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—Cases has polled a vote for incorporation.  
—Yesterday was Moving Day—today is May Day.  
—A new case of small pox has developed at Kentville.  
—Open for business at Paradise on Saturday the 4th inst.  
—A. D. Brown.  
—These stone street crossings could be built to advantage now.  
—Sydney's population is estimated at 15,000. North Sydney's population is estimated at 5,000.  
—Mr. John Small, in his walk along on Sunday, gathered a bunch of strawberry blossoms.  
—The streets and gutters have been subjected to a thorough cleaning, and look the better for it.  
—The Bridgetown Foundry Co. have just received a consignment of Dearing Mowing Machines. Send for prices.  
—There will be an auction in Ingleville of household furniture, horse, cow, etc., on Thursday, May 2nd, at 2 P.M.  
—The Peole bridge on the Shore road between Hamilton and Port Lorne is reported as being in an unsafe condition.  
—Farmers in the vicinity have done considerable mowing during the past week, the season being much earlier than usual.  
—Miss Lockett's millinery, fancy goods, etc., are being sold at very low prices; also ladies' wear, hats, and ribbons.  
—Capt. Josh Sloam and his boat, the Spray, are to be among the attractions at the coming Pan-American Exposition.  
—The well known steamer Yarmouth will take the place of the Halifax on the Halifax Line route between Boston and Halifax.  
—Honor R. Cummings will see the town of Sydney for \$2,000, the full amount of the award from the office of Scott & Innespector there.  
—Major R. G. E. Lusk, formerly of Toronto, has gone to Norway to examine a large nickel mine property for New York syndicate.  
—Rev. Z. L. Pash has severed his connection with the North Baptist church, Halifax, after a most successful pastorate of three years.  
—Messrs. Collier, Whitman & Co., cured last season 11,000 fish at Annapolis and between 30,000 and 40,000 fish at Halifax.  
—Don't forget that we carry the largest and best assortment of Ladies' Whitehair to be found in the town. Prices the lowest.  
—STROGAN & WHITMAN.  
—While taking up a morning's short distance from the shore at Central Cove, Long Island, on the 23rd inst., five young men upset their boat, and four were drowned.  
—A day one wearing a nice carriage horse, Jersey cow, parlor or bed room suite, or organ, will be well attended at the sale at Ingleville to-morrow, at 2 p.m. See ad.  
—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has announced that, in compliance with the general wish of the Canadian people, May 24th will be proclaimed a perpetual holiday, to be known as "Victoria Day."  
—Among the graduates from Dalhousie College this week are R. S. Boehmer, of Paradise, and W. E. Galloway, of Miramichi Square, who took the degrees of B. Sc. and B. A. respectively.  
—In the House of Commons last Wednesday, Hon. A. G. Blair announced that the Intercolonial railway for the route between Halifax and Windsor Junction would be double tracked.  
—The Canadian Jubilee Singers, who are to appear in the Court House here next Friday evening, are singing to big houses in the province, and are highly spoken of by those who have heard them.  
—The County Alma Home is to be headed by a finance committee. The Council are to be commended for their interest in making a handsome home for the aged.  
—Mr. J. E. Brown, eye-sight specialist, of the Brown Optical Co., Toronto, will be at the Bridgetown agency, Medical Hall, on the 10th inst. He will examine eyes, and will also examine the benefit of a will, which would enable them to be first on the spot for the direction of work. An electric alarm for the home of such a firm as the one of Mr. Brown, is a most valuable addition to the efficiency of the service. If the Town Council cannot see the way clear to the installation of such an alarm, it should at least furnish a good lead used bell for a general warning. If a fire were to get a good start in the business corner of our town, the consequence would be most disastrous, and since it is the early work in fire fighting that is most effective, the call to firemen should be no uncertain sound.  
—The spray pump will play a more important part in Annapolis county orcharding this spring than ever before. Last year only a few orchards were treated to the pure green solution for the destruction of the little pests that cause the havoc with the fruit crop, but this year scores of our best orchards will be treated, and the work will surely produce results that will encourage a closer study and practice of scientific orcharding. Much can be done in the cultivation of an orchard and the care of the trees to ensure a regular crop of clean, well-colored fruit. Well directed effort will be rewarded by better apples and more of them, and the market will give a better return than in the past. The orchardist who may be ready to estimate. No other orchard land in the province than is embraced in the charts only need a business like attention to be the most paying adjunct of the farm. They represent now the principal source of the farmer's cash income, but their earnings powers are crippled by a lack of care, that leaves them at the mercy of the weather and an army of insect pests. Many of our orchardists are now lining up for orchard improvement, and we hope to see the advance speedily become general, as this country seems to be coming to realize the importance in the quantity or quality of the fruit it offers for competition in a common market.  
—Something ought to be done to secure the passage of the Blonson express train at this station during the coming summer. Surely the difference between the town office for this service and the railway company requires little effort to be made. The fact remains that the railway is a convenience that should not be denied by the railway, as its business at this point is probably greater than at other stations that have been marked on the Blonson stop list, but since it has been denied, except under certain conditions, there ought to be a careful reconsideration of the situation. It is possible that a new effort on the part of the town may bring about a better understanding all around. The town loses a great deal of the tourist travel that would find its way hither if the Blonson were to acknowledge our importance town privilege to be for forward upon them when they have to wait for the slower train, while that more fortunate neighbors ride in the fact case. It is possible that if the railway demands a greater contribution for the facility than the town can afford, that the difference could be adjusted by private subscription. There are many of our townsmen who would contribute toward the expense of moving the water tank from its present situation to the railway station. The summer season is fast approaching and efforts to effect an increased facility for travel should not be delayed.

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—The undersigned Barriers of Bridgetown do hereby agree to open their respective offices on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, commencing to receive applications for the 25th day of October next. Dated Saturday April 27th, 1901.  
—G. H. PARKER, T. D. ROBERTS, J. S. MILLER, F. L. MILNER, and J. T. DANIEL.

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