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THE MAYOR'S EXPLANATION.

The unsatisfactory condition in which last year's council left the city's finances has called forth very unfavorable comment and severe criticism. Some of the present aldermen and the mayor are responsible for this state of affairs. It was to be expected, therefore, that at Thursday's special meeting of the board Mayor Hazen would make some explanation as to the cause of the lavish overdrawing, and the consequent mortgaging of this year's assessment to the bank, and seek in some way to justify the council's course, and in this our citizens have not been disappointed.

Mayor Hazen seeks first to explain that the city had invariably owed the bank at the close of the civic year, and that last year it stood as well in this respect as in the previous year; that last year the assessment was $38,000 as against $40,000 the year before, or in other words, the council had $2,000 less than in 1886 for civic purposes than in 1887; that an indebtedness to the schools of $2,336 had been carried over to last year and paid out of that assessment; that $1,000 had been expended for new hose; and that extras were necessary for improvements on the alms house. He sought to justify the mortgaging of this year's assessment to the bank on the ground that the same plan was adopted before.

Our citizens will find, we fancy, little cause for congratulation in the explanation. Their chief ground for complaint was the fact that the council of 1887 was extravagant and reckless in its administration of affairs with an assessment sufficient for all needful purposes, and Mayor Hazen has not submitted any facts to warrant any other belief than that the council was decidedly extravagant.

His reference to the extras on the alms house and to the large purchase of hose are merely admissions of waste of the people's money, and his statement as to the school indebtedness only goes to show that other councils, of which he was a member, either illegally spent portion of the assessment for schools instead of placing it to the credit of the trustees, or did not as the law required them to do, assess for the needed amount. He is, too, somewhat unfortunate in his contrast between the assessment of 1886 and '87. The former he claims to have been $2,000 more than the latter. As he implies that all of the assessment of 1886 was for ordinary purposes he is, to put it very mildly, misleading. In the assessment of 1886, $3,000 were assessed exclusively for the purpose of taking up debentures which fell due in that year, not an ordinary expenditure. This, therefore, would give the council of '86 $1,000 less for ordinary expenditure than had the board of last year. So that Mayor Hazen's contention, on the very ground chosen by himself, that the council of last year had shown more prudence than the council of the year previous, is not supported by fact. It may be said that $3,000 debentures fell due last year, but while this is so, the debentures were paid only by the issue of others. Thus Mayor Hazen is not very fortunate in his explanations.

As to the overdrawing of the bank account, the city has no legal right to overdraw. It has not the power to borrow even a dollar without special legislation, and the sooner this pernicious practice of overdrawing is stopped the better. It has led only to extravagance and recklessness. The fact that some councils in the past have resorted to this method of business is no reason why it should be continued. It is in the power of the mayor to put a stop to the practice. It was done before, and the city felt the benefit of it. It should be done again.

HON. ALEXANDER MACKENZIE.

The Toronto News is authority for the statement that the health of the Hon. Alexander Mackenzie is fast breaking down and that the expremier will, in consequence, probably be compelled to retire from political life. All right thinking persons throughout the Dominion, of whatever shade of politics, will learn this with deep regret. During his administration Mr. Mackenzie commanded the respect of liberal and conservative alike, except of course those who were so blinded by prejudice that they could see nothing good outside their own fold. Though many attempts were made by unprincipled opponents to depreciate his work, by charging him with political dishonesty and corruption, his honorable course was an answer to their false and empty charges, and time has served but to further show their hollowness and to vindicate his name. When the future historian of Canada describes the man who once ruled this great Dominion, the name of Alexander Mackenzie will be found associated with all that was honorable in the political history of his time, and his course will serve as a worthy example for statesmen of a coming generation to follow.

THEY YIELD NOT A POINT.

The liberals of Britain are every day receiving fresh assurances that the cause which they have taken in hand must ultimately triumph. They have not yielded an iota to the so-called liberal unionists who broke with their former leader, not for the purpose of preserving what they call the integrity of the empire, but for the purpose, if possible, of winning for themselves a name.

