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WHOLE No. 486.

**CANADA HOUSE,**  
CHATHAM, N. B.—NEW BRUNSWICK.  
WM. JOHNSTON, Proprietor.  
CONSIDERABLE outlay has been made on this house to make it a first class Hotel, and travellers will find it a desirable temporary residence both as regards location and comfort. It is situated within two minutes walk of steamboat landing. The proprietor returns thanks to the public for the encouragement given him in the past, and will endeavor by courtesy and attention to merit the same in the future.  
Good Stabling on the Premises.  
May 18th, 1873. 14 ly

**WAVERLY HOTEL,**  
NEWCASTLE, N. B.—MIRAMICHI, N. B.  
THIS House has lately been refurbished, and very possible arrangements made to ensure the comfort of travellers.  
LIVERY STABLES, WITH GOOD OUTFIT, ON THE PREMISES.  
ALEX. STEWART, Proprietor.  
Newcastle, Dec. 2, 1873. 3

**ROYAL HOTEL,**  
(Formerly Stable)  
PRINCE WILLIAM STREET,  
OPPOSITE CUSTOM HOUSE,  
ST. JOHN, N. B.  
T. F. RAYMOND, Proprietor.  
Dec. 22nd, 1874. 24 ly

**"Wilbur House,"**  
Bathurst, Gloucester County, N. B.  
This House, which has been enlarged and thoroughly repaired, and refurnished, will be open to the public on Monday next, 12th June.  
As regards situation, it is located in a very pleasant town, and being in close proximity to the Bathurst Chert, is one of the very best summer resorts for tourists and families who leave the heated cities to seek the invigorating air of the North. The County excels in beautiful scenery and excellent fishing grounds. The hotel is within easy reach of the Intercolonial Railway, and every effort will be made by the Proprietor to secure the comfort and pleasure of all who may patronize the establishment, which will be conducted in the very best style.  
H. WILBUR, Proprietor.  
Bathurst, June 6, 1876.

**M. ADAMS,**  
ATTORNEY & BARRISTER  
AT LAW,  
CONVEYANCER, &c.,  
NEWCASTLE, N. B.  
FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE AGENT.  
OFFICES,  
Bathurst—two doors below store of K. F. Burns, Esq.  
Newcastle—Over Mr. Richard Davidson's Store, Castle Street,  
May 15, 1873.

**L. J. TWEEDIE,**  
ATTORNEY & BARRISTER  
AT LAW,  
NOTARY PUBLIC,  
CONVEYANCER, &c.,  
CHATHAM, N. B.  
OFFICE—Snowball's Building.  
May 12, 1874. 13

**WM. A. PARK,**  
ATTORNEY AT LAW, SOLICITOR,  
NOTARY PUBLIC,  
CONVEYANCER, &c.,  
CHATHAM, N. B.  
Agent for "Royal Canadian" and "Provincial" Fire Insurance Companies.  
OFFICE—Over the Store of William Park, Esq.  
Castle Street, - NEWCASTLE, N. B.  
May 4, 1875. 5

**M. S. BENSON,**  
Attorney-at-Law Notary Public,  
Conveyancer, &c.  
Accounts Collected and Loans Negotiated.  
57 1/2 - 57 1/2 A. V. BENSON'S DRUG STORE.  
WATER STREET, - CHATHAM, N. B.  
Chatham, July 12, 1875. 21

**WILLET & QUICLEY,**  
Solicitors, Barristers, Attorneys,  
NOTARIES PUBLIC, CONVEYANCERS, &c.  
OFFICES:  
& 5 (2nd Floor), BETHUNE'S BUILDING,  
PRINCESS STREET, ST. JOHN, N. B.  
JOHN WILLET, RICH'D F. QUICLEY, LL.B.  
March 24, 1876. 21c-29

**JOHNSON & FRASER,**  
Attorneys-at-Law, Notaries Public,  
Conveyancers,  
Insurance Agents &c.  
UNION BUILDING,  
WATER ST., CHATHAM, N. B.  
A. H. JOHNSON. G. B. FRASER.  
July 24, 1876

