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Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

COONEY'S HISTORY:—See advt.

TOO BAD:—Mr. Alex. Reid has a very sore hand caused by the bite of a dog which attacked him on the street on Tuesday 8th inst. A killer of useless and unregistered dogs ought to be appointed by the Town Council.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY:—Thursday next, being the Queen's Birthday the ADVANCE will be published earlier than usual on Wednesday. Matter for the paper received after Tuesday evening 22nd inst. will not appear in next week' issue.

THERE ARE many things known as good for a cough, yet the special virtues of all are combined in Adamson's Botanic Cough Balsam. Purely vegetable, perfectly harmless, not narcotic, soothing, healing. 25c. all Druggists.

THE STEAM YACHT, Florence, came to Chatham from Millerton on Saturday, and many of Commodore Miller's friends were glad to see both him and the trim little craft. Capt. John W. Miller and a number of ladies were in the party.

THEY WILL BE WELCOMED HERE:—The Halifax Recorder says:—"The Misses White and Mrs. Tremaine contemplate making a concert tour of the provinces in the near future—They will be assisted by Miss Shirriff as soloist. Mrs. Tremaine will go as chaperon to the party."

CHATHAM BICYCLE PARADE:—On the 24th all the members of the Bicycle Club, as well as others who wish to join in the run, are requested to make ready and appear in costume, if convenient, if not, in ordinary garb. In either case they will be welcome to form part of the parade.

MIRAMICHI YACHT CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING is to take place on Saturday next, 19th, at Colonel Call's Office, Newcastle, at 2.40 p. m.—on arrival of the Str. Nelson. It is desirable that all members be present, as last year's business is to be closed and the programme for this year arranged.

MR. VANSTONE'S PURCHASE:—Mr. A McN. Shaw has sold his fine residence and property at Gibson to Mr. David Vanstone, an engineer of the Canada Eastern railway, and has removed his furniture to St. John. The price paid was in the vicinity of twenty-five hundred dollars.—Gleaner.

EXCHANGE: Rev. W. W. Lodge, of Central Methodist Church, Moncton, conducted the services in St. Luke's Church, Chatham, last Sunday, Rev. Mr. Young, pastor of St. Luke's, going to Moncton and taking Mr. Lodge's services there. Mr. Young preached the annual sermon in the Central Church in behalf of the Home Mission fund of the Methodist Church.

ATTENTION:—A handsome flagstaff, the gift of one for which were generously donated by Judge Wilkinson, and the expense of making and erecting which was jointly borne by private citizens and the Town Council, stands in Chatham Public Square in need of painting to prevent it being attacked by rot. It should be painted by the Public Works Committee before the Queen's Birthday.

AN UGLY FALL: Thomas Rippey, locomotive engineer, I. C. R., met with a painful accident at Jacquet River on Saturday last. In jumping from his engine in a hurry his foot caught in the curtain and he was precipitated to the ground with considerable force. He alighted on his head and left shoulder, knocking out a tooth and dislocating his shoulder.

INCREASING PRICES:—The three Ottawa newspapers have increased their price for delivered papers and have also put up the wholesale price to agents, news dealers and carrier boys. The paper famine and consequent increased cost of print paper, besides an advance in the cost of stereotype metal, ink, etc., are given as the reasons justifying this step.

MASONIC HALL, Chatham, is engaged for Thursday evening next, May 24th, by the Star Specialty Company, when they will present one of their popular entertainments. The special features embrace songs, dances and musical specialties, including a list of entertainers in performances of slack-wire walking, club swinging, dancing, etc. The sale of tickets commences on Saturday, 19th, at Mackenzie's Drug Store. Secure your tickets early as there is every probability of a full house.

MIRAMICHI MARBLE WORKS:—Now is the time to place your orders for cemetery work and avoid the spring rush. We have now on hand and coming one of the largest stocks of marble and granite monuments, headstones and tablets ever shown on the north shore, all from the latest designs and worked from the best material the market can produce. Call and get our prices. They are right.

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UNRIVALLED TOURIST SLEEPING cars for the accommodation of passengers holding second class tickets, are run by the Canadian Pacific Railway on Trans-continental Express train, leaving Windsor Station, Montreal, at 11 a.m. every Thursday and running through to Seattle. Passengers for Canadian Northwest and Pacific Coast points will be accommodated in these cars, on payment of a small additional berth charge. Each berth will accommodate two passengers.

