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Crosse & Blackwell's Lemon, Orange and Citron peel,
Heinze's Sweet Pickles in bulk,
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" " Leaf Lard in parchment paper,
Pure Food Co. celebrated Bacon, Bologna &c.
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TELEPHONE ORDERS WILL HAVE BEST ATTENTION.

Miramichi and the North Shore, etc.

GRIPPE AT WOODSTOCK :—There are upwards of 500 cases of grippe in Woodstock.

LAYTON'S STAGE :—Mr. Chas. J. Layton is driving a stage regularly between Chatham and Newcastle.

A PLUMBER FOR CHATHAM :—Mr. L. E. Dryden, plumber and tinsmith, of Sussex, is now in the employ of Mr. G. R. Marquis, and will attend to plumbing work in any part of the county. He comes highly recommended. Mr. Marquis is the only man in the county who has a plumber in his employ. 3.30.99.

PERSONAL :—Mr. H. S. MacGachan, of the bank of Montreal, has been transferred from Chatham to Amherst N. S. A very large social circle regrets his departure. He is succeeded here by Mr. Longley of Halifax—a son of the Attorney General of Nova Scotia.

We regret to learn that John O'Brien, Esq., is laid up with the grippe at his home in Nelson.

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.

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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SMELT FISHING :— Under existing conditions and pending final arrangements pursuant to the recent judgment of the Privy Council, fishery matters are in many respects the subject of both local and federal concern; and the smelt fishermen having, with good reason, asked for an extension of time, Provincial Secretary Tweedie has arranged a compliance with their wishes with the Minister of Fisheries and Mr. Burchill has received telegraphic notice from Ottawa showing that the extension has been granted, which will enable the smelt fishermen to take advantage of the favorable tides near the end of the present month.

DIED SUDDENLY :—The St. John Sun of Saturday last says :—Death came with awful suddenness to Mr. Joseph Baxter, of Chatham, N. B., to-day. Mr. Baxter, who was 77 years of age, had been visiting his nephew, Mr. William Baxter, who lives on the corner of Pitt and Leinster streets since Christmas. On Thursday he complained of feeling unwell, but nothing serious was feared. This morning, between seven and eight o'clock, he arose as usual and was heard to go into the bathroom. Soon after the sound of very heavy breathing was heard, and members of the family, going in found him on the floor, breathing his last. He almost immediately expired. Dr. D. E. Berryman was quickly summoned, but life had departed before his arrival. Death was due to heart disease.

A SAD CASE :—As we go to press a jury under Coroner J. S. Benson is investigating the death of an infant of Mr. and Mrs. John Cable of Weldfield settlement, a few miles from Chatham. The facts, as reported are that the child was found on Sunday about noon, frozen to death on a path near the highway in that locality. It appears that Cable is in the habit of ill-using his wife and family; that he beat his wife last Friday morning with some part of a harness, bruising and cutting her face; that after he left for the woods she left the house to come to town "for law," some say taking the baby, but according to others leaving it behind with two older children. The woman is not clear on the subject. At all events the baby was missing and not found until Sunday as stated. One story is that it was taken by a little sister who intended to carry it to a neighbor's house, but dropped and left it on the way.

C. M. B. Ball.

The great ball of the season on the Miramichi—that given by the Chatham branch of the C. M. B. A.—is about to begin as we go to press, so we must defer fuller reference to it until next week. Masonic Hall is beautifully decorated and both arc and incandescent lamps have been installed for the occasion. The indications are that the attendance will be larger than at any similar event in the history of Chatham.

Curling.

Interest at the Chatham curling rink centres just now in the match : Married vs. Single. The following are the rinks that have played, so far, and the results :—

Married.	*Single.*
Chas. Ruddock,	D. Gould.
C. Sargeant,	A. Haviland,
W. J. Connors,	F. Chesman,
D. G. Smith, *Skip.* 8.	D. M. Loggie, *Skip.* 23
W. L. T. Weldon,	Ed. Ruddock,
C. Sargeant,	J. B. Crocker,
Geo. Dean,	H. Muirhead,
Alex. Burr, *Skip.* 11.	J. Johnston, *Skip.* 13.
P. A. Noonan.	F. W. Harrison,
W. B. Snowball,	N. Edgar,
R. Murray,	Harry. Strang,
Geo. Hildebrand, *Sp.* 14	E. Johnson, *Skip.* 11.
A. Robinson,	Harry McLean,
Rev. G. Young,	W. Loudoun,
S. D. Heckbert,	J. McIntosh,
D. Chesman, *Skip.* 10.	M. Hocken, *Skip.* 17.

