Miramichi and the North Shore etc.,

LUMBER BOOMING:—This week's 'Gazette' we are informed will contain an application of the Muskoka mill and Lumber Company for about 225 sq. miles of land in Restigouche.

THE UNVEILING of the Sir John A. Macdonald memorial statue by Sir John Thompson, will take place at Hamilton on Wednesday, 1st Nov. next. Several of our politicians have received invitations to be present.

HAWKER'S NERVE AND STOMACH TONIC is a perfect blood and flesh builder, and nerve and brain invigorator, as well as a valuable aid to digestion. Price 50 Cents a bottle, 6 bottles $2.50. For sale by all druggists and dealers. If you are weak and run down try this great health restorer.

APPOINTED INDIAN AGENT:—Wm. D. Carter, of Richibucto, has received notice of his appointment as Indian Agent and Superintendent for the North-eastern portion of New Brunswick, vice Mr. Charles Sargeant, deceased. The district includes the counties of Restigouche, Gloucester, Northumberland, Kent and Westmorland.

WAREHOUSE:—The Maritime Sulphite Fibre Co., Ld'd, are building an immense warehouse upon their property, rendered necessary from the increased output of their mill. This enterprising company employs a large number of men and contributes very largely to the commercial activity of the community.

DREDGE ST. LAWRENCE—The dredge St. Lawrence, Capt. Thompson, has completed her season's work on the Horseshoe bar, and proceeded to Newcastle on Saturday. She left Tuesday for Picton and from there proceeds to Yarmouth. The Captain reports the season a breezy one for dredging.

CONCERT AND RECITAL:—We direct attention to the advertisement of the concert and recital to be given in the Masonic Hall on Thursday evening next by Mr. A, B. Sweezy elocutionist, assisted by Mr. Wetmore of Moncton and leading local talent. Those who are desirous of spending a pleasant and profitable evening should endeavour to be present.

PUBLIC MEETING:—A public meeting under the auspices of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance, will be held in the Temperance Hall, Chatham, on Friday evening the 27th inst, at 8 o'clock. It is expected to be addressed by Sir S. L. Tilley, Major Armstrong, Rev. J. Shenton, G. W. P. elect, and other distinguished members of the order. Music by the combined choirs of the churches.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE:—Some issues ago we published the resolutions of condolence passed by the Chatham Branch of the C. M. B. A., upon the lamented death of one of their members—Mr. J. M. Knight. We have been shown a copy of the resolutions illuminated by the Sisters of the Hotel Dieu, in a most artistic manner. For beauty of design, coloring and artistic effect we have never seen its equal. It is a beautiful memento and will, no doubt, be sacredly cherished by the family of the deceased. It can be seen for a few days in the window of Mackenzie's medical hall.

MAILS TEMPERED WITH:—Last Saturday it was discovered that two letters had gone astray—one posted at Joggins Mines for Sussex, N. B., containing $16; and one for Amherst, containing $60. The matter was reported to Inspector Macdonald and Wednesday morning, at an early hour, he dropped in on the post office, having gone round by the way of Sand River. He held an investigation into the matter, which resulted in the inspector finding $55 of the money concealed under a barn. Proceedings were taken for the arrest of the mail courier.

GRAND DIVISION:—The Annual Session of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance met yesterday evening at Newcastle there were present G. W, P. McKeown G. S. Major Armstrong, Sir S. L. Tilley, H. H. Pitts M. P. P. of Fredericton. Rev. J. Shenton and other distinguished members of the orders were also in attendance. The usual reports by Grand Officers were presented and referred to appropriate committees. The Grand Division continues in session to day and will conclude with a public meeting this evening.

FIRE:—Between three and four o'clock on Sunday afternoon an alarm of fire was rung. The fire was in the house of Mr. James Keaton, near Ritchie's Mill, and is supposed to have caught in the attic from a spark from the flue. When discovered the attic was a mass of flames which in a short time broke through the roof and the building was on fire throughout by the time the hose was laid and water thrown on the fire, when it was soon drowned out. The water came just in time to save the adjoining house. Nothing was saved out of the attic but the furniture was all carried out of the lower part of the house. The building was totally destroyed. It is insured.—[Advocate.

WEDDING BELLS:—A very interesting event took place at the residence of Mrs. James Dickson, Napan, on Oct. 14, when her eldest daughter Alice, was united in marriage to James McLeod merchant of Chatham. The bride was attended by Miss Elsie Carter of Maccan, Nova Scotia, while the groom was ably supported by a brother of the bride. After the marriage a sumptuous repast was served amid much merriment. The bride's presents were costly and numerous, the groom's being a handsome organ. Early in the evening the young couple left for their future home in Chatham.—Amherst papers please copy.