Just as the liberals of Britain have yielded not a point in order to secure the reins of power, so it is with the liberals of Canada. They might long ago have cared themselves to victory if they had yielded those principles which ever actuated them, and been content to pursue the course which tory leaders have done. They have, however, yielded not a point, and though, on account of base election methods, bye-elections have not brought them the assurances which they have done in Britain, they rest firm in their conviction that the days or corruption are drawing to a close and that honesty and good government must in the end prevail.

THEY WON'T MIX.

There seems to be a row in the tory camp. Sir Hector Langevin has become displeased about something that his colleagues have done, and won't mix with them. L'Electeur tells us that, "Sir John and Hon. Messrs. T. White and Costigan took possession of the splendid ministerial car on the return from Quebec to Montreal en route to Ottawa, and it was much noticed that Sir Hector had taken a first class ticket just like an ordinary mortal. As may well be thought, this very apparent disunion was the subject of conversation with all the passengers. Affairs are getting mixed and the conduct of the ministers shows it. They don't even take the trouble to draw the curtain." Everybody knows that Sir Hector and Chapleau have long been at loggerheads, but few knew that the knights ever had any trouble with the other members of the government. It is just possible that Sir Hector is having but a sulky fit, and that a few days will see him again in the embrace of his master.

NEWS OF THE WORLD CONDENSED

From Our Own Telegraphic Reports and Our Exchanges.

Personal, Political and Religious News of the Day.

Cable, American, Canadian and General Topics.

Cable.

The condition of the Crown Prince of Germany is reported serious.

A terrific earthquake has occurred in the province of Yunn, China. Two thousand lives are reported lost.

T. R. Buchanan, Gladstonian, has been elected to the Commons for the west division of Edinburgh, by a large majority.

The lower house of the Hungarian diet by a great majority has adopted the budget and voted confidence in the government.

A memorial presented to St. Margaret's church, London, by Geo. W. Childs, of Philadelphia, was unveiled on Sunday.

There is a storm of unusual severity in the north of England. The weather is intensely cold. Railroads are completely blockaded.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, recently appointed president of the board of trade, has been returned to parliament by the electors of Bristol unopposed.

The case of Wilfred Blunt against Police Magistrate Byrne, of Loughres, for false imprisonment, has been tried, and resulted in a disagreement of the jury.

A family of nine persons at Bakoukguns, Hungary, were fatally poisoned by eating flesh poisoned sheep which the burgomaster left exposed as bait for wolves.

Roumania has notified the porte that Austria has given assurance that a Russian violation of Roumanian territory will be considered a movement against Austria sufficient to form a *casus belli*.

American

A cyclone struck Mt. Vernon, Ill., Sunday. The town is virtually wrecked. The loss of life is estimated from 38 to 100. Many persons were injured.

The trial of David L. Stain and Oliver Cromwell for the murder of John W. Barron cashier of the Dexter Savings Bank, Feb. 22, 1878, was commenced at Bangor yesterday.

Canadian.

David Collinson, employed in a saw mill at Seely's bay, Ont., was caught in the machinery and instantly killed.

It has transpired that Thomas P. Webster, clerk of the Central Bank, Guelph, is $4,000 short in his cash. He has skipped

James Baxter, broker of Montreal entered an action against the Toronto Mail for $50,000 for alleged libel contained in the report of Central bank proceedings before the master in ordinary.

Professor Swift, professor of language at Plateau academy, Montreal, has been committed to Longue Pointe asylumn for insanity. Swift is master of twelve languages and is said to be the finest Shakespearean scholar in Canada.

A TALL WESTERN STORY.

An Everlasting Flow of Natural Oyster Soup Near San Jacinto.

While visiting the Hot Springs last week our attention was called to a new discovery, which bids fair to become of great importance to our citizens and also to the outside world. Emerging refreshed and invigorated from the sparkling waters, a friend offered us a steaming bowl, with a request to sample its contents. The flavor was delicious and the taste suggested oysters, or a French puree soup. The addition of a cracker made a savory dish of soup, and the lunch was pronounced highly enjoyable and satisfying by all who partook.

