

General Business.

COMMON SOAP

WILL GARDNER

ROUGH SKIN

On Face and Hands.

We have just imported a large lot of

Olive Oil and Cucumber Soap

direct from the factory which we can sell for the

best TWO WEEKS.

3 Cakes for 10 cents.

It is made from Pure Olive Oil and the Juice of Cucumbers. We can recommend it.

Mackenzie's Medical Hall.

It is made from Pure Olive Oil and the Juice of Cucumbers. We can recommend it.

Yacht for Sale.

The "Heron" (Wingless) 6.50 ton register, 35' feet

overall, built in 1902, 10.5' beam, 3' 6" draft, 20

h.p. engine, 1000 lbs. of fuel, 1000 lbs. of water, 1000

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Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, N. B., APRIL 16, 1903.

Against Law, Logic and Loyalty.

Mr. Clarke, M. P. P., of Charlotte

county, appears to be more than

opaque in his ideas of both logic

and law. According to the official reporter's

summary of his contentions in the

legislature, he takes the ground

that the province is not entitled to

interest on its proportion of the money,

because the Dominion Government has

been paying bounties to fishermen.

If it be decided that the money

belongs to the provinces and not to

the Dominion—and there does not seem

to be any doubt on that score—the

question will naturally arise: Who

authorised the Dominion government to

administer it? Even if it were admitted

that the Dominion was justified in

making use of the interest in giving

bounties to fishermen, by what process

of equitable computation has more than

one hundred thousand dollars a year

been paid to those of Nova Scotia and

only thirteen or fourteen thousand to

those of New Brunswick?

It must be remembered, too, that the

Dominion bounty is given to off-shore

and bank fishermen, and not to those

engaged in the inshore fisheries, while

it was on account of the inshore

fisheries, which are the property of the

provinces, that the award was paid.

Newfoundland was paid \$1,000,000

directly out of the award, by the

British Government. Yet, if that

colony came into confederation to-day,

the Dominion fisheries bounty system

would be extended to its off-shore

fishermen as a matter of course. Those,

therefore, who argue that the fishermen's

bounty can be accepted as an

offset against the interest claim of New

Brunswick on account of its long

withhold share of the Halifax award,

will find themselves out of court.

The contention of Mr. Clarke that

the payment of this money—principal

and interest—to New Brunswick would

throw upon the province the responsibility

of protecting the fisheries, seems

absurd. Would the Dominion government

"get mad" because it was obliged

to hand over to New Brunswick what

it merely holds in trust for it, and

thenceforth it was obliged to pay it

to the B. N. A. Act of "regulating" the

fisheries? We think not. And if it

continued to regulate them, as it is

bound to do, must it not also see that

its regulations are enforced? And is

not this enforcement what is otherwise

known as protection?

We are surprised, therefore, that

Mr. Clarke, who is a lawyer as well

as an editor and member of the legislature

of New Brunswick, should take a position

in this matter so much at variance

with law, logic, and loyalty to his

province.

A Competent and Energetic Minister.

The Toronto Globe says:

It is fortunate that at this juncture

the minister at the head of the department

is both competent and energetic. On

many occasions Mr. Blair has fearlessly

and consistently given the great railway

corporations to understand that while he

is in possession of the portfolio they must

travel straight road if they wish to

reduce their liabilities to a minimum.

In all his conversations and

decisions nothing is more characteristic

of him than his impartiality, which is so

pronounced that the smallest railway

management is as safe under his guardianship

as the most powerful.

Over and over again, within the past

few years, Mr. Blair has induced

opposition to interfere with the railway

companies in ways which were formerly

capital. One was Mr. W. C. Winlow

and the other his *Fides Achates*, Mr.

J. L. Stewart.

The former, who attempted to juggle with

a combination of the \$300,000 company and

the proposed \$200,000 loan for the evident

purpose of throwing a wet blanket on the

undertaking, came out second best, how-

ever, for the real promoter of the enter-

prise had spoken in no uncertain phrases

as to what the proposition placed before

the Board of Trade was, and the meeting,

by a vote of over ninety five per cent,

expressed their confidence in his presentation

of the matter.

Brigham Young, president of the council

of 12 apostles of the Mormon church,

died in Salt Lake City on Saturday after

a lingering illness. He was born at Kirk-

land, Ohio, in 1836, and was the eldest

son of the original President Brigham

Young.

A despatch from St. Sunday from Win-

nipeg says that the tremendous rush of

immigration from the United States,

Europe and Eastern Canada to the

Canadian Northwest has taken the

Dominion immigration authorities by

surprise. Preparations had been made to

meet what was considered a very large

increase, but these were not sufficient

to meet the extraordinary demands. As

a result at many points in the Territories

and Manitoba the accommodation is

inadequate. Neither immigration build-

ings, hotels, nor private houses can fur-

nish shelter for all the newcomers.

To meet the difficulty the military author-

ities, who have thousands of tents in stock

were appealed to. The minister of

militia at once agreed to furnish all tents

necessary and wired the district officer in

command at Winnipeg to hand over all

the tents that could be spared for the

purpose. Two hundred and seventy

were found available and were promptly

handed over and distributed. This

number, however, does not begin to meet

the demands and the militia department

has been asked to furnish not less than

2,000 more tents, which will be at once

forwarded from Ottawa, Kingston, Tor-

onto, Quebec and Halifax and distributed

to points where they are likely to be most

needed. The immigration department

has rented a large building at Leduc, and

has taken possession of the skating rink

at Red Deer, which will accommodate

2,000 people.

Mr. W. Max Aitken has, it is said,

about completed the negotiation of a deal

pursuant to which the People's Bank of

Halifax notified its shareholders on

Thursday last that arrangements had been

affected with the shareholders' consent

whereby a syndicate headed

by John F. Stearns is to take \$300,000 new

stock at \$200,000. Provision has been

made for a further increase of \$500,000 of

stock, making the total stock \$1,500,000.

The report is current that Mr. Stearns is

president of the Nova Scotia Steel and

Coal Company, and Robert E. Harris, a

director of the company, will become

directors of the bank and will enter

largely into the direction of its business.

Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, Dominion

Minister of Justice, has reported to par-

liament that he cannot concur in the

views taken by the New Brunswick

government on the subject of readjust-

ment of representation. He says that to

say that only the four provinces of the

dominion were entitled to the B. N. A.

act would be unjust. All the provinces

of the union would require to be included

in taking into account the relation of the

population of each province to that of

the dominion and not its relation to the

aggregate population of four provinces

only out of the seven provinces of the

dominion. The minister therefore says that the

construction of the act suggests that New

Brunswick is inadmissible.

And, yet, it is quite possible that

the Minister of Justice is not any better

authorised on this subject than Sir John A.

Macdonald was. Our own Attorney

General, D. J. A. G. Macdonald, has

different opinion from that of the Minister

of Justice, and he is quite the equal of

the latter in standing at the bar. We cannot

forget, also, that Ministers of Justice

have always denied the soundness of the

local government's contentions until the

Supreme Court, or the Law Lords of the

Privy Council of England have sustained

the New Brunswick view. Mr. Fitz-

patrick's decision, therefore, does not

affect the matter in any way, as it is

referred to the Supreme Court, Nova

Scotia having asked leave to join New

Brunswick in the case against the Federal

Government.

House of Assembly.

In the House on Wednesday—

Hon. Mr. Pugsley said that in view of

the interest being taken in the subject of

redistribution the house would be glad to