THE ADVANCE'S "Spring on the Miramichi" although not expressed in many lines, appears to have been appreciated by a number of dailies in Canada, into which it was copied and credited to this paper, but certain weeklies have appropriated it as their own—one of these being no further away than Campbellton. That particular paper however, is an old offender in that line, and also generally as a plagiarist.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE:—The Rev. W. Fremantle Webb, Secretary of the Diocese of Calgary, will deliver an address on Missionary Work in that Diocese and the Northwest, on this Thursday evening, 17th inst., at 8 o'clock, in St. Mary's School House, Chatham. The address which will be illustrated with lantern views of Northwest scenery will be highly interesting and instructive and should be largely attended. A silver collection will be taken to defray expenses.

MORE RECKLESS DRIVING:—A resident of Loggieville driving rapidly down Wentworth street, into Water street, on Tuesday, and, apparently, not caring who or what he might run over, collided with a pony cart, in which a young lady was passing along Water street. He almost upset the light rig and narrowly missed injuring its occupant. Unless an example is made by the police of some of the people who drive their horses on the town streets at full speed such offenders against the law will probably continue to endanger life and limb as they have too long been permitted to do.

EVERYBODY LIKES BERRIES; everybody ought to have them; but don't think of planting out a single row without first getting a copy of Biggle Berry Book. This book is written by a practical grower and will save you money, time and trouble from the start. Starting right is more than half way towards success. Market growers pronounce Biggle Berry Book one of the most helpful books ever written on the subject. Many of the leading growers have contributed their experience to its pages. The price is 50 cents, by mail; address the publishers, Wilmer Atkinson Co., Philadelphia.

FIRE: There was a fire at the "Barking mill," on Saturday forenoon and an alarm was sent in. The engine started and was proceeding to the scene when it was turned back by some unauthorised person. The employees and others continued to fight the danger, momentarily expecting the machine to appear and assist the stationary engine on the premises, but waited in vain for a good while and then they had to send in a second alarm. Somebody is responsible for this want of proper control in the fire service of the town. Under some conditions there might have been a very serious fire and great loss, simply owing to want of a better system of management of the service.

PERSONAL: Mr. A. McN. Shaw, of St. John, is in town this week, at the Adams House.

John Stuart, Esq., President of the Maritime Sulphite Fibre Company, and Mr. Reed, of the Dominion Pulp Company, were in town last week.

F. E. Neale, Esq., returned from Great Britain last week, via Rimouski.

Edwd. Sinclair, Esq., was in town on Tuesday.

Mr. J. R. Lawlor has been appointed a member of the Board of School Trustees for Newcastle, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. P. Wheeler.

The Moncton Times says:—Mrs. E. Sinclair and her daughter, Miss Helen, and Miss Russel, of Newcastle, are spending a few days in the city, the guests of Mrs (Dr.) Ferguson, Botsford street.

Hon. Senator Snowball returned home from Ottawa on Monday morning.

No Disappointment.

Disappointments of one kind and another crop up all along life's pathway, for unfortunately it is the unexpected that always happens. There is at least one article of acknowledged merit that never disappoints. Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor is sure to remove the worst corns in a few days, and as no claim is made that it will cure anything else, it cannot disappoint. If you have hard or soft corns just try it. Beware of the article "just as good." N. C. Polson & Co., proprietors, Kingston.

The Military Camps.

The Globe's Ottawa correspondent says:—It is understood that the following will be dates of Canadian Militia camps:

Artillery in three brigades of about four hundred men each, June 5, June 19 and July 2.

Cavalry and infantry—London, June 5; Niagara, June 12; Kingston, June 26; LaPrairie, June 26; Levis, June 26; Sussex, June 26, and Aldershot, N. S., Sept 11.

New Store, Hall, and Offices.

Mr. Brian Moran is preparing to build upon the lot purchased by him from the town and known as the Henderson Corner. He is to put up a two storey building, 50X35 feet, which will contain a store to be occupied by hamself, a hall for the C. M. B. A. and some law or other offices. The excavation is made for the cellar and a considerable stock of stone is on the spot for the foundation. The work is to be done by Messrs. Walsh of the East end wood working factory.

Correction.

