

With this issue THE HERALD enters upon its third year of publication. Not a long life, it is true, but still for two full years we have gone as a regular visitor into the homes of many in this city and county who have come to consider it indispensable, as a disinterested and unprejudiced organ, for the dissemination of news and information upon any ambitious flight in journalism not sought to attain the unattainable, but have very largely contented ourselves with spreading before our increasing family of readers a resume of the events occurring around us, both at home and abroad. There is much that even we do not venture upon any ambitious flight in journalism not sought to attain the unattainable, but have very largely contented ourselves with spreading before our increasing family of readers a resume of the events occurring around us, both at home and abroad.

It has been our conviction that it would be greatly to the advantage of Canada whose prosperity and welfare are by us held to be superior to the interests and claims of party; that liberal statesmen and leaders should have an opportunity of testing not only their policy but their capacity for affairs; and we shall continue to present these views, doing so in a manner, we trust, as not to give offence to our many readers who entertain different opinions. We shall also entertain the readers of THE HERALD with political articles as we think there is such a thing as having too much politics in the press as well as in the country; we shall, therefore, subordinate political to other subjects of interest. The publishers of THE HERALD intend that the circulation of this paper shall largely exceed that of all other weeklies published in this city and in the adjoining counties. There was once a local paper, the name of which we shall not mention, which found its way, under cover of friendship for liberal principles and as not unfriendly to the government of this province, into many homes in this county. Into these it could not otherwise have secured admission. Having secured a foothold, it deluded itself with the idea that it would delude the government and the country. It is now stranded and wrecked and presents a sorry spectacle and example to all beholders. THE HERALD will not fail to recognize that a courteous tone and manner towards opponents and moderation in the statement of its views, will best commend these views to the public favor. We will also make those subjects of special interest to farmers a special feature in the future, and our readers in the country, living by the farm, will, we trust, always find something of interest and value to them in our columns. At the same time the household will not be neglected; and occurrences of local importance in all sections of the county districts will be furnished by a staff of well informed and efficient correspondents.

To our advertising patrons we are now able to assure a larger circulation than any other paper published in the city. We have not sought advertising patronage being confident that advertisements would soon seek us out. The circulation of THE HERALD is increasing with unexampled rapidity. Within the last month we reach at least two hundred more subscribers than we reached one month ago, and by the first of June next, our present rate of increase, we shall circulate in York county alone, not less than 2,500 copies weekly. The growing popularity of this journal places it, therefore, as an advertising medium immeasurably in advance of any of our local contemporaries.

TRADE IN SHEEP.
We are pleased to learn that an effort is being made by the provincial government to give an impetus to the opening up of a trade in sheep from New Brunswick to Great Britain. We believe that all that is needed to create a profitable and extensive business in this direction is a knowledge of the requirements of the trade and a little pluck and energy on the part of our business men. The department of agriculture, we are told, is now seeking for information in the proper quarters; if the information be found practical it will be immediately communicated to the public. No doubt under ordinary circumstances private and individual enterprise should be chiefly left to work up business enterprises, but if there is anything a live government can do within its means in aid of individual effort no one will be disposed to question the propriety of its doing it. The secretary of agriculture under direction of the government is now ascertaining what facilities could be made available for the shipment of large numbers of sheep from St. John to London. The Furness line of steamers plying between that port and London with regular bi-monthly sailings is the only possible line at present, and if the agents of that line will be able to provide the necessary accommodation, and the public can be assured of their willingness to do so, a step in advance will have been made. When the English farmer delegates, Messrs. Darcy and McQueen, visited the province last fall, they took a great deal of interest in this question, made many inquiries and spoke highly of the adaptability of the province for sheep raising. The sheep to be sent to England should be of the quality described as store sheep, that is in condition for fattening but not fat. A large proportion should be wethers and they would be bought for the purpose of being fitted for market and would bring prices fifty per cent better than are now realized. We suggest this matter for the consideration of our farmers and business men. If the description of sheep required for export are not now to be had, the farmers should raise them, and it would be a very simple matter, if the sheep required are to be had, for shippers to find reliable farms at the port of destination to handle the cargoes.