Recent Deaths.

News of the death of alderman John Soley of Chelsea, Mass., has reached friends and relatives here. He was a native of Truro, Nova Scotia, and married Miss Maggie Cormack, daughter of the late Alex. Cormack, and sister of Mrs. Alex. Robinson of Chatham. Mr. Soley has resided in Chelsea about thirty years and was prominent in the public, industrial and social life of that city. His death was the result of an accident—the breaking, under great strain, of a watch tackle, the flying loose end of which threw him down upon his head, causing, no doubt, fracture of the skull.

The death of Mr. James Dickson, of Napan, on Monday last, removes a very old and much respected citizen from the community. He was a native of Dumfries, Scotland, where he was born in 1803. He came to Miramichi in 1823 and settled at Napan, where he has ever since resided. At the time of the great fire he was engaged in loading a ship at Douglastown, and was one of the few in the country who of late years, could give particulars of that historical event from personal observation. He was the father of eleven children, of whom there are six living, viz.—the widow of the late Archibald Campbell, of Napan; Mrs. Ira Patterson, of Amherst, N. S.; Alexander Dickson and Mrs. Thos. White, of Napan; David Dickson, of Moncton; the widow of the late Daniel Woods, of Bangor. The funeral, which was very largely attended, took place yesterday afternoon, the service being conducted by Rev. D. O. McKay, of Halifax.

The interment was in St. John's Churchyard Chatham.

A Generous Offer.

We are authorized to offer our readers, prepaid, a free sample of a never-failing cure for catarrh, bronchitis, irritable throat, influenza, and such throat and nasal diseases. There is no mystery about Catarrhozone, though its effect is magical. Ointments and washes cannot reach the diseased parts, and have thus proved useless. But Catarrhozone is carried by air directly to the diseased part, and is like a breeze from the pine woods. Write for free sample to

N. C. POLSON & Co., Kingston, Ont.

Deanery Meeting.

A meeting of the Rural-Decanal Chapter of Chatham was held at Campbellton Feb. 1st and 2nd. There were present Rev. Canon Forsyth, R. D., W. J. Wilkinson, B. D., James Spencer, Rector, and G. L. Freebern, B. D. On Wednesday morning immediately after matins and litany had been said in the church, the Chapter assembled and read Hebrews 8th and 9th in the original. This was followed by an interesting and profitable discussion of the chief points of the passage read.

In the afternoon a meeting of the S.S.T.A. was held in the church, at which a paper was read on the "Prayer Book in the S. School" by Rev. G. L. Freebern, and an object lesson was given by Rev. W. J. Wilkinson. These were followed by a discussion in which the clergymen and S. S. teachers present took part. In the evening a service was held in the church and addresses were given by Revds. Canon Forsyth and G. L. Freebern.

Thursday being the Festival of the Purification of Saint Mary, the Holy Communion was celebrated by Rev. Canon Forsyth, assisted by Rev. W. J. Wilkinson.

At the Chapter meeting held at the Rectory later in the day a paper was read by Rev. G. L. Freebern on "Extra Parochial Meetings."

It was resolved that the next meeting be held at Derby May 17th and 18th and that Rev. James Spencer be the preacher.

It was also resolved that the Chapter desires to express its concurrence in the formation of a Diocesan S.S.T.A. and in the event of such an Association being organized will give it its hearty sympathy and cooperation. Evensong was said in the church at 7.30 and an excellent sermon was preached by Rev. G. L. Freebern.

Chatham Town Council.

The Town Council met in regular monthly session on Monday evening, ald. Coleman absent.

In the absence of the Mayor who is confined to the house with a broken ankle, ald. McIntosh was asked to take the chair, but declined, whereupon ald. Loggie was appointed chairman.

A list of officers for the Town was read as recommended in committee, with the exception of the Assessors, on the selection of whom the committee could come to no agreement.

Ald. Flanagan recommended the appointment of the following officers for 1899, as agreed on by the committee :—

Surveyors Wood, Bark and Lumber—Henry Muirhead, John Woods, Timothy Harrington, John Sinclair, Peter Woods, jr., Andrew Morrison, Jas. Stapleton, John Haley, Geo. E Fisher, Mathew Keenan, Peter Dower, Patk. Coleman, Clyde Johnston, Michael Dee, jr., Frank Carruthers, Wm. K rr, jr., John Connors, Wm. Muirhead, Wm. Luke, Doris Kirby, F. E. Danville, Robert Loggie, Archibald Woods, Michael Haley, Henry Smith, John C. Stewart, John McLaughlan, Thos. Stapleton, Jas. MacIntosh, Patk. Ryan, James Keenan, Phil MacIntyre, Herbert Pallen, A. W. Watters, Thos. McQuinn, P. J. McLannigan, Fiem. Johnston, Mich'l Morris, John McFarlane, Edward Kirby, Allan McCoy.

