

Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, AUGUST 2, 1883.

The Miramichi Valley Railway.

If the developments connected with the Miramichi Valley Railway question, as stated in our last issue, were received with the mingled satisfaction and surprise of which we have assurances from almost every section of Northumberland, we may expect expressions of astonishment to follow the further exposure of the devices that have been resorted to by the "flag end" of the late bogus "Miramichi Valley Railway Company" for the purpose of preventing the road from being constructed. It seems that this Company has been and is held together by imposture—by devices which have gradually alienated nearly all of its members who value their friends' good opinion as to their honor and intelligence—and that it is creating for itself a reputation which will make it a by-word and reproach to the Miramichi. Finding that their tactics of the last eight years had lost them the confidence of their associates, the self-styled President and the corporal's guard who are still willing to be made use of by him, appear to make no secret of the desperate strait they are in, but to have determined, if possible, to defeat those who they know are prepared to go on with the Railway. The misrepresentations they have made of the affairs and intentions of the York and Northumberland promoters of the work have been most scandalous. They have circulated the untruth that it was Mr. Gibson's design to build the road by way of Grand Lake and not by the Miramichi Valley; that gentlemen in Chatham—men who could buy and sell them at will—had failed to raise the paltry sum of \$20,000 as required by the Act before requesting the call of the organization meeting at Fredericton; that the line was not to cross the Miramichi at Bartholomew River, but somewhere near Doaktown, if at all, and many other fabrications of the same character. Hearing of these misrepresentations, Mr. Gibson went to the trouble of sending his attorney, George F. Gregory, Esq., from Fredericton to Newcastle for the purpose of assuring Mr. R. R. Call—the self-styled President of the Valley Railway Company—of their untruthful character, and of endeavoring to induce him not to offer further opposition to the undertaking and to secure such assistance as he could offer in its behalf. Mr. Gibson, no doubt, could not believe that Mr. Call would deliberately misrepresent the intentions of Mr. Pickard and himself and those of the Miramichi gentlemen associated with them, but Mr. Gregory discovered that Mr. Call was not prepared to act a reasonable part. Mr. Gibson's well-intentioned overtures were treated with what Mr. Call, no doubt, imagined was dignified contempt. Other people, however, recognise in his refusal to entertain them, a bullying disposition not to recede from the false position into which his misrepresentations of Mr. Gibson had led him. In fact, Mr. Call was so shortsighted as to imagine that he could continue to block the way of those who were able and ready to construct the Railway without his reckless selfishness in the matter being laid bare before the people, with whose great interest in this Railway question he has the temerity to trifle like a spoiled and petulant child.

thoroughly convinced that the proclamation of new devices for deceiving them depends only upon their powers of imagination and their gauge of public credulity.

Nearly every man of experience, means and good business character who, at any time, was identified with the bogus company, is now co-operating with Mr. Gibson in the efforts he is making to secure an immediate commencement of the work. These men are, very justly, aggrieved over the fact that the gentleman who had signalled an eight years' imaginary railway presidency by the display of an utter want of every qualification necessary to success in such an enterprise, should be so blinded by egotism as to stand between them and the realization of their hopes and plans of so long a period. They rightly ask why he prevented Mr. Gibson from building the road in 1865, and why, after professing to have been in earnest in seeking that gentleman's powerful aid in the work in 1882, he should treat his friendly assurances with contempt in 1883? and they are forced to the conclusion that it is a desire for the defeat and not for the success of the work that inspires such conduct.

The gentlemen who are, to-day, organizing the Northern and Western Railway Company in the city of Fredericton realised, last week, the necessity of overcoming the difficulties which Messrs. R. R. Call, Robert Swin and John Miller were to be made the means of placing in the way of their going on at once with the Valley Railway. They learned that Mr. John C. Miller, of Millerton—while believing it was he who was meant as the "John Miller" of Mr. Call's advertisement—had not authorised his name to be used by Mr. Call in advertising the illegal organization meeting in Newcastle and that Mr. Swin had not appended his signature to the document. They knew that the tactics of obstruction emanated from the same mind that had, all along, planned the defeat of the work, and, in order to prevent threatened complications, they determined, if possible, to obtain an injunction against the holding of the meeting advertised by Mr. Call in his own name and those of Messrs. Swin and Miller. On Saturday last, therefore, those gentlemen were each served with a copy of the following:

SUPREME COURT, IN EQUITY. Alexander Gibson, John Pickard and William Muirhead, Plaintiffs, vs. Robert R. Call, John C. Miller and Robert Swin, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given to you that application will be made to His Honor, Mr. Justice Weldon, at his residence at the city of Fredericton, on Tuesday, the thirty-first day of July, inst., at two o'clock in the afternoon, upon the bill and affidavits, copy whereof are herewith delivered to you, for an injunction to restrain you from proceeding under the notice published by you, dated the 14th day of July, inst., calling a meeting of the Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick, to be held at Newcastle, in the County of Northumberland, on the second day of August next, and from meeting or attempting to assemble or hold any meeting of the stockholders of the Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick, pursuant to the said notice, at which time and place the plaintiffs consent that you may be heard, and they waive service of copies of any affidavits you may produce at the said hearing.

Dated this twenty-eighth day of July, A. D., 1883. GREGORY & BLAIR, Plaintiffs' Solicitors.

GROUNDS OF COMPLAINT. Alexander Gibson, John Pickard and William Muirhead, Plaintiffs, vs. Robert R. Call, John C. Miller and Robert Swin, Defendants.

Geo. F. Gregory, Counsel for plaintiffs. The Plaintiffs complain— 1st. That they are three of the Corporators named in the first section of the Act of the General Assembly of New Brunswick, Chapter Thirty-three intitled "An Act to incorporate the Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick."

2nd. That on the Thirteenth day of July instant there was subscribed of the Capital Stock of the said Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick the sum of Fifty thousand Dollars and there was paid upon the said subscribed Capital Stock the sum of Twenty thousand Dollars, which money was paid into Bank in two sums of Ten thousand Dollars, one to the credit of Richard Hutchison and William Muirhead, and the other to the credit of John Ellis and Alexander Morrison, in trust for the use of the Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick, the officer of the Bank refusing to accept the said payment in any other way.

3rd. That the plaintiffs being notified of the said subscriptions and payments being requested to do so, did, under the authority given them by the said Act of Assembly, in good faith for the purpose of organizing the said company and promoting the building of the Railway contemplated by the said Act of Assembly, on the Thirteenth day of July instant, cause to be prepared for publication a Notice calling a First meeting of the said Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick, which Notice the plaintiffs signed their names in the words and figures following:

TWENTY thousand Dollars of the Capital Stock of the Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick having been subscribed and paid up, the undersigned, Alexander Gibson, John Pickard and William Muirhead, three of the Corporators named in the Act of the General Assembly of the Province of New Brunswick, Chapter Thirty-three intitled "An Act to incorporate the Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick," do in pursuance of the authority conferred by the said Act of Assembly, hereby call a meeting of the said Northern and Western Railway Company of New Brunswick, to be held at the Victoria Hotel in the city of Fredericton in the Province of New Brunswick, on Tuesday, the second day of August next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of organizing the said company, electing officers, and transacting such general business for the promotion of the purposes for which the said company is incorporated.

Dated this thirteenth day of July, A. D., 1883. ALEXANDER GIBSON, JOHN PICKARD, W. MUIRHEAD.

4th. That the Notice was published for a first time in the County of York on the Seventeenth day of July instant, in the regular issue of a free weekly newspaper published in the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, every Tuesday,

\$150.00 for support of Poor 1883.

Ordered that Harcourt be assessed \$100.00 for support of Poor 1883.

Ordered that Wellington be assessed \$300.00 for support of Poor 1883.

Report of committee appointed to obtain estimate of cost of building or repairing the Court House read and adopted.

Councillors Livingston, Roach and Johnson were appointed a committee to obtain plans for the repairs of the Court House, to receive tenders for the performance of such repairs and to issue Debentures to procure money to pay for the same.

Resolved that \$2.00 per day be allowed each member of the building committee for attendance on said committee.

The Parish officers of Dundas to make their returns.

Maglorie, A. Girouard appointed Recorder of marks for cattle and sheep for District No. 1, St. Mary's and Placide Bourgeois the like for District No. 2, St. Mary's.

Ordered that \$2.00 over-taxes be refunded Peter McDermott.

Ordered that \$200 be assessed on Wellington to repair the lock-up in Buctouche.

Resolved that any person finding any ram running at large in St. Mary's or Dundas between the 15th of September and the 1st of December in each year be empowered to deliver the same to a pound-keeper in the District and be entitled to half the penalty imposed by section, of General Regulations—concerning cattle running at large.