In the list of communications read at the last meeting of the Town Council, as reported in the ADVANCE, the following appeared:—

"3rd. One from Mr. M. S. Hocken, late chief of the fire department, enclosing a petition of the Hose Company, asking for a division of the $100 presented to them by President Stuart of the Maritime Sulphite Fibre Company."

The letter in question was one sent to Mr. Hocken under date of 4th inst. by six of the firemen, containing the request stated, and merely placed in the hands of the Council by Mr. Hocken without any communication of his own.

Town Horses.

MR EDITOR:—Notwithstanding the figures presented to the Town Council by alderman McIntosh at its meeting of last Monday evening, in opposition to the proposal to have Chatham own horses to do public work, I think a mistake was made in not treating the matter in a different way from that accorded to it. The fact that alderman Burr admitted that he did not know anything about the cost of or reasons for what he proposed was not a justification for allowing the matter to be shelved. We all know that ald. McIntosh's figures were wide of the mark. Ald. Burr's failure to meet ald. McIntosh's absurd estimate demonstrated that he ought to have let the matter alone until he was better prepared to handle it.

SLOW AND SURE.

To Our Readers.

The ADVANCE will be obliged to its numerous readers if they will enable us to make reference in our local columns to matters and events in which they are interested, or may think their friends may be. This they can do by giving the information in person at the office, or writing to us about it. Many things proper to be noticed in the ADVANCE'S columns do not appear therein, simply because our attention is not called to them by those who would like to see reference to them in the paper, but have omitted to do their part in making them known. Come, therefore, or write and tell us your local news.

Chatham and the Hull-Ottawa Fire.

Mayor Loggie has received the following letter, which explains itself:—

OTTAWA, Ont. May 11th, 1900.

W. S. LOGGIE, ESQ.,
Mayor, Chatham, N. B.

DEAR SIR:—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 8th instant addressed to the Mayor of this city, enclosing $250 being a donation from the Town of Chatham, N. B., for the benefit of the sufferers in the recent fire in this city and Hull.

Will you kindly convey to your citizens the thanks of the Relief Committee for their kindness and generosity.

Yours very truly,
J. O. BROWNE,
Administrator & Treasurer Ottawa & Hull Fire Relief Fund.

The Late C. J. Sayre's Funeral.

A Richibucto despatch of last Thursday says:—

The funeral of the late Charles J. Sayre took place this afternoon. The attendance was a large and representative one. A short service was conducted at the house by Rev. Messrs. Meek, Fraser and Lawson. The remains were then taken to St. Mary's Church, where Rev. H. A. Meek read the service and delivered an impressive address from the words "What is your life?" The interment was in the Church of England cemetery. Robert Hutchison, Q. C., Sheriff Legere, Hazen Russe, John Layton, John Stevenson and Conn. Clifford Atkinson of Kouchibouguac were the pall-bearers.

Deaths While Lumber-Driving.

A terrible accident occurred last Saturday on Welsh's drive on North Branch of Burnt Hill stream, Miramichi. John Booker got caught in a running jam and was terribly mutilated, having nearly every bone in his body broken. The remains were recovered and four comrades took them to Boiestown in a bateau, then to Fredericton by rail. He leaves a wife and nine small children. His fellow workmen made up a purse of $100 and sent it forward with the body to the widow.—Hartland Advertiser.

Timothy Mahoney of Barnaby River was drowned on the Burchill drive on the Tomogneps, a branch of the Northwest Miramichi, last week. He was working up the stream some distance above some of the other drivers, and the latter saw what they supposed was a "jumper" passing down with the current past the place where they were. Later, Mahony could not be found and it is believed that it was his body the other men saw floating by with the jumper on it, as the garment corresponded with that of the missing man. At latest accounts the body had not been found.

Death of J. H. Wilbur.

A Woodstock despatch of Thursday says:—

James Harvey Wilbur, one of the best known hotel men in the province, died at five o'clock last evening, the result of a paralytic stroke. About a year ago Mr. Wilbur was taken seriously ill and gradually became worse. For some months past he was unable to be out of the house. An attack in the throat, which came on Saturday deprived him of speech and the power to take nourishment, and he failed rapidly.

Deceased was in his sixty-seventh year. He was born in Westmoreland county, and his first venture in the hotel business was at Shediac. He then moved to Dorchester, and for some time conducted the Dorchester hotel. From there he went to Newcastle, where he was proprietor of the Wilbur house, and later still established a hotel with the same name in Bathurst.