Pound Keeper—John Reid.

Hog Reeves—Joseph Steel, Thomas Green.

Inspectors of Fish—James Whalen, Dudley Perley.

Surveyors of Dams—B. Flood, Patrick Coleman.

Constables—Ambrose Hays, James Ramsbotham, Anthony Forrest, Wm. Synnott, Wm. Troy, John Johnstone (Douglasfield), Isaac Dickeson, Calvin Craig.

Inspectors of Butter—Dan'l Chesman, Thos. Flanagan.

Fence Viewers—George Traer, John Foley, Sam'l Waddleton.

Boom Masters—Michael Keoughan, Donald Ulluck, D. Chesman, John Robertson, B. Flood.

Inspectors of Shingles—Jas. Mowatt, Robt. Wall, Alex. Ross.

Weighers Hay and Coal—Thos. Flanagan, Wm. Wyse, Wm. Whalen, A. W. Watters.

Collector Dog Tax—Thomas Green.

Auditor—George B. Fraser.

Ald. Maher moved that the same assessors be appointed who filled the position last year, viz :—Geo. Stothart, Samuel Waddleton and Michael Haley.

Ald. Robinson objected to this on the ground that they should be appointed by ballot, after being nominated.

Ald. Snowball nominated Geo. Stothart, John McDonald and Michael Haley.

Ald. Maher nominated Messrs. Stothart, Waddleton and Haley.

The ballot was taken with the following result : Stothart, 5; Haley, 5; Waddleton, 3; McDonald, 3.

The last two were again balloted for and resulted in a tie vote. It then remained for the chairman to cast his vote and he named Samuel Waddleton, as he considered it his duty to appoint the same men as acted last year and, besides, Mr. Waddleton had acted in this capacity for a number of years and he would vote for him in preference to the new man.

The bye-law committee reported certain bye-laws and had considered the storing of oil, but could not deal with the matter fully as they could not secure a proper place for it and had left it over for the present.

A bye-law authorized that bonds of $200 be required from all constables in the future as a guarantee for the prompt return for all monies collected by them, was passed.

The finance committee reported as follows:

Finance Committee report they have carefully considered the estimates of receipts and expenditures for the coming year, with a view that no unnecessary taxation shall take place. We however note an enrolment last term of 1024, according to report of School Board, and they have asked an assessment of $7000 00 which is $1000.00 more than last year; other than this the total amount is not increased. The taxes may be a little more than last year, caused wholly for increased assessment for schools.

We submit the following as estimates for the ensuing year.

Contingent fund,	$1600.00	
Police,	300.00	
Light,	1340.00	
Fire,	700.00	
Streets,	1300 00	
Interest,	1600.00	
Sinking fund,	400.00	
		7240.00
and 10 per cent which assessors will add.		
Schools,	7000.00	

Regarding the contingent account we have not assessed for the amount we expect to be expended on that account, having in view receipts for licenses, dog tax, Police Magistrate returns for the present year to be applied to that account. We however ask sufficient amount to pay salaries, all of which are charged to said account, leaving the resources from licenses &c. to go towards paying coal and other incidentals.

W. S. LOGGIE,
Chairman of Committee.

Adopted.

The estimates for the coming year were, with the exception of the schools much less than last year. There was an increase of $1000 in the school taxes, due to an extension in the school house in the lower end of the town and the employment of an extra teacher, and there was a probability of securing two more teachers this year on account of the increased population. A comparison was made with taxes imposed by other towns in New Brunswick and it was found that Chatham was $3 less per head.

On motion of ald. Mahar J. D. B. F. Mackenzie was re-elected a trustee of schools, his term of office having expired in January.

Ald. Loggie read the report of the School Board as follows :—

Chatham, January 30th, 1899.

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the town of Chatham.

GENTLEMEN : In submitting our report of schools for 1899, we beg to say that we have at present 21 teachers employed, with an enrolment last term of 1024. The statement of receipts and expenditures for past year with list of assets and liabilities you will find annexed.

You will notice that there is a shortage of assessment of 1897 of.....$ 231 08
and one do for 1898..... 800.00
1031.08

We will require for present year an assessment of (7000.00) seven thousand dollars and would ask that an effort be made to have it and arrears collected more promptly.