MONUMENT TO THE LATE METROPOLITAN:—The monument to the memory of the late metropolitan has been erected in the centre of the lot immediately below the Cathedral. The monument is a well executed piece of work. It rests on a stone foundation 9x5 feet and one foot high. The marble stands two and a half feet above this foundation. On the top is a raised cross and mitre splendidly worked out of the marble. On the sides of the monument is the following inscription: "Here rests the body of the Most Reverend John Medley, D. D., first Bishop of Fredericton, who departed this life September the 9th, A. D. 1892; aged 87 years." On the left side are also the words "Erected by the Clergy of this Diocese." Inscribed on the head, and under a small cross, are the words, "In hope of resurrection to eternal life."

THE POST OFFICE:—The southeast corner of the new Dominion building which for some time past has jutted out on Water St. has been stopped in its mad career towards Mrs. Mills' corner by some person or persons unknown. At all events that portion is being *unbuilt*. The builders of the tower of Babel got "rattled" on account of the divers tongues. This building got cornered by reason of so many government architects endeavoring to make it cross the street at two different places at one time. The owner of the adjoining property, Mr. Sam'l Johnson, is happy. They have made a private entrance to the Post Office for him, although it is difficult to understand how it will be very much benefit to the public unless Mr. Johnson rounds off the southwest corner of his building. This probably he will do as he is a public spirited citizen and wont allow any insane architect to get ahead of him.

PERSONAL:—Mr. L. A. Miles representing Messrs T. B. Barker & Sons wholesale druggists of St. John is in town.

Mr. A. S. Fallis of the Goold Bicycle Co. Lt'd is at the Adams House with a sample of the 1894, 24lb light road Bicycle. Mr. Fallis has already placed several of these machines in Chatham through Mr. J. D. B. F. MacKenzie the agent for the town

Mr. E. L. Whittaker, Asst. Post Office Inspector of St. John was in town Sunday and Monday. He came to attend the funeral of the late John Sadler.

His Lordship the Bishop of Fredericton arrived on the Canada Eastern on Saturday afternoon. He administered the Rite of Confirmation to a large number of candidates at St. Mary's on Sunday morning and preached an eloquent sermon to a very large congregation in the evening. On Monday he went to Bay du Vin. During his stay here he was the guest of Rev. Canon Forsyth at the Rectory.

M. J. McN. Shaw auditor of the Canada Eastern arrived in town on Tuesday. His many friends were delighted to see him so fully recovered from his recent accident. He is accompanied by Mrs. Shaw.

Rev. Geo. Steel of St. Luke's attended the joint meeting of the members of the Maritime Conference at Sackville last week.

DIED WORTH A MILLION:—Mrs. Charity Moore, of Fredericton Junction, who, a few years ago, inherited an Irish estate running well up to a million, died on Wednesday at the residence of her son at Fredericton, whither the family had moved after their sudden elevation from humble life. Mrs. Moore always refused to change her mode of living, saying that she was too old to enjoy putting on style. In May last she fell down stairs, fracturing her thigh, and has been helpless ever since. The deceased was a native of Londonderry, Ireland, and was 82 years of age. She came to New Brunswick with her husband, the late Edward Moore, when a young married woman. They settled in Burton, Sunbury Co., and subsequently removed to Fredericton Junction. She leaves two son, Edward Moore of Fredericton, Robert Moore of Lowell, Mass., and three daughters; Mrs. Hubbard Niles of Gibson, Mrs. Joseph Moore, and Mrs. Geo. Fraser of Fredericton.

FREDERICTON, Oct. 20.—Robert Moore, son of the late Charity Moore of this city. died at Lowell, Mass., this morning. Deceased had formerly been a resident of Gibson, in this county, and removed to Lowell some eight or ten years ago. He was 58 years old and leaves a widow and three daughters, one of whom is married in Lowell. The cause of his death was Brights' disease. The remains will be brought to Fredericton Junction for burial and will probably arrive there on Monday.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR:—The Christian Endeavor Society of St. Andrews Church observed its first Anniversary by a social reception on Tuesday evening, members of the society and friends, members of the Epworth League and other invited guests to the number of about one hundred gathered in St. Andrew's Hall and spent a most enjoyable evening, The platform of the Hall was nicely decorated with flowers and plants. Table games of various kinds were provided and were the source of much amusement and merriment. A programme of music, reading &c., was carried out at intervals during the evening, and the enlivening selections on the harmonica and auto harp by Mr. P. C. Johnson were much appreciated. Refreshments were served shortly after ten o'clock, and the company dispersed at 11 o'clock. The programme carried out was as follows.—

Doxology and Lord's prayer by all present.
Address of welcome by the President, Miss Wright.
Chorus by the Choir.
Solo by Miss Clara Loggie, "By the sad sea waves."
Reading by Rev. Jos, McCoy, Becky's courtship.
Solo by Mrs S. McLoon.
Reading by Mr. D. P. McLaughlan, "Trying the Rose Act."
Sola by Mrs. Pallen.
Solo by Miss Ida Edgar, "The Gamblers Wife."