**GEORGE NIXON,**  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL  
-DEALER IN-  
PAPER HANGINGS,  
In Gold, Silver, Plain Tints and Marbled.  
ALSO—AN IMMENSE STOCK OF  
Glazed and Common  
Paper Hangings,  
VARNISHES, all kinds,  
BRUSHES,  
WINDOW GLASS,  
ORNAMENTAL GLASS,  
Various Patterns and Sizes.  
66 King Street, - - ST. JOHN,  
March 24, 1876. 9-c

**W. & R. BRODIE,**  
GENERAL  
COMMISSION MERCHANTS  
AND  
DEALERS IN  
Flour, Produce and Provisions,  
No. 16, ARTHUR STREET,  
Next the Bank of Montreal,  
77 1/2 QUEBEC.

**S. F. SHUTE,**  
Direct Importer of  
Fine Watches, Rich Jewelry, Electro-  
Plated Ware, Clocks, Fancy Goods, &c.  
Orders Solicited, and goods sent to responsible parties on approval.  
WATCH REPAIRING, in all its branches promptly attended to.  
AGENT for the "Tremont" Sewing Machine, and "Lazarus & Morris & Co's" PERFECTED SPECTACLES.  
Remember the Place.  
S. F. SHUTE,  
Queen St., Fredericton,  
Dec. 22nd, 1873. 24 ly

**SMITH & DUNN,**  
ARCHITECTS  
MERRITT'S BRICK BUILDING,  
Opposite Barnes' Hotel,  
137 Prince William St., St. John, N. B.  
Jan. 2, 1877. 3-ly

**RUSSELL & MOORE,**  
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,  
MANUFACTURERS & DEALERS IN  
Lubricating and Wool Oils,  
Sperm, Whale, Elaine, Red, Black, Lard, Olive, and Belt Oil, Nests, Lubricating Oils, and Coal Oil Grease.  
No. 43 India St., - BOSTON, MASS.  
April 25, 1876. 26-ly

**J. J. CHRISTIE,**  
59 King Street - - - ST. JOHN.  
Importers and Dealers in all kinds of Leather and Shoe Findings, Wholesale and Retail. Also all kinds of Mens Fillet Tops, to order.  
J. J. C.  
July 1, 1874. 13-ly

**GLASS! GLASS!**  
IN STOCK:  
1000 BOXES GLASS,  
Assorted Sizes.  
JUST RECEIVED:  
4 TONS W. LEAD, A I;  
40 barrels RAW and BOILED OIL; 600 lbs. TURPENTINE; 2 tons PUTTY  
WHICH WILL BE SOLD CHEAP.  
BLANKSLEY & WHITEHEAD,  
222 Gorman St., St. John, N. B.

**JOHN U. CAMPBELL,**  
DALHOUSIE, N. B.,  
AUCTIONEER  
FOR COUNTIES OF  
RESTIGOUCHE & BOYANVETURE  
All Business connected with Auction Sales in these Counties will receive prompt attention. Goods and produce sold on Commission.  
Dalhousie, Oct. 30, 1875. 1y no 10

**MILL WORK AND GENERAL JOBBING,**  
having obtained improved machinery for that purpose.  
Mortising Machines, and Hand Circular Sawing Machines,  
for Joiners' use, made to order.  
JOHN THORNTON.  
Chatham, May 19, 1875. 1y 19

**Paper Bags, Wrapping Paper AND TWINES,**  
FOR GROCERS, DRUGGISTS, GARDENERS, HARDWARE DEALERS, &c., &c.  
**CHARLES L. NELSON**  
-MAKES A-  
Speciality of Wrapping Goods.  
Send your Orders DIRECT to Factory and get  
**LIBERAL DISCOUNT**  
ON GOODS WARRANTED.  
Price Lists and Samples of Goods on application.  
Cor. Union & Waterloo Sts., - St. John, N. B.  
April 5, 1876. 5-2inc

**STREAM CARRIAGE FACTORY,**  
MAIN ST. - PORTLAND, ST. JOHN.  
PRICE & SHAW, Proprietors.  
A LARGE STOCK OF OPEN AND COVERED CARRIAGES ON HAND.  
Orders Solicited.  
April 4, 1876. 5-1inc