Yours respectfully,
W. B. SNOWBALL,
Chairman of School Board.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ON SCHOOL ACCOUNT, TOWN OF CHATHAM.

Assets.

Real estate and school furniture,	$11400.00	
Arrears taxes,	1041.08	
Cash on hand,	27.11	
		$12468.19

Liabilities.

Bonds running from 1 to 19 years,	$5117.41	
Due Bank for money borrowed,	3200 00	
		$8317.41
Surplus,		$4150.78

FINANCIAL STATEMENT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES, TOWN OF CHATHAM, FOR YEAR 1898.

Expenditures.

To paid Salaries,	$5509.50	
" Rent,	560 60	
" Bonds,	379 47	
" Interest on debentures, &c.,	227 76	
" Wood and coal,	322.58	
" Repairs,	188.74	
" For stoves, furnace repairs, &c.,	75.49	
$ Insurance,	66.75	
" Incidentals,	181.30	
		$7511.59
" New building,	880 80	
" Furniture,	240.10	
		$1120 90
		$8632.49

Receipts.

By balance from 1897,	$ 127.59	
" from county fund,	1322,01	
" on acc. assessment, 1898,	5200.00	
" tuition fees,	10.00	
" borrowed from Bank of Nova Scotia,	2000.00	
		$8659.60
Balance on hand,		27.11
Chatham, Dec 31, 1898.		
Due on assessment 1897,	$ 231 08	
do do 1898,	800.00	
		$1031.08

Audited and found correct, 28th January, 1899.

M. HALEY, G. B. FRASER, } Auditors

The report was received and adopted.

Bills in connection with the finance department were passed as read.

The bill of G. B. Fraser and M. Haley for auditing accounts of school board, $5.00 passed.

Bills in connection with fire department were passed as read.

The board of works department handed in a lob of bills which were passed, among them a bill for shovelling snow in the month of January, amounting to $58.13.

Ald. Robinson asked if Mr. Wyse's bill had yet been recommended by the committee.

Ald. Snowball said it was before the committee and had received considerable attention. The committee acknowledged that there was a great deal of work on account of the street and sidewalk repairs being scattered all over the town, and in order to work the different sections advantageously Mr. Wyse was obliged to hire a horse. The committee were not unanimous on the bill as presented, but thought he should have some bonus. For the amount of work done by him that his salary was very small.

Ald. Flanagan thought it better to leave the matter over until there was a full board of aldermen present, and this was endorsed by ald. Snowball, who said that personally, he would like to have the bill paid, still he would not force the matter, as one of his colleagues was absent.

Messrs. Fraser and Haley were reappointed auditors for the school board.

Ald. Snowball moved that the Assessors be instructed to hold their meetings in the Town Hall and that all books, etc., in connection with the office be left in the Hall in care of the Treasurer, and that one of their lists be posted at the town building. Carried.

Adjourned.

News and Notes.

The New York Commercial Advertiser has the following significant paragraph : "Time is coming when we shall copy the present navigation laws of Great Britain, as we shall copy her present tariff laws, as we are now using both tariff and navigation copied from those of the British before changed conditions caused them to be discarded for the present. British laws concerning trade were not changed for sentiment, but for practical gain."

The steamer Acadian, formerly of the Allan Line, now owned by Henry Dobell of Montreal, ran on Rock Island while entering Louisburg harbor on Sunday night. She will be a total loss. The crew were saved.

Agoncillo, agent of the Philippine Leader, Aguinaldo, is in Montreal. He left New York so hurriedly on receipt of the news of the outbreak at Manila that he took no baggage.

A Finlay City, Mich. despatch of Monday says :—The Chicago and Grand Trunk passenger train No. 1, west bound, plunged full speed into passenger train No. 6, east bound, while the latter was standing at the station here to-day. The result of the crash was fatal and otherwise disastrous. The killed are :—Engineer Fairbanks of the west bound; Edward Reid, mail clerk, west bound; Thos. Stewart, mail clerk, east bound. Four persons were severely injured. Both were fast mail trains. The east bound was standing near the station waiting for the coming train to pass. The latter instead of slacking and stopping crashed into No. 6. The locomotives of both were badly wrecked. The mail cars were jammed across the tracks.

Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, in addressing the Senate at Washington on Saturday, in favor of the ratification of the peace treaty, had this to say regarding the aid extended to the United States by Great Britain during the war with Spain :—

"We owe a debt to our brethren across the sea. We had their unqualified moral support and the influence of their trained diplomats throughout the war. Had it not been for England we should not have emerged from the late war with colors flying so high. To-day we have among the nations of Europe only one friend, Great Britain. The other nations stand with bitter hatred, hoping that we may encounter some repulse."

Canada's Winter Port.

The London Mercantile Guardian says :—Thanks to the characteristic courtesy of Mr. Duff Miller, the Agent General for New Brunswick, we have the opportunity for learning all that can be said in favor of the city of St. John as the coming winter port of the Canadian Dominion. He has been good enough to send us a beautifully printed and bound brochure, issued under the joint auspices of the city corporation and the Board of Trade of St. John. Last year our special commissioner was able to present the claim of the fortunately situated city, as given by its eminent citizen, Mr. Robertson, who came to Europe on a special mission to influence our great trading centres, the manufacturing companies, the shipping companies and the shippers in using St. John as a winter port of destination for goods consigned to Canada. What Mr. Robertson said is amplified and pictorially illustrated in the special pamphlet, though Mr. Robertson himself was not one of the special committee appointed to prepare the statement. Forty years ago it appears the citizens of St. John were quite alive to the importance of their port. But business will not in these days gravitate towards any port in which sufficient harbor and dock accommodation are not provided. For more than a generation the people of St. John have been gradually improving their port, and are now able to offer all the necessary facilities for commerce, and those of the best and most modern kind. In its situation the port of St. John cannot be equalled in the North American continent. The Bay of Fundy, in which it is situate, is the safest anchorage in North American waters. The distance to St. John from Europe is shorter than to any other port on the seaboard, and the route from the port to the interior and to the Pacific coast is much more fully furnished with transport facilities, and is shorter as to the saving of time than any other. Through its traffic with the interior, return cargoes can be found at St. John, and the corporation and harbor authorities offer temptations to ship owners and shippers in the matter of port and dock dues. Already St. John has been able to despatch cargoes, chiefly of lumber, for it is one of the great depots of the Canadian export lumber trade—to almost every end of the earth, to the British Isles, France, Australia, North Africa, the Argentine, and the United States. In every department of commerce its trade increases every year. The pamphlet is so full of facts and irrefutable arguments that it should be seriously studied by every manufacturer and exporter doing business with the Canadian Dominion. They will find it difficult, we should venture to say impossible, to answer the question—Why should we send our goods to Canada during the winter time via the United States ports when we have a capacious, safe and all the year round port in Canada itself, offering every facility provided by the United States ports, and in the matter of expeditous and cheap transit to the interior, beating them hollow?

New Brunswick as an Oil Region.

The people of New Brunswick will learn with great satisfaction that there is every reason to believe that within a comparatively short time the oil deposits which underlie the Province will be developed and an industry established which while it will be new to this part of the Dominion will also be one of the greatest in the country. The facts on which the promising outlook are based are given in the Transcript, which says :—

All probabilities point to a vast area embracing all the country lying between the arm of the Bay of Fundy on the southeast, and the Nepisiguit river on the north, and a part of the St. John river on the west—a territory embracing some ten thousand square miles, being profitably productive of mineral oil, natural gas and salt brine. The strongest indications of oil are in the counties of Albert and Westmorland, for it is in this district that the greatest geologic upheaval has taken place, and the indications of albertite coal, bituminous shales and cannel coal are found. The nature of albertite and cannel of which there are almost inexhaustible stores in Albert county near water is simply a

MINERAL OIL IN HARDENED FORM.

It will be gratifying to the people of this section to know that this city will be the centre of whatever future operations are conducted; and that if the indications which have attracted the attention, as will be pointed out, of not only eminent geologists; but also of oil experts, and of capitalists elsewhere, are realized as they now appear likely to be, the day is not far distant, when the prosperity of this section of the province will receive an unparralleled impulse.

THE INDICATIONS OF OIL.