List of Lumber Surveyors read and approved.

Resolved that the Secretary supply the collectors of taxes with printed forms of Returns and the overseers of Poor with printed receipt forms.

Kenneth B. Forbes appointed Treasurer for the ensuing year.

A Bill to alter the Parish Lines of St. Mary's and Harcourt read and certified by Secretary.

The Report of the Finance committee read and resolved that [all accounts disposed of by the Finance Committee be deemed disposed of by this board.

H. H. James' accounts referred for future consideration.

Ordered that Adam G. McLellan's and David Keskin's accounts be returned to them.

Henry I. Stevens' account referred.

Supplementary Magistrate Bliss's account \$6.00 for examination of Landry.

Resolved that the Secretary order the Overseers of Poor of Wellington to pay Dr. Oloqui \$25.00 for attendance on Jude Basterache.

Dr. Oloqui's account for \$6.00 referred to Richibucto Overseers of Poor.

Ordered that \$5.00 paid by Sheriff Girouard to M. Legeze for boarding Mrs. Johnson be refunded the Sheriff and made chargeable to Dundas.

JANUARY 27th, 1883.

Herbert D. Richardson's account referred to Councillors of St. Louis accounts of Acadiville Commissioners of Roads referred to the Councillors of Acadiville.

William Robertson's account referred to Overseers of Welford for payment, with deduction of 10 cts. per week for board furnished Poor—leaving \$16.00 due Mr. Robertson.

Resolved that the Sheriff notify Robert Ferguson Overseer of Poor, Welford, to make his Returns immediately.

Resolved that the Secretary be authorized to call in and the Treasurer to redeem \$400 worth of Debentures issued by this Municipality.

The following Polling places and electoral Districts were adopted for Dundas for municipal elections.

No. 1—Poll at or near John O'Connor's, the District to include all the electors South of Coanage Bar and East of the Great Road to the Westward line.

No. 2—Poll at or near Thomas B. LeBlanc's, District to include all the electors on South side Coanage River, West of and west of Great Road to the Westward line.

No. 3—Poll at or near Peter R. Richard's, District to include all electors north of Coanage River, west of Dennis Belliveau's, running parallel with the great road to the Wellington line.

No. 4—Poll at or near Charles Cormier's, District to include all electors north of Coanage Bay and east of No. 3 District.

The following Parish officers were appointed in said district:— No. 1—Charles Dugas, Parish Clerk; Hilarie Gallant, Collector.

No. 2—Dominique Goguen, District Clerk; Donny Rabusseau, Collector.

No. 3—Jadence Robichaud, District Clerk; Pierre Melancon, Collector.

No. 4—Charles Cormier, District Clerk; John LeBlanc, Collector.

Ordered that all bills, requiring immediate payment, incurred by committees, be certified by one or more members of such committees, and ordered by the Secretary to be paid, Councillors Roach and Clark were appointed a committee to act with the Secretary in drafting a bill to authorize this Municipality to issue debentures to repair the Court House.

Ordered that \$50 be assessed on Richibucto Fire District for fire purposes for the ensuing year.

A bill to incorporate "the Buctouche and Moncton Railway Company" read and certified by the Secretary. Caleb Richardson appointed County Auditor for the ensuing year at a salary of \$30 per year.

Resolved that the Secretary inform this Board at the July meeting if Harcourt paid more than its tax warrant last year.

Ordered that the salary for the Clerk of the Peace for the ensuing year be \$80.00.

The Secretary read the bill to authorize the Municipality to issue debentures to raise money for repairing the Court House and the provisions of said bill being approved of the same was certified.

Ordered that each member of the Parish line survey committee be paid \$2.50 for each day's attendance on said committee.

Resolved that all proceedings against William Porter and Thomas Porter for collection of delinquent taxes cease, and Welford pay the costs.

Oliver G. Girouard appointed to inspect building of Pound in District No. 1, St. Mary's and Placide Bourgeois the like in District No. 2, St. Mary's at a commission of 5%.

Ordered that \$2,400 be assessed on the County for contingent purposes for the ensuing year.

Ordered that \$1,200 be assessed on the County for payment of principal and interest of debentures for the ensuing year.

Ordered that the County Treasurer receive \$20 additional salary for the ensuing year.

Ordered that Thomas Frecker be paid \$5 for attendance as Constable at this session of this Board.