HIGHWAY ROBBERY:—James Keswick came here from Minneapolis, Minn., four or five weeks ago, for his wife and family, who have been visiting Mrs. Keswick's people. They were to have returned last Tuesday. Mrs. Keswick was absent at Bay du Vin on Friday, and Mr. Keswick drank too much in one of the large number of saloons that flourish here in defiance of the Scott Act—saloons known to almost every body except the inspector. Between 7 and 8 in the evening, as he was zigzaging down to his sister-in-law's, he was called by three men who were a short distance off the street in a vacant lot near the Muirhead mill. 'Come here, Jim, one of the men called. He went to them and was instantly grabbed and hustled. He grappled with his assailants, who soon left him and ran away. He went home, had a sleep, missed his watch and noticed that the chain was broken. His sister-in-law told him she had taken the watch and asked what broke the chain. He felt in his inside vest pocket and missed his wallet. "Did you take my pocket book?" he asked. No, she hadn't taken that. Then the recollection of his struggle with the three men in the dark came back to him, and he realized that they had broken the chain in tearing open his vest and taken the contents of his inside pocket. The wallet contained $350, all the money Mr. Keswick had with him, and he feels very badly over his loss. He does not often drink so much that he can't take care of himself, and thinks of swearing off altogether now. There is no clue to the robbers.—[World.

Death of Scott Fairley Esq.

Scott Fairley Esq. died at his residence a Blackville on Sunday evening after a protracted illness. He was for many years one of the leading lumber operators and merchants on the Miramichi. He was for a long period in partnership with his brother the late John Fairley and the firm of J. & S. Fairley stood very high all over the province. Of late years since the sale of his mill property to Alex. Gibson Esq., the deceased has not been so largely engaged in lumber and mercantile business. His familiar face was missed at the recent Crown Land Sales as on all former occasions for the past quarter of a century he had been present as an active participator. Mr. Fairley took a deep interest in all matters relating to the county and took a very active and effective part in all political contests. In politics he was a Liberal. His remains were interred at Boiestown yesterday a special train running from Blackville for the purpose.

Prohibition Convention.

The prohibition convention of the maritime provinces met at Sussex with some 50 delegates from the three provinces in attendance. In the absence of Mr. Vroom J. T. Bulmer took the chair. He outlined a bold, decisive policy as the one for the party. He proposed an organizer for each of the three provinces. The meeting took up most of the forenoon session discussing how to move most effectively and all admitted that the election would be on at once. Committees were appointed on credentials, ways and means and finance. The afternoon session determined to raise $600, and $200 was subscribed by the delegates. This added to the $200 now in the funds gave $400. All the afternoon session was taken up arranging the work of organization. No person present hinted at any other way of suppressing the traffic but by a party.

Conventions are to be held in all the counties at once and candidates nominated

Real Estate Sale.

The Street and Cunard estates were sold by public auction yesterday at Newcastle and Chatham, as follows:—

Woodburn Farm:—Geo. Fisher, $3350.
Lot of land in front of Woodburn:—Isaac Jackson, $145.
The Shore privilege:—John Thompson, $29.
The Murphy farm:—Alex. Watling $575.
The warehouse and wharf privilege, Chatham:—Geo. Stothart, $195.
Cunard Lot, Bay du Vin:—Chas. Reinsborough, $50.
Ned's Island Lots:—Three fourths of the lots were sold for $1400 to John Keys, to J. Miller, and Jas Parkes.
The Sugary Lots:—Three lots were sold for $350 to James Brown and Thomas Johnstone.
The Semiwagan Meadow Lot:—Wm. McKinley, $290.
Lot No. 59, Bartibogue:—Andrew Gordon, $46.
Lot on Richibucto road:—Geo. Watt, $28.55.
Ward McDonald Lot:—Geo. Watt, $21.00.
Cavanagh Lot:—James Blakely, $40.
The crop, stock, &c., household furniture on Woodburn Farm will be sold this morning at 10 o'clock.

N. B. S. S. Association.

The tenth annual Convention of the N. B. Sunday School Association, held at St. Stephen last week appears to have been the most successful, whether as regards number in attendance, the character of the work done, or the interest manifested, ever held by the association. The report of Field Secretary Lucas showed the large amount of work that had been accomplished by himself and the Chairman of the Executive, S. J. Parson, with the largely gratifying results which had followed. The Treasurer's report was of a like satisfactory character, showing that the voluntary offerings from schools and individuals—and this is the only source of supply—had been sufficient to meet all indebtedness, with the exception of a small debit balance of $27.13. Of course the presence and assistance of so able and eloquent a Sunday School advocate as B. F. Jacobs added materially to the interest and success of the session.

The following were elected office bearers for the current year:—President, Rev. G. O. Gates, St. John; Corresponding Secretary, Miss C. S. Lucas, Sussex; Field Secretary, Rev. A. Lucas, Sussex; Recording Secretary, Geo. C. Hatt, Fredericton; Treasurer, H. A. White, Sussex. Executive Committee:—S. J. Parsons of Woodstock, Rev. G. M. Campbell, W. J. Parks, Rev. Geo. Bruce, Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, Rev. J. W. Clark and J. McA. Hutchings of St. John and John W. Spurden, Fredericton. Mr. D. MacLachlan was elected Vice President for Northumberland County.

