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Newcastle.

PRIESTLEY'S CRAVENETTES.

The popularity of this fabric is coming into prominence more and more. A cloak made from this beautiful cloth will last for years, look very stylish, thoroughly waterproof, and at the same time throw off no disagreeable odor like common water proof cloth.

We have them in the pretty shades of Fawn and Oxford Gray and can make them according to the latest styles on the premises. Prices \$6.00 to 12.00 per garment.

ABOUT CLOTHS.

We seek only the reliable to put on sale. This year we have Whipcord, Vionas, Worsted, Serges, Scottish Tweeds, etc. also 50 patterns of new Patterns which make very presentable garments.

HAMMOCKS.
Summer will be here shortly. Hang one or two of these around the place and give the youngsters a chance of enjoyment.
Prices \$1.25, 1.50, 2.00.

AWNING STRIPES.

Suitable for tents, verandah shades, etc. In red and white.
Prices 20c and 25c.

ABOUT CLOTHING.

We are leaders in the line of Blue and Black Serge Suits, purchasing more of these garments than any other store in town, consequently we pay less for them than others do and sell at a lower price.

See these. The price is \$9.00 and 15.00. If they are not better value than can be had elsewhere don't buy.

We carry a full line of samples from a large custom tailoring establishment. We furnish suits to measure at from \$12.00 to 20.00. Fit guaranteed. You can have your suit in 10 days and save 25 per cent, by leaving your order here.

And now it is a Gentleman's Watch

Only \$8.00 for an American Waltham Watch in a Solid Silver case. If you want a Watch see this one before you buy or let us send you one by mail, if not satisfactory it can be returned.

We have opened up a new stock of Watch chains and finding that we have bought too many we have picked out a few patterns which we will sell at a bargain price of \$1.50 regular prices would be \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00.

H. WILLISTON & CO.

LACE CURTAINS.

We place on exhibition this week an elegant range of

WHITE LACE CURTAINS.

Prices ranging from 50c. to \$4.00 per pair. Also bed room curtains of White Swiss Muslin with lace insertion. A fine range of art muslins by the yard, Draperies of various kinds and qualities from 7c per yard upward.

Curtain Poles with wood or brass ends, 25c. each.

Window Shades, cloth, spring rollers, from 25c. upward. Oil finished shades on Hartshorn rollers, guaranteed, 50c. Blinds made up for schools or private dwellings on short notice.

CLARKE & CO.

NEW SPRING STYLES.

Hats in Gent's Spring Hats, Ties, etc., etc.

of Cloths for spring suitings, new and nobby.

of suits.

A large assortment of Muslin for ladies dresses.

Call and Examine. No trouble to show goods.

D. MORRISON

STERING HOL UP

may puzzle you at first to understand what this heading means. But commence at the right and you will soon understand that I do UPHOLSTERING in all its branches. If you have a piece of old furniture that is worn out bring it along. I will fix it as good as new and at a very reasonable figure.

ALSO CHAIRS RE-CANED, ETC.

E. CARTER.

IN REAR OF JOS. INGRAM'S BARBER SHOP

Alaskan Rebellion Against Licence Tax.

London, Wash., April 12.—Mail advices from Alaska say that the business men of Sitka and Juneau are planning rebellion against the authority of officers of the United States treasury. The merchants are banding together to refuse to pay the special licence tax which is levied on all business enterprises in Alaska, under authority of congress, in order to bring into the federal treasury money to partly meet the expenses of maintaining the territorial government. Fishing companies and other corporations have already refused to pay the tax, on the ground that the law imposing it is class legislation and unconstitutional.

REV. WM. AITKEN

Resigns his Pastorate of St. James' Church.

PASTOR FOR 22 YEARS.

A Memorial Read at Meeting of Presbytery. Mr. Aitken's Reply.

The presbytery of Miramichi met in St. James' Church, on Thursday the 10th to take into consideration the resignation of his charge by the Reverend William Aitken.

The night was stormy, but notwithstanding, there was a good attendance of Trustees and congregation of St. James'; and also of the members of Presbytery. After a few preliminary points, Mr. Aitken's resignation was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Aitken adhered to the resignation of his charge. In his past and recent state of health he could not do otherwise.

The St. James' people were then summoned to appear in their own interests. It was then stated by them that trustees and congregation had met together, and after full consideration, had come to a unanimous conclusion, and had appointed commissioners to represent them at Presbytery. The commissioners were present and were supported by James Falconer, Esq. who acted as chairman of the congregation.

