responsibilities were assumed by the

Department in neglecting the warn-

ings given -- responsibilities which

make the bridge such a work as an

vice. The bridge, when repaired,

The smelt Fishermen.

terests involved.

New Advertisements.

CAPITAL PRIZE \$150,000.

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We the understaned Banks and Bankers

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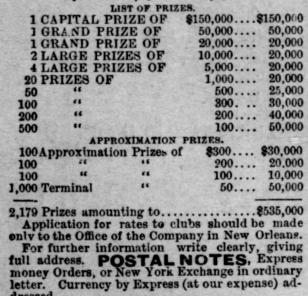
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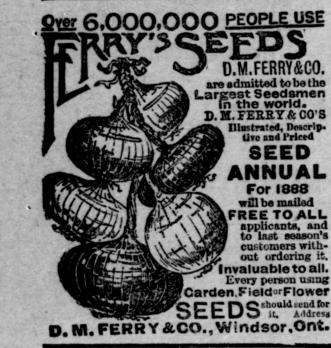
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West Boom Co.

in Newcastle, on THURSDAY, the 12th day of January next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of choosing directors for the ensuing year, and transacting such other iness as may be deemed necessary. The directors will meet in the same place, on the same day, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, to audit the Treasurer's accounts and wind up the business for the year. ALLAN RITCHIE, New castle, Dec. 27, '87.

FARM for SALE.

The Subscriber offers for Sale his extensive and well known farm, on the right bank of the Tabusintac River at the end of the great road bridge acres, seventy five of which are under high culti vation. It produced this year (1887) 25 tens hay, barley, 40 bushels peas, 900 bushels potatoes, be-It has on it a dwelling suitable for a hotel, a large barn, outhouses etc, one of the latter being 80 x 12 ft. There is a never-failing spring of water An inexhaustible bed of mussel-mud lies front of the farm and this first class fertiliser is bridge wharf rendering water carriage as well as This is one of the best chances ever offered for a good farmer wishing to For further particulars apply to D. G. Smith, Advance office, Chatham or to the owner, on the

C. H. BOUCHER

COFFINS & CASKETS SHERIFF'S SALE.

The Subscriber has on band at his she a superior assortment of ROSEWOOD & WALNUT COFFINS.

COFFIN FINDINGS AND ROBES,

which he will supply at reasonable rates.

BADGES FOR PALL BEARERS also supplied WM. McLEAN, - Undertaker

we will mail you free a royal valuable, sample box of goods that will put you in the way of making more money at once, than anything else in America. Both sexes of all ages can live at home and work in spare time, or all the Capital not required. We will start you. Im mense pay sure for those who start at once STINSON & Co. Portland Maine.

FOR SALE.

A Brodwood & Son Piano, and Cabinet Organ, can be seen any day at my resi-R HUTCHISON

Douglastown, 7th Oct., 1887

Meeting of County Council.

The Northumberlaud Co. Council will meet for instant, at 12 o'clock, Loon, at the Council Cham ber, Newcastle, SEC Y TREA".

ated 3rd Jan., 1888

General Business.

HOYAL FOWER

Absolutely Pure.

This powder never var . A marvel of purity,

NOTICE!

ROBT. MURRAY.

Headstones,

Chatham, Dec. 19th, 1887.

Chatham, N. B., May 9th 1887.

Monuments.

50 Oatmeal.

50 Quintals Codfish.

25 barrels sugar. 1000 lbs. Hams and Bacon.

100 Half Chest Tea.

29 barrels Pork

20 dozen Brooms

Chathan N

20 " Buckets.

Crocks, Chamber Sets. &c.

1000 rolls Room Paper.

Tablets, Etc., Etc.,

CUT STONE of all descriptions furnished

CHATHAME N. B.

125 barrels Patent Flour, Morning Star.

" Choice Plate Peef.

Earthenware in dinner and Tea sets,

ROCER FLANAGAN

Mortgage Sale

To Thomas Whitton of the Parish of Chatham in

the County of Northumberland in the Province of New Brunswick Trader and Bridget Whitton

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a

Power of Sale contained in a certain Indenture of

Whitton of the Parish of Chatham in the County

Brunswick Trader of the one part and the under-

April A. D. 1884 in volume 62 of the Countre Records pages 381, 382 and 383, and is numbered

satisfying the moneys secured by the said Inden-

payment thereof, be sold at Public Auction on

saturday the Twenty first day of January next in

front of the Post Office Chatham in said County, at

Ten o'clock in the Forenoon The Lands and

scribed as follows namely: All and singular that

situate lying and being in the Town of Chatham

ertain Lot piece or parcel of Land and premises

to-wit: Commencing on the South side of Water

Street in the Town of Chatham aforesaid at the

Northwesterty angle of the Land now in pesses-

sion of William McNaughton, formerly owned by

James Kerr, thence westerly along the south side of

WaterStreet aforesaid Forty one feet thence South

on a line parallel with Westerly side line of the

said McNaughton property One hundred feet or to

owned by the late Patrick Dulhanty; thence East erly along the Northerly side of said Dulhantys

property Forty one feet or to the Westerly side

McNaughton's property One hundred feet to the

or upon the said Lands and premises and every

Dated the Eleventh day of October A. D. 1887.

