

Communications.

Proposed "Loaf" on the County.

To the Editor of the Maritime Farmer: Sir,—I see by the Herald that an effort is being made to induce the County Council to fit up the lower part of the Court House for office, and that the cost is to be \$2,000. Another argument put forth in favor of this scheme is the safety it would afford to the records and public documents.

Will any one, whose judgment can be relied upon, say that the Court House can be made a place of safety for the County Records and the papers connected with the several departments proposed to be located in it for \$2,000? It is an arduous task; it will require at least five times that amount to do it, and it will require the County will be required to do it out of its own pocket.

The Court House is a large building, in which there are a number of rooms, and all the offices are removed to this place. It is double the present amount. Is not this a serious risk to expose all our valuable records and papers to the risk of fire? We know that fires of great magnitude have broken out from the Court House, and we know that the records and papers are frequently burnt.

Each department is safety very great expense must be incurred to make it safe for each department. Is all this to be done for \$2,000? It will take all that amount for each of the Departments.

It is proposed to charge the officials rent for their offices? Certainly not; who ever heard of this being done? Do the County pay the rent for the present offices? No. It is easy to see why the officials all want the new arrangement. The County will be put to a cost of ten thousand dollars, the interest of which will be \$200,000, and the officials will be \$1,000 per annum, in order to have the officials in the offices, free of rent. Tell the officials that they will be charged a rent equal to the interest on the \$10,000, and they will be glad to change their minds very quickly.

The next thing we would be told, immediately after the change was a fixed fact, that heating so many offices with stoves was not safe, and a steam apparatus must be put in, and an engineer employed to run it—all paid for by the County. This would cost between \$3,000 and \$5,000, and the officials would be \$1,000 per annum. Would the officials pay any part of this? No. Just as much more added to their salaries! Mr. Editor, the Council will not do such a wrong to the ratepayers; if they do, they will hear from many.

F. J. WILSON, COUNTY RATEPAYERS.

Town and Country.

Aldermanic Elections on Monday.

The Local Government is in session today. Oliver, the bigamist, has not yet received his sentence.

It is definitely settled that the Legislature will open Thursday, Feb. 10th.

Col. Green, of the Grand Southern Railway, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. John C. Brown, contractor for the Kentville Railway is in the city.

Yesterday was extremely cold, the glass registering at 7 A. M., 30° below zero.

Mr. Justice King, and Geo. W. Burbridge, St. John, are registered at the "Barker."

A vote on the Water Works question will be taken at the different Ward polling booths on Monday.

Electors of King's Ward vote for Leigh and Wilson and stamp out dishonest practices in the City Council.

Gray hairs are honorable, but few like them. Clothes them with the hues of youth by using Ayer's Hair Vigor.

The Curriers will play the "Whistle," and "St. Andrew's" will play the "John" on Tuesday, and the Chatham Club on Wednesday.

The new Ward of York "tips the beam" at 200 lbs., and is probably the weightiest gentleman in the province holding a similar position.

The Reform Club has presented the W. C. T. U. with the sum of \$30, thanks for which have been warmly expressed in a resolution by the latter.

Mr. J. M. Doherty, youngest son of Count Doherty, who recently returned from Colorado, where he is engaged in mining. He proposes to go back in the spring.

King's Ward electors, if necessary, on Monday will teach Wm. Wheeler that he cannot impose his will on the County, and will demand his retirement to his former obscurity.

"Deacon" Brown, of Bear Island, whose presence at the semi-annual meetings of the Municipal Council, is a regular and punctual feature of the meetings by common consent, has been elected Chaplain of that body.

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It is a common remark, that the opening of a year is a very critical time for persons well advanced in life. We need not go out of our own Province, or our own country, to prove the truth of it. Memory going back a decade, readily recalls the names of many noted and respected residents, who having attained a good old age, passed away at length with their peaceful souls.

Another instance has been given, by the death of the Rev. Dr. Brooke, in his 82nd year, on Monday morning last. For several years he had been ailing, and was unable to do all his powers, but no one knew the general state of his health imagined that when this year opened the end would come suddenly for him. He was, apparently, well and cheerful on Friday morning, and with good appetite for breakfast, but immediately afterwards he sunk into a state of unconsciousness, from which he never emerged. He had remained in this state for several days, and he faded away into the mystery beyond this natural life—a mystery, not to him in the sense of doubt, but in that of a dread and glorious reality.