So far as can be known the first discovery of oil indications was at Memramcook on the Gaudet farm, then owned by Dr. E. T. Gaudet's father and now owned by the University of St. Joseph's. The early settlers in plowing the land, discovered that which is known technically as the oil matte, but they were ignorant of its significance, because the world had not yet been aroused as to the importance of petroleum as an illuminant or a lubricant. About thirty-five years ago, however, when the oil fever seized the country, several local people in- and bore for oil. He did so on the Gaudet farm and struck a flow of oil at four hundred feet, but he only tapped an oil creek and not the oil bearing sands. But the

OIL HAS BEEN FLOWING

there to a limited extent from that day to this. In those days he had no appliances for boring deep wells as now, and he moved he drill and bored several other wells with success in one case. This success was about two miles from the first well. The prospecting at that date was of a very crude and incomplete nature. Further borings were made in 1880 and a well sunk to a depth of 2,100 feet. Oil bearing sands some fifteen feet thick were met at a depth of 1,000 feet; and some one hundred and fifty barrels of oil flowed from that sand. No further oil sand was found and they stopped boring. The fact now developed and as will be shown is that a mistake was thus made, and that

THE OIL IN THIS DISTRICT

lies as deep as the productive oil wells in Pennsylvania, which average in depth 3,000 feet. The oil shows in the springs at the head of Cocagne river, at Belliveau's Village, in Westmorland; at Baltimore in Albert county, and at Weldon's Creek, near Hillsboro. Usually in an oil district storages of natural gas are found as well as salt brine. Strangely both these additional natural indications are in the districts mapped out. The salt brine especially around Sussex. In fact almost wherever deep wells in this district are bored brine is met.

AS FOR NATURAL GAS

there is the probability of a great source of local wealth here. When the Albertite works at Belliveau Village in this county were operated by Mr. Patrick some twenty-five years ago, the works and offices were lighted by natural gas, supplied through a pipe entering the ground. The natural gas shows at many points. At almost any point near Belliveau in the streams, gas bubbles can be stirred up and ignited. But at Chartersville, about a mile and a half from Moncton, back of the Babbing farm, two wells were sunk at a depth of forty and seventy feet. Both these wells produced natural gas in limited quantities; and to this day can be ignited. This is a well known local fact. The value of natural gas is so great that cities in the adjoining republic have been enormously developed as manufacturing centres by its means.

Such are the conditions prevailing over a vast area of about ten thousand square miles of New Brunswick, practically covering the whole sub-carboniferous basin of the province. These conditions have long attracted local attention; but that local attention has at last been directed to the solution of the important problem of how to turn these natural conditions to practical advantage and interest capitalists in their needed development. Within the last year several oil

EXPERTS HAVE BEEN OVER

this territory, especially in Westmorland and Albert and pronounced favorably upon the natural conditions existing here. The general impression by these experts is that the natural formation of this district is similar to the formation of the best oil producing territory elsewhere, in Asia as well as America, and that the oil-bearing strata lie at a depth of about three thousand feet. This depth is no greater than the best producing wells in the United States.

The present position is that several capitalists have become interested in the territory and the probabilities are for a very early development.

WHAT IS NEEDED IS CAPITAL;

and capital can only be induced to invest in prospecting for oil, &c., under the most favorable conditions of territory and extensive franchise creating. This latter is a matter entirely within the control of the Provincial government, and it is for the government by its liberal concessions to attract this capital. It is at this stage, the matter now stands.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Maritime Sulphite Fibre Company, Limited, propose building blocks on the south side of the Miramichi River between the lower end of Canada Wharf and the upper end of Middle Island. Plans of the same have been filed as the law directs.

Chatham, N. B., A D, 1899.
THE MARITIME SULPHITE FIBRE CO., LIMITED

INTERNATIONAL S. S. CO.
—FOR—
BOSTON.

Sailing Arrangements for February.

Steamer "St. Croix" will sail from ST. JOHN for EASTPORT, LUBEC, PORTLAND and BOSTON Feb'y 8th, 13th, 17th, 22nd and 27th, at 7.30 a.m. standard.

Returning, leaves Boston February 10th 15th, 20th and 24th.

Through Tickets on sale at all Railway Stations, and Baggage checked through.

Passengers arriving in St. John in the evening can go direct to the Steamer and take Cabin Berth or Stateroom for the trip.

For rates and information apply to nearest Ticket Agent. C. E. LAECHLER, Agent, St. John, N. B.

Card to Electors.

To Electors of the County of Northumberland.

GENTLEMEN :—

The Legislative Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick having been desolved you are again called upon to choose representatives.

We the undersigned therefore beg to offer as Candidates for your suffrages.

The past policy of the Government has met with hearty approval throughout the province.

Under that policy, agricultural, lumbering and other industries have been stimulated and assisted, labor-giving enterprises promoted and the wage-earner protected.

The protection of the game of our forests has resulted beneficially. The influx of tourists and sportsmen is annually increasing, the revenue of the province being materially augmented thereby, and the people financially benefitted.

If elected as your representatives we will faithfully endeavour to promote the general welfare of the province and will carefully guard the interests of Northumberland.