To be sold at Public Auction on Saturday the

21st day of January next, in front of the Post

lot piece or parcel of land and premises situate

Northwesterly angle of the land now in possession

of William McNaughton, formerly owned by James Kerr, thence Westerly along the South side

of Water Street aforesaid Forty-one feet, thence

South in a line parallel with the Westerly side

line of the said McNaughton property One hun-

property formerly owned by the late Patrick Dul-

ity thence Easterly along the Northerly side of

dred eet or to the Northerly boundary of the

thence Northerly along the Westerly side line of

said McNaughton property One hundred feet or

said Thomas Whitton by Daniel Desmond b

being the land and premises upon which the sai Thomas Whitton at present resides.

Deed dated the 8th day of April A. D. 1884 and

The same having been seized by me under and

by virtue of an Execution issued out of the North-

JNO SHIRREFF,

umberland County Court by William A. Hickson

Notice to Magistrates.

The Justices of Northumbhrland will receive

SAM'L THOMSON,

Clerk of the Peace Co. Nor h'd. Office of Clerk of the Peace, Newcastle Dec. 12th,

against the said Thomas Whitton

(Egd) DANIEL DESMOND

between the hours of twelve

cing on the South side of Water

Northerly along the Westerly

icitorfor Mortgagee.

noon and five o'clock p. m.

the said Power of sale and for the purpose

Motices.

Superior Extra.

MIRAMICHI

CHATHAM, N. B. - - JANUARY 12, 1888.

Miramichi Advance,

Lumber Taxation.

Referring to our remarks on the increased mileage and stumpage tax in the province of Quebec, the Miramichi | Charlotte Advance, of Chatham, N. B., asks:-"What would the LUMBERMAN say if Quebec operators had to pay \$8 per do?" It certainly appears on the face of it, that these demands upon the merciful in comparison with ours.' To compare the two systems with exactitude it would be necessary, howtures of the Quebec increase is that it prejudicially affects property that was acquired, has changed hands and has been accepted as security on the basis of the old dues, the value being suddenly and unexpectedly diminished by the increased tax. Those who new acquire timber limits in the Province of with reference to the amount of the rental and dues. Not having immediate access to information as to the dues formerly exacted in New Brunswick, seem so from the language used by the Advance, which says:- "Our govern-The General Annual Meeting of "The Highland Society of New Bruuswick, at Miramichi," will be held at the "Waverly Hotel,' Newcastle, on FRIDAY, 13th JANUARY next, at 11 o'clock seem determined to secure as much as possible of it while it is within their reach." This is where the injustice comes in: it is no valid excuse to say that the leases are only for the year, since relying on the established practice and custom, men have in good 1873 they were advanced, in 1874, faith invested capital for their operathe easterly side of Samuel Waddleton's lands known as the Reger' place. Possession gives immediately. For further particulars apply to

New Brunswick Government is complained of because it has directly af- lumber. John H. Lawlor & Co., fected those actually engaged in the lumber business, mill-owners being MARBLE, CRANITE AND FREESTONE the chief sufferers. As we understand the matter in the upper provin perpetuity. That is, the lessee holds for six years, the leases being renewhis limits indefinitely, so long as he able for five years and an extension of complies with the regulations of the a year being practically allowed Department. That being so, a large interest in these lands is acquired by third parties-capitalists-who make advances to the limit-holders, their security being the latter's tenure of the lands and, therefore, deernment regulations. The Government of Quebec and-we believethat of Ontario, also, have increased the mileage and stumpage charges. which, of course, lessens the value of these lands to those who have treated them as a security for moneys advanced to the operators.