Yet the sole constituent of our appetizing dish was the natural Hot Springs water, reenforced by a pinch of salt and pepper. Mrs. Brown, who has charge of the bath house, stated that during the last month there has grown up a steady demand for the new dish, and all who tasted it once wished to try it on every succeeding visit.

For delicacy of flavor, point of satisfying the appetite, ease and cheapness of preparation, this latest addition to our cuisine cannot be excelled. A careful examination of the geological features of the canyon wherein the Hot Springs have their source revealed the startling fact that in the ledges of shale and marl from which they flow are found, in petrified and fossilized form, large beds of palæocrystic oysters (Lipocephala Lamillibronchia).

The dissolved action of the hot water, charged with powerful gases, continually eroding these fossil carbonates, must leave evident traces of its passage through these prehistoric mollusks, and it is a matter of surprise that this discovery should have been so long deferred. Among the vast and varied resources of our great San Jacinto valley we can point with pride to the ever flowing stream of hot oyster soup free to all—who furnish their own salt and pepper—issuing from nature's grand storehouse in the everlasting hills, only one mile from the center of town. Already there is talk of forming a local syndicate of capitalists to erect bottling works and ship the product of these springs over the length and breadth of this fair land. Railroad hotels, city restaurants and church fairs will doubtless hail with delight this wonderful discovery, which when re-enforced by the patent indestructible gutta percha oyster lately introduced will drive all other soups from the market. Tally one more for San Jacinto.—San Jacinto Register.

A Good Corn Shaver for 25 Cents.

A marvel of cheapness, of efficacy, and of promptitude is contained in a bottle of the famous remedy, Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor. It goes right to the root of the foot, there acts quickly but so painlessly that nothing is known of its operation until the corn is shelled. Beware of substitute's offered for Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor—safe, sure, and painless. Sold at druggists.

THE BIG CAST STEEL GUN.

How It Looks on the Lathe—Something About Other Big Guns.

The process of boring out the big steel gun lately cast in Pittsburg is now in progress, and the result is awaited with much interest, not only by the war department officials and contractors, but by the advocates of the different systems.

To appreciate this interest one must note that the "built up gun" used by most governments generally, and exclusively of late by the United States, is formed of several distinct forgings. Upon a central steel tube are shrunk hoops or "jackets" of metal so adjusted as to give greatest strength at the points of greatest strain; and many gunners have insisted that this was the only practicable method of making a gun suited for the heavier charges of powder demanded for greater range and effectiveness in modern warfare. It is conceded by all gunners that it is possible in this way to gain high power with comparatively small weight, and hence that the "built upgun" is a necessity for unarmored naval vessels which cannot carry enormous batteries. The advocates of the existing system could also cite the experience of the great Krupp, who began by casting solid guns, afterward proceeded to strengthen them by "jackets" behind the trunnions, and finally adopted the "built up system" entirely.

THE BIG GUN ON THE LATHE.

Nevertheless, the advocates of solid casting made such a powerful presentation of their case that congress determined to try the experiment, and on March 3, 1887, made an appropriation for "three steel cast, rough bored and turned, six inch high power rifled cannon of domestic manufacture, one of Bessemer steel, one of open hearth steel and one of crucible steel." It was evidently the intent to have a thorough trial; but no firm put in a bid for the crucible steel gun—an omission worth inquiring into by those interested in the development of the highest production in steel. The Bessemer steel gun was cast, as aforesaid, at Pittsburg; and the erection of the molds and preparation of such a mass of Bessemer steel for the first time in a molding condition, was a notable event in the steel industry. The drilling is now about half done. This gun weighs over 33,000 pounds, is 193 1-2 inches long, has a six inch bore, and is to be taken to Washington for trial as soon as rifled, which is expected to be in the latter part of March.

