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Never pleased you more nor cost you less than they will this spring.

**Largest Range,
Best Assortment,
Greatest Variety,
That we have ever offered.**

COME IN.

We would like to show you through our Clothing Department. Also, our Elegant Line of Spring Hats, Caps, Shirts, Collars, Etc.

POPULAR STYLES. REASONABLE PRICES.

JOHN McLAUCHLAN,

Clothier, Hatter and Furnisher.

IN THE SPRING

A man naturally thinks of something in the way of a **NEW SUIT, FANCY VEST, or OVERCOAT.** I have just received a fine stock of Cloths and Trimmings which I shall be pleased to show you. Latest Styles and Patterns. Best Fit.

GEO. W. GIBSON, TAILOR,

Opera House Block, Queen Street.

The Temperance and General Life Assurance Company

Closed their Books Dec. 31st, 1898,

Without a dollar of interest overdue.
Without a dollar's worth of real estate ever having been owned by the company.
Without ever having foreclosed a mortgage.
Without a dollar of claims in dispute.
With a larger new business than in any previous year.
With a premium income for '98 of \$188,744.14
With an interest income of 25,381.55
With an increase in total income of 17,338.00
With an increase in assets of 55,022.72
With an increase in expenses of only 714.58
With total assets amounting to 667,214.22

With an increase of 713 policies and 639 lives during '98.
With a new business of over \$2,100,000.
With total insurance in force, \$7,985,859.00.
With a death rate in their thirteenth year of only \$5.38 for each \$1,000 of average risk carried during the year.
With a death rate of only 3.44 per 1,000 of average number of policies in force.
With a record for care and economy unexcelled.
Such has been their record. It is a record of steady, solid progress. Where is there a clearer record, or one that can beat it in any respect?

T. A. LINDSAY,

Special Agent,

Woodstock, N. B.

E. R. MACHUM,

Mgr. Maritime Provinces,

St. John, N. B.

Before we Move!

BARGAINS IN DISHES.

OUR STOCK MUST BE SOLD.

Tea Sets at \$2.00, \$2.30, \$2.55, \$2.95, \$3.45.	1 Brown Vienna Dinner Set, 103 pieces, price only \$8.00.
Assorted Glass Pieces at 13 cts each.	1 China Dinner Set, 103 pieces, at a bargain—call and see it.
Imitation Cut Glass Pieces at 22c., 30c., 39c. each.	Cake Plates at 22c and 28c.
Porridge Sets 45 and 55c. each.	Lamps with Shades at 75c.
5 o'clock China Tea Set at 95c.	Hot Water Pitchers.
Berry Sets 75 and 95c each.	Call and examine these Bargains.

If fact all our dishes must be sold. CUT PRICES TO CLEAR.

NOBLE & TRAFTON,

Telephone 42-2.

63 Main Street.

"IT WAS GOOD STUFF, TOO."

And it Did Seem a Pity to Make The Seizure.

Inspector Colpitts And a Staff of Constables go After Early Drinks, and Come to Town With Much Grog.—It Was at The Lines.

There was quite a ripple of excitement in town Friday morning about 9.30 o'clock when a big sled load of bottles containing spirituous liquors was noticed passing up Main street in charge of Constable William Bragdon. At an early hour Friday morning, before daylight, Inspector Colpitts started in his sleigh, and Constables Bragdon, McAlpine and John Scott on a double team for the "lines." They arrived at their destination shortly after seven, stopped their teams and entered the liquor store supposed to be conducted by Clarence Hogan, with Jas. Belanger as bar tender. First, one of the visiting party ordered a drink, and then the party proceeded to arrest Belanger and to seize the liquor which was on the Canadian side of the building. He made no resistance, but Hogan soon appeared on the scene, and he went for Bragdon striking him two heavy blows, with his fist on the face and mouth. Bragdon was about to retaliate with a shovel which he seized, when one of the party intervened. In the meantime Hogan had reached that part of the house which is on the American side, and was safe from arrest. A large quantity of liquor was seized and brought into town. Bragdon was quite badly cut, and on their way in they stopped at a house to get his wounds attended to. The woman of the house was kind, but had a sympathy for the invaded premises for she remarked "Too bad, they kept good stuff." Belanger was brought into town on the load of liquor.

The case against Jas. Belanger was taken up at the Police Court on Friday afternoon. He pleaded guilty to keeping for sale and selling liquor in the parish of Woodstock on the 28th day of February and on the 3rd day of March.

Inspector Colpitts, being sworn, narrated the circumstances leading up to the seizure of the liquor. He seized 23 bottles of whiskey, 5 gallons (draft) whiskey in a small barrel, 3 gallons and a jug of whiskey, 3 gallons and a jug of Scotch whiskey, two gallons wine, ½ a barrel bottled ale. He estimated the value of the whole at about \$60.00. There was a counter, glasses, pitcher and all things appertaining to a bar.

