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tion as the government of New Brunse was solved the same view of this quase the same of the provinces of the

sioners at Bell's death disposed of?
Who acted is solicitor for the commissioners in the case, and what was the amount paid for such services?
The provincial secretary replied that the amount received from the sale of the personal property of Daniel Bell by the commissioners, through Mr. Jones, their solicitor, was \$246.45. The costs, including \$34 disbursements, amounted to \$112.43, leaving a balance of \$134.02, which was remitted by Mr. Jones to Mr. Marshall, secretary of the commissioners, at St. Jehn. Mr. Marshall improperly credited this amount to the account of Wm.-Briggs of Carleton Co., as there was no account open for Daniel Bell, who was supposed to be a pauper lunatio. Mr. Marshall has been in ill health for some two years and is unable to transact any business, and very considerable difficulty was expressed by the commissioners in ascertaining the facts. The sale of the real estate and other property of Mr. Bell amounted to \$1,183. The solicitor's costs were \$410.27, which were taxed by the attorney general argues that it is fair to all the provinces to have a re-adjustment along the lines laid down in the resolution. It may be fair from the scalution. It may be fair from the selliding provinces and of the rapidity growing provinces and of the rapidity growing provinces and of the rapidity growing provinces and of the large provinces and of the rapidity growing provinces. The social field from the hardly growing province. The social field from the standard from the lines laid down in the resolution. It may





FRENCH CANADIANS

ABOUND IN LOWELL

With a Proportion of One in Five Th a Factor.

(Worcester, Mass., Post.)
LOWELL, April 6.—One in every
sersons you meet on the streets here
rench-Canadian. That means that re than 20,000 of these pe

some are merchants and t ans and six are lawyers the largest merchant in the city rench-Canadian, who came here a an is 1868 without much money. Histories sallity, he rose from cierk to her of a store, and now he employs 15 The French-Canadians first began to to Lowell in '37 and '33 after the reb-in the province of Quebec, but the ar-at that time were few. After the reb-they began to come in large numbers were employed in the sawmills along Merrimac.

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In 1868 there were about 600 then in city, and that year they organized first congregation, and bought a church first congregation, and bought a church first congregation, and bought a church larged twice, and it now seats 2,000 pe They have also built St. Joseph's Ch on Merrimack street, which is one of largest churches in New England, have membership of 11,000.

There was a great influx of the Fr Canadians in '89 and '70, owing to crop ures in Canada.

The French-Canadians have four set in which both French and English taught. There are thirty-nine teachers ployed, of which thirt are sisters, nineteen Little Brothers of Mary.

They have various mutual benefit and ligious societies. One mothers' society a membership of 1,400 women, and and society for young unmarried women hemembership of 11,000. There is a soc of little girls, cailed the Children of M which has a membership of 600, and on little boys, with a membership of 400.

They have also societies of Foresters, erature, music and military, all of ware self-supporting and helpful in mu and educational welfare.

Many of the French-Canadians have vanced themselves industrially in the var ployed, but most of them are working different parts of the mill where they are ployed, but most of them are working different parts of the mill where the intrel conditions are poor.

In 1874 the French-Canadians had bec sufficiently numerous to elect a membe the common council. Since then their tical influence has increased, until to there are a dozen French-Canadians in council. At first they allied themse with the democratic party, but the lea business thoroughare of the democrats French-Canadian shave drifted away that party, and their vote is now alsolidly republican.

Upper Merrimack street, the lea business thoroughare of the town, is most wholly occured by French-Canadian still sticks to "Little dada." In one block alone in this see there are forty

ST. STEPHEN.

atest Local News from Banks of ST. STEPHEN, April 9 .- While o er towns and cities in the provi for this year, St. Stephen is able get along with \$500 less than last ye or \$25,097.20 in all.

John O'Malley, secretary of the sto cutters' union at St. George, has be a guest of Rev. Father Lavery duri the week. The visit of Mr. King, deputy m Ister of labor, has not accomplish all the good that was anticipated his visit to Milltown. Under the fluence of his sunny ways the wes returning to work. A few of them return next morning, but in the aft

noon put on their coats and came of The Thistle athletic club is alrea preparing for a day of field sports
May 25th, and are assured of entr
from Eastport, Machias, Cala
Cherryfield and provincial towns. T cherryfield and provincial towns. The events will probably be as follows:
and 220 yard dashes, quarter and has mile runs, hurdle race, running brodump, high jump, pole vault, half-minile and two mile bicycle races, minovice bicycle race, half-mile bothicycle race, boys' hundred yard das Seven gold and ten silver medals, the silver curs and other headers with the product of the p silver cups and other handsome priz will be offered. Entry blanks and pa ticulars can be had from N. Mar Mills, St. Stephen.

Marshal Campbell is confined to home by an attack of mumps a Maxwell Robinson is performing

duties.

Sussex lodge, A.F. and A.M., will he a social in their lodge room on Thu day evening of next week.

The St. Stephen driving park association will hold races on July ist a 13th, classes and purses to be annoured later. The following officers habeen elected for the year: W.C. Grimmer, president; F.C. Murch been elected for the year: W. C. Grimmer, president; F. C. Murch vice-president; E. H. Barter, secretary; John McGibbon, treasurer; W. H. Grimmer, F. C. Murchie, John M. Gibbon, Jas. E. Osborne, Walter Gram, Geo. McLain and E. H. Barter, track committee. The handsome silver cup woo by The handsome silver cup won by the thinking hockey team in the leagueries last winter is to be formally presented to them at a complimentary super to be tendered them by prominent citizens at the Windsor hotel Manday evening next. It is Monday evening next. It is now exhibition in the window of the s Croix Jewelry Co., and is greatly The Schoodic gun club is prepar

for a season of pigeon shooting an will hold its first match on Friday a The Knights Templars of St. Stephe and Calais will attend service at the Methodist church on Sunday afternoon Crocker's famous island and ground just below town, have been leased by C. W. Young for the purpose of establising golf links, tennis courts, baske ball grounds, boating club quarter and a place of general recreation to the people of the three towns durin the coming summer.

All the C. P. R. cars are now bein fitted with an attachment known at the Hatheway coupler. This is use for connecting the steam air brake an signal pipes at the ends of the cars and the main object of its adoption is the it saves considerable time in the maining up of trains. The coupler divided into as many compartments a there are pairs of tubes to be joine and these snap into their respective