Capitalists who make investments in connection with the trade in this section of New Brunswick do not secure themselves in the lands held by lessees, tor the tenure of the latter is for a fixed period-ten yearsat the end of which the "limits" are opened to general competition. The capital invested is, therefore, in mills. booms, facilities for moving lumber, such as steamers, barges, scows and the other plant connected with the business. The cause of complaint with us is that at the time when our largest permanent investments were to believe that the Government tax Mortgage bearing date the Ninth day of April in the year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hun-dred and Eighty Four and made between Thomes on Crown Land lumber would be even one half what it is at the preot Northumberland in the Province of New sent time. Not only so, but the signed Daniel Desmond of the Parish County and utterances of members of the Gov-The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Over the above Company will be held at the Secretary's Mortgage was duly recorded in the Records of the ernment at that time, in the legislature, were calculated to create the 349 in said volume—There will in pursuance of | belief that the then existing rates would be decreased rather than increased. We refer to a period about fifteen years ago when an annual allowance of \$150,000 a year was arranged for between the Dominion and local governments, to be paid by the latter to the former, in consideration of New Brunswick relinquishing her right to levy export duty. That arrangement relieved that of Friday last, at Clark's Cove of twenty cents per thousand sup. secured for the lumbermen. than formerly for the lumber indus-

County of Northumberland and Province of New Brunswick and bounded and described as follows, Street in the Town of Chatham eforesaid, at the

the construction of certain railways. half-rotten curb-log.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

to do, but those of 1877, which are plaints have been made to the Govthe only ones we have at hand and ernment against this bridge, and its we find the following: danger to human life has been set forth.

Total Acres Granted Crown and It is, therefore, apparent that grave 7,372,885 2,174,774 - 5,198,11 4,922,469 3,196,293 1,73,172

ought to be discharged. The greater part of the acres graned in the second or southern group were ed, but not yet effected, they will not square mile as rental and \$1.25 per in the hands of land and railway com M. for spruce as the New Brunswick panies or pledged to them in 1873, engineer of good reputation would government forces our lumbermen to and as these lands had been selected sanction. New and good materials by the owners because they were lumbermen are excessive, and that our best lumber lands of the province, it contemporary has reason to say "The was natural that the government Quebec government is moderate and should be encouraged by the representation tatives of those counties to increas the taxation on Crown lands lumber, in | tew years, but its life will be a short ever, to take other circumstances into order that the value of that on the pri- one and the money to be spent on it of skins. consideration. One of the worst fea- vate lands might be enhanced. And a penny-wise and pound-foolish outwe may say that the rest of the province lay. is practically against the four northern counties in this matter, for the seven counties not included in the abov groups, although their aggregate acr age is only 5,052,010, had but 1,705,118 Quebec will not be subject to this of it remaining in possession of the wrong, for they will value the limit Crownin 1877. Increased provincial ex- condition. Such matters are too penditure was soon made a plea for in- serious to be trifled with and it is to creasing the taxation on luraber, and it be hoped that they will receive the will not, therefore, be wondered at that attention demanded by the grave inwe cannot say whether the same injus- the ten representatives of the four tice has been done there. It would northern counties could do little to prevent what was urged in the interest of the counties which sent thirty-one representatives to the legislature. The record of the advancing steps by which the New Brunswick lumber

dues have reached their present industry-crushing figures is briefly told-From a charge of \$6 per sq. mile in \$8 per sq. mile and a stum page tax of 60c vanced money on them, and now find per M. on spruce and pine logs cut that their confidence in receiving fair anywhere on the North Shore and 80c play has been misplaced. We would elsewhere in the province. Mileage be glad to learn from our contemporary dues, however, were refunded to opwhat changes, and when, there have erators who paid sufficient stumpage been made in the New Brunswick timber dues. - Canada Lumberman for to cover the amount they had contributed on that account. This arrange-The Crown Land policy of the ment lasted until 1877, with some slight alterations in items of small In 1877 the mileage was continued at \$8, but the stumpage tax on merchantable saw logs was made 80c all over the province, the drawback of mileage being still allowed on payment

inces the crown timber lands are held of stumpage. This arrangement lasted

In 1883 the mileage rate was continued at \$8, but the stup page tax was raised to \$1 per thousand sup. feet for spruce and pine saw logs, with no drawback on account of mileage. Leases were made renewable for ten years at an annual charge of \$4 per sq. pendent on the stability of the Gov- and stumpage dues at \$1.25 per thou sand sup. feet for spruce and pine saw logs. These are the rates: now taxed upon the lumbermen. In addition to this great increase in stumpage on logs, and the retention of the mileage fees the rates on timber have been increased and many items of small lumber such as boom-poles, etc., which were not taxed before, are made to contrib ute to the revenue of the province.

