

Ellen F. 117, Tracadie, 1874, Wm. Ferguson, Tracadie, NB.
Emeline, 120, New Bandon, Gloucester Co., 1868, Richard Dawson, New Bandon, NB.
England, 74, Miramichi, 1870, Hon. P. Mitchell, Ottawa.

Esperance, 10, Shippegan, 1871, Severi Laguey, Shippegan, NB.
Evening Star, 28, Shippegan, 1867, Philip Luce, Island of Jersey.

Express, 16, Miramichi, 1868, Angus McLean, Chatham, NB.
Eys, 36, Prince Edward Island, 1869, P. McFadden, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Faughaballagh, 71, Richibucto, 1855, U. P. W. Desbriay, Richibucto, NB.
Favorite, 20, Miramichi, 1873, A. R. Woodfellow, Tracadie, NB.

Flavia, 13, Shippegan, 1874, Theopile, Duguey, Shippegan, NB.
Flirt, 10, Prince Edward Island, 1856, Graham, Richibucto, NB.

Fly, 9, Shippegan, 1866, Romain, Richibucto, NB.
Fy, 8, Richibucto, 1847, William S. V. & Richibucto, 1847, William S. V.

Gauche, 11, Richibucto, 1874, Chatham, Kouchibouguac, NB.
Graham, 21, Richibucto, 1874, Chatham, Kouchibouguac, NB.

Green, 11, Richibucto, 1874, Chatham, Kouchibouguac, NB.
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Sea Flower, 9, Shippegan, 1838, John Noel, Shippegan, NB.
Sea Gull, 47, New Richmond, Quebec, 1842, Wm. Hamilton, Dalhousie, NB.

Sisters, 15, Shippegan, 1839, J. Alexander, Shippegan, NB.
Sisters, 14, Richibucto, 1862, Jane Thomson & Fanny Byrne, Richibucto, NB.

Sophia, 26, Grand Ance, Gloucester County, 1865, Ubade Landry, Grand Ance, Gloucester, NB.
Squado, 49, Isaac's Harbor, NS, 1860, William Young, Caraguet, NB.

Start, 19, Shippegan, 1874, John Shank, Chatham, NB.
Superb, 14, Shippegan, 1871, F. R. Bichou, Shippegan, NB.

Telegraph, 20, Miramichi, 1869, Francis Martin, Chatham, NB.
Temperance, 43, Dalhousie, 1836, Robert Montgomery, Dalhousie, NB.

Trisal, 37, Richibucto, 1854, Daniel McKensie, Shediac, NB.
Union, 13, Miramichi, 1851, John McLean, Miramichi, NB.

Venus, 36, Carleton, Quebec, 1818, Joseph Cunard, Miramichi, NB.
Venezuela, 10, Shippegan, 1874, George Savoy, Chatham, NB.

Vigilance, 90, Miramichi, 1873, Rich. Huthinson, Douglastown, NB.
Wave, 16, Prince Edward Island, 1850, George Rogers, Chatham, NB.

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support each pauper was 66 1-5 cents. PARISHES IN ACCT. WITH ALMS HOUSE.

We find in making up the accounts for the present year, that the Parishes stand with the Alms House as follows: Chatham has to its credit \$152.97; Nelson, \$120.48; Northwick, \$300.09; Glenelg, \$80.86; Hardwick, \$89.32; Alnwick, \$88.50; Derby, \$67.07, making a total to credit of \$688.17. Newcastle owes a balance of \$16.80, Blackville, \$88.84; Blissett, \$10.97; Ludlow, \$5.34; Total \$238.05, leaving the balance due to the Parishes, \$557.12. It would appear from this statement that the County Treasurer had in his hands the above amount, \$557.12, to the credit of the Commissioners, but we find, on examination of the Treasurer's Account, the balance remaining in his hands undrawn at the end of the year, only amounts to \$263.41, showing a deficiency of \$293.71. To find out the difference we were compelled to examine the yearly accounts of the Treasurer since the commencement of the Institution, and found that the sum of \$388 paid as interest on \$1300 borrowed from the late Alex. McLaggan, Esq., and \$12.80 being loss on \$128, Commercial paper, making a total sum of \$390.80, had been paid by the Treasurer without an order from the Commissioners, and was not by them taken into account in the yearly expenditures, and now ask that an assessment be ordered on the County to reimburse the County Treasurer for that sum.

PARISH ASSESSMENT.