Chatham Feby, 4th, 1899.

L. J. TWEEDIE,
JOHN P. BURCHILL,
JOHN O'BRIEN,
CHARLES E. FISH.

CARD.

To the Electors of the County of Northumberland.

GENTLEMEN :—

I regret that circumstances compel me to decline nomination at the approaching election for the Provincial Assembly.

During my term of representation my relations with the Government and with my colleagues have always been of the most friendly nature. All my endeavours to further the interests of this county were fully supported by the one and fairly dealt with by the other, and I feel confident that the new candidate from Newcastle, who takes my place upon the Government Ticket, will meet with the utmost support and consideration in his efforts to further your interests.

Yours respectfully
ALLAN A. DAVIDSON.

CALL AND SEE US!

Order A Suit for

ELECTION DAY. . . .

We are offering them at suprisingly low rates for the month of February.

Beautiful
Overcoats,
Suits and Pants
Going at Wholesale Prices
For Cash.

Don't miss the chance of your life.

W. L. T. WELDON, MERCHANT TAILOR
Water St., Chatham, N. B.

Sole Agents for Tyke and Blenheim serges for Chatham.

Notice of Wharf-Extension.

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Chatham proposes extending the Town Wharf, so called, easterly into the Miramichi River, opposite land owned by the said Town, the same being in accordance with plan and description filed at the Record Office, Newcastle, and with the Minister of Public Works, Ottawa.

WARREN C. WINSLOW,
Mayor.

Chatham, N. B. 23rd. January 1899.

REVERE HOUSE.

Near Railway Station,
Campbellton, N. B.
formerly the Union Hotel, kept by Mrs. Grogan

Comfortable accommodation for permanent transient guests. Commercial Travellers will also be provided with

Sample Rooms.

GOOD STABLING on the premises.

Mrs. Desmond,
Proprietor

Z. TINGLEY,
HAIRDRESSER, ETC.,
SHAVING PARLOR
Benson Building
Water Street, - Chatham.

He will also keep a first-class stock
Cigars, Tobaccos, Pipes,
Smokers' Goods generally

NOTICE.

Extracts from Act of Assembly 60, Vict. A. D. 1897.

The property to the amount of Five Hundred dollars of a wife deserted by her husband and compelled to support herself; and where the whole porperty owned by a widow, as well the place where she resides as elsewhere, is under the value of Fifteen Hundred dollars, and such widow supports minor children of her own or of her deceased husband, her property in the parish where she resides shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of Two Hundred dollars; and also to the extent of One Hundred dollars for each minor child wholly supported by her. If she has no property in the parish where she resides, then such exemption shall be allowed in the place where such property is situated; but such exemption shall not apply or extend to school taxes.

SAM. THOMPSON,
Sec.-Treas. Co. Northd

Foothooks Wanted.

FOOTHOOKS, 7 ft. long in the shank—side 7 inches. Apply to DUDLEY P. WALLS.

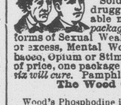
Chatham, 14th Dec. 1898.

DERAVIN & CO.
COMMISSION MERCHANTS.
ST. KITTS, W. I.
Cable Address: Deravin
LEON DERAVIN, Consular Agent for France.

BUILDING STONE.

The subscriber is prepared to furnish stone for building and other purposes.

Apply to J. L. TWEEDIE
or at the office of L. J. Tweedie.



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Wood's Phosphodine,
The Great English Remedy.
Sold and recommended by all druggists in Canada. Only reliable medicine discovered. *Six packages guaranteed* to cure all forms of Sexual Weakness, all effects of abuse or excess, Mental Worry, Excessive use of Tobacco, Opium or Stimulants. Mailed on receipt of price, one package $1, six, $5. *One will please, six will cure.* Pamphlets free to any address.
The Wood Company, Windsor, Ont.

Wood's Phosphodine is sold in Chatham by J. D. B. F. Mackenzie, in Newcastle by H. D. Peters.

Executors' Notice.

IN RE ESTATE OF HON. MICHAEL ADAMS.

All persons having claims against the estate are hereby notified to file the same duly sworn to with J R Lawlor, Newcastle, N B, immediately—and all persons indebted to said estate are hereby requested to make payment within thirty days to the undersigned.

J D CREAGHAN, J R LAWLOR, } Executors

IMPORTANT TO FARMERS

It will pay you to place your order with us for fruit trees, fruit bushes, hedging, etc., early this season. As proprietors of the largest nursery in the Dominion, (over 700 acres,) we are able to speak advisedly.