The Government, having set the ex. ample, the private land holders have not been slow to imita te and even better it. It will, therefore, be readily understood that the effect of the government's policy has been to place the New Bruns wick trade at great disadvantage. It is well known that mill-owners with large capital invested can neither suspend operations nor realise anything near cost on their properties. They are, therefore, obliged to go on. Many have done so for the past two or three years at a loss Some of our best known concerns have been squeezed out of thebusiness, as so made in these facilities for carrying many idle mills testify. Should prices on the business, there was no reason improve across the Atlantic the best prepared—those who have any capital left-may make both ends meet. If they can do so and pay \$1.25 per M Government stumpage on spruce, it follows that the Quebec: lumbermen who pay only 60 cents will make times. And that is why we expressed bec, which charges \$3 for mileage and 60c per M. stumpage for spruce merciful, compared with that of New Brunswick which exacts \$8 mileage the first year, \$4 for subsequent years. and \$1.25 stumpage

Rotten Bridges.

If there was any way by which

the consequences of such accidents as

the trade of the provincial export tax | bridge, could be rightly placed, the Government of the Province would floating timber, doubtless a portion of feet on all merchantable lumber, and have to pay damages to the widow the Government of the day claimed | and family of young children, who great credit for the "boon" it had on that morning, were de prived of They husband and father-their only supshowed that they had gained for port-because a structure, which is and profits thereof &c of the said Thomas whit-ton and Bridget Whetton his wife, of in to out of the public treasury some \$75,- supposed to be maintained in good 1450 sup. feet, and several others of 000 a year more than the province had repair, has been allowed to run long realised from the export duty and past its time of safety and, instead could afford to make things easier of being renewed, to rot and become a source of danger to the public. It is true that the Public Works New Brunswick was, under these Department had recently made circumstances, a promising field for contract for extensive repairs to this lumber operations on Crown Lands. | bridge, which are to be effected dur-There was no stumpage tax, the only | ing the present winter, and it is charge being \$6 per square mile for also a well-known fact that tenders being in the Town of Chatham, in the the land, which was, held from year were asked just four years ago for a to year, only, subject to annual new bridge at the place, but, for some reason, nothing was done. The, Unfortunately, however, for those old structure, the decayed condiwhose operations were on Crown | tion of which so long ago impressed Lands, as those of the Northern Coun- | the Department with its unfitness for ties of New Brunswick were, and are further use, has been patched up said Dulhanty's property Forty-one feat or to the still, immense blocks of the best from year to year, but it has, neverlumber lands of the province had theless, not been thereby improved to the place of beginning, and conveyed to the been granted, absolutely, to land and in the least, but rather the reverse. railway companies, as well as to The falling rail has been held in posiprivate individuals, either for about | tion by spikes driven through inadefifty cents per acre, or as subsidies for quate stanchions into the lifeless. Sheriff's Office, Newcastle, this 8th day of Oct., To show the relative positions of the the rails sound, they are of inade-Northern and Southern sections of quate size, while the fastening is simthe province in respect of their lands, ply a device suited to a death-trap we group the four Northern Counties and calculated to give only the aptogether and also the four largest pearance of a safeguard, which an Southern Counties for the sake of ordinary blow of the foot might send 1887 on application at comparison—not from the statistics into the stream bellw. We are inof fitteen years ago, as we would like formed that several specific com-

fishermen's appeals.

cries have been made use of in the ghastly white, and through the damne hope of winning popular support. In Victoria, Sir Charles Tupper fathers ever and never see the light, sharpenperhaps the most marvelous threat ever | ing their cuttings with their horrid addressed to free people. In Shelburn grists, runs scudding .- So ran the we do not know if Sir Charles Tupper' name was appended to the villainous

ence and indifference to the wronged

Shamoless Tactics.

Some of the Conservative papers in

timate that Sir Charles Tupper has

the Government, to boycot those who

would not support the Tory candidate

from the Baddock, C. B. Reporter

(Baddeck Reporter, Dec. 22, 1837.)

During the general election and the

however settles the matter.

Victoria, N. S. The following,

been missepresented by those

stated that he threatened, in behalf

can be little doubt of its origin. General Laurie's cry in Shelburne

"If you vote for me you will get these public favors; if you vote for Mr. Robertson you will get nothing." John A. McDonald's cry in Victoria was Sir Charles Tupper's telegram, as ward. Never before had runner faced

ALIFAX, Nov. 5th, 1887. To J. A. McDenald, Baddeck: As you are the choice of the Lit erat-Conser cive party in your county, and have the influence of the Government, we will look to you to advise us in all matters whether you are elected or not, and we will treat any one who opposes you as an enemy.