The Ballast Case.

In our last issue we gave particulars of the action of the Department of Marine and Fisheries in proceeding against Captain Vidaseich of the bark "Fiume E." for injury to the fisheries in discharging ballast opposite the mouth of the Bartibogue.

The captain was summoned to appear for this alleged violation of the fishery law before the police magistrate on Saturday last. He was present with his counsel, Hon. L. J. Tweedie, an interpreter and witnesses at the opening of the court, when he was informed by the magistrate that the complainant had concluded not to proceed, and as no one appeared to prosecute he would give him a certificate of dismissal. This is all right so far as it goes, but the captain has incurred large expense by reason of the action of the Department. We understand that the expenses he incurred about the matter in cabling his owners, employing counsel, paying an interpreter and obtaining the attendance of witnesses were in the vicinity of forty or fifty dollars for which sum it is his intention, we believe, to apply to be reimbursed by the department. There is a serious error somewhere. It was fully explained to Mr. Harding, the agent of the Marine Department, by Mr. Snowball on behalf of the captain, before proceedings were taken that in discharging ballast where he did the captain was acting under the authority of the Harbor master—and in face of that the above proceedings were taken. It is to be regretted that such hasty and ill advised action should be taken by the Marine Department as its tendency is not to create any great respect in the mind of foreigners for our institutions where one branch of the Marine Department can take quasi criminal proceedings against a person who acts under the written directions of a person representing another branch.

Death of John Sadler, Esq.

We regret to announce in this issue the rather sudden demise of Mr. Sadler. On Sunday, 15th inst., he was attacked by a swelling of the limbs which was not at the time regarded as serious. It did not prevent him from being about as usual, but on Monday he was unable to leave the house and kept gradually growing worse until Saturday morning when he died. Deceased was troubled for some years with his heart and no doubt his death was accelerated by its weak action.

Mr. Sadler had been a resident of the town for about 30 years. He entered the employ of the late Senator Muirhead in 1863, who was at that time conducting the largest lumbering and shipping business on the Miramichi and Mr. Sadler by his great business capacity was able with very little assistance to manage the whole office work. He was famed all over the North Shore as being capable of putting through more work in the same time than any other business man. His knowledge of details was remarkable. He could turn to any man's account without the aid of the index, keeping in memory the page of the ledger upon which the account was. He was affable to all those with whom he came in contact and was always ready to render assistance and give advice to those who needed it. His record as a business man, of uprightness and integrity was unsurpassed. He was popular with all classes of the community and when any difficulty arose between friends or disagreeable matters were to be smoothed over, he was the one that was looked to as more likely than all others to succeed in arranging matters.

The words of a shrewd Irish captain when a matter of dispute arose between him and some others with whom Mr. Sadler was interested have become proverbial. "I don't care whether he's interested or not I'll lave it to John Sadler and he'll do what is right." Mr. Sadler was widely known over the province of New Brunswick. He was a universal favorite and his hospitality and generosity were unbounded and it will be long before his friends from all parts of the country will become accustomed to the absence from among them of a man who upon all occasions whether in joy or sorrow they were wont to seek.

In 1875, he was married to Agnes, daughter of the late Senator Muirhead. She died in 1882. He leaves a daughter, Miss Effie Sadler and a son, master Frank Sadler, both minors. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Robert Moffat, of 92 Gloucester street, Toronto, widow of the late Robert Moffat, M. P., for Restigouche and a brother, Frank, residing in United States.

The remains were interred in St. Andrew's churchyard on Monday afternoon and were followed to the grave by a large concourse of people and sincere mourners.

The Rev. Joseph McCoy M. A. conducted the funeral service,

The pall-bearers were John C. Millar Esq., Millerton. Messrs. Robert Ritchie and James Mitchell Newcastle. Messrs. Daniel Ferguson, Daniel Crimmen and L. J. Tweedie Chatham.

Epworth League.

On Monday evening last in response to personal invitations issued by the Epworth League of St. Luke's Church, a large number of Methedists and their friends met in the pleasant school rooms of that church to enjoy an At Home.

The tasteful, home-like appearance of the rooms and the cordial welcome with which the guests were received, attested the high reputation already achieved by this popular body of young methodists.

After singing as an opening hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," and repeating the Lord's prayer in concert, the audience assumed, to some extent, the appearance of a large family enjoying their annual reunion.

During the evening an abundance of delicacies was served and the following programme artistically rendered by the members and friends of the League:—

Piano solo—Miss Troy.
Reading—Mr. Mersereau.
Piano solo—Miss Haviland.
Chorus—Mariners' Song—Choir.
Solo—The Blue Sea—Mrs. Harris.
Solo—Time and Tide—Mrs. Watters.
Address—Rev. Mr. Steel.
Solo—In Romany Land—Miss Troy.
Piano Solo—Miss Carter.
Quartette—Send Them Angels Down—Messrs. Nicol, Chesman, W. T. Harris and Fisher.
Reading—Mr. J. L. Stewart.
Piano Solo—Miss Troy.
Solo—Twilight—Mrs. McLoon.
Recitation—Mr. S. E. Harris.
Chorus—Dashing on before the Gale—Choir.