In the process of drilling, as shown in our engraving, the gun revolves around the drill, and is on the greatest lathe ever constructed for steel work. Congress prescribed that the test should be the same as that employed for the "built up" steel guns now used by the department. The initial velocity of the ball is to be 2,059 feet per second, and it is estimated that the pressure in the air chamber will be about fifteen tons.

As congress has decided (or, more properly, the people have decided) in favor of a new steel fleet and thoroughly manned forts for coast defenses, and as the solid cast gun is much the cheaper, it will be seen that the fate of the new gun in April will be a matter of no small moment. If it succeeds, the solid cast will undoubtedly be used extensively and larger guns cast; if not, then the government will continue to use the "built up" guns, with assurance that they are the best attainable.

What Am I to Do?

The symptoms of Biliousness are unhappily but too much known. They differ in different individuals to some extent. A Bilious man is seldom a breakfast eater. Too frequently, alas, he has an excellent appetite for liquids but none for solids of a morning. His tongue will hardly bear inspection at any time; if it is not white and furred, it is rough, at all events.

The digestive system is wholly out of order and Diarrhœa or Constipation may be symptoms or the two may alternate. There are often Hemorrhoids or even loss of blood. There may be giddiness and often headache and acidity or flatulence and tenderness in the pit of the stomach. To correct all this if not effect acure try *Green's August Flower*, it cost but a trifle and thousands attest its efficacy.

If You Have

a Cough, do not neglect it; buy at once a bottle of Allen's Lung Balsam.

Worthy of His Hire.

Stranger (to boy)—Boy, can you direct me to the nearest bank?

Boy—I kin for twenty-fi cents.

Stranger—Twenty-five cents! Isn't that high pay?

Boy—Yes, sir; but it's bank directors what gits high pay.—New York Sun.

OUR BRITISH COLUMBIA LETTER.

Milling and Shipping—Salvation Army—Another Disastrous Explosion—Vancouver's Population.

MOODYVILLE, B. C., Feb. 6.—I have just obtained the figures of the cut of lumber in our mills for last year and send them to you as they may interest your readers.

The total cut was in round numbers 20,000,000 feet and was carried away in 24 ships and barques, only a small percentage being local sales.

The cut this year for January is large and indications are that 1888 will surpass 1887 in cut and number of ships loaded. The January output from the mill was 2,255,248 feet and five ships have completed loading this year. Three are loading, and two are ready to commence at once, one of them the Anna Bertha, of Hamburg, Capt. Nelson, hauled into her berth yesterday, and the Lorenzo, Capt. Williamson, is waiting her turn. The former takes about 400,000 and the latter about twice that amount of lumber.

A big stick cut in the mill here contained over 9000 feet of lumber and one piece carried to China by the Escort was 24x24x102 feet and contained 4,896 feet, and the largest turn out from the mill was 137,000 feet in one day last year. We sometimes hear of 400,000 per day on Puget Sound, but there they reckon the lumber after it passes the circular and again after it is cut up by the gang scantling and edger machines, making it seem about double what it really is.

The Nova Scotia barque, George, Townsend, finished her cargo on Friday. She takes within a few feet of 800,000 and goes to Iseen-tin, China. The Nanaimo, Capt. Newby, and the Spartan, Cairns, go to the same place, the latter captain is to receive $200 if he gets there ahead of the others. They will start about the same date.

Among the many ships expected to load here this year is the Knight of St. Michael, a Liverpool ship of 2,221 tons and the largest sailing ship yet coming to Burard Inlet.

And Indian, Jimmy Ducks, was killed by a large stick, one end of which crushed his head against a beam in the hold of the Nanaimo. An inquest was held and the verdict of "accidental death" brought in.

The Salvation Army are making headway in Vancouver and though they have only been here a few weeks they have a large following. The barracks is filled every evening by about 500 people and good order has hitherto prevailed.

The San Francisco steamers seem to have a hard time just now as the Umatilla is quarantined for 15 days at Victoria and the Mexico was aground in Plumpers Pass for two days last week, but came off in good order.