**\$5 to \$20** per day at home—  
Samples sent free.  
STEWART & Co., Portland, Maine. my 1y

**DENTISTRY.**  
**DR. M. G. CLARK,**  
SURGEON DENTIST.  
Can be found at his Office over Mr. J. Noonan's Store, Chatham, where he intends residing.  
Particular attention given to gold fillings and regulation of children's teeth.  
**DR. ARYOLD,**  
(Late of Berlin, Prussia).  
Has taken up his permanent residence at rooms over E. Lee Street's Drug Store, Newcastle.  
Where he can be consulted at any time for all kinds of Diseases.  
Special attention given to diseases of the Eye & Ear.  
Will make Calls when his services are required.  
Consultations Free.  
Newcastle, Dec. 6, 1876. 6

**BONDED WAREHOUSES,**  
NO. 1, 22 & 34.  
**DANIEL PATTON,**  
IMPORTER OF  
FOREIGN WINES & SPIRITS,  
TEAS, TOBACCOES, CIGARS, &c.  
14 DOCK STREET, - ST. JOHN, N. B.  
March 24, 1876. 21c-29

**MIRAMICHI MARBLE WORKS,**  
WATER ST., - CHATHAM.  
**WILLIAM LAWLER,**  
Importer of Marble & Manufacturer of MONUMENTS, TABLETS, HEADSTONES, MANTLES, TABLE TOPS, &c.  
A GOOD STOCK ALWAYS ON HAND.  
ORDER: CAPS and SILLS for windows supplied at short notice. FREESTONE WORK in all its branches attended to, and satisfaction given.  
January 24, 1876. 25

**BOOKBINDING.**  
ORDERS FOR  
**BOOKBINDING**  
RECEIVED AT THIS OFFICE.  
W. & J. ANSLOW.  
Newcastle, Sept. 11, 1876. 13

**W. J. WILLIAMS,**  
PHOTOGRAPHER!  
HAS OPENED HIS NEW BUILDING,  
PUBLIC WAREHOUSE, NEWCASTLE.  
Choice Stock of SEWING MACHINES,  
Picture Frames, Mouldings, Steel Engravings, &c., &c.  
Which he will sell at his usual Low Prices.  
PHOTOGRAPHS  
of all sizes, in the latest Style of the Art.  
OLD PICTURES COPIED AND ENGRAVED, and nicely mounted.  
In connection with the above we are running an **Oyster and Dining Room**, where Oysters and Meals can be obtained at the SHORTEST NOTICE.  
November 23, 1875. 24

**A. R. RAMSAY,**  
GENERAL  
Commission Merchant,  
-DEALER IN-  
PROVISIONS,  
PRODUCE,  
LIQUORS, &c.  
Green Grocer and Fruit Dealer.  
WATER ST., CHATHAM, N. B.  
September 11, 1876. 13

**ALEXANDER MURRAY,**  
Practical Architect,  
CARPENTER, BUILDER, AND CONTRACTOR,  
IS NOW PREPARED TO TAKE  
Any Jobs in his line of Business.  
PLANS & SPECIFICATIONS  
can be prepared in a practical manner at short notice.  
RESIDENCE—Newcastle, N. B.  
December 6, 76. 6mos.

**H. CHUBB & Co.,**  
(GRUBB'S CORNER),  
PRINCE WILLIAM ST., - - - NEAR NEW POST OFFICE,  
ST. JOHN, N. B.  
MERCANTILE and Legal Stationers and Account Book Manufacturers. Old Books Re-bound, Account Books ruled and bound to any pattern. All kinds of Legal and Mercantile Blank Forms.  
SOLE AGENTS FOR THE  
Celebrated Taylor's Diamond Blue, Black, Writing and Copying  
**INK;**  
THE BEST MANUFACTURED.  
ORDERS SOLICITED.  
April 4, 1876. 5-2inc

