developed and dealt with, and it will not only go far towards redeeming the tie, already strong, between it and the motherland, but will also bring greater riches and redound to our credit as well. Let us take even the broader view of looking upon the resources of British Columbia as being another one of the means of our redemption. When one thinks of the things being done today in British Columbia, and this, our nearest neighbor, and the fact that our resources are being honestly presented developed and dealt with, and it will not only go far towards redeeming the tie, already strong, between it and the motherland, but will also bring greater riches and redound to our credit as well. 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