Mails have been a little irregular of late and the Chinese steamer Parthia was delayed some thirty-nine hours waiting for the Atlantic Express.

Another explosion has taken place in Nanaimo mines, this time in Densmuir's mines and a coal famine is likely to take place as the miners in all the mines have quit pending an investigation into the causes of the explosion. About thirty lives have been lost this time besides Chinamen and it is believed some bodies have not been recovered.

The grass is getting green and the catkins are coming out and either the treasury officials are taking their example or the provincial treasury has run out, at any rate the tax collector is around "fresher" than a daisy trying to get three dollars out of every one who has the manly appearance of having passed eighteen snows. They are trying to collect it from the Indians and they are justly indignant.

Vancouver has nearly reached Fredericton's fair proportions having jumped from 2,500 souls a year ago to an estimated population of 6,000 at the present day.

A team has just been secured for the fire engine and a small force of firemen secured.

Measles are flourishing just now.

I have the unpleasant task of reporting the death in New Westminster of Thos D. Forbes, of St. Martins, but known to some among you. He died last month of throat and lung troubles after an illness of some ten or eleven weeks.

Our Marysville school boy, Pomp, may be able to tell the contents of a stick of wood 6x6 inches at one end and 3x3 at the other and 12 feet long, superficial feet, and he will not be surprised to learn that Kate had 10 eggs and Rose 14.

The residents of Moodyville intend holding a social dance in honor of Capt and Mrs. Barnes, of the Newcastle barque, Pacific Slope, now in port, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 8.

Perhaps I am late, but I hope 1888 may be a prosperous and happy year to THE GLEANER, its staff and its readers.

Yours &c.

CHARLTON.

HAYSEED VISITS FREDERICTON

For the First Time in Seven Years.

His Impressions of Things About the "Celestial."

Some Gleaner Advertisers Visited—Square Fellers.

Ye see, I hadn't been to town fur nigh about seven years, and Sister Sal says, says she: "Hayseed ye'd better go in and get yourself a new top coat, that one's terrible shabby." Ye'd better go to Stanger's, he made that one, and its been a shield agin a world of care fur goin on seven years,—so jist you go! I said, said I, "Sister Sal, I don't allow as I kin afford a coat but seein' as taters has riz, I'll resk it.

So, low and behold ye' I rigged rite up and got to the station and walked into the fast kier I got onto. It was pooty all streaks of brown and dashes of gold, jist as fine as silk, and the seats was gorgous and more so. I though I'd got into the next room to Paradise. The rest of the people who was there was dressed up to the top notch,—they'd all got there hunspun bum from the factory and had it on. Ye never see the like of it, furs and broadcloth, and juelry to nock a house down. My shield agin care as Sister Sal called it, seemed to be something to stare at, fur they all looked at me as I sot there. I began to think my shield looked alfired shabby and the more I thunk the shabbier, then I got mad and jist made up my mind to let her shab.

Well, sir, the captain of the train took me fur a tramp, yes sir, jist on account of that shield, and made a bounce fur me, with vengens in his looks, and a nickle plate machine, perhaps a revolver. He had a queer eye, the pupil when he looked at me put me in mind of a bean hopping round in a pot of bilin' glue. "Ticket," says he, "Let 'er tick, says I." "Have you got a ticket," says he. "Of korse," says I. "Holl 'er out," says he. "Nary holl," says I, "till you put that machine in yer pocket." He put 'er in and I give him the ticket. He passed the bean over it several times and then hollied out the machinery, and put a hole right through it, an then give 'er back. Well, after he'd gone, I sot and stared at the rest, and seein' they was all busy reading, I pulled out one of Ganong's Surprise Soap wrappers and jist straitened out and struck a read myself.