CHARLES TUPPER, Amherst, N. S. flatter such men as those, are to be swinging, easy motioned gait, as if the cuffed and kicked. How much longer will the majority of the people encourage politicians to calculate upon their support on the above basis, and allow themselves to be held up to the scorn of the outside world? Men who appeal to electors on such cries as these should not be tolerated by supporters of any political party

THE BIG RAFT :- The British brig 'Kilddoan' which arrived at Baltimore on Sunday last reported that in th Gulf Stream, latitude 33, longitude 68 west, she passed through six miles of the Leary raft which broke away from applause of Greece. the steamer Miranda

Big Logs. -Mr. Angus Urquhart, of the Nashwaak, has cut a spruce "log" this winter which is said to scale more than 1000 feet each. The dimensions of these "logs" are not given, but it is not probable that they are logs, in the common meaning of the term, but simply all the merchantable wood of the tree from which they came.

OH, DEAR!-The Toronto Mail's London cable says the feeling is rapidly the Dominion, it is desirable in the interest of British investors. many good people hold that commercial union means annexation that the Mail's correspondent ought to be impeached for treason. Will the Telegraph please look after him

What Am I to do?

The symptoms of Billiousness are un happily but too much known. They dif-Too frequently, alas, he has an excellent appetite for liquids but none for solids of that led to the lake, at a run. a morning. His tongue will hardly bear inspection at any time; if it is not white and furred, it is rough, at all events,

The digestive system is wholly out of order and Diagraces or Constipation may or the two may alternate. loss of blood. There may be giddiness and often headache and acidity or flatulence and tenderness in the pit of the plumage, ankle deep, upon the ground, the present time seemed to be shaped more friends to take an active interest in seeing stomach. To correct all this if not effect toward the lake burning redly through by the views, of so called sportsmen, many that such attention to our interests was

but a trifle and thousands attest its ef-

THE DOOM OF MAMELONS. A LEGEND OF THE SAGUENAY, BY W. H. MURRAY. [From the Quebec Chronicle]

CHAP. 1-THE TRAIL,

As to the repairs that are propos. southern end of which John Norton be praised that I reckened the course struck in answer to a summons which a aright and ran the trail straight from are to be piced upon those which are decayed and unfit tor longer serwill, no doubt be perfectly safe for a race, dropped as one dead upon the pile | had pressed it.

whose friendship had been tested on of human coming could be found. What we say of this bridge is based on personal examination of it, made at different times-and recentin the old days when weaving was an the scant supper with him, equally. ly-and we are informed that the art and mystery and not a sordid trade "It is the last morsel, Rover." said Douglastown bridge is in even worse would have died for.

daylight scant. He drew his line by lack of food. The second organised meeting of the Miramichi fshermen, held on Monday ing did he make for river's rapids or the Trapper, looking reflectively at his at Masonic Hall was conducted with tangled swamp; for mountain's slope or camine companion, now snoring in his excellent spirit. Although the Department had not even acknowledged the roceipt of the petitions forwarded knife, by broken twig or sharpened rod, but you make good the loss that pinckes struck into mould and mould and by its | thee by holding fast and quickly to the a fortnight since, or replied, in any angle telling whence came the trailer, nearest gain," and he gazed upon the way, to the communications sent on whither went he and how fast. From sleeping hound with reflecting and ad- a commission to investigate the merits of the subject of the excessive tax imearliest dawn till night thickened the miring eyes. posed on the smelt fishermen, every woods and massed the trees into a solid Then slowly, behind the western hills cous information on which the Departallowance was made for delays that blackness he hurried on, straight as a sank the red sun. The fervor faded ment's letter just read, in reference to might have oncurred, and an abiding pigeon flies when homeing, studying from the water and the lake darkened. faith that justice would be done the fishermen in the end was expressed. The effort that is being made to secure pliant as an ashen bow grown on hill, blankly black. The upper air held on facts - was furnished by that officer and an honest, effective and unprejudiced enquiry by the Department into the and now, each muscle and sinew of his | night held all the world. grievances of the fishermen ought to superb and superbly conditioned frame be successful. It will be, unless the disposition of the Department to be just is over-estimated by the fishermen and we shall not believe it is, until it is so demonstrated by continued sil-

At the pillar of white rock on the Lake a canoe, with oars and paddle will be wait-The Trapper was clad in buckskin

from cap to moccasin. His tunic belted tight and fringeless was opened widely at the throat for freest breathing. A pack, small, but rounded with strain who ed fulness strapped to his back. His horn and pouch were knotted to his side. In tightened belt was knife, and, trailing, muzzle down and held reversed, a double rifle. Stripped was the man for speed, as when, balanced or the issue of the race, hangs life and death:-Like some great ship, caught by some sudden gale off Auticosti of Dead Man's Reef, and bare of sail, stripped to her spars, past battures, late by-elections, the most remarkable hollow and hoarse voiced as death and eddies that would suck her down and strong man northward urged by a fea stronger than that of wreck ghost-peopled shores of deadly document used there, but the sentiment | Lawrence. A hound huge of size, bree is so like his own in Victoria, there to a hair, ambled steadily on at heel and though he crossed many a ho scent and more than once his hurrying master started a buck warm from hi nest and nose was busy with knowledge of game afont, he gave no whimper nor swerved aside, but, silent, followed on in the swift way his master was so hurriedly making, as if he too felt the solemn need which urged the trail northa longer or a harder trail, or under high command or deadly peril pushed it so