The government of Brazil has asked governor Fortella of the state of Rio Janeiro to resign. The latter refused. It is expected martial law will be proclaimed in the state.

POLITICAL NOTES.
Mr. Abbott has not yet reconstructed or filled up his government. The ministers, we are told, have all had their resignations in the premier's hands for several weeks, and are, therefore, only acting ministers. This state of things ought not to be allowed and would not have continued so long, were we willing to believe, if there are any difficulties, for Mr. Abbott is in a difficult position, and has been all this time casting about for relief. That he has been so long searching without finding what he seeks, does not promise well for the permanency of his reign.

What an amount of undisturbed lumber the tory press is capable of getting off when occasion demands it? Not long since we had a Rielite agitation and a few liberals were in it. The Sun—and this was before the paper was disposed of at sheriff's sale—held up the liberal press as a disingenuous foe for its opposition to the Rielite sympathies of these few liberals in Quebec. Now we have Col. Outim, the leading Rielite and nationalist, taken into the cabinet, the first and only product of the long promised reconstruction. We have so little confidence in the sincerity of those who are parading their patriotism and loyalty to a political cause that we should not be surprised if when the conservative party are turned out of office, to find their press very soon hinting at annexation.

It is said that Mr. Chaplain is again kicking and the statement has a good deal to support it. Our impression is that there was no treaty of peace signed, that it was only a hollow truce. Mr. Abbott signified, so we believe, to Mr. Chaplain that he (Abbott) being a Quebec man should have an important portfolio, which Mr. Chaplain could not help admitting was reasonable. The premier then said he would take railways and give Chaplain agriculture, and the latter, entrapped in a moment, yielded. The delay in completing the reconstruction has given him a chance to draw back. Meredith is likely to be put in for London, with the portfolio of public works, and this is said to be gall and wormwood to Chaplain. It is even now stated on apparently good authority that the Rielite Col. Outim rather shook himself clear of Chaplain and jumped into the cabinet, accepting the office of secretary of state before his friend intended that he should.

It is decrying the country now if any one points to our decreasing population—to our falling markets and shrinking values; but when Alexander Mackenzie led the government, the most desirable pictures of the state of things then existing were drawn by the conservative press. We should like to reproduce some of the speeches of conservative speakers and articles from the press of that day. We would see how utterly transparent is minister Foster's blue ruin cry.

By the way, some of our leading conservative friends are feeling around to find out how minister Foster would take as a candidate for York—should he be driven out of Kings. We learn that the encouragement has not been very pronounced. Having secured a foothold, it deluded itself with the idea that it would delude the government and the country. It is now stranded and wrecked and presents a sorry spectacle and example to all beholders. THE HERALD will not fail to recognize that a courteous tone and manner towards opponents and moderation in the statement of its views, will best commend these views to the public favor. We will also make those subjects of special interest to farmers a special feature in the future, and our readers in the country, living by the farm, will, we trust, always find something of interest and value to them in our columns. At the same time the household will not be neglected; and occurrences of local importance in all sections of the county districts will be furnished by a staff of well informed and efficient correspondents.