Mayor Morrison on behalf of the commissioners, then stood up and stated that the memorial in his hand contained their unanimous agreement. This memorial he then read before the Presbytery and congregation. It runs as follows:

At a Congregational Meeting of St. James' Church, Newcastle, held in the Church Hall, on the ninth day of April, 1902, and called for the purpose of considering the resignation of our Pastor the Rev. William Aitken, as per Citation of Presbytery, it was unanimously resolved to adopt the following expression of the feeling and decision of the congregation:

It is with feelings of the deepest regret and sorrow that we approach the consideration of the resignation by our minister, the Rev. Mr. Aitken, of his sacred office as minister of this church and congregation. Through his long and faithful service of twenty two years, we have come not only to know the active love and tender sympathy of his nature, but also to respect and trust his judgment and decisions, and we feel that he has not taken this step without fullest consideration. We know too, that in tendering his resignation to Presbytery, Mr. Aitken has been actuated and guided by his steady and constant study of what he conceives to be the interest of the church.

He has given us the best of his life and of his strength, and now that he fears falling health may not allow him to take to the full, all the duties of his office, it is in keeping with his life-work, that he should seek, not the benefit of himself, but of his people. We deplore the cause which has led him to this decision, and we are filled with grief that it means the partial severance of the ties which so long have bound pastor and people.

As our minister, Mr. Aitken has always given us unparagoning of his best. The high order of his pulpit work is known and appreciated throughout the whole Canadian church. He has shared our sorrows and our joys; in all things he has been a true friend and earnest pastor. Not once throughout his long ministry have minister and people been at variance, and we proudly point to these twenty-two years as the imperishable record of loving, faithful and high-minded discharge of office on his part and of love, confidence and respect on ours. We are glad that Mr. Aitken will continue to live among us, and that we are still to have the advantages of association with him.

Our earnest hope and desire is, that he may be long spared to go out and in among us, and that he may be cheered and satisfied by seeing in us and in this community, fitting evidence of his faithful life-work for our temporal, moral and spiritual welfare.

Owing to our pastor's long service among us, and recognizing that ill health has early overtaken him, we the congregation here assembled, hereby order and ordain that the Trustees do each and every year during Mr. Aitken's life, set apart out of the funds of the Church the sum of two hundred dollars, as a yearly retiring allowance for him, and that they annually pay the same to him.

JAMES FALCONER, Chairman.

Mr. Aitken, feeling deeply the kindness of his congregation spoke in the following manner.

Let me here under deep and strong feelings to which I dare not venture to give expression. The occasion is a solemn one. The resignation of my ministerial charge is a serious matter. It points me distinctly to the past. Deep responsibility lies there. Eternal issues have been the result of every action; the embodiment of every thought, the echo of every word. This is a solemn thought. Mr. Moderator I must not

Mayor Snowball Resigns

In the Chatham civic contest, or yesterday, Mayor Snowball was elected by a Majority of eighty-five. 800 votes were polled and he worked hard all day to induce electors to vote for their respective candidate.

SHOT HIS FATHER.

The Act of an Insane Young Quebec Man

MONTREAL, April 12.—The police have received information from Varennes that Albert Lussier, Seigneur of Varennes, formerly a member on the Quebec Legislature, was shot and fatally injured this morning. His son, Aime Lussier, has been arrested charged with the crime. The story told by the police is to the effect that the family were aroused early this morning by the strange actions of young Lussier, who showed unmistakable signs of insanity and attempted to eject his mother and sister from the house. The father interfered and it is said was shot twice.

enter now upon this phase of the matter. My people have met me tonight in a more genial spirit; they have spoken, it is true, in a sad and serious spirit—but they have especially spoken to their retiring pastor in words of kindness and love and sympathy. That memorial read by the Mayor is a master piece. It is so full of love and kindly pathos that I cannot restrain the onrush of my warmest thoughts. It makes me feel how deeply and earnestly a people may become attached to their minister. My ministry here has been a long one, as ministries go at the present time. I have been minister of St. James' church during the past twenty-two years. That is a long time, but in many respects it has been a happy time. During the first fifteen years, I was blessed with perfect health and strength. Then came a season of sickness when I was laid aside for nearly a year. After this long rest I was able to return and take up my work again. That continued during the following seven years, and it was only in the fall of the past year that my health again failed. It was then I decided to tender this resignation of my charge. I felt clearly that whatever sacrifice was involved, it should fall upon the minister and not upon the people.

After this I resolved to build a house and asked the Trustees to sell me a lot of land. With their usual generosity they freely presented me with a very desirable lot.

My people have been kind and respectful to me, and always ready to help on with the good work of building up Christ's Kingdom. I have every reason to love them warmly in return. During these twenty-two years I have never had an unkind or disrespectful word from man woman or child in my congregation. I bless God who in His Providence led me to such a charge.