fiercely forward. Seven days the trail ran thus an till the man tireless of foot, hurried on and the hound followed silently at heel. What a body he had! And how it responded to the soul's summons For on the seventh day of highest Thus treating the electors as serfs was fresh, his eye was bright and he and slaves, who if they fawn upon and swung steadily onward, with a long,

effort, taxing with heavy strain each bone, muscle and joint to the utmost, days lengthened from earliest dawn to deepest gloaming, the strong man's face prolonged and terrible effort he was to the lungs but filled to its red edge any kind had yet been received. It was with oxygen and the mystic element men call ozone; that overflow of God's vitality spilled over the azure brim of heaven, whose volatile flavor fills the nose of him who breaths the air of Favored thus by rare conditions, the

It was nigh sunset of the seventh day and the trapper halted beside a down into the refreshing depths and held it there that he might feel the de- letter and received a reply, a copy licious coolness run thrilling through | which Mr Watt now had and read to the hot from monstrous effort, sinking them knee deep in the cold flowage of the blessed spring. Refreshed, he stood erect upon the velvet bank, his mighty chest and back pink as a lady's palm. his strong feet glowing, his face a-flush growing there that as commercial union | through its deep tan, while the wind would greatly promote the prosperity of | dried him and the golden leaves of the overhanging maples fell around him in

away he drew the sheet of birch bark from his breast and read the lines traced delicately thereon.

"Yes, I read aright," he muttered to the terror of death. The chief lies dyng. At the pillar of white rock on the Lake a canoe with oars and paddle will be waiting." And the Trapper thrust

murmured as he reached the bottom of the dip, "or the lake lies here away. lake, red with the red flame of the setthrough the maple tress. The Trapper advantage in the American market. lope through the russet bushes and golden leaves, that lay, like plucked

breaking through the fragrant branches, with a leap, he landed on a beach of silver sand, and Lo! to the left, not a dozen rods away, washed by the red

mit, white as drifted snow. "God be praised." sail the Trapper, It was a long and lonely trail, the and he lifted his cap reverently. God tired runner brought him from the end to end. For the woods be wide packet in his hands, he staggered to a where is the cance that was promised, pile of skins and dropped heavily on for sixty mile of water cannot be jumpthem, like a hound, which from a three ed like a brook or forded like a rapid north and so, spent with his mighty that would tell if boat or human foot from fishermen and officers alike.

He searched the beach for a full mile He bore the death call of a friend, around the bay, but not a boat or sign

to carn a pittance with, traced in deli- the trapper to the dog as he fed him ran northward before it ended at the stood the master's saying, for he rolled couch of skins, in the great room of the his still hungry eyes toward the limp great house in which the Chief lay dy- pack as if he bitterly sensed the dreary ing. And when the trapper struck it prophecy; then, true canine philosopher he struck it as an eagle strikes home- as he was, he curled himself in a bunch average catch of each smelt-fisherman

the star that never sets and little turn- 'Thou art wiser than men," exclaimed briary windfall. He drew a trail no warm russet bed. "Toou art wiser, man had ever trod; a blazeless trail, my dog, than men, for they waste breath unmarked by stroke of axe or cut of and time bewailing their hard fortunes,

no sign for guidance, leaving none to The winds died with the day. Gradutell that he had come and gone. He ally the further shore retired from sight was at middle prime of life, tough and and the distinguishing hills became seasoned in hall; sweated and strung to the retreating light awhile, but, he must know that an honest enquiry by constant exercise for highest action final'y, surrendered the last trace, and would result in proving to the Depart

Amid the gathering gloom upon the was taut with the tension of a strong beach the Trapper sat in council with desire; to reach the bedside of the dy- his thoughts. At length he rose and being jeopardised by misleading infor the terror of death. The Chief is dying. them made a bed upon the sand, then cast himself upon his fragrant couch. Twice he rose and listened. Twice rethe sleep of sheer exhaustion But be fore he slept he muttered to himself.