**FIRE BRANCH.**  
ROBERT MARSHALL'S  
FIRE AND MARINE AGENCY.  
ST. JOHN, N. B.  
Applications may be made to the following REPRESENTATIVES:  
NEWCASTLE:—A. A. Davidson, M. Adams.  
CHATHAM:—T. F. Gillespie, W. Wilkinson.  
BATHURST:—Anthony Rainey.  
DALHOUSIE:—George Haddow.  
RICHMOND:—H. Livingston, J. D. Phinney.  
**Imperial Fire Insurance Com'y**  
OF LONDON, ESTABLISHED 1803.  
Capital and Cash Assets exceed £2,000,000.  
**The Etina Insurance Com'y,**  
INCORPORATED 1819.  
Cash Capital and Assets over \$6,000,000.  
**The Hartford Fire Insurance Com'y,**  
INCORPORATED 1801.  
Cash Capital and Assets over \$2,500,000.  
**BRITISH AMERICA ASSURANCE COMPANY,**  
ESTABLISHED 1833.  
Capital and Assets \$600,000. Its funds are invested in undoubted securities.

**PHENIX COMPANY OF BROOKLYN,**  
ESTABLISHED 1833.  
Cash Capital & accumulated fund \$2,000,000  
Dwelling Houses, whether built or in course of construction, as well as Furniture, contained therein, insured for terms of one or three years, at lowest rates. Steam Saw Mills, Vessels on the stocks—or in ports, Warehouse, Merchandise and Insurable property of every description covered on the lowest possible terms.

**ROYAL CANADIAN INSURANCE COMPANY.**  
CAPITAL, - - - \$6,000,000  
CASH ASSETS, - - - 1,300,000  
HEAD OFFICE:  
160 ST. JAMES ST., - MONTREAL.  
New Brunswick Branch:  
OFFICE NO. 8 PRINCESS ST., ST. JOHN, N. B.

**DIRECTORS:**  
J. M. DEVEREUX, M. P., CHATHAM.  
SIR JOHN JONES, T. W. ANGLIM, M. P.  
JOHN R. PARKS, THOMAS PURLING, G. SIDNEY SMITH, SOLICITORS.

**A. D. SHIRREFF,**  
AUCTIONEER AND COMMISSION MERCHANT,  
Life, Fire & Marine Insurance  
AND  
GENERAL AGENT,  
Chatham, N. B.  
August 29, 1876. 30-ly

**ROBERT J. BENNET,**  
ATTORNEY - AT - LAW,  
Conveyancer, &c.  
OFFICE—At residence of David Sailer, Esq.,  
DALHOUSIE, N. B.  
Claims collected and promptly paid over.  
October 16, 1876. 1y-18

**MITCHELL & CO.,**  
GENERAL  
COMMISSION MERCHANTS  
-AND-  
SHIPPING AGENTS,  
22 & 23.....COMMON STREET,  
MONTREAL.  
August 29, 1874. sep 9

**Patronize Home Manufacture.**  
**HARPER & WEBSTER,**  
SHEDIAC, N. B.,  
MANUFACTURERS & WHOLESALE DEALERS  
IN EVERY DESCRIPTION OF  
Men's Women's & Children's Boots Shoes and Slippers.  
SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO  
**Hand Made Lumberers' Boots.**  
A Splendid Article. Every Pair Warranted.  
Prices Moderate—Terms Liberal.  
April 4, 1876. 2inc-5

**D. MACEE & CO.,**  
Manufacturers of  
**HATS, CAPS & FURS,**  
Wholesale,  
51 King St., ST. JOHN, N. B.  
D. MAGEE. M. F. MANKS.  
April 21st, 1874. 23 ly

**CARRIAGE FACTORY,**  
AT CAMPBELLTON, N. B.  
**FREDERICK E. CROSS**  
respectfully notifies the people of Restigouche that he has commenced work in the CARRIAGE BUSINESS at Campbellton, and is now prepared to receive orders for every style of  
**Sleighs and Waggon's,**  
in the getting up of which the very best stock is used.  
First Class Work Guaranteed.  
Particular attention given to  
Repairing, Painting and Trimming.  
October 24, 1876. nev1-6mos

