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We have on hand and are selling low a large assortment of  
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25, Tabular Ladders, Board, Shingle, Horse and Smelt Box Nails, Glass,  
11 kinds of Tinware Full line of STOVES in all the best patterns,  
No. 1 Niagara, Cooking, and a choice selection of Best and Parlor Stoves,  
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## A Full Line of Cheap Furniture.

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TOOK OF GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS, &c. &c.  
Low—150 quanta Dried Codfish, 110 quanta Dried Ling, 120 bbls Fall  
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Market price paid for Hay, Oats, Beef, Chickens, Partridges, Geese and  
Ducks and Mites. Also—Fruit, Eggs, Bolls and Smelts.  
—12000 Smelt Boxes—assorted sizes

—Dec 22 wky 3m

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# MICHI FOUNDRY COMPANY

## Chatham N B

HEAD, Manager: J. M. RUDDOCK, Mechanical Superintendent.

## MANUFACTURERS OF

## AM ENGINES AND BOILERS,

Rotary Saw Mills, Gang Edgers and Shingle  
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## WE HAVE THE SOLE RIGHT TO MANUFACTURE

## Disconsin PATENT ROTARY SAW CARRIAGE

capable of doing the work of a gang with four men less.

rated Saw Grinders, Ship and Mill Castings of all kinds, Brass or Iron,  
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variety. Threshing Machines  
three different  
patterns.

## OF EVERY DESCRIPTION ALWAYS ON HAND.

very facility for turning out work usually done in a first-class Foundry,  
parties requiring machinery for Mills, Steamboats, Factories, &c. are  
sent with us before purchasing elsewhere. All orders entrusted to us  
with despatch and in a first-class manner.  
—22-1 wky 1y

## ands & the Public!

to Chatham and wish to  
RE, ask for

## WOMEN'S NEW TINSHOP,

and the cheapest and best

## FINISHING GOODS

public. We would kindly  
to call and inspect our  
prices before purchasing  
Shop in the Town Clock

WOODS & McEWEN,  
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Chatham, N B

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## DS, GROCERIES

## LIQUORS.

Shoes  
and Crockeryware  
made Clothing

will be sold low for Cash.

—22-1 wky 1y

## Received!

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## Currants & c

## Lemon

## sence Peppermint

—ALSO—

## NAVY TOBACCO

## JOB

to low by

## NICHOLAS BARDEN

—22-1 wky 1y

## RS OF HORSES!

number's Epizootic Powder  
\$1.00, and  
number's Epizootic Liniment  
50 cents.  
sure the worst case of Epi-  
zootic or Cold. Prepared  
Veterinary Surgeon, No 555  
St. Louis, and formerly Veteri-  
nary to the Royal Stables, England  
by Brunswick-St, Frederic-  
ton Dominion of Canada. For  
details  
instructions have been in use in  
the last three months and  
total satisfaction in all cases.

JOHN WILEY.

## ESTIMONIALS.

Fredericton, Oct 27, 1880

I used Chamber's Epizootic  
Liniment, and take pleasure in  
it as a speedy and certain  
remedy for preventing  
Chatham & Alberton

Every  
Stable  
in a Gaucho  
as E Smith

WM SMITH,  
Deputy Min. Marine & Fisheries.

Department Marine, &c.,  
Ottawa, Dec 7, 1880

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## LOCAL MATTERS.

Tomocods.

Parties have begun the shipment of  
the neglected tomocods to the States.

## Bas Fishing Notes

There are at present 20 Bass "shanties"  
on the North West. A great  
number of those shanties are occupied by  
men from Chatham.

## Large Purchase.

Messrs R. A. & J. Stewart have purchased  
a managing interest in the old  
Gilmour & Rankin mill of late controlled  
by Temple & Hillyard, at Bathurst.

## Machinery Finished.

All the machinery for the Extract  
Factory at Derby was completed yester-  
day at the Miramichi Foundry, and will  
be taken at once to the Factory. The  
Foundry at present has 40 hands em-  
ployed, including boiler makers, machin-  
ists, moulders, etc.

## Fine Beef.

Mr. Vanstone has on exhibition one of  
the finest and fattest carcasses of beef  
ever seen in Chatham. The ox, which  
weighed when dressed 1,050 pounds, was  
but four years old, and was purchased  
from Mr. Withersell of Newcastle. advt

## Lumbering Notes.

Coun. K. Cameron is lumbering on  
Bartholomew River. He has 6 teams  
and nearly 40 men employed. He will  
get out 3,000,000 for Messrs J. & S.  
Fairly.