A vote of thanks was unanimously tendered the Warden and the officers of the Board, and the Council adjourned sine die.

July Meeting, 1883.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The County Clerk being in session re-

solved that the Council adjourn until 9 o'clock, Wednesday, July 11th.

JULY 11th.

Robert Cochrane was appointed to attend the session of the Council as Constable at \$100 per day.

All accounts were referred to the Finance Committee and the Council then adjourned to the Court room on the lower flat of the Court House.

Resolved that the Inspector of Taverns appointed in 1882, be removed from office before any Liquor Licenses be granted.

The following Liquor Licenses were granted:—

William A. McKim, Tavern License, 12 mos. \$20 00

Placide A. Goguen, " " " 15 00

Alexander Trear, " " " 15 00

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Girouard for repairing the lock-up in Buctouche.

Robert Ferguson's account as Overseer of Poor, Welford, referred to the Councillors of Welford.

Ordered that \$15 be placed to Robert Ferguson's credit for attending the examination and trial of Fred. Cammings.

Dr. A. P. Landry's bill, referred to January session.

Ordered that Dr. Patsford be paid \$12 on his account.

R. Sutton's bill referred to January session.

Resolved that the Building Committee lay all their accounts before this Board at the next meeting of Council.

Resolved that the minutes of the January and July sessions of this Board be printed in the Chatham Advance and Montreal Acadie.

The Building Committee were empowered to appoint an Inspector.

Wm. Mooney's account referred back to him for further information.

H. H. James' bill referred to January session.

Ordered that G. Livingston's bill \$2, for telegrams on Court House committee business, be paid.

Ordered that the Secretary instruct the Overseers of Poor of Richibucto, to pay Dr. Oloqui's bill.

Ordered that Sheriff Girouard's bill \$36.28 be paid.

Ordered that A. Roach's bill \$8 be paid.

Ordered that G. Livingston's bill \$6 be paid.

Ordered that A. Johnson's bill, \$6, be paid.

Resolved that any person obstructing any sidewalk in the Town of Richibucto by allowing any wagon, carriage, or team to stand on the same be liable for each offence to a fine of \$1.00.

Ordered that the Inspector of Pounds in St. Mary's be paid \$40.00 amount assessed in 1883 to aid in building ponds in said Parish.

Ordered that the Secretary receive \$30.00 for services rendered as Secretary to each of the Court House and Public Lands committees.

Resolved that the Court House Committee order the Treasurer to pay for work done on the Court House from time to time as in the progress of the work to them may seem fit.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Warden and the Council adjourned sine die.

Geo. V. McIskenry, Secretary.

July 23rd 1883

A Card from Generals Beauregard and Early.

A publication headed, "Are the Louisiana Lottery Drawings fair," which originally appeared in several Northern and Western papers as an advertisement, by a hostile lottery company, as we believe, has been copied into a number of other papers, doubtless as an advertisement also. The charges, insinuations, and innuendoes contained in said publication are false in every respect, as far as they affect the fairness of the drawings of acts of the Lottery Company. When the undersigned had charge only of the semi-annual drawings, they certified the tickets containing the numbers previous to each of those drawings to be certain that all were put in the wheel. Since they have had charge of the monthly drawings also, the wheel has been under their exclusive control, and after each drawing they have restored all the drawn numbers to the wheel, locked it, and sealed it in such a manner as to render it impossible for the numbers to be reached or interfered with without their knowledge. They have thus been always certain that all the numbers were in the wheel at each drawing, and they alone are responsible for the integrity of the drawings. The suggestion that each ticket holder, on the day of and before his drawing, should be allowed to call out his number and see it put in the wheel, is too absurd to deceive any one who ever witnessed a single number drawing, and any lottery company which resorts to any such trick proves itself to be a fraud.

The intimation that persons have been paid to allow their names to be published as the winners of prizes in this Lottery is also false and without the slightest foundation in fact. Millions of dollars have been paid out by the Company in prizes through the banks and express agencies, in New Orleans, Washington City, and in this city, as well as from the winners of the prizes whose names have been given to the public.

Signed, C. T. BEAUREGARD, Comrs. J. A. EARLY.

NEW ORLEANS, July 12th, 1883.

Vital Questions!

Ask the most eminent physician of any school, what is the best thing in the world for quieting and allaying all irritation of the nerves, and curing all forms of nervous complaints, giving natural, childlike, refreshing sleep away?