Mr. Wilbur moved to Woodstock about thirteen years ago and bought out the old Gibson house, which he conducted under the name of the Wilbur house until he retired from business about three years ago, when C. J. Tabor bought him out and established the Carlisle hotel.

Mr. Wilbur was a Methodist in religion and a Freemason. His wife, who survives, was Miss Flora Smith of Cape Breton. There is a family of six children—three sons, William, Percy (of Bathurst) and James H., the latter one of the owners of the Aberdeen hotel here, and three daughters, Mrs. John Thompson of Houlton, Mrs. Jas. Creighton of Woodstock, and Annie, unmarried and living at home. The remains will be taken this afternoon to Dorchester for burial. Mr. Wilbur was a highly respected and good citizen, honest and square in his dealings, and his death is sincerely regretted.

Dorchester, May 11.—The funeral of the late James Harvey Wilbur, of Woodstock, a native of Dorchester and for many years proprietor of the Dorchester Hotel, took place to-day on arrival of the noon express from the west. The body was taken to Trinity church, where funeral service conducted by Rev. Dean Campbell, was held. The remains were interred in the Wilbur family lot in Dorchester Rural cemetery.

Deanery Meeting at Newcastle.

A meeting of the Rural Deanery Chapter of Chatham, took place at Newcastle May 8th and 9th.

There were present Revs. Canon Forsyth, R. D., W. J. Wilkinson, B. D., P. G. Snow, James Spencer, C. O. Dell Baylee, B. A., G. L. Freebern, B. D., and G. R. Edward MacDonald, B. A.

On May 8th there was a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Andrew's Church at 8 o'clock, Rev. Canon Forsyth being the celebrant assisted by Rev. W. J. Wilkinson. At 10 o'clock the Chapter met and after prayers and the reading of the minutes, Hebrews XII was read in the original and discussed.

In the afternoon a S. S. T. A. meeting was held at which an excellent paper was read by Rev. Canon Forsyth on "Distinctive Church Teaching in our Sunday Schools," and an interesting discussion followed.

In the evening, services were held at S. Andrew's, Newcastle, and S. Mark's, Nelson. At Newcastle addresses were given by Revs. James Spencer and G. L. Freebern, and, at Nelson, by Rev. W. J. Wilkinson and G. R. Edward MacDonald.

On May 9th, after morning service in the Church, the Chapter met for the transaction of business. Excellent papers were read by Revs. P. G. Snow and G. L. Freebern—the former on "The use and abuse of religious forms and ceremonies"; the latter on "Parochial Visitation." Both papers were interesting and instructive and were fully discussed by those present.

It was moved by Rev. Canon Forsyth, seconded by Rev. P. G. Snow, and carried by a standing vote—

"That the Rev. G. R. Edward MacDonald "be heartily welcomed as a member of the "Chatham Rural Deanery and that the "members of the Chapter now assembled "desire to wish Mr. MacDonald all success "and abundant Divine blessing in the sacred "ministry of the Church of God."

Mr. MacDonald, in acknowledging, made an excellent reply.

In accordance with a resolution passed at a meeting of the Bishop and Rural Deans held last winter it was resolved to appoint a press correspondent whose duty it shall be to collect and receive all church news items and forward them to the various newspapers, secular or otherwise.

It was further resolved that Rev. W. J. Wilkinson be the correspondent.

Rev. P. G. Snow and Hon. John P. Burchill, M. P. P., were appointed as representatives from this Deanery on the B. H. M. for the ensuing year.

After further routine business the Chapter adjourned to meet at Harcourt, July 10th.

In the evening the Deanery service was held at S. Andrew's, and the Deanery sermon was preached by Rev. James Spencer.

During the meeting the clergy were hospitably entertained at the rectory by the Rector and his wife.

Killed on a Revolving Shaft.

A shocking accident, which was a duplicate of scores that have taken place under similiar circumstances, and which can be avoided only by reasonable caution on the part of workmen, took place at the Maritime Sulphite Fibre Company's mill about two o'clock on Tuesday. A young, unmarried man named Manzer Kitchen, who has been employed there for years as an oiler, was engaged in oiling one of the revolving shafts at that establishment. He was standing on a platform, or stage, which he had reached by a short ladder held by a lad named Henry Avery, when the latter observed that he was entangled by his clothing on the shaft, which, in making its revolutions, was carrying the poor fellow's body rapidly around with it causing it to strike against the wall of the mill, which was only about 18 inches distant, and a steam box below. Avery at once ran and cried out to the engineer to stop the engine.