Mr. J. Fairly who lumbers on Dungar-  
von, has 6 teams and about 40 men  
employed. He will get out over 2,000,-  
000 for Mr. J. Scott of Blackville.

Mr. J. L. Murray who also lumbers  
there has 8 teams and about 40 men  
employed. He will get out 3,000,000  
for Snowball this winter.

## The Shortest Day.

Yesterday was the shortest day of the  
year the sun being vertical at the  
tropics of capricorn. This is the worst  
time for the Esquimaux and other deni-  
zations of the North frigid zone. There is  
total darkness there save that there is  
again for an hour or two the mountains  
and the fields of ice are flooded with the  
mellow trembling light of the aurora  
borealis. Since the 21st of June last,  
in the astronomer's phrase the sun has  
been travelling southward. It has now  
reached the southern limit beyond which  
it never can pass; and now in that  
cheerless land where stunted moss and  
wretched shrubs are the best nature can  
bear, it is midsummer. The huge  
Patagonian, smoking guano, is enjoying  
his palmy days; spearing fish, and hunt-  
ing wild animals through the mountains.  
But the good old sun has turned back,  
and from now till the 21st of June next,  
the longest day, he will travel North;  
and the dead buds and plants and  
flowers will lie sleeping beneath the snow  
till he arrives and wakes them.

## Fishing Notes.

Fishing smelt on the main Miramichi  
has proven disheartening work, so far  
this season. Messrs. Cribbs and Mills of  
Chatham have taken up their nets and  
gone to the Little North West, Kent  
County, to fish for smelt. In six nights  
they have taken 5 tons. There are  
about 65 nets where they are fishing,  
mostly owned by Frenchmen.

## A SUGGESTION.

There seems no doubt at all but that  
the smelt business from the Miramichi  
is suffering from injudicious shipments.  
There are not too many smelt taken  
during the two open months to supply  
all the markets for December, January  
and February, but there are too many  
taken to supply December and January  
only; especially so if cargo after cargo  
is dumped into a market in which there  
is little or no demand. Proper attention  
given to shipping by the shippers would  
keep up a paying demand for our  
smelt all the season round; but owing to  
a lack of proper attention, to this,  
already several cargoes this  
winter have been dumped  
upon the markets, bringing less  
there, than at the Chatham Station. In  
view of all these facts it seems to us that  
the shippers should put their heads  
together and devise some plan to guard  
their own interests—which are the inter-  
ests of the fishermen as well. Such a  
plan should have for its object the  
regulation of the markets. To this end  
the shippers ought to meet say once a  
week and decide a course of action for  
the coming week. They should bring  
all the information possible with them  
respecting the capacity of the markets,  
and regulate their supply during the  
next week according to the demand. If  
for example the market were glutted  
it should be ordered that no ship-  
per send to that market for the week;  
and the same should be done with respect  
to the other markets. Shipments should  
be allowed only to whatever market there  
was a demand; and if all the markets  
should ever happen to be supplied, the  
fish on the shippers hands might be  
stowed away. For remember all  
through February there will be no fish  
taken, so that there will then be ample  
time to work off the accumulated store.  
As it is now there is neither method nor  
money in the shipments. Each shipper  
fires away to whatever market his fancy  
suits him; and if A sees B eagerly ship-  
ping to Boston, and is in a quondam  
himself where to ship, he eagerly follows  
suit. So does C, and D and E—and the  
result is they swamp each other,  
and help to kill the business. If ship-  
pers only worked in harmony—as a man  
trade both for themselves and the fisher-  
men.

## STAR BRIEFS.

—Christmas greeting has begun.

—Saturday will be Christmas day.

—A Soiree is to be held in Chatham  
Head School House on Friday night  
next.

—Ten teams were down here on Mon-  
day last, belonging to different lumber  
parties up river.

—An "Apron Fair" was held in the  
Temperance Hall on Tuesday, under the  
auspices of the Methodist Church.

—One of the engines in Nelsons  
machine shop broke down on Monday,  
in consequence of which box making had  
to be suspended.

## A Cure for the Epizootic.

We publish in another column today  
an advertisement sent us from Frederic-  
ton by Mr. John Wiley which the  
owners of horses here would do well to  
clip out, and follow. The epizootic  
raged in Fredericton, but as the testi-  
monials to Mr. Wiley show, the medicine  
he is the agent for, proved a conqueror  
of the distemper. Those having sick  
horses, should not fail to get the medi-  
cine.