THE ELECTION COURTS.
Sir Richard and His Accusers—Seals Held or Declared Vacant.
Chief Justice Macdonald and Judge Meagher delivered judgment on the 8th at Halifax in the Guyboro election case. D. C. Fraser holds his seat.
Dr. Borden has been renominated by the girth of Kings county.
Hargrave, liberal, of Ontario, was unseated on the 8th, cause, corrupt practices by agents.
William H. Hutchings, of London, Ont., has retained his constituency, the case against him being dismissed at the request of his attorney.
There is a rumor current that R. H. Pope, M. P., for Compton, intends to resign his seat in the house of commons.
The candidate nominated by each party caucus for the late Sir John Macdonald's constituency, Kingston, are Gunn, liberal, and Metcalfe, M. P. P., conservative. The latter will resign his seat immediately in the Ontario legislature.
The Peel election trial has been adjourned to December 23rd.
Joseph Marshall, tory member for East Middlesex, was unseated on the 10th. The principal charge moved was that of one of his leading supporters voted twice.
The Hon. David Mills, of Bothwell, and Mr. Bowman, M. P., for North Waterloo, both liberals, have passed through their election trials unscathed.
Tory managers have been trying to get the petition against McLennan of Glangary, withdrawn on condition that they dropped their petition against Frost, of Prescott county, but the proposition has been refused.
Liberals of North Lanark nominated D. G. Macdonnell, ex-M. P., as their candidate for the house of commons, to fill the vacancy caused by A. Jamieson's elevation to the bench.
Speaker White has issued warrants for new elections in Montserrat, Que., Victoria, N. S., Lincoln, Ont., Halifax, Ont., and St. John's, N. B.

The petition against the return of Mr. Semple, liberal, as a member of parliament for Centre Wellington, was dismissed with costs, and so was the petition to unseat Dr. Roome, conservative, M. P., for West Middlesex, the petitioner acknowledging that he had not sufficient evidence to justify his proceeding with the case.
The petition against the return of Sir Richard Cartwright as member of parliament for South Oxford was dismissed, counsel for the petitioner announcing that it had been decided not to offer any evidence in support of the charges made in the petition. Among the charges were that Sir Richard Cartwright, Mr. Laurier and Ernest Wiman had conspired together to win the election for the liberal party, and that Sir Richard had made illegal agreements with the G. T. R. for the carrying of electors to vote in the election. In dismissing the case the judges declared that there was no evidence to show corrupt practices had been used to influence the election of Sir Richard.
In the Nova Scotia supreme court chief justice McDonald and justice Townshend set down for trial the election cases of Kisenbauer vs. Kautbach, the Lunenburg case, April 6th, the place of trial, Lunenburg; McGillivray vs. Thompson, the Antigonish case, at Antigonish, April 12th.
Dwyer, M. P., for Brome, was declared unseated on the 10th by judges Brooks and Charland owing to irregularities by agents. Dwyer will again run and be opposed by Fisher, ex-M. P.

The protest against the return of Kennedy F. Burns, M. P., came up before Judge King and Tuck at Bathurst on the 10th. The objections taken by Mr. Currey were sustained but the amendments to the particulars allowed, the petitioner to pay cost.
This makes a total of date of twenty-two seats vacant, twelve of which returned conservatives, and ten of which are returned liberals at the last election.
DISTRICT COUNCIL.—Sunbury district council, R. T. of T. met at Tracy on Thursday. Messrs. W. L. McFarlane and J. A. Thompson, of this city, were present. The following delegates were present: D. S. Dupliss, Bev. G. W. Foster, D. A. Dupliss, H. Kimball, No. 48; L. Miles, S. T. Boone, Mrs. W. Kingston, C. E. Boone, Miss O. M. Smith, all of No. 28; T. B. Roberts, Mrs. T. B. Roberts, Miss U. Kirk, No. 29; Miss Lizie Steen and Hubert Steen, of No. 27. Reports show the order to be in a prosperous condition.

UPPER KESWICK.
More About the Bogardus Property—History and Value.
Much has been said about the Bogardus estate. The people of Keswick are getting warmed up in the matter, as it is their last chance. If something is not done soon it will be forgotten, and die down as it has formerly. A little exertion will satisfy the minds of the people. A copy of the old record has been found, and a lot more valuable papers. Two of our heirs intend leaving for New York to look after their rights, hoping that the supposed heirs will liberally throw in their mites to help the thing along.