Miss Carter and Miss Haviland very skilfully performed their duties as accompanists.

The whole performance was so highly commendable that it seems invidious to comment especially on any parts, but the male quartette deserve special mention for their excellent rendering of "Send Them Angels Down" and the selection which they gave as an encore. Mr. S. E. Harris' recitation was given in his usual inimitable style and was enthusiastically received by the audience with whom Mr. Harris is evidently a great favorite.

The President read a letter from the Y. P. S. C. E. of St. Andrew's Church, extending to the Epworth League a very cordial invitation to an At Home in St. Andrew's Hall on Tuesday evening, the 24th inst. and urged the members to show their appreciation of the Society's kindness by being well represented at their At Home.

Smart Villages.

THREE PROSPEROUS PLACES: BOIESTOWN, DOAKTOWN AND BLACKVILLE ON THE CANADA EASTERN.

The villages of Boiestown, Doaktown and Blackville, on the line of the Canada Eastern Railway, appear to be enjoying a very marked degree of prosperity just now. At Boiestown there is usually a bustle at this time of year. Men are there from all directions hiring for the woods. This year, however, there is no stir from this business as wages are down to $14 and $17 per month. The cut this winter on the Miramichi will not be more than half that of last year, and choppers are therefore not so much in demand as in other years. But in Boiestown there is much building going on, and many other improvements are being made. Mr. Wm. Richards is putting up a handsome residence below the station on the other side of the road. The exterior is about complete, and now the Messrs. Winters of Fredericton are at work painting and decorating the interior. Mr. R. C. Macreadie is doing the plumbing and fitting the heating apparatus. Mr. McMillan is also building a handsome residence just below that of Mr. Richards. It is not so far advanced as Mr. Richards', but it is being pushed along rapidly to completion.

In Doaktown there are about seven new buildings now in course of erection. Below the station and on the other side of the track, Mr. Harvey Doak is putting up a building about 28x34, which will be completed and occupied in a few weeks. Swim & Co. are putting up a large structure opposite their store to be used as an hotel. Dr. Weir is building a handsome residence below the house he is now occupying, and expects to move into it next fall. A short distance above the doctor's lot the frame of another building has just been laid and work on this is being pushed along rapidly. The Methodist church, at the upper end of the village is nearing completion, and so on. Altogether Doaktown is becoming quite a lively place, and its people are remarkably well pleased with its progress. The sashes, doors, clapboards and all such necessaries in building are manufactured in the village in the establishments of Joseph Doak and Samuel Freeze, which are well fitted out for such work.

Blackville is also booming and its people are well satisfied with the prospects.—Moncton Times.

That Pilotage Matter.

CHATHAM, OCT. 24, 1893.

To the Editor of Miramichi Advance.

DEAR SIR:—In looking over the columns of the ADVANCE of Oct. 19th, I notice an article headed, "A Pilotage Matter," viz., a complaint to the Pilotage Commissioners of the Port of Miramichi, regarding the negligence of pilots boarding inward bound vessels; signed by Capt. McLaughlan, Capt. Olsen and Capt. Little.

"We have," say they, "during the present season, all had the experience of having pilots board our vessels only after we had crossed the bar, etc." Now sir, in justice to myself and other members of our crew, who were on station at the time those vessels arrived, I feel it my duty to say a few words in reply.

We were on station off Escuminac Point, on September 25th; the wind was east all day and steadily increasing. Our barometer denoted a gale of wind. The storm signal was hoisted at the lighthouse, so at night, there being nothing in sight, we decided that no sane man who knew anything about Miramichi bar would run his vessel down upon the land with the expectation of getting a pilot through the night, so we ran into Portage Island for shelter. Such, however, was not the case with Capt. McLaughlan, but, ignoring the instructions laid down in his book of directions, which read thus:—"Should you not meet with a pilot off Point Escuminac, and too late in the day to cross the bar before dark, you should stand off and on till daylight, and not shoal your water to less than twelve fathoms, particularly with the wind from the eastward," he runs down upon the land into six fathoms, and anchors. Had Capt. McLaughlan followed those instructions and kept his vessel under canvass ntil daylight, I have every reason to believe that we would have been able to guide him into safety on the following morning. We were, however, on the alert, thinking that the vessel could not weather the gale where she was lying. We saw her when she parted her cables, met her after she came around the bar, guided her into safety and put a pilot on board. On Tuesday, morning, Oct. 3, we made an attempt to get out, but the sea was breaking so heavily on the bar that we were obliged to turn back. At noon, the wind having moderated and the fog cleared somewhat, we sighted a large barque outside the bar, and soon after another at the bar, which proved to be the Norwegian barque "To Brodre"—Capt. Olsen—which we boarded inside the Swashway channel.