**Correspondence.**  
Editors Union Advocate:  
Sirs.—I notice in your column a communication signed by a Richibucto schoolboy (for such I take him to be) who calls himself 'Lemuel' favouring you with some items of news. With these latter I have now to deal. He aims to be sarcastic but has miserably failed, nevertheless his ill-concealed malice is apparent to the most cursory reader. The spleen evinced at his not being able to connect Mr. M'Leod with the change in mail matters as a personal accommodation to that gentleman would point to him emphatically as one of those 'malicious persons' who, to use his own recipe, 'should be severely rebuked and placed in charge of Missionaries (more than one you'll notice) for moral improvement.'  
Further, he refers to the Post Office change to guard some parties, who have been discussing these matters in the Newspapers, from 'falling into the delectable error that their able discussion of the question produced!'—let them not venture (thems) to deprecate themselves 'save this modern Cato. Faugh!' does he imagine the standard of intelligence among newspaper correspondents is as low as his own, or have all important deductions on the events of the day to emanate from his foggy brain.  
Reading on we find it announced that a Petition having for its object the dredging of a sandbank at the mouth of the Kouchibouguac 'River'—the petition in question was not quietly passed around here for signature among some people while others are not favoured with a sight of it.—Here the young gentleman is in error, some might be disposed to say willfully, as from his much flattered ability and ready access to reliable sources of information a re-statement of the fact might (not) be expected from him.—The petition in question was not passed around quietly for signatures.—While engaged in procuring signatures through the large tract of country interested, the gentleman who had it in charge was called by business to Richibucto. A friend or two were assually met, were asked to affix their names and—this was all the 'passage around'! I have not the least doubt that Lemuel was among the 'others' who were not favored with a sight of it. Men of his stamp are not called on to promote undertakings having for their object the benefit of the public. His views are essentially narrow; his sectional prejudices inveterate, and his love of a dollar so great that he cannot bear to see it expended where he is not the immediate gainer; so great that it is second only to his love of himself. If these deductions are not correct then his pen sadly belies him.  
When the Petition is laid before the House of Commons he would wish the enquiry to be made 'whether this project is to minister to a special, private interest or a general public good.' Decidedly cool Lemuel. Is the periodical dredging of Richibucto Bay chargeable to the few business men who held forth in that ancient, weatherbeaten looking Borough or for the 'general public good'? How about the large sum expended on the Breakwater for the purpose of keeping open a channel which is as restless and desirous of change as a conger eel. Where is the Tug subsidy to be charged? Will it be to the three miles of snaky, narrow channel between the Bar and the Town, to 'the public good' or 'special private interest'? Who pays any extra charge consequent on production or transportation? I venture the assertion that it is equally shared by the labourer engaged in the production of the article and the consumer without fear of contradiction. The Capitalist must and will have a certain return on his investment or he will withdraw from the business. You need not have rushed into print to obtain information in this connection; but, by pursuing your enquiries privately, you would not manage to convey a wrong impression to those who had not your local knowledge or, I should say, your means of acquiring it.  
Do you know the amount of Lumber for which the Kouchibouguac forms the natural outlet? Are you informed of the capabilities of the Harbour? Do you know that there is only 300 feet of baron which there is nine feet of water at low tide; that the channel is straight and that the Bay in which vessels can find good anchorage while finishing loading is sheltered on the north by Point Sapien and on the south by Richibucto Cape? If not then plead ignorance like a good boy and then the public may pity they will excuse you.  
More than two thirds of the Lumber shipped from Richibucto is produced, cut and manufactured on the Kouchibouguac and Kouchibouguac Rivers. The four Mills located on these five streams cut no less than 11,000,000 feet annually. Under present circumstances this has all to be taken to Lemuel's beloved town for shipment. Trivial as this seems to him it is a serious drawback to each and every one