Bum by I've got to the Junkabun and here a feller histed us out onto the platform to change fur Fredericton. I hadn't any change of clothes with me, only the ones I had on, so I waited to see if the other fellers was goin' to change their clothes before I begun. Nary change, I ges they was all like me, they'd left their overholls to hum. Bum by or sooner, I see Captain Hegerman, I new him sense he was a boy. He says, says he "Goin, to town?" "Yes, says I, but they put me off the keers." "Oh, well, says he, jump on there," so I got into his kier—pooty nice, but not so pooty as the other. Captain Hagerman kum in, and had a chat and I bet a cent, he nose more than the hull kebash of them. He's a square man, he is—ye can see it in his looks. Well, we jerked and thumped and gloze rite along till bum by we got to town.

Mr. Mackenzie new me and says, says he, "Uncle Hayseed step rite in hyar." I stepped and boys he drives a nice waggon. Sister Sal says its a bus—but it looks just like a waggon only winders and blue fixins and sich. He's a square man, to, so he took me to Staples'. Ye see I hadn't left hum fur so long that I was alfired scart of ketching cold, so I heared rite into the pothecaries fur a bottle of Johnson's liniment. Its square medicine fur a cold. Staples is a pooty place, clean and tidy and smart, alfired smart. I went to a kind of hole in the floor, with pooty irons all round it and looked down to see if he had plenty of taters in the sullar, fur they've riz and gosh, I nearly burnt my eyes out hot! I ges it was hot. He said it was a respirater or frigerator or sum sich, but I ges he had hit his stove pipe up and didn't like to say so. Staples is square.

Then I steered my horse down the road, and I ges they've made skatin' rinkums out of the paths, fur it was nothin' but ice. But I planted one foot firmly before I moved the other, and was gettin' along fine when a feller says, says he, "How long is it?" "What?" says I. "The street," says he, "bean't ye measurin' the street?" "Young man," I says, "If I was 20 years younger, and wasn't a deeken in the church, ye'd measure the street quicker than a inch worm and measure a cabbage stock." The vulgarism of some people. Then I hustled rite into a dried goods shop. It was Devera', and land of Bulgaria, what cloths, and homspuns and kalikers. Didn't have there stove pipe up neither. I says, says I, "I want a pair of sox fur Sister Sal." "Yes," said the dried man, "we got lots of hoes, a fine variety." "I don't want any hoes," I says. "I buy mine from Everett, and I have enough fur next year. I want a pair of sox fur Sister Sal, sox—I says. "All rite," says he, "how do you like them?" and he showed me piles and piles of sox. I bot two pares they looked so good.

Then I gloze down to George Whelpley's: George new me. Keeps a nice shop and good goods I'll be bound. He byes my butter, and though I say it, Sister Sal kin make it, she kin. George had his stove pipe up and a stove to, and by gosh I enjoyed the fire. Fust place I'd struck sense I kum that seemed sivilised. I felt rite to hum. Bot some tea and sugar and sich and then sought out fur Stanger's. I soon got a top coat blocked out, and he said he'd shave her down and sand paper'er by the end of the week and send'er by express. He's a square man, and makes a coat so it just fits like an otter's skin no wrinkles fur to get full of chaf and dust, just as smooth and glossy as Harry Wilkes'. I'd like to have bad'er to wear back in the keers, fur I new if I laid rite out, with that coat on, I could jist nock the shine of the best of them. They stared at my shield they did.

Then I cafoozled fur the bank. Ye see our master, Mr. Pitcher got a bit of paper from government. He said, sai dhe, Unkle Hayseed you kin take it, bein as yer goin to town, to the bank and draw fifty dollars with it. I ask him if he was sure it wd draw. "Draw, says he, I gea it will." So as I said afor and I say again I cafoozled fur the bank. I didn't no where to, but I sat a feller I met with a blanket round him and a nite cap on, and he said, says he, "go rite in there, that's here." I stepped in very purtite and looked around. I seen to or three fellers behind an iron fens, in a cage or something an I says, says I "so this the bank"? "This is the bank, says one feller rite up chipper what can we do for ye? "Yere sure its the bank." All rite, I say, then I hulled out the draw paper and stuck'er through. She wouldn't draw worth a cent, no sir, wouldn't draw more'n old Buck in fly time. "Kant give you any on that now," says a feller;—its after time, come on Monday after ten o'clock. Will she draw then? I says. "Draw I ges she will" says he. "Why won't she draw now," cos ye see I want to hull out manure on Monday and must get back hum. The book's closed says he, for this week. "Are you tired I says, and kant open'er." Shove'er out here, and I'll make her part or bust a trying." Kant do it—am very sorry, but go into any of the offices and they'l pay you." I thankt him fur I see he would a done it if he could and I always thank a man who means good if he don't do much.