Now, sir, had Capt. Olsen hauled his vessels head off shore for one hour, as did the Capt. of the "Sophia B.," we would have been outside the bar and had a pilot on board his ship. But Capt. Olsen probably was actuated by two impulses; first, his chances were good to strike the old vessel on the bar as she was leaking very badly, put the blame on the pilots and make an insurance job of it; and secondly, he thought that once he was inside the bar he would save half pilotage. The latter he mentioned as soon as the pilot went on board, but being foiled in that he now flies to the Commissioners for redress. Those men ask for a return to the old system of opposition. Do they know why the present system exists do-day? Perhaps I could enlighten them. Simply because shipmasters, in a great many cases, Norwegians especially, would not allow us on board their vessels out around the Magdalen Islands, claiming that they did not require the services of a pilot, until they got to Escuminac. Why, sir, I have even spoken British vessels inside the north point of Prince Edward Island, that refused my services on those grounds. These are facts, Mr. Editor, which I am prepared to prove.

And now, before I close, one word with that poor old apology for a captain, Little, of the barque Hiawatha, a very appropriate name indeed, little good; little harm. He is prepared on an investigation to afford evidence to substantiate the matter of complaint, viz., that he, like the other two was inside the bar, before getting his pilot on board. This, sir, is a direct falsehood, for I, myself put the pilot on board his ship, as soon as it was practicable to do, where she lay to her anchor northeast by north from Escuminac Point. Capt. Little should read the story of Ananias and Sapphira and govern himself accordingly. But why did not the men hand in their complaint when they came into port? Why leave it until their departure? Simply because, they have no grounds for complaint, and they knew it. But now on the eve of their departure, they, lacking principle, have affixed their signature to a fabrication of falsehoods, merely to please a few dissatisfied cranks, that we have among ourselves. Why, sir, I verily believe that either one of those men would sell their signatures to a falsehood, for a $4.00 move, just as quickly as Captain Ritchie of the "Steinvora" did. For my part I am perfectly satisfied that the commissioners investigate this matter, and in the meantime I would suggest that they get a written statement of the weather during those days, from Capt. Quaile of the wrecked barque "Gatineau." And Capt. Andrews and Thomson of the barques, "Valona" and "Konoma" wrecked on Richibucto beach—good reliable men. Men who would not sell their signatures to a falsehood for a dozen $4.00 moves, and with the statement of such men as those, and the facts as herein laid down, I firmly believe that the commissioners will justify us in acting as we did, and censure, the aforesaid, McLaughlan and Little for their fool hardiness in running down on a lee shore in an easterly gale and anchoring in the edge of the breakers Now, Mr. Editor, by publishing these few lines, you will greatly oblige your obedient servant,

WILLIAM WALLS, Pilot.

Incorporation.

A very large number of our citizens responded to the call of the Town clerk, who called a meeting for Friday evening last at the Masonic Hall to consider the advisability of incorporating the town. Mr. Connors, the clerk, called the meeting to order and upon motion John Shirreff, Esq., high sheriff of the Co., was called to the chair. Mr. Shirreff explained the object of the meeting and spoke of the importance of all feeling and interest in the building up and improvement of the community in which they live: He was in favor of the principle of incorporation and believed that it would increase the value of property, and conduce to the happiness and prosperity of the citizens. He would like to have the details discussed.

Mr. W. C. Winslow, on being called to the platform, said he wished to hear some of the promotors of the change address the meeting, as they had studied the question and were, no doubt, prepared to give the information that was needed. The fire department was not as efficient as it should be, and incorporation would be a benefit if it resulted in an improved service. House owners had found, on renewing their policies that they had had to pay increased rates. The Government tax was the excuse given for this, but the real reason was the inefficiency of the fire department. He believed the fire department could be better administered under incorporation. A town of the size and importance of Chatham should wake up to the duty of governing itself. All who were in favor of self-government should be in favor of incorporation, and he felt that the business of the town could be carried on more efficiently and economically by a council chosen by the ratepayers of the town than by the municipal council at Newcastle.

Mr. R. Murray, Jr. said he would not at this time make any extended remarks on the subject but he thought it would be advisable to read the charter of the town of Grand Falls which he considered a good basis for a Chatham act of incorporation. He moved that a committee of six be appointed to draft a bill and submit it to a meeting of the ratepayers to be called hereafter. He believed the subject had not been as carefully considered or sufficiently discussed by the people as it should be and he felt that at another meeting they would be in a better position to give a final vote on it. It would be noticed that no salaries were allowed to mayor or councillors in the act he had read, and that the treasurer received only the usual commission for collecting.