The Dutch settled the island of Manhattan and were the lords of the soil. They presented nobody. They welcomed all sects and conditions of men, stipulating only that their own customs, moral and religious, should not be meddled with. The worship of the Dutch was in the language of Holland, but their talk and traffic were in English. A few Englishmen, who came over early, found New York a genial soil, they opened worship in the English language. To the great sorrow of the Dutch, their children ran off to the Episcopal church, because the worship was in English. Yet the Episcopalians were sent across the water for approval, but the home government were allowed to occupy the Dutch church one-half of the Lord's day. As a separate parish, Trinity was organized in 1697. Their house of worship was a small, square edifice, with a steeple. The wealth of Trinity corporation is hundreds of millions. 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LOCAL NEWS.

WOODSTOCK'S MAYOR.—Hugh Hay and W. T. Drysdale are candidates for the mayoralty of Woodstock and are carrying on a vigorous canvass.

AT NORMAL SCHOOL.—The student teachers have been undergoing an examination at the Normal school and now feel as though they can enjoy the coming holidays which begin on the 18th.

MINING LICENSES.—The Royal Gazette of the 9th contains among other notices of mining licenses that of Alex. Gibson, for lands on McLean Brook and Nashwaak and along the Douglas-Stanley parish line.

BRIDGE BUILDING.—Government engineer Beckwith, accompanied by Thos. Colter, M. P. P., has located a bridge across the river at Springfield. The work of building will proceed with as rapidity as possible.

LABOR DEAN SKIN.—Horatio Grant, merchant of Cambridge, displays a bear skin, one of the largest known in this province, being over seven feet in length and the bear was shot in the dooryard of a farm house. It is worth twenty-five dollars.

CHAIR OF DATE.—The meeting of the show club, announced for the 17th inst., will be held on the 15th at the Queen hotel; the change being made on account of the recent announcement on the 17th at the city hall by the mission band.

RETURN.—Wm. Cameron has sold out his meat business to his clerk, Mr. Kellner and Peleg Smith. During Mr. Cameron's long career of 32 years as a butcher in this city he has received a large patronage.

QUARTERLY MEETING.—A quarterly meeting will be held at the Baptist church, on Thursday the first Saturday in January, when a silver collection will be taken up to help pay of the church debt. Preparations are now being made and a large gathering is expected.

SCHOOL CONCERT.—The pupils of the 8th school, led by their teacher, had a concert in Grosvenor's hall at that place on Christmas night. A programme consisting of dialogues, tableaux, music and readings has been prepared and the children have had a thorough drill.

NEW HALL.—The new hall at Morrison's mill, will be opened by the Tilley branch of C. E. Temperance society on Monday evening, the 14th inst. All are invited. A fine programme of readings, music and recitations will be presented, and a very enjoyable evening promised.

THE CANADA REPORTER.—In Canada Eastern affairs it is reported that Mr. Shaw, of Moncton, takes Mr. Waycott's place as auditor, conductor McLean will succeed Mr. Wetmore as passenger and ticket agent, while A. Alcorn, of Chatham, will become mechanical superintendent.

TO THE ASYLUM.—Frank McLean, second son of John McLean, of Margueriteville, was taken to the lunatic asylum last week. Over a year ago he had a severe attack of la grippe which left his mind in a weak state, and although attending church on the Sunday previous, became so violent on Monday that his removal to the asylum was necessary.

BARB BUSINESS.—Despite the low price for hemlock bark the farmers, along the river, are getting out quite a quantity. The price is four dollars per cord. The bark hardly pays at this price for the work of getting it to market, but the logs are in demand and bring a fair price and the New Brunswick farmers would be well advised to stay out of the woods in the winter.

THE MAYORALTY.—Despite the urgent solicitations of his numerous friends Mayor Allen has decided not to offer for the mayoralty at the coming election. Messrs. Harry Beckwith and John Richards are mentioned as probable candidates. During Mayor Allen's incumbency civic affairs have been well managed and the meetings of the council have been pleasant and profitable.