I saw Lemont's sine, and I new I wanted something, so I bolted rite in, and I was struck all to a suddint or sooner—such glass, and silver, and chaney. I didn't no I wanted anything nur what it was. I was klear bum bazzled, Ginevey, alasas, hong kong, danzig, kalcutta, was all there. I did'nt know it, but the shopman did. What did I want? I could'nt recomember—bum by I got sort of faint like and sot down into jist the thing I kum fur—a rocking cheer. Yes, sir, a chee fur Sister Sal. Ye see her old one was a gittin snappish, and if ye'd jist as much as tech it it wd grone, so I vowed it wd be swooped. Well, to make a short story long I bot'er, and she's a good un. Lemont's square. I new where to go, the GLEANER told me. Then I kolled on Sek to the Council Wilson. He's a sample of what York county kin do when she lays rite out to make a man. He was as busy as a crow in plantion. Kolled on Hawthorn fur some terbacker and herd him takin to a box with strings and a bottle that he put in his ear. He said it was a tell a fone, but I think that was a tell a story. He keeps good terbacker and he's square.

I kom out and was lookin' round when another feller with a bed blanket and cite cap on says, says he, "Ain't ye goin' out on the shoot?" I said, "not if could help myself." That fur land sakes made him think I wanted to shoot something. Bum by I thought I'd foller him and see what he ment. So I went past the cort house to the river, and sure's yer born, there was a lot of fellers with nite caps and blankets sittin' on things like hog bilers jist a shootin' down a sluce. "What that," I says, "Its the Queen's shoot." "What's she want to shoot fur," I says, "I think she d have room enough to hum. "Does she shoot at ye as ye skoot past"! No ore answered me. I ges they ain't brite, so I kim away. Then I went up to see the sojers. They was out there in a field in front of the stone house where they board, and was sogering like all possessed. Bum by a feller blew a horn fur supper I suppose, so I kim away and let them soge. I went to Jonny Grieves and I tell you its some punkins now. He's got'er all painted like oak, and fixed in good stile, pooty pictets and his stove up, and supper, ye should a seen me smile when I struck'er. I felt rite to hum, and I ges the grub did to fur we seemed to sort of assimilate.

I went to Marysville on Monday I'll tell ye about that next week.

ED. U. CATES.

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Fredericton, Feb. 18th, 1888.

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Fredericton, Feb. 18th, 1888.

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Fredericton, Feb. 14th. tf.

TO RENT.

AND possession given on the first of May next, the house at present occupied by Mr. James McGee, and known as the Moisee House, containing sixteen rooms.

ALSO—The shop underneath the same, at present occupied by Mr Peter Duffie. Apply to

OWEN SHARKEY.

Fredericton, Jan. 31 tf

TO LET.

That House and Premises at the Corner of Charlotte and St. John Streets, now occupied by R. L. Tibbits, Esq.

Terms Reasonable.

W. WILSON.

Fredericton, Feb. 4, 1888. tf.

TO LET.

THE STORE in Temperance Hall, now occupied by Mr. G. Rex Leek. Possession given May 1st. For particulars apply at the Parlor of the W. C. T. Union, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons, after 3 o'clock.

MRS. N. T. WHEELER.

Fredericton, Feb. 4, 1888. tf.

WE WANT POTATOES.