Mr. R. A. Lawlor was in favor of incorporation, but he thought the mercantile men should express their opinions as the meeting had already heard from the lawyers.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie said he had come to hear the question discussed, not to discuss it. He had not given the subject much consideration since the meeting some years ago. He congratulated the town on the large number of its citizens who had shown their interest in the subject by attending the meeting. He had always found the people of Chatham ahead of those of other places in intelligent action on public matters. This scheme involving a great change from the present state of affairs was a serious matter. There were always advocates of change, some, he supposed, were even asking for change in local politics, put it was not always wise to jump at the new. It was important that young and growing towns should be incorporated. If Chatham had been incorporated years ago we would not have crooked streets as at present. But we have them and incorporation cannot straighten them. What benefit would we derive? Would our police force be better? Would our fire department be more efficient? Would our system of lighting be improved? Would our taxes be more or less? If more would there be corresponding benefits?

These were the questions which he thought should be carefully considered by every ratepayer. He was not prepared to discuss them at this time and agreed with previous speakers in thinking that they should not be decided at a meeting like this. If it were decided to incorporate the town the bill should be a permissive one to come into force only when adopted by a vote of the ratepayers at an election held for that purpose. Incorporation would advance the educational interests of the town, and render the school system more effective by consolidating the three districts into one. This would bring about uniformity of taxation in the town.

A good system of sewerage would be beneficial, but a water supply was not so much needed, as every man could get beautiful water by boring for it at his own door. He would object to a water tax. People would however still probably continue to erect crooked buildings rather than straight ones as such seemed to be favored by the highest authorities in the land. He would like to hear the workingmen speak. He remembered that when he was a boy and used to attend public meetings such as this two or three men gave their opinion and what they said was law. Now things had changed and every man had the right to express his views and discuss any public question.

Col. McCulley said he had not come to speak He did not mean to say he was against incorporation but he was surprised at the reluctance of some of the promoters of the change to come forward and express their views. Mr. Snowball's name was first on the list, and he was the proper man to come forward and show how incorporation would benefit the town. There would be some receipts, which now go to the municipality but would they not be paid out in salaries?

Senator Snowball was pleased at the large gathering to consider so important a question He was not one of the promoters of the scheme but in common with the other merchants of the town he had signed a requisition for the meeting. He took a warm interest in all that related to the affairs of the town and was always pleased to do anything that would promote its general good. He would like to hear the supporters of this scheme,—those who have taken an active interest in advocating it, express their opinions. If it can be shown that we will from incorporation derive a general good he would support. If not he would oppose it. He was sure the citizens were agreed on one point and that was that our town needed something. Year after year large sums are collected in taxes and we are unable to point to benefits commensurate with the expenditure. He felt that had we a town council meeting once a week before whom we could appear and present our views it would be far better than at present. He would like to know what would be the increase in revenue? in taxation? If it were made to appear that benefits would accrue to the town corresponding to the increase in taxation there would be no reason for opposing the scheme but he would advise caution. He was inclined to favor incorporation, but he would like to be assured that the administration of town affairs would be economical and that those who serve its interests were actuated and governed by lofty and patriotic motives.

Mr. W. S. Loggie said while his personal feelings might be against incorporation, as a citizen he was in favor of it as a step ahead. He had seen no place abroad, of the size of Chatham, with so shabby a front street, and surely incorporation would lead to improvements. Another grade, the XI, would be added to our schools at the expense of the provincial treasury, and those who had boys to educate would save at least $200 by keeping them at home a year longer. If we had incorporation that unfortunate government building, which would make the front street askew forever, would not have been placed as it is.

Dr. Baxter said the question of expenditure was one for consideration hereafter. The town might do as Moncton had, or be content with things as they are. New Glasgow, about the size of Chatham, had asphalt sidewalks and good streets without heavy taxation. Our porous soil has protected us from epidemics in the absence of sewers, but its porosity was an argument against depending on our present water supply. Every well drains an area of 80 to 100 feet square, and many of them are within 80 feet of nuisances.

Mr. R. B. Adams favored incorporation. He thought sufficient had been said to show that it was possible. It was a move in the right direction and did not necessarily imply an increase in taxation. He called on the workingmen not to listen to the bugaboo of taxation. All would cheerfully pay increased taxes for necessary improvements. The ratepayers would have affairs in their own hands and the amount of taxation was solely a question for their consideration.

Mr. F. E. Winslow spoke forcibly in favor of the change. The poor man would pay but a few cents more if the taxes were increased, and what would benefit the town would benefit the workingmen. Whatever tended to advance the interests and welfare of the community as a whole would be to the advantage of all classes of citizens.

Mr. Wm. Kerr said he was not opposed to incorporation, but he would like to hear such arguments adduced by those who advocated it as would convince him that such a measure did not mean a very large increase in taxation. His experience was that men would not serve their town for honor, but that if you expected a man to give his time and attention to any matter you had to pay him.

Mr. Nicholas Cunningham vigorously expressed his views against incorporation. He came to hear what benefits would be derived from the adoption of this scheme but so far, none had been stated. He had lived in larger places that were much dirtier than Chatham.