Meantime, Mr. Shepherd J. Frost, who was at work a short distance away, tightening a clutch, had his attention attracted by the noise, and ran to the place, ascending a short flight of stairs leading to the stage, when he saw the body revolving on the shaft, which was slowing down as the engine was stopping in response to young Avery's alarm given to the engineer.

Mr. Frost, assisted by Avery, cut the clothing sufficiently to detach the body from the shaft and, with the assistance of others, took it to the floor below. Life was completely extinct. The skull was fractured, the head beaten and bruised, and the limbs more or less broken.

An inquest was held on Tuesday afternoon by Coroner M. S. Benson, and a jury composed of Messrs. James Nicol (foreman), Charles Bernard, Wm. H. McLachlan, Andrew Marquis, John J. Noonan, James McLeod and Alex. J. Loggie, who after hearing the testimony of Shepherd J. Frost, Henry Avery, Wm. McCabe and Wm. Craft—employees in the Pulp Mill—rendered the following verdict:

"That the said Manzer Kitchen came to his death in the exercise of his ordinary duties as oiler of the machinery of the Maritime Sulphite Fibre Company's mill, by reason of his clothing having caught round the shaft and his body thereby striking against the wall and steam shoot underneath, and not otherwise—and that no blame attaches to anyone."

It appears that deceased was in the habit of wearing a "jumper", which he generally kept unbuttoned, and some of his fellow employees say he had been warned by them that there was danger in leaving it loosely about him when he was oiling, as it might catch on a shaft. In his evidence, Mr. Frost said: "I have been engaged in machinery all my life. I said to deceased, about ten days ago, 'you should not have your jumper as loose as you do.'"

The poor fellow did not heed these warnings, however, and he has paid the penalty with his life. It is another lesson to those who are similarly engaged.

Errors of a "Nautical Authority."

The World's latest snarling is directed against the Marine Department, of which it seems to imagine that Mr. Blair is the head, although Sir Louis Davies is the minister. The cause of its outburst is that the Miramichi lightship isn't in its place; and it appears to see in the situation an opportunity to adopt its usual course, while yelping at someone it hates, of fawning upon those whom it has unjustly abused, after it has learned that its stabs have proved ineffective.

People who read the World's little article on the lightship last Saturday wondered why it was endeavoring to belabber Col. Call, who has been one of the objects of its misrepresentations and malevolence for nearly a year. The reason, no doubt, is that finding its attacks brought only contempt upon itself, it wants to kiss and make up friends," so in attacking Mr. Blair over the alleged delay of the lightship going down to the station, it pretended to believe that Col. Call had always done the spring repairs to the vessel, and if the work had been left to him, she would have been now in her place for the navigation season. The World, however, in its desire to be very endearing, just at this particular season, to the gentleman it has been snarling and biting at for nearly a year, isn't particular as to its facts, for it says:

"Col. Call, for some years past, had "charge of the lightship, and always had her "overhauled and painted ready for her sta-"tion at the opening of navigation," etc.

The fact is that Col. Call has had nothing to do with the repairs of the lightship for three years past. He and others used to tender for the work, and the lowest tenderer got it. The vessel was not in the meantime in charge of Col. Call, but of the Marine authorities represented by Mr. Harding. In the last seven years the work has been done severally by Messrs. Ritchie & Co., R. R. Call, John Ferguson, George Brown and Wm. Trner. When the persons who did the repairs had finished the job, it became the duty of Col. Call, as contractor with the Department for laying the buoys in the Miramichi river and placing the lightship on her station, to have the craft towed down and placed under direction of one of the pilots. But whether the spring repairs of the vessel were late or early was no affair of Col. Call's unless he were the contractor for making them—and this he has not been since 1897.

The World represents a most dreadful state of things existing because of the absence of the lightship from the station, but no one else in the port who is acquainted with the conditions appears to see things in that light. For a paper that is making constant efforts to be thought a marine prodigy, it makes an exhibition of nautical innocence that would shame the navigator of a clam-flat. The buoys of the Miramichi, both above and below the lightship station, are an ample guide to vessels coming in light, as they do from sea at this time of the year, and are as good for the purpose this year as in the past. We have not heard of any pilot saying that he could not bring a vessel in as safely this season as heretofore.