LEG BROKEN.—Dr. McLaren was called on Thursday evening to attend a gypsy named A. Williamson, who had a leg broken, being thrown from a wagon nearly opposite the Normal school. He has his domicile at present at St. Mary's, where he was taken. His horses became unmanageable and he was causing the accident. It is supposed that the injured man had been inhibiting too freely.

SHOW IS NEEDED.—The roads are in fine shape at present being from smooth and hard and should there be but a slight fall of snow it will make good going. Lumbermen are looking for it earnestly as it has been a severe fall for them, being so much rain and soft weather. It was impossible to haul more than a half dozen loads over the same road before it was mud to the horses knees.

JUST THINK OF IT.—The whole stock in trade of Thos. W. Smith, comprising mens, youths and boys ready-made clothing, cloths underwear, etc., will be sold at public auction, commencing Saturday morning, Dec. 19th at ten o'clock and continuing three times daily until all is disposed. A chance in a life time for bargains as all must be sold and without reserve. See advertisement in this issue of THE HERALD.

A NEW COMPANY.—As we go to press a company is being organized for the establishment of butter and cheese factories in York county. The idea is to put in a liberal capital and then to let the farmers of a vicinity where a factory is to be situated, take stock in the business. The plan looks feasible and it is now thought that the cheese and butter making will receive an impetus that will be much to the benefit of the whole county.

MINING CLAIMS.—Hon. surveyor general Tweedie and T. G. Loggie, of the crown land office, went to Hillsboro Tuesday, to hear a protest of M. C. A. Peck and others against J. D. Spurr's application for a license to search for Albertine at Edget's landing. The protest of W. C. Pipes and others against the application of W. D. Colson to search for lead and silver was also to be heard. F. X. Ristow, chief stenographer, accompanied the party.

CHEESE FACTORY.—It is thought that should the farmers of Cambridge see that a cheese factory would be of benefit to them, one will be started in the near future. The required number of cows can be got within a radius of five miles and power can be got from the Carr stream mill, almost at the station. As a siding runs to the mill it will afford a fine chance for shipment. The matter is being investigated and it is believed will be taken hold of in the right spirit.

SEVERE.—Notwithstanding the ice was in a dangerous condition on Sunday, many with a venturesome spirit ran the risk of a ducking and enjoyed themselves morning and afternoon. Walter Jennings, clerk in E. L. Morrison's grocery store, broke the dull monotony of the afternoon, and the ice too, and after floundering in the cold water a few minutes, managed to pull himself out. Although he had a narrow escape from a watery grave, he had a state and thus figures in an item for the papers.

BOARD OF TRADE.—At the special meeting of the council of the Fredericton board of trade, the vice president, J. S. Nell, reported that he had not received sufficient information as to the cost of a steamer suitable for traffic between this city and Woodstock, but thought a steel one could be procured for a sum in the vicinity of \$5,000 or \$10,000. A committee consisting of J. S. Nell, A. H. F. Randolph and secretary McCready, was appointed to deal with the necessity for a fast freight and passenger line of steamers between a Canadian port and Great Britain.

The Parliament Buildings.

Extensive repairs are going on at the parliament buildings under the supervision of Wm. Starr. Some of the cornices had to be repaired, and it was found on inspection that there had been but little care exercised when they were put up, as the whole ceiling was in a dangerous state, liable to fall at any time.

The general plan of putting in nails or screws to hold the plaster had not been followed, and as a consequence the weight of the material was such that it became detached from the wall. A piece six feet long, over the clerk's desk, had to be taken down. A complete job has been made, and now it is as safe as it is possible to make it. Alterations are being made in the gallery. It will be made two feet wider and lowered in front so that a better view of the house may be had.

The entrance to the gallery will be changed, the door coming in at the centre instead of the end as before. A part of the gallery will be reserved for members. The reporters' seats in the gallery will be opened for the public, the reporters to have seats on the main floor, where they will be nearer the speaker. The work will be done in the best shape, and when painted and completed, the room will be in far advance of what it has been.