Town Council boodlers and rings would grab $5000 for one ward, $10,000 for another, and so on, while the poor man, without flour in the house, would go to jail for taxes.

Mr. J. L. Stewart called attention to the fact that speakers were getting away from the question, which was simply one of organizing for self-government, to the discussion of things for further consideration. He asked all who thought the people of Chatham capable of conducting the affairs of the town to vote for the resolution.

Mr. Michael Murray said he had the honor of belonging to the workingmen and he thought they should not be deprived of any of the privileges or benefits they now enjoy. He felt that if they followed the act read by Mr. Murray they would be sacrificing many of their privileges.

Mr. D. T. Johnstone thought the resolution was a little premature.

Mr. Thomas Sullivan at the commencement of his speech was ejected by officer Rankine. The meeting was therefore deprived of his views on the subject.

Mr. Robert Murray made the last speech. He was strongly in favor of the movement. By such a change the town would derive the revenue from wharfage, auctioneers' and other license fees which now go to the county. He thought the revenue from these sources would more than pay all the expenses which follow incorporation. He said all that would be wanted was $25 to $50 to pay a town clerk and enough to pay for the rent of a room to hold meetings in.

The resolution was adopted, and the following were appointed a committee to draft the bill.—Robt. Murray, Jr., W. S. Loggie, R. A. Lawlor, L. J. Tweedie, John Coleman and Nicholas Cunningham.

The meeting adjourned until Tuesday, Nov. 21st.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the brides mother, on Saturday 14th Oct., by Rev. Joseph McCoy, M. A., Mr. James McLeod of Chatham, to Miss Alice, daughter of Mrs. James Dickson, of Napan.

Shipping News.

PORT OF CHATHAM.

Entered from Sea.

Oct. 21—Bk Indentre, 529, Perley, Bristol, J B Snowball, bal.

Entered Coastwise.

Oct 20—Sloop Beaver, 24, Dignard, Tignish, A & Loggie, gen cargo
21—Sch Bessie S Keefer, 79, Horton, Sydney, J B Snowball, coal.
21—Sch Caughnawaga, 14, Duguay, Tracadie, master, fish.
23—Sch St Patrick, 11, White, Alberton master, cattle.
23—Sch Janet A. 24, Handraken, New London master, oats.
23—Sch St Peter, 15, Gillis, Tignish, master, produce
24—Sch Minnie Scott, 24, Kennedy, Summerside, master produce.
25—Sch Marion H. 24, Basque, Buctouche, J B Snowball, fish.
25—Sch Sea Bird, 10, Achi, Shippegan, W S Loggie fish.
27—Sch Minnie Long, 20, Long, Richibucto, master bal.

Cleared for Sea.

Oct 19—Bk Minnie Hahn, 1043, McLaughlin, Barrow, Neale, lumber.
21—S S Hampshire, 1593, Wier, Liverpool, Neale, lumber.
24—Bk Roska, 604, Hanson, Ary, Mckay, lumber.

Cleared Coastwise.

Oct 20—Sloop Beaver, 23 Dignard Dalhousie, A & R Loggie, gen cargo.
20—Sch Finn, 10, Gallant Miminegash, master, gen cargo,
20—Sch Jennie May, 19, McGrath, Tignish, master lumber
20—Sch Leigh J, 34, McLean Charlottetown, W S Loggie, lumber.
20—Sch Telephone, 70, Stone, Richibuto, J B Snowball, bal.
23—Sch caughnawaga, 15, Duguay, Tracadie, master, gen cargo.

PORT OF NEWCASTLE.

Entered from Sea.

Oct 24 Sch Sower, 124, Melanson, New York, R R Call, hard coal.

Entered Coastwise.

Oct 19—Sch Kohonoor, 77, Cameron, Pictou, R R Call, coal.

Cleared for Sea.

Oct 18—Bk Ocae Niko, Bielokrich, Cardiff, W M McKay, lumber.
21—Bk Asia, Iverson, Penarth Roads, W M McKay, lumber.

Cleared Coastwise.

Oct 18 Sch Life Boat, Blompied Pictou, E Hutchison, lumber.

PORT OF CARAQUET.

Entered Coastwise

Oct 9—Sch Curlew, Brideau, 22, Shippegan, Wm Fruing & Co bal.
12—Sch Four Brothers, Albert 25 Newcastle, R Young & sons, door frames
17—Sch John Bull, Holmes, 20, New Carlisle, C Robin Collas & Co, sundries.
23—Curlew, Brideau, 22, Shippegan, Wm Fruing & Co, ballast.

Cleared Coastwise.

Oct 17—Sch Curlew, Brideau, 22, Shippegan, Wm Fruing & Co, dry fish.
17—Sch John Bull, Holmes, 20, New Carlisle, C Robin Collas & Co, bal.

PORT OF BUCTOUCHE.

Entered Coastwise.

Oct 16 Sch Lochiel, 41, Pictou, S. S. Leger, cargo
17—Sch Mary Carvell,