Very many people, who lived in Fredericton and York, but all over the Province, will hear with sincere regret of the death of the Reverend gentleman. He spent half his life, most usefully, in the city of New Brunswick, and during that forty years he was in continual intercourse and communication with people of every age and every rank and calling in the modern religious denomination. It is a cold and common expression to say in saying this, that he was "esteemed by all," for the feeling of many towards him went far beyond the bounds implied by the information contained below. Perriero's wife visited her relations in Westmorland some forty years ago, and was then in a very needy circumstance from her husband's neglect. Her friends in Moncton, Perriero seems to have been known in Moncton as a worthless, shiftless fellow, lacking in principle and regard for family living at the expense of his own by his subsequent history, both here, and in the United States.

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He shortly after this left Moncton for Rockland, Maine, where he started a weekly newspaper, which was short-lived, however. The other portions of his career are covered by the bounds implied by the information contained below. Perriero's wife visited her relations in Westmorland some forty years ago, and was then in a very needy circumstance from her husband's neglect. Her friends in Moncton, Perriero seems to have been known in Moncton as a worthless, shiftless fellow, lacking in principle and regard for family living at the expense of his own by his subsequent history, both here, and in the United States.

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AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE.

It is a common remark, that the opening of a year is a very critical time for persons well advanced in life. We need not go out of our own Province, or our own country, to prove the truth of it. Memory going back a decade, readily recalls the names of many noted and respected residents, who having attained a good old age, passed away at length with their peaceful souls.

Another instance has been given, by the death of the Rev. Dr. Brooke, in his 82nd year, on Monday morning last. For several years he had been ailing, and was unable to do all his powers, but no one knew the general state of his health imagined that when this year opened the end would come suddenly for him. He was, apparently, well and cheerful on Friday morning, and with good appetite for breakfast, but immediately afterwards he sunk into a state of unconsciousness, from which he never emerged. He had remained in this state for several days, and he faded away into the mystery beyond this natural life—a mystery, not to him in the sense of doubt, but in that of a dread and glorious reality.

Very many people, who lived in Fredericton and York, but all over the Province, will hear with sincere regret of the death of the Reverend gentleman. He spent half his life, most usefully, in the city of New Brunswick, and during that forty years he was in continual intercourse and communication with people of every age and every rank and calling in the modern religious denomination. It is a cold and common expression to say in saying this, that he was "esteemed by all," for the feeling of many towards him went far beyond the bounds implied by the information contained below. Perriero's wife visited her relations in Westmorland some forty years ago, and was then in a very needy circumstance from her husband's neglect. Her friends in Moncton, Perriero seems to have been known in Moncton as a worthless, shiftless fellow, lacking in principle and regard for family living at the expense of his own by his subsequent history, both here, and in the United States.

We extract from the Rockland Maine, Opinion of December, and the 6th inst. the following account of HIS PRESENT DIFFICULTIES. Warren C. Perriero, Esq., was arrested last week on a warrant issued by the County Judge, deposing to have been executed by Patrick O'Marra, consigning a piece of real estate in Westport to Annie Galvin. The deed alleged to be never given, and the date of the alleged forgery was January 11, 1873, at which time Thomas Galvin had been granted the deed. Mr. Perriero denied the deed, and signed the deed in his own name, no one else being present. Mr. Perriero testifies that if he made such a deed he did so for some person assuming to be O'Marra, and that he was not present at the time, and that he had no knowledge of the deed, or of any other document. The complaint in this case is Hon. D. N. Morland, whom Mr. Perriero had sued for slander a few days before, and is probably only an attempt to get rid of the case, and to warm personal light between the brother attorneys.—Opinion Dec. 16.

The State vs. Warren C. Perriero. Indictment for adultery alleged to have been committed in Thomaston in 1875, with Annie Breen. The defendant, now a resident in this city, resided in that town at the time, and was married to a woman who resided in this city, and was a member of the Episcopalian church of that town. He was a member of the Episcopalian church of that town, and was a member of the Episcopalian church of that town.