The magistrate announced that he would order the liquor to be destroyed.

Death of Archdeacon Brigstocke.

Archdeacon Brigstocke, rector of Trinity church, St. John, died very suddenly on Friday morning last. He had been confined to the house for some time with an attack of inflammation of the lungs, but at no time was his condition considered serious. The doctor had seen him on Friday morning and pronounced him getting on well. Fifteen minutes after the physician left he was recalled in haste and found the archdeacon dying. His death was the result of heart failure. Deceased was 57 years old, a graduate of Jesus College, Oxford, and had been rector of Trinity for 25 years. He was one of the very foremost of the clergy of the diocese of Fredericton, and was high in the councils of Church of England in Canada. A practical and forcible preacher, his greater strength lay in his sound judgment and saving common sense. He was particularly strong in administrative ability. Largely through his efforts the present handsome Trinity church was built, on the site of the old church destroyed in the great fire. The funeral was held on Monday afternoon, and was attended by the Bishop and many clergy of the diocese. Archdeacon Neales was among those present.

SILVELA TAKES SAGASTA'S PLACE.

Conservative Leader Now Forming a Cabinet.

MADRID, March 3.—The Queen Regent, as the result of her consultation with statesmen, generals, and political leaders, informed Senor Sagasta that she desired to retain the present Chamber, and she then invited him to reconstruct the Cabinet. Senor Sagasta replied that it would be impossible for him to remain Premier without a dissolution. Thereupon the Queen Regent preferred the same request to Senor Montero Rios, President of the Senate, who declined for the same reason. Finally Senor Silvela, the Conservative leader, accepted the task, and it is expected that he will submit a Conservative Ministry to her Majesty to-morrow for approval. The newspaper predict that popular demonstrations will greet a Conservative Ministry. The Cortes will be dissolved, the new

election taking place towards the end of April, and the new Chamber of Deputies meeting in May. Count de Rascon, Spanish Ambassador to France, have tendered their resignations. The prefects and Secretaries of State have also resigned.

Letter from James Troy.

John Troy is in receipt of a letter from his brother, James, who is in the Klondike district. He writes from Victoria Lake, under date of Nov. 5th:

"As I have a chance of sending a letter out, I thought I would just drop you a few lines and let you know where and how I am. I have been down the trail 57 miles after a hand sled and am just on my way back to camp. I am camped at Moose Lake 17 miles above here but I just dropped in here to see some friends, will make camp tomorrow. I left Moose Lake last Sunday 30th of Oct. to go down 20 miles after a sled that I had cached down there, but when I got there it was gone so I would not turn back then without one, and the consequences was I had to travel just 57 miles before I could get one. That will make 114 miles walking with blankets and grub on my back. My grub played out and I have been all day long without a bite to eat and hauling a sled behind me through 2 foot of snow. We have lots of snow out here now. It commenced to snow here the 16th of Oct. and now it is 2 feet or more deep. All my horses are gone. Three of them died and I had to shoot the last one, as there is nothing for them to eat. I am 38 miles from Teslin Lake but there is a chain of lakes all the way from Moose Lake in, so I will sleigh my stuff in on a sled from Moose Lake. Then down Teslin Lake 35 miles and across the mountain 100 miles to Atlim Lake, the new gold fields, that is my destination. I suppose you have read about the strike made there. It is far better than down at Dawson and it is in B. C. This is no picnic though getting in to those places, it is all work and hard at that. I left Glenora the 31st day of August with 4 horses and got to Moose Lake the 28th day of Oct. with one horse, and then the snow got so deep and no feed I had to kill him, but my courage is just as good now as the day I started. I wrote you a letter the day I left Glenora and trust you received it all right. I have lots to tell you about this country but I will not attempt to write it all down as there is not paper enough in this country to hold it all. But this will keep you posted on where I am and how I am getting along. I am feeling fine, never felt better in my life and have an appetite like a horse. This is a great country to raise an appetite. I would bankrupt a Woodstock boarding house in just a week if I ate like I do here."

To The Farmers.

Owing to the fact that a proper amount of cans must be made far in advance of the canning season, we ask that all who intend raising produce for the factory would come in and sign the acreages they intend raising at once, that we may make a fair estimate on the number of cans needed.

Our prices for produce are,
\$6.00 per ton for Corn which is one-fifth more than Ontario prices.
40 cts. per bus. for Peas, this is also more than Ontario prices.
Stringless Beans \$20.00 per ton.
Cucumbers under 4 inches in length \$20.00 per ton. From 4 to 6 inches in length \$15.00 per ton.
Onions,—we will make a special contract for a limited amount, if applied for early.
Pumpkins \$3.00 per ton.
Squash \$8.00 per ton.
Lima Beans, shelled, \$1.50 per bus.

The above prices are better than paid in other sections of Canada and the States and we see no reason that the industry should not have the hearty support of the farmers.

Death of Lord Herschell.