"She said, a canoe with oars and paddle should be here and the canoe will turned its circle in the northern sky and stars rose and set. The warn shores felt the night's coolness and from the water's edge a soft mist flowed and floated in thin layers along the cooling sands. The logs of seasoned wood proposed commission of enquiry. glowed with a steady warmth in the calmair. The fog turned yellow as drifted above the burning brands so that a golden halo crowned the ruddy heat. The night was at the middle watch, when the great hound rose to his feet and questioned the lake with plained of, the aid of the representatives lifted nose, but his mouth gave no sig- in parliament of the four northern counties nal. If one was coming it was the coming of a friend. Ten minutes passed and the hound whined softly and walking to the water's edge waited, expectant. Not long. For, in a moment, a canoe, moving silently, as if wind blown, came floating toward the beach and lod ged upon it, noiselessly, as bird . bough. And a girl, paddle in hand stepped to the dog's side and stooping, caressed his head, then moved toward the fire and stood above the sleeping She gently stirred the brands until

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Fishermen's Protective Association

A meeting of the Miramichi Fishermen's Protective Association was held at Masonic Hall, Chatham, on Monday last, 9th inst. the president, Mr. George Watt in the

some slight amendments, agreed to. Referring to the petition against the excessive license tax on smelt nets forwarded to the Department of Fisheries, Ottawa, about a fortni ght ago, the president said no reply or acknowledgement reported on very good authority, however, that fishery officers had been asked by the Department to furnish it with certain nformation respecting the smelt fishery bearing on the grievances complained of est that nature gives the trailer, the | the small catch, the prices paid fishermen strong man raced onward through the for smelts, cost of transportation, value of nets, habits of the snelt, etc. He said he had communicated on the subject of the excessive smelt net tax. with Mr. Mitchell M. P., the Ottawa representative spring which bubbled coldly up from a of the County, who had, however, at an

[Our reporter did not obtain a copy the letter when read by the chairman and is entirely overworked by our fishermen. Figures are quoted to show that nearly Cool and strengthened, he reclothed a million pounds more smelts were taken himself, relaced his moccasins and in the Miramichi last year than the year tightened his belt, but before he broke before, the effect being to break down the owing that the fishery was deteriorating. limself. "The writing on the birch is The Department protests that it is to Come to me quick for I am alone with the fishery that the high tax is imposel, and not for the purpose of raising rev

back the writing to its place above his the Department's letter and said it show. | part of Nov. and could have been market-"I've bent the trail like a fool," he familiar with the subject, knew that the of fish and declare the smelts to be fished ting sun, gleamed like a field of fire, fish, which could not be disposed of to The Minister of Fisheries hal declared

a cure try Green's August Flower, it cost, the trees not fifty rods beyond. A of whom secured their catches by netting secured as would result in securing the

moment brought him to the shore, bor- our streams, than by an intelligent course dered thick with cedar growths, and for the promotion of the fishing interest. Both the industry and those engaged in it were misrepresented to the Department. He himself had a letter from the Inspicwaves, stood the signal fock, fity feet tor, who therein characterised Miramichi in height and from water line to sum- fishermen as a lot of thieves, robbers, etc. and he had told the Inspector that the Apostles of old were selected mainly from among fishermen and, no doubt, if more were wanted at the present day they would be chosen from the ranks of the north. The man had made brave run- and long and to have missed this lake Miramichi fishermen. He referred to the ning, for when he reached the Trapper's | would have been a sorry hap when one | questions sent from Ottawa for answers cabin and had placed the birch back like her is alone with the dying. But by the Overseers here and said they were as to the size and cost of nets, prices paid for fish, freight rates, etc. What the Dedays' chase, trails weakly to the hunt- and the Island lies nigh the western partment should do, however, was to send er's door, spent nigh to death. So shore and who may reach it afoot?" and men here to make enquiries on the subcame the runner, running from the he ran his eye along the sand for signs ject so as to get reliable information

Mr. Watt said if the Department would not send anyone here, the Association should send someone to Ottawa in the many an ambushed trail and edge of Then nigh the signal rock he sat upon fishermen's interests. Mr. Ernest Hutchidubious bat le. The call was writ the sand, unloosed his pack and from it son had informed him (Watt) that he was on bark of birch, thin as the thinnest took crust and meat, of which he ate going to Ottawa soon on private business silk the ancients wove from gossamer sparingly, then fed the hound, sharing and would be glad to act in the fisher. men's interests free of charge, in conjunction with anyone else they might send. In cate letters by a hand the Trapper "It is the last morsel in the pack, and sending the petitions to Ottawa, he had you and I will breakfast lightly unless asked for a commission to be sent here to A good five hundred mile that trail lack comes." The dog surely under- enquire into the matters at issue between the fishermen and the Department.