With the "political patronage job" of repairing the lightship, to which the World refers, we are not concerned. There may not be any basis of fact for it, and there may be some truth in it, for we confess that the smelling out of things of that sort are so in line with the experiences and so congenial to the tastes of the navigator of the World that he may have really made the discoveries he states. We are quite sure, however, that Mr. Blair has something else to do than be a meddler in the details of the work of a department other than over which he presides.

It is said that matters of patronage, generally, are under the joint control of two or more local gentlemen, but if they have made a mess of it in this case it does not so appear from the record, for the lightship has, in some seasons, been sent to its station much later than it will go this year. Taking the dates on which the craft was placed in the last three seasons, for instance—'97, '98 and '99—they average May 30th, and yet the World's growl, which was set up for the double purpose of biting at Mr. Blair and bedeviling Col. Call was published on May 12th. Perhaps the World will, bye and bye, realise that it ought to get its eyes fairly open before it goes around "seein' things" in the political jobbery line, and also in order that it may not be blind to what almost everybody around it knows.

Letter From Robert Ward of Company G.

BLOEMFONTEIN, O. F. S.
April 9th, 1900.

Dear Mother:—I was very much pleased to receive a letter from you the other day. We received our Christmas boxes the day before yesterday. The one I got from you was in excellent condition, and I was very pleased to receive it. It is hard work for a soldier to carry anything more than stuff to eat. I will try to carry, and read the Bible often. Laura's chocolates were fine and tasted just as good as when they were mail ed. A good many boxes we got from St. John were no good. The cake and puddings were rotten in most of them. Mine was very poor, the only thing that was any good in mine was the raisins.

We are having a good long stay here. They give us a hard march every now and then, but we are enjoying ourselves fine out here. I am in good health and spirits.

I see by some of my letters that I was reported wounded, but such is not the case. I have come through it so far without a scratch. It is very doubtful whether we will have any more fighting or not. I don't think we will.

I suppose the papers are all ablaze with news of the fights. We get an odd one from Canada, but I never get one from Chatham.

We are feeling a little better now and we are all getting fat, still there are a good many sick with the fever.

Hoping soon to hear from home, I remain,
Your son, BOB.

With the Second Contingent.

Mr. R. Attridge of Doaktown sends to the ADVANCE the following from a member of the second contingent:

Off Cape Town, South Atlantic, March 20.

Dear Sir: The sight of our departure from Halifax, is a thing long to be remembered, as the boat slowly edged away from the wharf, and the six hundred men on deck waved and cheered a last farewell to the thousands of their kinsmen on shore; and as the cannon of the government roared out a parting salute, we then realized that we had left behind our native land and the responsibility was upon us to uphold her honor.

Several boatloads of loyal Canadians escorted us out of the harbor, and shouted many a lusty cheer of encouragement. In another hour the Canadian shore disappeared in mist, and the dull thud of the engines helped to turn our thoughts to the long journey that lay before us.

During the first day the weather was fine and all went serenely, but, for the next three days, it was stormy, and the vessel commenced to rock and sway, which motion it has kept up almost continuously ever since, so that the men are heartily sick of the voyage and are doubly anxious to reach the seat of war.

The men's quarters, which are situated between decks on the bow, consist of cots in rows, underneath some of which are the mess tables. Between decks and at the stern is the horse section, where the animals, caged so closely together, have suffered much from the stifling atmosphere, until a large number of windsails as canvas tubes were hoisted. The draft of fresh air wafted down by this means brought a great relief to the poor beasts. An order has been issued to clip all horses, and the men have their work cut out in heaps.

We sighted more than a dozen vessels during the trip, mostly at a great way off, but in two instances we were within shouting distance.

One night we signalled a steamship from what appeared to be less than two hundred yards distance. I was half asleep on deck at the time, and could only make out the red and white lights which appeared to be alongside. The blowing of the steam whistles sounded very strangely at night in mid-ocean.

A little south of St. Helena we sighted a three master under full sail and running with a free wind coming towards us. All hands were soon on deck, and our dinner, which was ready at the time, was postponed for a while. Our captain signalled "second Canadian contingent for South Africa," and was answered the name, which was misunderstood; also, "two and one half months out from Singapore bound for Liverpool," and as she dipped her ensign in salute we gave them three British cheers and a tiger. In another minute she had disappeared from view in the sun's reflection upon the water.