Washington, March 3.—Lord Herschell, one of the Joint High Commissioners from Great Britain, died here at 7 o'clock this morning. Lord Herschell fell on a slippery sidewalk and broke one of the pelvic bones several weeks ago, and this probably caused his death. Lord Herschell was Lord Chancellor of Great Britain, and was sent to the United States because of his eminent attainments, to take a leading part in the negotiations designed to settle all existing differences between the United States and Canada. During the wintry weather when the sidewalks were slippery, he fell heavily, as he was about to get into his carriage and broke one of the pelvic bones. He seemed to be progressing favorably towards recovery and was in good health comparatively, until about seven o'clock this morning, when he was suddenly stricken with heart failure. Dr. W. W. Johnston was summoned and responded at once. He saw at a glance the case was a desperate one, and called in another doctor in consultation. The two doctors, two nurses, and Lord Herschell's two secretaries W. Cartwright and M. Williamson were with him when he died.

Lord Herschell's Remains.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, called on the secretary of the navy today, and on behalf of his government expressed thanks for the tender of the Brooklyn to bear Lord Herschell's remains back to England, but explained that the British government had ordered a vessel, probably the cruiser Talbot, from its North Atlantic squadron at Bermuda, for this mission. Final plans for taking the remains homeward will depend on a definite official notification to the embassy of the despatch of the cruiser.

Mistook The Medicine.

A leading clergyman of England Very Rev. Dr. Boyd died last week from the result of a fatal mistake in his taking carbolic acid instead of a sleeping draught which had been prescribed.

ONLY A NOMINAL TAX

Town Council Thinks Legislation Needed Before It's Abolished.

But Action Will at Once be Taken in this Direction.—In the Meantime Wholesale Travellers Will Get off With Paying a Quarter a Year.

It was the commercial travellers tax, that taxed the brains of the town council at Monday evening's meeting. No one had a word to say in favor of the license which may now be prepared for its funeral.

Coun. Watts introduced the subject, after the mayor had read a petition signed by some 150 leading citizens asking for the doing away with the license.

Mr. Watts thought such a petition must demand the utmost consideration even from those who might be opposed to the petition, which he certainly was not. He was of the opinion, however, that it would not be legal to dispense with collecting the tax, until a change in legislation had been made. He thereupon moved seconded by Coun. Gallagher that the wholesale commercial travellers license be 5 cts. per day, 10 cts. per week, 15 cts. per month and 25 cts. per year. He also moved that travellers selling direct to the consumer be charged \$3.00 per day, \$4.00 per week, \$6.00 per month and \$8.00 per year. Both these motions carried unanimously. His Worship expressing the opinion that Mr. Watts view of the license being obligatory, until further legislation was obtained, was correct.

Mr. Watts then moved that this council direct the clerk, with the advice of the mayor, to give notice asking for legislation at the ensuing session for a change in the law by which the council may make the license obligatory or not as they choose.

This motion was likewise carried without opposition.

There was some discussion over the dismissal of Mr. Hendry from the care of the waterworks station.

Mr. Jones was present, and on behalf of Mr. Hendry asked that the charges, if there be any against him, be made known so that he could be in a position to reply to them.

His Worship said there were no charges against Mr. Hendry, that he knew of.

Coun. Graham wished to know if there was an obligation on an employer to keep an employee longer than he wished, or found to his advantage.

Coun. Carr—I can settle the question. Mr. Hendry was discharged because no member of the former committee on waterworks would recommend him for reinstatement.

Coun. Jones thought that if Mr. Hendry wanted to know the charges against him, they should be probably made known to him.

The following were named a special committee to deal with the matter: Couns. Watts, Jones and Gallagher.

The following appointments were made: Field drivers, pound keepers, Horatio Atherton, Thos. Gilmore; constable and member of police force, Horatio Atherton; caretaker of the waterworks station, John Ganter.

St. John Valley Railway.

Further word has been received from Mr. J. E. McIntyre, New York, with regard to the construction of the St. John Valley Railway. He writes under date of the 1st inst:—"As previously stated in your issue of Feb. 1st our New York syndicate has purchased the St. John Valley Railroad and will project their arrangements for the transfer of all rights and privileges sometime during the present month, and commence the work of construction as soon as weather will permit. Our syndicate is represented by George A. Evans as trustee."

This will be good news to all interested in this most needed railway. It will be a happy day for the people down river when the work of construction is commenced, and a still more charming day, when the whistle of the first locomotive is heard.

Mormons For Canada.

Ottawa, March 3.—No less than one thousand Mormons are expected to take up farms in the Canadian West this coming summer. They will remove from Utah.

Kipling Recovering.

In last issue we referred to the serious illness of the famous poet and prose writer, Rudyard Kipling. Since then a turn has come for the better and Mr. Kipling has come on the highway to recovery. His children were also attacked by pneumonia but are out of danger.

A later despatch says that his oldest child died on Monday.