And now Mr. Moderator, I must say a few words in regard to St. James' church. I must speak very shortly of its past and its present. Some people have been ready enough to say St. James' church ought to have given more money for this purpose, and more money for that. Such people know little or nothing about St. James' church. Why she has been the very mother of churches. In the ministry of my predecessors, she fostered and equipped Red Bank church, and sent forth to spread the gospel in that western district. In the beginning of my own ministry, Douglastown which was part of St. James' church, went forth on her own responsibility. Then Nelson which was also a part of St. James' church, built a church, and recently uniting with Douglastown, called a minister and became an independent and self-sustaining congregation. These three congregations are composed of people who formerly belonged to St. James' church. I claim therefore that St. James' church has always been a liberal church. I claim that she has done more than any other church within the bounds of the Presbytery of the Miramichi, in spreading the gospel and building up the Kingdom of Christ in the surrounding districts.

And now Mr. Moderator, I must speak briefly of the noble spirit with which my people have met me here tonight.

My friends, the words of that memorial just read are dear to me. Your expressions of love and kindness are of the warmest nature. And may I not receive them in their fulness? Certainly I may and must. The proof is at hand. They are accompanied by an annual gift of the most munificent character. Your retired pastor leaves with an annual allowance which cannot fail to stir every feeling of gratitude. I sincerely wish you all great success in the future. I hope you may get an excellent, talented and thoroughly Christian young minister. That is what you want. A minister who is equipped for every branch of the ministerial work. My earnest prayer is that you may all be highly blessed in your church, in your homes and as individuals.

As soon as convenient school accounts will be submitted to the board for submission next year.

Last year the school was closed in May and found considerable arrears in their report as well as in the 'Blue Book' of the town. It was thought that the above agreement, and also that they had offered them at that time, thought a report for the year 1901-2 was due the committee before the year closed and before the assessment ordered had been made.

The school board when it was found an indebtedness of about \$300 or a total indebtedness of about \$500 or so County Fund necessitating an increase of the rate of taxation. By the report of the school board of indebtedness together with considerable expenditure incurred from necessary repairs to the different buildings some time would elapse before the year 1901-2 would be closed. It was thought that the board should induce the board to obtain the legislation and issue bonds for the year 1901-2, and they hoped that in the future they not have to do business in a hand-to-hand fashion as formerly, but unfortunately the town council have failed to place the school on the school board, one dollar of the school assessment ordered for the year ending March 31st 1902, and the board are once again face to face with the old routine.

Since the present board have had control, they have placed a furnace in the Adams school with a suitable cellar for fuel. They have placed the Chaplin Island Road school in a habitable condition and added suitable out-buildings. In addition to this they found that this school in its present site was not on the ground as shown by the original deed and therefore they had a survey made new land including the buildings apportioned and the whole property satisfactorily arranged for in due recording of the same.

Owing to the crowded condition of Grades VII and VIII it became necessary to open a new department to embrace Grade VII and this necessitated the re-opening of the Regent Street school to which Grades I and II with their equipment were removed. The room vacated was refitted for Grade VII.

A large number of new maps and other supplies were placed in the different departments and now the board feel that the schools are well equipped for satisfactory work.

Below are added financial statements for two periods one from October 1899 to March 31st, 1901 and the second for the year ending March 31st, 1902.

From Oct. 1899 to March 31, 1902.

RECEIPTS.

	Notes of Board of School Trustees	\$	2000.00
1899.			
March 1,	Cash Co. Treasurer	312.00	
March 31,	" E. P. Williston back taxes	4.00	
June 16,	" Rens. Regent St. School	27.00	
Aug. 25,	" Co. Treasurer	234.00	
Oct. 6,	" E. P. Williston back taxes	23.00	
Dec. 1,	" Town Treasurer	2714.00	
Oct. 6,	" Tuition Fees	5.00	
Dec. 31,	" Tuition Fees	8.00	
1901.			
Feb. 26,	" Co. Treasurer	220.75	
March 31,	" Town Treasurer	268.00	
		6402.00	

EXPENDITURES.

March 31,	Teachers sal. Oct. 1899 to March 31, 1901	\$4180.00
	Soc'y salary Nov. 30 1899 to March 31, 1901	135.00
	Janitor's sal. Oct. 1899 to March 31, 1901	389.83
	Fuel	235.25
	Real Harkins Academy one year	270.00
	Purchase Adams School	884.20
	P. Henney's Note—Bal.	254.00
	Discounts and Interest—Bank account	100.15
	Interest on M. Henney's Bond	345.00
	School Supplies	123.00
	Rents	38.15

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