YOU WILL REGRET IF IF YOU DELAY YOUR ORDER. Give a hearing to our agent when he calls. Pears are bringing large prices in the English market. Do you grow any? If not allow our representative to tell you why we can furnish superior pear trees, and then give him a trial order.

We can utilize the services of a few good men to sell our goods. DEMAND FOR OUR STOCK IS HEAVIER THAN EVER. Supplies furnished free, and our agents paid weekly.

STONE & WELLINGTON,
Nurserymen,
Toronto.

If You Can't

GO YOURSELF SEND YOUR ORDERS TO

HICKEY'S DRUG STORE

for any of the follcwing

STUARTS DYSPEPSIA TABLETS,
VIN MARIANI,
WYETH'S MALT EXTRACT,
PABST MALT EXTRACT,
SCOTT'S EMULSION,
PINK PILLS,
DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS,
DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS,
or any other medicine you may require

Ask for one of our handsome calenders.

BUSINESS CHANGE.

The Business heretofore carried on under the name of John McDonald, will hereafter be conducted under the name, and style of

John McDonald & Co.

NOTICE.

All parties indebted to John McDonald are requested to call and arrange the amounts of their indebtedness within 60 days from date, not later than 14th August. All accounts not settled on or before that date will be placed in other hands for Collection.

Chatham, June 17th, 1897.

While thanking the public generally for their liberal patronage bestowed on me in the past, I respectfully solicit a continuance of the same for JOHN McDONALD & CO.

JOHN McDONALD

ANNOUNCEMENT!

Beginning on Monday, January 9 and continuing to and including Tuesday, January 31

J. D. CREAGHAN will hold his regular
JANUARY CLEARING SALE.

The offerings we will make during the time designated will exceed in number and interest those of any similar sale in our history. While buyers will find ample opportunities for profitable investments in every department of the store, the bargains in the following lines will be especially worthy of investigation.

PRINT REMNANTS, GINGHAM REMNANTS, FLANNELETTE REMNANTS.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, LINING REMNANTS, CLOTH REMNANTS.

LACE REMNANTS AND RIBBON REMNANTS.

Men's and Boys' Reefers, Ulsters, Overcoats, Suits and Underwear.

In all the lines mentioned we will make such price concessions on regular seasonable goods, as to command the attention of every buyer.

J. D. CREAGHAN - CHATHAM.

We must be going to have an early Spring!

BECAUSE

W. T. HARRIS

Is selling off all Winter Goods At Cost.

SEE HIS WINDOW WITH MARKED DOWN PRICES.

THEN go inside and see for yourself that this is no cheap talk, but that everything in

OVERSHOES,
FELT LINED BOOTS,
FELT SLIPPERS,
FELT BOOTS,
FUR-TOPPED SLIPPERS

are actually going at what they cost me.

We must make room for spring goods; they are coming in now, I say I will sell all WINTER GOODS at what they COST ME.

I MEAN IT! TRY ME!

We have a big stock to work off and for you to select from.

THIS IS A DULL SEASON OF THE YEAR FOR BUSINESS.

BUT we want to do some just the same, and the only way now is to SELL CHEAPER than anyone else, and we are CUTTING PRICES on everything in the

PROVISION and GROCERY LINE.

It is impossible to mention everything, but to give you an idea we are selling

4 Cans of Blueberries,	25c.
12 lbs. Onions,	25c.
9 Cakes Signal Soap,	25c.
6 " Eclipse "	25c.

We are selling for cash and won't let it go. Any reasonable offer will be accepted for Hay, Oats, Flour, Meal, Herring, Codfish, Lard, Pork, Beef, Molasses, Oil, Sugar, Tea, Beans, Barley, Rice, Tobacco, Canned Goods, Confectionery, &c., &c.

Call and you will find this a genuine CHEAP SALE.

WOOD AND COAL

delivered to all parts of the Town.

W. T. HARRIS.

KEEP ABREAST WITH THE TIMES

BY PURCHASING

THE BEST IN THE MARKET,

At the

MOST REASONABLE PRICES.

WE HANDLE ALL LINES OF GOODS:

Dry Goods,
Boots and Shoes,
Hats and Caps,
Groceries & Hardware.

CALL AND EXAMINE OUR STOCK OF CLOTHING.

Suits, Jumpers,
Overcoats, Reefers
and Ulsters,

AT ALL PRICES.

CLOTH DEPARTMENT

Serges, Tweeds,
Worsteds,
Trouserings, Etc. Etc.

J. B. SNOWBALL.