## Poor Vendor.

According to the prophet 11 feet of  
snow was to have fallen today. The  
weather is beginning to pay no attention  
whatever to what Vendor says. "You  
know the storm was to have been earlier  
in the month, but as it did not come,  
the prophet put it off till today."

## Notes from the Capital.

The recent death of several prominent  
citizens casts a damper on local politics.  
The fire is however starting again.  
Zablin Everitt is trying to keep before  
the public. With a tremendous fore-  
cast he thought he could make a few votes  
by acting as auctioneer at the Baptist tea  
soiree. It is now the opinion that  
Smith will be the Mayor; if so we may  
expect a better class of Aldermen.

We had a meeting of capitalists last  
week at the call of Mr. Chestnut. There  
were present Joseph Gaynor Gill, Henry  
Chestnut, C. H. Lugin, (Editor-in-chief  
of the Capital) Mr. Cropley, Mr.  
Zablin Everitt and others. Matters  
affecting the present and future of the  
City were discussed and after mature de-  
liberation the patriotic gentlemen have  
decided to invest all their capital in  
local public works. What a hum will  
be in Fredericton! One gentleman not  
having just now the hard cash to invest  
volunteered to take charge of the  
\$10,000 the Dominion Government are  
to spend on the St. John River. No  
one present had any doubt of his ability  
to discharge this duty to the satisfaction  
of himself. He was unanimously  
appointed. It was suggested that  
Northern Pacific bonds could be obtained  
to build the bridge. Mr. Everitt and Mr.  
Chestnut will attend to this duty well.  
The only question now is whether said  
bridge is to be up or down town. I  
hope and trust however, this matter will  
go over. I think now between you  
and me Captain Cropley oughtn't to be  
too hard. He should let Mr. Chestnut  
have the bridge, since he has the Rail-  
way from here to Chatham. It is  
thought here, though it is not publicly  
talked, that the chief object in building  
the road is to carry Capt. Cropley's  
Capital. George Perks thoroughly  
favors it on this ground.

Though George Perks takes  
the above grounds strongly, Captain Cro-  
pley says "There is the military consid-  
eration too George."

It will be hard on Mr. Everitt to look  
after the shoe factory while he is Mayor  
—but likely Charley Lugin will give  
him a lift, as things are quiet now at  
Madawaska.

Mr. Blair and Mr. Thompson are not  
taken with any of the great public  
works—they would rather see the Govern-  
ment turned out. Mr. Blair says  
the promoters are visionary craters.  
He thinks the \$10,000 will be looked  
after.

This is a wicked world truly. Be-  
cause the proprietor of a grocery store  
here informed the police where liquor  
was illegally sold, an attacking party  
organized and made a sortie on his  
store and house.

I think the grocer in  
question is a public benefactor and  
ought to have a salary fixed on him,  
because I believe he has informed on  
more illegal sellers than any one else in  
the city. Instead of being publicly  
rewarded, as far as I can learn no one  
would care to take a policy on his  
life.

Alexander Gibson Esq., has returned  
from the west favorably impressed with  
cotton mills I learn.

Mr. Samuel Babbit one of our most  
upright and respected citizens is dead.  
He was for many years cashier of the  
people bank, a position he filled with  
credit to himself and to the full  
satisfaction of the directors. Such men  
passing away makes one sad—they are  
a loss to any country.

Mr. Harry Beck with having assumed  
some offices filled by his father, could  
not attend to the sergeant-ship of arms  
and has resigned. So says the Capital  
—but the same is untrue.

Some one has stopped reading the  
Capital because of some little paragraph  
the editors put in; but what matter  
about this—the Captain informs his  
readers twice in the same article that  
the other Provincial papers "quote the  
Capital" in the same article he  
predicts the coming of the Weekly  
Capital. The try-weekly is also to be  
daily—but this will all happen after the  
St. John river is bridged, and Zablin  
Everitt is Mayor, and the shoe factory is  
built—and after Fred Thompson is Ator-  
ney General.

Will be more regular in the future.

Yours,  
CELESTUS

## The Ill-fated "Nonantum."

HER SAD FATE—THE TERRIBLE SUFFERINGS  
OF THE CREW.