WE HANDLED 60,000 BUSHELS POTATOES LAST SPRING.

And made money for our Shippers. Having decided to sell in small lots from Store, to get outside prices, we want a few more good shippers Write us and ship to

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To W. E. SEERY'S and have him order a SPRING SUIT and OVERCOAT.

For style and finish my work cannot be surpassed.

The Spring and Summer Fashion Plates are in now, so order early before the rush commences.

Cutting for Ladies and Gents attended to promptly.

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Fredericton, Feb. 21st, 1888.

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D. HARRIS, ENGLISH OPTICIAN,

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Mr. Harris is enabled to suit perfectly even most difficult cases, and his stock being made up on purely scientific Principles, he can with confidence submit them to his patrons.

Office hours, 9 a. m. to 8 p. m.; Saturdays, till 6 p. m. Jan. 10th —1y tiw

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of New Brunswick at the next session thereof, by the Fredericton Boom Company, for an Act to consolidate, amend and continue the several Acts relating to the incorporation and business of the said Company, to increase in some instances the rates of boomage, and to provide a boomage rate on cedar.

A. F. RANDOLPH,
President of the Company.

Dated 5th January 1888 1m

LINEN AND COTTON SALE.

Dever Brothers

Are Offering Great inducements to House Keepers in

Grey and White Cottons, and Table Linens,

White Cotton Sheetings in the following widths, 8-4, 9-4, 10-4; Pillow Cottons in 40, 44, 46 inches; Circular Pillow Cottons in 44 and 46 inches.

Tablings in White and Half Bleached Linens in the following widths, 5-4, 6-4, 7-4 and 8-4.

Towels and Toweling, Bleached and Half Bleached, with and without Colored Borders, Damask Towels with Fancy Colored Edges.

Damask Napkins, 5-8 and 3-4; Damask Napkins with Colored Borders.

NOTICE.

All the Remnants that have accumulated this season will be placed on the counters ready for inspection on Monday.

Fredericton, Feb. 7th, 1888. DEVER BROTHERS

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At Remarkably Low Rates. These Teas have already established a Fine Reputation; their excellent qualities are known throughout the length and breadth of the river counties, and we need not further comment upon them.

In COFFEES, from 25 Cts. to 38 Cts. per lb., we offer an Excellent Article. In all other lines our Stock is complete, and is offered at this special season at specially low rates. We need not here enumerate; and the public have every confidence in the quality of our stock. Confectionery a specialty for the next two weeks; 2 lbs. Cream Candy for 25 cts and other Candies in about the same proportion.

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Would like to see the Finest Stock of Rich English Jewelry in Sets, Necklets, Rings, Lockets, Lace Pins, Scarf Pins, Gents' Signet Rings, Buttons, etc. If you should

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A Good Watch, we have them in Gold, Silver, Gold-Filled and Nickle Cases, at prices

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Suit all. In Silverware, our stock is now full in all lines, consisting of Tea Sets, Ice Pitchers, Cake Baskets, Fruit Dishes, Card Receivers, Castors, Vases, Napkin Rings, Jewel Cases. In looking for a Xmas Present you cannot

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Fredericton, Dec 17th, 1887

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Both in city and country. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Pipe and all kinds of Sheet Iron Work done on short notice, at reasonable rates.

Fredericton, Oct 17.

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English and Scotch Goods.

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I have also a large and most thoroughly assorted stock of Gents' Furnishing Goods, Hats and Caps, Ready-Made Clothing, for Adults and Children.

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Fredericton, Oct 6th.

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I have just received a full line of Fall and Winter Goods in all the Latest Designs for

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Fancy Trouserings

A Specialty! Inspection Solicited!

It is useless for me to say anything about a fit. Call and be convinced for yourself. Prices moderate.

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We have Received another Case (20 Dozen) of those ALL WOOL SHIRTS AND DRAWERS, at $1.25 a Suit.

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O. E. DUFFY,
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Oct. 29, 1887—w iw—1yr.