Mr. W. S. Loggie agreed, in the main with Mr. Adams' remarks and said the ward toward the cradle crag of his of dried leaves contentedly, as if by was a poor one-much less than a fair younglings, when talons are heavy and extra sleep he would make good the return for his expense and trouble. He had no doubt that a fair enquiry by the Department would result in more equitable treatment of the fishermen.

Mr. Watt said Inspector Venning was in favor of the appointment of such au enquiry commission as he had referred to. Mr. D. G. Smith said it seemed improbable that the Inspector would favor this net tax question, because the errondiminishing size, etc. -which all present knew was not in accordance with the

ment that it had been misled by him. Ten years ago our fishery interests were ing Chief before he died. For the mes- with dry driftage within reach kindled mation and advice given by the Inspector a fire. By the light of it he cut some and other officers and it was only after "Come to me quick for I am alone with branches of the nigh cedars, and with extraordinary efforts had been made to that end that an official enquiry was secured. Fortunately it was made by newed the fire with larger sticks. At the Minister and Commissioner of Fishlast, tired nature failed the will. The eries in person and resulted in the fiishertoil of the long trail fell heavily on him. | men getting just what was claimed in Slumber captured his senses and he slept | their behalf. The importance, now, of securing an enquiry here, on the Miramichi, by unbiased men capable of understanding the subject, was great and it was only by that means the Department The hours passed on. The Dipper could be made sensible of how very much it was misinformed and misled. He would advise the association to enlist the interest of the members representing the four northern counties in securing the

Mr. Adams moved a resolution to the effect that the Department be requested to send a commission to the Miramichi to enquire into the fishery matter, with a view of removing the grievances at present comto be sought with the object of assisting in securing such commission. Carried unani-

The appointing of a Vice president and three auditors, under the by-laws, was taken up, Mr. T. W. Crocker being elected Vice president and Messrs Alex. Brown, D. M. Loggie and Frank Cassidy Auditors. Mr. Robert Sweezey was added to the executive committee.

It was ordered that in the event, of the Fisheries Department continuing, to ignore ment of an enquiry commission, the execu-

the association's request for the appointive committee be authorized to take such action as it may deem best in the interests At this stage of the meeting, Vice president Crocker entered the hall and was re-

ceived with great applause. Being inform-The president said the object of the ed of the business that had been transactmeeting was to pass by-laws, perfect or- | ed, he thought it was all in the right dirganization and consider matters relating to ection and urged the necessity of a more general interest than had, so far, been ap After passing minutes of the previous | parent, being manifested in the association meeting, a draft of by-laws and rules of and its work. He said it was all very well for a number to come together and transact routine business, but if the interests involved were to be promoted as their importance demanded there should be a larger membership than the 152 now on the roll. There should be 700 at least. All the fishermen of the river should come forward. and strengthen the hands of the association ly enrolling themselves as members and showing that they were alive to their own interests. The time was coming when their interests would need all their efforts to protect them, and it was only by vigilance and united action that the work of the future could be accomplished. He referred to the misrepresentations of fact connected with our fisher es which had gone forward to Ottawa, and said that the fisheries officers who had been brought and appointed from amongst us-who privately admitted the injustice done the tishermen and the fallacy of the Department's information-ought to speak out in the interest of the communities in which had communicated with the Department | they lived. Some of them, for instance of Fisheries in reference to Mr Crocker's | had joined the Inspector in advising that smelt-fishing be disallowed on the Miramichi up to Dec. 1st. Every intelligent officer and fisherman knew that as soon as the ice made in the river the smelts went out and if it had not happened that the ice Mr. Watt being out of town we could not did not make this season until 1st December when a good haul was made just as the The substance of the Department's re- fish were going down stream to leave the river, the cry from the Inspector and Department would have been that the fishery had been destroyed. The true policy was to allow smelt fishing as soon as the weather was cold enough to preserve, or "save," the fish, for the time to allow fishing was when the fish were in the river market. The size of the fish sent to to be caught, and if the people were to be deprived of the right of catchin fish what benefit would it be to them to have

the river swarming with smelts as it was plain as ivy on the oak and it says: lessen the number of nets engaged in this season, up to the 1st of Dec? He that while the Department had prevented them from taking smelts when they were The President commented briefly on swarming in the river during the latter ed the erroneous character of the inform a- ed in good order, it would attribute the tion on which it acted, as everyone here, present season's small catch to a scarcity catch of last year was less than that of the out. He did not believe the government was disposed to be unjust, but it was treal markets received the culls or smaller | wretchedly advise | in this fishery matter. his willingness to renedy any wrong that dashed a hand upward with the gesture Mr. Anthony Adams characterised the might have been done, and he believof delight and burst away again at a Departmental position as one based entired ed that was the disposition of the Departly on theory and said the fishery policy of ment. It was for the Association and its