## CAPTAIN BROWN'S EXPLANATION.

From a cable to the St. John News  
we learn that the Steamer Curlew, from  
St. George's Bay, brings an account of  
the loss of the bark Nonantum, which  
sailed from Miramichi, November 19th  
for Gibraltar. She encountered a storm  
on the 20th and 21st, losing topmast  
and deckload. On 22nd both anchors  
were put down, but one gave way, and  
the masts were cut away to ease the  
vessel. The sea swept over her contin-  
ually. On the 23rd the crew left in  
two boats, one capsizing and losing all  
the provisions, but was subsequently  
righted, and this boat, after twenty hours  
struggle, landed its crew in a cove near  
St. George's Bay. The other boat, with  
six men, was lost by swamping in the  
heavy sea. The crew of the life boat,  
eleven in number, landed and the cook  
died in a few hours from exhaustion. The  
remaining men clambered to the top of  
the cliffs and travelled about in the  
woods for six days. They made a  
camp, but stayed but a short time. No  
habitation could be found. The pro-  
visions gave out, and several died in  
the snow from starvation and cold. Capt.  
Dooley fell from exhaustion and cold,  
leaving the mate named Kader, and a  
seaman named Dooley only alive.

These two laid down in the snow,  
after ten days wandering, to die; but  
they were accidentally found by  
two men who took them to the village.  
A party went in search of the wrecked  
seamen, and found Captain Johnson in  
sensible, and the remaining members of  
the crew dead. The Captain died  
shortly after being taken to a house.  
Kader and Dooley were so frost bit-  
ten and suffering from pulmonary con-  
gestion that they could not live. The  
Nonantum had a cargo of deals. The  
coast between St. George's Bay and  
Cape Ray is strewn with wreckage, and  
from accounts not yet quite authenti-  
cated probably other tales of wrecked  
life and property will be made known.

Touching the above subject we have  
received the following communication  
from Captain Brown, one of the three  
Port Wardens, and at the same time  
a feeling about here against the  
Company's Agent and the Wardens, we  
gladly publish the letter:—

CHATHAM, N. B. Dec. 21st.

To the Editor of the STAR.

DEAR SIR.—Before the "Nonantum"  
put to sea "The Surveyors called upon the  
Port Wardens to proceed down the  
river to survey the barque "Nonantum."  
We found the ship with a strong list to  
starboard, the only objection we saw.  
A portion of the crew said it was the  
deckload which caused this. The  
Surveyors then ordered the deck load to  
be hoisted over, and the tall masts and  
the top gallant mast, sent down, the  
mizzen top mast hoisted, the boats  
taken from the shields and houses and  
placed on deck.

Yours Respectfully,  
J. J. Browns,

[For the Surveyors.]

Capt. Brown's letter is relieving in a  
measure to the wardens, of which board  
of wardens the captain is a member.  
But if the telegram we publish above be  
true, the explanation is hardly sufficient;  
for it is stated that the ship lost her  
deckload on the 21st in a storm two days  
after the vessel had left for sea. It cer-  
tainly looks queer that the sailors having  
the authority of the wardens to throw  
the deck load overboard did not do so  
then, but over and over the work in  
hand. However the telegram may be  
wrong in this—we suppose the pilot who  
towed the ship out knows something  
about it. The mistake was that the  
survey was made after night, and a dark  
foggy night at that. We are unacquainted  
with the minutes of surveys, but we  
fancy that is a loose system of surveying  
that can be carried on in a few minutes  
of a dark night. But then we ought to  
look at the other side too. The owners  
of the cargo of deals wanted to get  
their property across the Atlantic, and  
the quicker they got the ship away the  
better. In looking over the whole  
matter even to the drowning and the  
freezing of the two boats crews, the same  
important fact would be in mind.  
Those who know little about ship-  
ping know less when she is for or ashore  
and if there were any such persons con-  
nected with this case, they are not so  
culpable, if culpable at all, as those who  
ought to know if the Nonantum was  
unsafe, if indeed she were so. We know  
not what the law says is to be done after  
the warden gives the order. When our  
wardens gave their order, they steamed  
away—and did not know whether their  
order was carried out or not. Perhaps  
the law did not require the wardens to  
wait and see it carried out. Perhaps  
the storm which was signing its mourn-  
ful song through the rigging of the  
doomed ship, while the wardens were  
examining her, made it too hot for the  
vessel to stay about the shore, and that  
she put to sea to carry out the order,  
and that the storm coming on gave the  
crew all they could do to manage the  
ship till a heavy sea came and took the  
work prescribed by the wardens of their  
hands. It is worth while now in justice  
to the 11 frozen corpses and their six  
drowned mates to say that no care was  
shown in loading the ship. Though she  
had no ballast in they filled her hold with  
dry deals, green stuff just from the saw  
was put between decks, and for a deck-  
load. She was a queer spectacle to see  
as she passed down the river, her rail in  
the water, her deckload hanging as the  
roof of a house, attracting peepers from  
all quarters to look at her. Without a  
deal on deck, or shred of topmast or fort-  
mast, we believe the vessel was not