engaged in its production. The extra distance which rafts have to be run is not less than twenty miles. The passage is shallow; sandbanks and mudflats are numerous and, worse than all, the eddies are so thick and often, to be almost impassable. During neap tides an advance of a few hundred yards a day can only be accomplished with immense labour, and under these conditions it is easy to see that the profits of an entire cargo might be swallowed up by demurrage while the lumber was actually in transit. When we add deterioration of the deal by accumulations of mud, prolonged soaking and abrasion while being piled and shoved over debris and rocky shoals, we will have done nothing more than make a plain statement of facts.  
We want the bar at the entrance to this Harbour dredged. We have a right to be considered in the matter. We do not grumble when the natural capabilities of Richibucto were assisted to the utmost but we do object to having them, now, 'hurled' at our expense. When our production of the staple export is as two to one, and the fishing interest pursued from the shores of this basin much greater in proportion, we have a right to see that our prosperity is not sacrificed to that of a town which is avowedly for rapidly, as for lack of business enterprise. Bearing in mind all the facts which I have enumerated, will any person having the slightest knowledge of Political Economy have the hardihood to affirm that the dredging of this Harbour will 'minister to a special private interest'? Should this be so then an *ad valorem* duty of twenty per cent is as advantageous to the consumer of a dutiable goods as one of ten per cent and the question of national finance is reduced to nothing.—Just raise the import and a full Treasury will be the consequence.—Unhappily for bankrupt States this has not been found to work. The removal of a special and onerous tax on the staple product of a country or any section thereof, whether in the shape of a duty or a curtailing of needless and vexatious expenses, must prove beneficial to all concerned or—Adam Smith the author of the 'Wealth of Nations' lies, and Lemuel is right. Which horn of the dilemma will he choose to accept?

Not content with giving sneering and impertinent advice to your previous correspondents and dictating to many of the more intelligent class the fish question, he has succeeded to admiration. A more clumsy, pointless paragraph I would be hard to find. Failing in everything else I scanned it closely to find if there was not a trace of even the grimmest humor but in vain.—Notice the following elegant sentences with their attendant libelation. 'To acquire a knowledge of the science of Pictology so as to be able to teach it to others must make his dwelling place—in the deep'—the knowledge must come from a *well informed actual residence—in the deep*—'when Venning and the *Advance* return from a prolonged sojourn in the deep'—at the House of Commons, this errand gentleman must needs venture on the fish question. If he aimed to be foolish he has succeeded to admiration. A more clumsy, pointless paragraph I would be hard to find. 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Messrs. Editors.—I thought my friends would have come to the front to enlighten the public on one or both of the questions I submitted for their light to shine on to that result. It seems however their zeal is not the zeal that delights in instructing the public, but rather of the kind that prefers to bark and snarl. I regret the silent attitude of my friends. The subject of maintaining a winter communication between the mainland and the mainland by steamer from points where it can be most successfully accomplished, and at a minimum cost and risk is one worthy the consideration of the Dominion. That there is at least one place across the straits where this service can be more satisfactorily and cheaply performed than at the place where the experiment is now being tried under heavy difficulties and dangers, and which from the very nature of things, most likely will be a fact known to probably very few in this Dominion hence it is to be regretted my literary friends have not undertaken the task of making widely known the merits of that part of the straits between West Point and Richibouctou which offers advantages for a winter crossing by steam which no other place in the whole straits does. The crossing place between Georgetown and Pictou, which is now being tried, is a most unfortunate one, and the result of a careful investigation by the Gov't to discover where the service could be performed the best, cheapest, and with the least risk, and to select the most judicious selection of place was made, and as an enormous expense, the performance of the service is impossible, and it is not to be expected that the Government will demonstrate its impossibility, as between Georgetown and Pictou, but it will not prove it impossible as between other points. It is imperative that a communication be established between the mainland and the mainland to be accomplished regularly, easily and with comparative comfort, and at a minimum of risk and expense, be equally one, as if performed between the two points where it is now being shown by the expenditure of the extreme efforts of man, money and steam power it cannot be done. However it is my intention to discuss this subject; I only want to try and wake up my friends to take hold of it.

Now about that petition I referred to in my last letter. What are my friends about that they are not giving the public information about it? There is in this country but it is known only to a few persons, and those persons are not giving the public information about it. There is in this country but it is known only to a few persons, and those persons are not giving the public information about it. There is in this country but it is known only to a few persons, and those persons are not giving the public information about it.

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LAND GRABBING IN NORTHERN-BEELAND.

AMONG the few matters which have as yet been referred to in connection with the proceedings of the Legislative Assembly, is the unwarranted attempt on the part of the New Brunswick Railway Company to obtain possession of lands in our County, in which it appears they were supported by the Government, as the Company was authorized to make the survey for the purpose of reservation. It is therefore not a matter of surprise that this affair has created quite a "breeze" among our Northern representatives, who are wondering as to how the Government will attempt to defend their strange course in a matter which affects our staple industry, and those who prosecute it in the Northern section of the Province.