We also require an assessment amounting to \$1700, for the support and maintenance of the Alms House for the year 1875, on the several Parishes as follows:—

Chatham, \$300.00
Newcastle, 450.00
Nelson, 50.00
Northwick, 150.00
Glenelg, 80.00
Hardwick, 120.00
Alnwick, 120.00
Derby, 60.00
Blackville, 200.00
Blissett, 10.00
Ludlow, 5.00

Making a total assessment on the County, for all purposes in connection with the Institution, in the sum of \$3,000.00.

VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY COUNTY.

In making out this Report, we have thought it advisable to call your attention, together with that of the ratepayers, to the fact, that in the year previous to the opening of the Alms House, the assessment ordered to be levied upon the County, for the support of the poor amounted to the sum of \$6,522.52, as compared with \$2,000, asked for the present year, a difference in the cost of \$4,522.52. We may also remark, that while it took such an enormous sum to support and maintain the Paupers receiving aid, at the end of the year we had no property to the credit of the County; while on the other hand, we to-day, supporting them as well, if not better, and with a greater amount of satisfaction, have the following property to our credit, with no liability whatever on the name:—

Alms House and Lands, valued at \$8,000.00
Furniture, Stock, &c., 988.86
Provisions, &c., 100.00
Clothing, costing 55.74

Total, \$9,044.60

CONDITION OF ALMS HOUSE AND INMATES.

The building throughout is kept neat and clean in every particular, and the Paupers appear to be quite contented and happy. Of the 22 who are at present inmates, 7 were admitted in 1869, 1 " " 1870, 1 " " 1871, 4 " " 1872, 1 " " 1873, 1 " " 1874.

Eight of them are upwards of 70 years of age.

NEGLECTANCE OF COLLECTORS.

We again call attention of your Worship to the negligence attending the collection of taxes by various collectors, and the payment of the same to the County Treasurer. We have been compelled heretofore to withhold the closing of our accounts at the end of the year in consequence of the non-payment of the same, and this year we must especially direct your attention to the fact, that in Newcastle Parish not one cent of the amount collected for Dog Tax during the year 1874, by collector Matthews, has been paid to the County Treasurer, even up to the date of closing this report. We therefore request your Worship to demand from Collector Matthews a satisfactory reason for the non-payment of the sum he collected, to the County Treasurer. Had Collector Matthews paid the amounts over when collected, the Parish of Newcastle would have a balance to its credit instead of being in debt to the County, and consequently a larger assessment is required.

R. R. CALL, Chairman.

D. MACLACHLAN, Sec'y.

Miramichi, N. B., 19th Jan., 1876.

The Miramichi Valley Railway.

Now that a number of our prominent men from all parts of the County are in town attending the general Sessions, we think it a fitting time to draw attention to the missing link between the two sections of travel. And in consideration, we may receive a meeting.

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VIA INDEPENDENT. Miramichi to Liverpool, 2361 miles. New York " 2190 " Boston " 2190 " Quebec " 2617 " Saint John " 2655 "

In favour of Miramichi to Liverpool via Innesstrahl, in point of distance of 631 miles over New York, 339 over Boston, 266 over Quebec, and 334 miles over St. John.

VIA CABLE CLEAR. Miramichi to Liverpool, 2495 miles. New York " 2190 " Boston " 2190 " Quebec " 2617 " Saint John " 2655 "

Giving to Miramichi an advantage over New York of 576 miles, Boston 385 miles, Quebec 264 miles, and Saint John 280 miles.

The distance from Miramichi to Galway, is 2123 miles. New York " 1791 " Boston " 2641 " Quebec " 2392 " Saint John " 2488 "

These distances show that the balance of miles in favor of Miramichi to Galway over New York is 603 miles, Boston 413, Quebec 264, and Saint John 308.

With these encouraging facts staring us in the face, we have every reason to look forward to a bright future, but a commencement must be made, and we must start the ball, and when started, keep it in motion. What we want is first a PUBLIC MEETING, and in order to make it a success it should be called this week, while representatives from various sections of the County are in town. The action of our leading men in this important matter will be awaited with much interest.

Sad Case of Burning and Loss of Life.

A Tabusintac correspondent sends us a letter containing an account of the burning of Mr. Anthony Grattan's house at Tabusintac on the night of the 30th December. Mr. G.'s family numbered eight in all. He was at the time away in the woods, and the mother had started for Chatham, and the children were left in the care of their aunt and their eldest daughter, about