After the first three days the weather settled down, and strict discipline was enforced by the officers in regard to parades, smoking at stated hours, and guard and stable duties, which was very irksome work indeed. The rations were good and the men appreciate the kindness of those from whom they came.

We passed Cape Verde Islands on the 4th inst., sighting Fogo Islands in the distance. On the twelfth we signalled the Island of Ascension, a British coaling station, and were answered to "go straight ahead." Three days later we passed close to historical St. Helena, but no sign of life appeared upon the chief point of interest on our passage across the ocean.

Saturday afternoons were allowed off for sport and recreation, and the obstacle and sack races afforded barrels of fun for the spectators. A brass band and orchestra was organized on board which helped to pass away the evenings, and also assisted at the sacred services. We had rifle and revolver practice several times, my troop, the third of A, making the highest average, and my group of four, winning the highest score with the rifle in the squadron.

A large bath tank made of heavy ducking was placed on deck and the men took advantage of a sea bath occasionally.

On the ninth inst. we crossed the equator without any special ceremonies, and also saw the first whale or shark, I don't know which, although we have seen numerous schools of porpoises as they continually leap above the water by the hundreds.

One Sunday chaplain Lane conducted the sacred services, which were heartily entered into by the men. Rev. Mr. Lane is a sympathetic and kind-hearted man who finds great favor with everyone.

The surgeon-major and staff were kept busy vaccinating the men and attending the sick, although there was no serious disease prevalent. The veterinary surgeon and assistants had their hands full also during the whole trip, and we have lost over thirty-six horses already. I guess the sharks are getting fat. But I must bring this letter to a close as the trumpet calls, "Dress for inspection parade," and as we are within less than a day's journey from our destination, I don't expect to have opportunity to write further this time. Hoping you are well, I will look for an early reply.

Yours truly,
R. S. ROBINSON,
Third Troop A Squadron, C. M. R.
Cape Town,
South Africa.

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Don't wait a few days to see if it will "wear off"; it is much more likely to become dangerous and it will undoubtedly be much more difficult to cure. The longer you permit it to prey upon the delicate membranes of your throat, bronchial tubes and chest, the more you render yourself susceptible to other attacks and to chronic pneumonia or consumption.

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DIED.

At the Almshouse, Chatham, N. S., May 15th 1900, Phillip King, of Douglastown, N B.
Advocate please copy.

Shipping News.

PORT OF CHATHAM.
Entered from Sea.

May 12—Bk Winona, 668, Hallen, Arendal, F. E. Neale bal.
14—Bktn Jasper, 296, Clancey, Wexford, F. Dyke bal.
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16—Bk Ragna, 463, Johnson, Arendal, F. E. Neale bal.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

TENDER FOR SUBWAY, AMHERST, N. S

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked on the outside "Tender for Subway at Amherst," will be received until

FRIDAY, THE 18TH OF MAY, 1900,

For the Masonry, Excavation, Grading and Sewers required in the construction of a Subway at Christie's Crossing, Amherst, N. S.

Plans and specification may be seen at the Station Master's Office, Amherst, N. S., and at the Chief Engineer's Office, Moncton, N. B., where forms of tender may be obtained.

All the conditions of the specification must be complied with.

D. POTTINGER,
Railway Office, General Manager.
Moncton, N. B., May 9th, 1900.

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BOSTON!

COMMENCING MAY 14, the Steamers of this Company will leave St. John every MONDAY WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY morning, at 7.30 o'clk, standard, for Eastport, Lubec, Portland and Boston.

Returning, leave Boston same days at 8 o'clk.

☞WEDNESDAY'S trip from St. John, Steamer does not touch at Portland.

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Desicated Cut Wheat,
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MOTTS CHOCOLATE, BAKERS COCOA, CANDIED PEELS, ETC., ETC.

Chatham, N. B., March 14, 1900.

Sanitation in Barber Shops.

The Boston board of health has ordained with respect to barber shops in that city, that "the place of business, together with all the furniture shall be kept at all times in a cleanly condition. Mugs, shaving brushes and razors shall be sterilized by immersion in boiling water after each separate use thereof. A separate clean towel shall be used for each person. Alum, or other material, used to stop the flow of blood, shall be used only in powdered form and applied on a towel. The use of the powder-puff is prohibited. The use of sponges is prohibited. Every barber shop shall be provided with running hot and cold water. No person shall be allowed to use any barber shop as a dormitory. Every barber shall cleanse his hands thoroughly immediately after serving each customer.