TEMPERANCE IN NEWCASTLE.

Editorial Union Trust: Mr. GENTLEMEN.—I must pardon me for trespassing on your valuable space with a somewhat subject, but the letter of "Three Anxious Parents" in your issue of the 21st has suggested the thought that an inquiry into this matter might be attended with profit. There is, I believe, in this town a Division of Sons of Temperance, and a British Templar and the Roman Catholic Total Abstinence Society. To the members of these organizations I propose these questions: What have you respectively been doing to get the charge made against these public schools, or are you quite indifferent in regard to it? Are you aware that in our schools the youth of the country are acquiring a habit which must inevitably lead them to destruction, while you preserve a "masterly inactivity"? Have you in any way attempted to raise public opinion on this question, or are you contented to meet in your various rooms, transact the routine business and rest in the consciousness that you have done all your duty? How many times have you publicly brought the matter of Temperance before the community during this winter? How many times have you privately spoken to the victims of intemperance? Also how many can say with Henry Reynolds "I am obliged to give the same painful testimony that so many do, that no one could be turned over to a new leaf or said an encouraging word to me in the way of urging me to try and lead a better life, had some kind friend shown me the way out, or whispered in my ear that I could be a better man, I might have been so." Are you really in earnest about this temperance reform, or are you asleep? Awake and sound the alarm! Then there are Churches and Sabbath Schools in the Town. To the pastors and teachers of these allow me to ask how often do you speak about this subject? Does not every other sin in the catalogue occupy a more prominent place in your teachings; though the whole of them rolled into one could not equal this stupendous evil? Do you not know that the proprietors of the liquor stores in this town, exhibit a pride on one side of which there is the picture of a Jug and on the other a sign which I tell you what is on the other side? I blush for shame that humanity has fallen so low as to prostitute the word of God. Read his word, and then to them that are of heavy hearts. Let him drink and forget his misery and remember his misery more. Drink no longer water, but one often infirmities." Could any one imagine that even a rummer would be so depraved? Surely the words which immediately follow the last quotation on the card are literally verified. "Some men's sins are open beforehand going before to Judgment." And yet

It is therefore sufficiently clear by the answer given by the Surveyor General, that the Government are of the opinion that the N. B. Railway Company is entitled to certain lands in our County. We shall see how far they are warranted in their course by the legislation of the County.

THE SEVERAL ACTS OF ASSEMBLY WHICH HAVE ANY BEARING UPON THIS IMPORTANT QUESTION ARE—

First, the Act of 1870, providing that all lands to be given to the construction of the line of railway now being built by the New Brunswick Railway Company, more commonly known as the River du Loup road. If that Act it is provided that a subsidy of 10,000 acres per mile shall be selected in the counties through which the line will pass, and no authority whatever is given to the Governor in Council to make any grant of land in any other County or Counties. During the same session of the Legislature the Charter was granted to the N. B. Railway Company under which the Company proceeded to construct the line, and thereby became entitled to the subsidy provided by the Act passed during the same session, in aid of this particular line. In the Act passed in 1873, entitled "An Act relating to the N. B. Railway Company," by the 7th section it was enacted, that any Company constructing a line connecting the Woodstock with the New Brunswick Railway Company, shall be entitled to the like subsidy of 10,000 acres per mile, to be granted in like manner and upon like conditions as were mentioned in the Act of 1870. This connecting line is wholly situated in the County of Carleton, and it now appears that surveys have actually been made and lands reserved in Northumberland under the authority of the Government, the grant of which is to issue to the Company so soon as they shall have completed the road.