In Hymen's Fetters. Miss Gertrude F. Dykeman, daughter of Capt. Dykeman of this city, was married on the 9th inst. to Byron Brewer of Keswick. Rev. F. C. Hartley performed the service. The contracting parties have many friends who extend best wishes for the future.

The Salvation army barracks were profusely decorated on Thursday evening when the marriage of Herbert Logan, sergeant, and Miss Lizzie Jarvis, sergeant, took place. The army was out in full force and the citizens thronged the building till there was not even standing room. The Rev. Mr. Payson performed the service. The contracting parties are favorites with the comrades and have many well wishes outside the ranks.

On Wednesday evening at the residence of A. H. Yanwart, Miss Janet C. Mitchell of Keswick Ridge, and Alex. L. Haining, head clerk at Lemont & Sons were united in nuptial bonds by the Rev. Mr. Crawley, resident pastor of the Baptist church. The bride during her residence in the city has made many friends and the groom is one of our favorites. The young couple embarked on the sea of married life with the best wishes of all.

A very pleasant wedding took place on the 8th inst. when Miss Lavina A. Ferguson, one of the city's popular young women, was married to John W. Lilley, proprietor of the Fredericton oyster saloon, York street. The Rev. Mr. Weddall, pastor of the Methodist church officiated, and the residence of the bride's mother, where the ceremony took place, was thronged with the friends of the happy couple. Numerous presents attested the popularity of the bride and groom, and hosts of good wishes are theirs.

On Friday Mrs. Howard, of Gibson, was laid away to rest in the cemetery at that place. Deceased had spent most of her long life in the village and was universally esteemed. She was ill but for a few days. She was the mother of Turner Howard and an aunt of Dr. Currie of this city.

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Election of Officers.

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The lodge starts off on the new term under most favorable circumstances and with prospect of making a good year's showing. The election of officers for the current year in Graham lodge, No. 20, took place Friday evening, 4th inst. There was a good attendance of the members. The following were elected: W. M., H. G. C. Wetmore; D. M., J. H. Smith; Chap., R. Boone; Rec. Secy., Wm. Haviland; Fin. Secy., Jos. Walker; Treas., Wm. Lapest; Dir. of Cer., Wm. Knox; Lecturer, J. M. Chappell; Foreman of Com., F. McCannan; Committee, J. W. Colwell, I. Burden, John Good, O'Bar White.

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A Reasonable Hint. To the Editor of THE HERALD: Sir.—It is surprising what is lost during the winter in the cellar by way of decomposition, or the law of cause and effect. The cellar is generally banked up to keep out frost on the eve of winter. The few cold days pass away and a mild spell takes place, when the cellar becomes too warm. Apples, celery, potatoes, and most all vegetables or garden produce begin to sprout. A brined one rots, that effects the others, and away goes the whole barrel or box, if not observed in time and sorted over. An preventive is to set that cure, we all admit, a reminder is sometimes of great value. The writer claims a low temperature to be the secret of success in this important and yet often neglected department—say not higher than 40° F. or lower than 32°. A little thermometer, price fifteen or twenty-five cents, should hang in every cellar. Hot air furnaces spoil the cellar for keeping the above mentioned articles unless a separation wall is made, and then it is almost impossible to maintain a low temperature. Roots, such as beets, carrots, parsnips, etc., are much better stored in sand or earth; celeris, potatoes, and root crops, if better planted in an upright position with the roots just covered with earth or sand; if not frost proof, then circumstances in this class, as all others, must be taken into consideration. It should be covered in a slanting position almost entirely, as a preventative from frost. Dry sawdust does wonders in the way of protection from frost; it is slaked lime is a good absorbent when it is set in a dry state. Let every moment of decayed vegetable matter be removed once a week. This item may appear dogmatic, but who dares say it does not contain mostly the truth. Old GARDENER. Fredericton, Dec. 10, 1891.

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