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How MR. BLAKE STANDS.—HON. MR.  
LANGEVIN'S SPEECH.—HE PUNCTURES  
THE OPPOSITION ARGUMENT AND LAYS  
MR. BLAKE'S GHOST—THE MANIFESTO  
AND OTHER MATTERS.

You are doubtless anxious to learn  
from me something further on the pro-  
gress of the great Railway debate. I  
think in my last I was dealing with  
Ma. BLAKE  
when I left off. You know I suppose  
that Mr. Blake and Mr. Mackenzie are  
not on good terms; that they are hardly  
ever seen to speak, that at caucus they  
are at loggerheads, and that  
it is only by the greatest effort  
a public rupture between them  
can be staved off. You know how  
galling it is for a man like Mackenzie  
who with all his faults had many shin-  
ing virtues, to be superseded by Mr.  
Blake who may any day again go into  
a sulky for another lustrium. Giving  
the devil himself his due Mr. Mackenzie has  
a good practical head, has sound com-  
mon sense—and it must be galling to  
be deemed to him who was once the Premier  
of Canada, and who refused the empty  
bauble of knighthood to have his policy  
ignored by the man who supersedes him.  
Mind you Mr. Mackenzie would give not  
Twenty-five million acres to any syn-  
dicate besides a \$20,000,000 cash bonus  
to build the road, but

FIFTY FIVE MILLION ACRES  
and a \$20,000,000 cash bonus to build  
it. His party endorsed this in Council,  
they proclaimed their policy in the House,  
they advertised for contractors, boasted  
they were going to get it built for that,  
but none took their offer. Blake says  
he was no party to that, but he was  
sulking at the time and differed from  
every other man belonging to the party.  
But those who now howl out because this  
Government gives 25,000,000 acres, the  
Burpees, the Cartwrights, the Hanting-  
tons, the Mills and the wholets would in  
'76 give 55,000,000 acres. Blake  
however was wiser than any, but prob-  
ably if no syndicate took the offer, he  
might think now as he thought four years  
ago that "55,000,000 was none too  
little." There is nothing like having a  
difficultly solved before you express an  
opinion upon it.

I know Mackenzie hates Blake—  
every plaudit the hated rival receives  
from Opposition admirers, is a poisoned  
dart settling in the discarded leader's  
heart. You know no man likes to be  
supplanted by another, even if his post  
be the meanest. Then fancy to yourself,  
a man thoroughly qualified in his own  
estimation for all the duties of a leader,  
a man who was Premier of Canada,  
who humbled Sir John and his forces,  
who did more departmental work than  
any other Minister, because he had a  
Waterloo following his Austerlitz, de-  
graded from the position of leader, and  
surrendering his position to a sulky sub-  
ordinate. Depend upon it, harmony  
there can never be among the Grits—  
there lies in that body now a gulf that  
cannot be spanned. It is a sickly combi-  
nation, doubly weak, by being divided.  
I am told that Richard Cartwright hates  
and envies Mr. Blake. He has said,  
and it is well known, that so long as  
Mackenzie remained leader Cartwright  
was satisfied, but he felt that he him-  
self had prior claims to Blake; and  
though he had made a kind of outward  
show towards having Blake made the  
leader, he always felt, and still feels the  
injustice done himself.

I believe I left off in the midst of  
Mr. Blake's speech. This speech pre-  
dicted like the coming of Donati's  
Great Comet has been here, and passed  
away, and nothing has been disturbed.  
The allegiance of no member has been  
shaken, the Opposition are no better off  
than before. Jealousy knows at Macken-  
zie's liars worse than the value did  
at Prometheus; the injured man throws  
cold water on the effects of the orators  
work. But Blake came armed with a  
great many facts, and a great many  
figures. They were in his hand a  
mighty sword, but unfortunately it was  
a two edged sword that cut his own party  
as it cut his opponents. He waxed  
eloquent when he spoke of unhappy  
Irishmen fleeing across the seas from  
the landlords rod to find here a scorpion;  
in this corporation to find a body without  
a soul—which saying he forgot at the  
time to credit to Daniel O'Connell. But  
I refer not now Sir to his plagiarisms;  
but I do refer to his absurdity. I ask  
you and your readers, in the name of  
common sense what value will the lands  
be to this body without a soul, unless  
the said body sell them? And once sold  
surely then the landlordism with the  
scorpion attached will be at an end;  
of what then does Mr. Blake speak?