This is certainly a serious matter, which cannot be overlooked or trifled with by our Northern members. If this is allowed in Northumberland, a step unwarranted by law, is there anything to prevent the same Company from asking for and obtaining, under their railway charter, grants of timber lands in Restigouche also. The Tobique river runs a long distance into that County, through the most valuable timber lands in our Province and the M. P. P.'s for that County will do well to be caught napping. We were always of the opinion that the principle of granting such vast tracts of our public lands to the N. B. Railway Company was wrong—but as the mischief cannot now be undone, it is for our representatives, and those from the North particularly, to see that this principle is not permitted to extend to the following particulars, which its charter was obtained, and to strenuously oppose any attempt to gain possession of public lands in Northumberland or in any other County through which the road does not pass.

Reckless Destruction.

It evidently appears to be the opinion of some engine drivers on the I. C. R. that they are privileged to run down and destroy anything that may happen to stray upon the line. At least that is our impression formed since hearing of the following particulars. On Friday last, shortly before noon, Mr. James Niven, of Newcastle, turned his cattle out to water. The stock consisted of 1 bull, 5 cows, 2 steers and a small calf. It appears that while at the watering place the cattle cannot be seen from the line of the railway. Mr. Niven thought they were there when they must have gone past the water and up the road to the railway crossing, and when there they turned to the southward on to the track. Just about that time the accommodation train was going south to the station. The cattle were in plain view from the Round House, fully one mile off, but no notice was taken of them by the driver except to blow the whistle, and without any attempt at stopping his train allowed his engine to run into the cattle and 1 bull, 3 cows and 1 steer were killed, the rest having managed to leap over the snow wall at the side of the track and this reckless driving is upwards of \$200, and we hope the Government will at once see the propriety of paying the damages, as Mr. Niven can hardly be expected to suffer such serious loss by the culpable carelessness of a servant of the Government.

On Friday Evening the 18th inst.,

The Rev. A. Russell delivered a lecture in the Mechanics' Hall, on behalf of the Y. M. C. A. of Dalhousie. After the singing of a hymn by the audience, Mr. Windsor offered prayer. The chairman, Mr. Peden then called upon the Rev. Lecturer who delivered the most interesting and instructive lecture upon the "Claims of Society upon young men and the best method of preparing to meet them." The subject was dealt with politically, socially and morally, and each point treated in an able and concise manner. At the close the lecturer sat down amid loud applause. After a few remarks from the chairman on the desirability of having a public library for the use of young men and the public generally, the proceedings were closed by a benediction.

New Lodge.

Brother B. Stapledon, P. D., of Balmoral Lodge, United Temperance Association, assisted by "Chatham Lodge," "Moorfield," and "Balmoral" Lodges, organized a Napam Lodge, No. 454, at Napam, on Tuesday, 20th inst., with twenty-five charter members. The following are the Officers for present quarter:—

Bro. John Galloway, Provincial Deputy; William Kerr, President; Sister Isabella Intosh, Vice; Bro. John Creighton, Sec.; James Edgar, Treas.; John Johnston, Senior Councillor; Sister Christina McKnight, Junior; Bro. David McLean, Chap.; Alex. Dickson, Financier; Sister Maggie Gordon, Recorder; Bro. James McDiarmid, Marshal; Sister Annie McDiarmid, Deputy; Bro. George Edgar, Guard; John McDiarmid, Soutier; Sister T. Agnes McKnight, Past President.

For unbounded cheer and cool impudence we commend to the public our friend the Manager of the Chatham Herald, who has been possessed of a superabundance of what he himself considers cleverness, but which the public cheek, he would long ere this have hung his head with shame and mortification, at the recollection of his servility and dependence when submitting to the dictation of the Editor of the Herald, who is only too ready to perform. With respect to the fishery question we are in a position to take an independent stand—we have thus far pursued a course consistent with that independence which is the essence of upright journalism, opposing the Government when we believed they were in error, and giving them our support when they took a stand in behalf of the protection of this growing industry. The Manager may if he chooses, assist those who greed of gain will, if not checked, result in serious injury to the fishery, but should be in no way as he founders in the meshes of ignorance and stupidity he cannot expect that any sensible journalist will so far forget his high position as to join hands with him, in advocating the course he sees fit to pursue. It matters little as to how the proprietors of this paper have acquired information respecting the fisheries, but we can tell the Manager that no part of the knowledge gained has been acquired while degrading the Sabbath, or in any way inconsistent with that upright course which characterizes the man and the gentleman. What says the Manager?

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