

These are only examples of similar occurrences elsewhere contiguous to the Bay of Fundy. Although the principal force of the tide was exerted at the head of the bay, disastrous effects were produced by the gale and freshets over the area included between Truro and Central New York and Central Maine and Washington. The depth of water in the barn referred to was 5 ft 7 in. The tidal wave was probably three feet above the dykes. The Sackville Borderer said it was estimated in that vicinity to have been six feet above the highest tides ever known. For a week boats were rowed over all parts of the marshes. The outlook for the farmers' live stock for the approaching winter was very gloomy, and to this were to be added large outlays for replacing dykes. A still greater evil, as viewed by many, was the effect upon future crops for years to come; but the wiser ones said the silt left by the tide would produce untold benefit; and they were right. In fact a much augmented permanent value would have been assured if the repairs had been longer delayed. The farmers' hearts were gladdened by the special fruitfulness of the next harvest and by a more productive yield of grass the following year than ever before.

Weather prophets are apt to be "damned with faint praise;" but it must be recorded to the credit of the profession that this storm, known as the Saxby Flood or Saxby Gale, according to locality, had been predicted by Lieut. Saxby, R. N. His warning received slight attention, however, except from mariners and ship owners, and it may be doubted that even he looked for a verification so pronounced.

Amherst has six churches and eight clergymen, also a Young Men's Christian Association, and a Salvation Army branch. The census of 1891 gave the numerical strength of the principal denominations as follows: Baptist 976, Methodist 772, R. Catholic 747, Church of England 635, Presbyterian 558, S. Army 44. The Methodist Episcopalians were included with the Methodists.

Close touch has been kept with the progress of temperance work ever since the movement was inaugurated here by Rev. Charles Tupper. In 1848, one of the first divisions of the Sons of Temperance in the province was instituted in the dwelling of Amos Page, who was its first Worthy Patriarch, and who, aided by lifelong total abstinence, has attained the age of 92, and is our oldest citizen. Some historic interest attaches to the site of this dwelling, at the corner of Victoria and Eddy streets, now occupied by the Pugsley Block, on account of Jonathan