After Mr. Blake had finished and re-  
covered the hand shaking and the  
curses not loud but deep of Cartwright  
and Mackenzie.

HON. H. L. LANGEVIN.  
arose. Mr. Langevin did not rise to  
make rounded sentences, sensation  
padding, though he is a most brilliant  
rhetorician, but he merely stood up to  
offer a series of common sense objections  
to the rhetorical storm of Mr. Blake.  
He saw that Blake had raised a number  
of ghosts, that stood before the eyes of  
frightened members. Before he sat  
down he "laid" these.

The Hon. gentleman in a manner  
that showed he was master of his subject  
in a cool way traced the railway matter  
from its source down to the present,  
showing that it was a National work, one  
to which the Honor and the Integrity of  
the country are bound. Indeed it formed  
part of the terms of the entry into the  
Union by one member of the Confed-  
eration. Both parties had admitted  
this; both were committed to building  
the railway; and the modus was what he  
would then refer to; would show the  
modus the Opposition had tried to  
adopt to build it; and would compare  
these means with the method this Gov-

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erment had just adopted. The country  
would have to pass judgment there.

Hon. gentlemen in the house were not  
benefit of memory, and they could there-  
fore follow him a few years back. In  
1873 the estimated cost of building the  
road was \$84,000,000; at that the  
country was not alarmed. In 1876 the  
honorable gentleman opposite who were  
so heart broken over this contract, put  
the cost of building down at \$104,-  
000,000!!! This modest sum was to  
have been in part made up by 55,000,-  
000 acres of land—not regarded in  
those days much of a monopoly at all;  
and Mr. Mackenzie felt proud and happy.  
Then there was no danger to the North  
West. Now the cost of building, the  
cost according to this hideous contract  
was \$78,000,000 and Mr. Macken-  
zie and Mr. Mackenzie's party are  
thunderstruck. The cost is made up  
in part by 25,000,000 acres of land to  
a Syndicate, a cruel crushing monopoly,  
that will make independence and free-  
dom to wither under its Upan influence  
—a ten times, a hundred times more  
hateful and odious monopoly was it than  
deed to him who was once the Premier  
of Canada, and who refused the empty  
bauble of knighthood to have his policy  
ignored by the man who supersedes him.  
Mind you Mr. Mackenzie would give not  
Twenty-five million acres to any syn-  
dicate besides a \$20,000,000 cash bonus  
to build the road, but

FIFTY FIVE MILLION ACRES  
and a \$20,000,000 cash bonus to build  
it. His party endorsed this in Council,  
they proclaimed their policy in the House,  
they advertised for contractors, boasted  
they were going to get it built for that,  
but none took their offer. Blake says  
he was no party to that, but he was  
sulking at the time and differed from  
every other man belonging to the party.  
But those who now howl out because this  
Government gives 25,000,000 acres, the  
Burpees, the Cartwrights, the Hanting-  
tons, the Mills and the wholets would in  
'76 give 55,000,000 acres. Blake  
however was wiser than any, but prob-  
ably if no syndicate took the offer, he  
might think now as he thought four years  
ago that "55,000,000 was none too  
little." There is nothing like having a  
difficultly solved before you express an  
opinion upon it.

I know Mackenzie hates Blake—  
every plaudit the hated rival receives  
from Opposition admirers, is a poisoned  
dart settling in the discarded leader's  
heart. You know no man likes to be  
supplanted by another, even if his post  
be the meanest. Then fancy to yourself,  
a man thoroughly qualified in his own  
estimation for all the duties of a leader,  
a man who was Premier of Canada,  
who humbled Sir John and his forces,  
who did more departmental work than  
any other Minister, because he had a  
Waterloo following his Austerlitz, de-  
graded from the position of leader, and  
surrendering his position to a sulky sub-  
ordinate. Depend upon it, harmony  
there can never be among the Grits—  
there lies in that body now a gulf that  
cannot be spanned. It is a sickly combi-  
nation, doubly weak, by being divided.  
I am told that Richard Cartwright hates  
and envies Mr. Blake. He has said,  
and it is well known, that