NOTICE.

A GENERAL MEETING of the Stockholders of the Miramichi Skating and Curling Rink Company will be held at the Waverley Hotel, Newcastle on Thursday the Sixteenth day of August next at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of dissolving the said Company, disposing of the property and dividing the capital and property remaining among the stockholders, in proportion to their respective interests.

Dated Newcastle, 7th May, A. D. 1900.

JNO. FERGUSON,
Sec'y. Treasurer.

To the Public!

The Board of Health would respectfully call the attention of the public to the necessity of cleaning their yards and premises before the heat of summer. We do not wish to go to the expense of sending an inspector to compel such cleaning, and would therefore suggest prompt action on the part of the public.

E. A. STRANG,
Chairman Board of Health.

Chatham, May 1st.

EQUITY SALE!

MRS. ELIZABETH WALLS' ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 24th day of July, A. D. 1900, at the hour of two of the clock in the afternoon, at or near the Post Office, in the Town of Chatham, in the County of Northumberland, in the Province of New Brunswick, there will be sold at Public Auction, under and by virtue of and in pursuance of the authority given to us, the undersigned Referee in Equity, in and by a certain order of the Supreme Court in Equity, bearing date the 27th day of April, A. D. 1900, and made in a certain suit therein pending, wherein Johanna Murphy is the Plaintiff, and James D. Murphy and Mary Curran, administrator and administratrix of the personal estate and effects which were of Elizabeth Walls, deceased, who died intestate, are Defendants; and in pursuance to the provisions of the Fourth Chapter of the Acts of the General Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick made and passed in the 53rd year of the reign of Her present Majesty, Queen Victoria, entitled "An Act Respecting Practice and Proceedings in the Supreme Court in Equity," all the Real Estate, Lands and Premises of which the said Elizabeth Walls was seized at the time of her death, in separate lots, mentioned and described in the said order as follows:—

FIRST.

"All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Parish of Chatham aforesaid, bounded as follows, to wit: Commencing on the north side of Duke Street at the distance of sixty-nine feet easterly from the east side of land formerly owned and occupied by Alexander Kay, deceased; thence northerly on a line parallel with King Street sixty eight feet six inches; thence easterly on a line parallel with Duke Street twenty-nine feet six inches; thence southerly on a line parallel with King street thirty five feet six inches; thence westerly on a line parallel with Duke Street four feet three inches; thence southerly on a line parallel with King street thirty-three feet three inches, or to the north side of Duke Street; thence westerly along the north side of Duke Street twenty-five feet three inches to the place of beginning—being the same piece of land that was conveyed to said Johanna Murphy by James Crowley on the thirteenth day of July, A. D. 1870, and by said Johanna Murphy conveyed to said Elizabeth Walls, by deed dated the 14th day of November, A. D. 1883, registered the 14th day of November, A. D. 1883, in Northumberland Registry Office in Vol. 62, pages 214 and 215.

SECOND, also all that other lot of land and premises mentioned and described in said order as:

"All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Town and Parish of Chatham aforesaid, in the County of Northumberland, on which the buildings formerly occupied by John Brown, machanist, as a store, stands, with a right of road from front to rear of said premises, on the west side of the said building, of six feet, conveying the same breadth as in front of the said premises to the rear thereof, and was conveyed to David T. Johnston by his father, George Johnston, by Indenture, bearing date the 20th day of November, A. D. 1870, and by the said David T. Johnston to Thomas Delaney, by deed, bearing date the 14th day of June, A. D. 1883, and bequeathed by the said Thomas Delaney to his wife, Margaret Delaney, by will, bearing date the 9th of October, A. D. 1887, the same having been conveyed by the said Margaret Delaney to said Elizabeth Walls, by deed, dated the 29th day of August, A. D. 1889, and registered in the Registry Office of the County of Northumberland on the 13th day of September, A. D. 1889, in Volume 67, pages 65 and 66.

☞For terms of sale apply to the undersigned. Terms cash.

Dated this 11th day of May, A. D. 1900.

E. GIROUARD, Plaintiff's Solicitor,
HENRY H. JAMES, Referee in Equity for the Co. of Kent.

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