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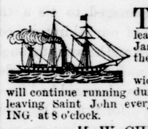

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Lard, Butter,
Potatoes,
Salt Pork,

and other articles for Household use.

E. A. STRANG,
Snowball's Wharf

WINES. WINES.

1 Pipe Choice Sherry; 1 Pipe Choice Port; 83 quarter casks Superior Old Port Wine; 37 quarter casks Superior Old Sherry; 160 quarters and octaves cheap Tarragona and Cadiz WINES.

DANIEL PATTON,
Saint John.

Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1877.

Correspondence.

[We invite correspondence on all local subjects, and will be glad to publish anything that will advance the interests of our readers, individually, or of the communities in which they live. Local News Items, Notices of Improvements—either moral or physical—Reports of Meetings, Agricultural, Lumbering, Fishing, Mechanical and other Industrial notes are especially welcome. We do not expect that all who desire to assist us in the above way are good writers, but that should not deter them from sending along their favors. We want the news and will see that it goes into the paper in proper shape]

Gloucester Letter.

Gloucester Co., Mar., 23rd 1877.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

Sir:—During my long and unavoidable absence from your columns the whirling of that old wheel, time brought many matters to the political surface in our County which would have been well worthy of a passing notice, but which like the waves that dash upon the shore have, each in its turn, been "touched with light then lost forevermore." The importance of local incidents is very ephemeral indeed and he who would be so fool-hardy as to endeavour to arrest them in their onward flight and rescue them from oblivion would be deservedly regarded as a bore for his pains. Some as they pass leave a trail so faint that to retrace it in order to discover the incidents themselves would scarcely be worth the trouble, while others again keep a somewhat stronger hold upon our memories owing to their baneful effects. To the first class may be relegated all those petty follies which are of daily occurrence where ignorance is clothed with brief authority; while to the second belong some of the acts of those to whom the people have entrusted the conduct of their public affairs. Such for instance would be the misappropriation of the public funds, the lowering in the public esteem of our County Council and so forth. It is often difficult for a correspondent who desires to confine himself to local news to present subjects worthy of public attention. However I crave your indulgence that I may direct the attention of you readers in this County to one or two matters which are of some importance for them. It is of the highest importance that the people should be made aware of the manner in which their taxes are appropriated, that they should know why those taxes are levied and what they are required for. Hitherto this knowledge has been restricted to a very few and the County business was transacted in what, with regard to the great body of the Ratepayers, may be termed—a secret conclave.

THE COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

At the inauguration of the new system of incorporation it was thought and hoped that the days of Star-Chamber proceedings were at an end and that the Councillors would for their own sakes as well as for the public advantage give publicity to all their acts, thus awaking the people to an interest in their public affairs by diffusing a knowledge of them. But that thought—that hope—has not been realised and as far as the Ratepayers are concerned they are kept as much as ever in the dark—nay even more so than before. It seems certain that at the January meeting of our Council board it was determined to carry out the suggestion made by your correspondent in one of his former letters, but up to the present nothing has been heard in the various parishes further than the report of their respective Councillors that it was unanimously agreed upon to publish a financial statement and to distribute a certain number of copies of that statement throughout the County. If this be true, as no doubt it is, what, we ask, occasions the delay? Who is to blame in the matter? Is it the Warden or the County Clerk who is responsible? Or is it that little Clique at the Shiretown who are ever desirous to hide the true state of affairs, in order "to save the credit of the County outside?" I must confess that I am entirely ignorant as to whose duty it may be to carry into effect the order of the Council, but I hold that it is lowering that body in the public esteem to have it said that their orders can be treated with contempt by any individual. One of the gentlemen of the Council assured the writer that a motion to the above effect was brought before them and passed unanimously. If the decision then of the representatives of the various parishes can be rendered abortive at the caprice of one individual it is time that the people should know it, and the Councillors will be expected at their next meeting to resent the insult offered to them in their corporate capacity and through them to their constituents, and to assert their authority over that officer who is currently reported to have them under his entire control, "to hold them in his hand."

THE PARISH DIVISION.

Another matter of importance is the demand recently made through one of our members for the changing of the Parish line between Caraquet and Inkerman. This demand was made by certain parties resident in the former Parish and a Bill giving effect to it had passed the lower Branch of the Legislature before any Ratepayer of the Parish of Inkerman was aware of such demand being made. As this change would cut off a large section of the latter Parish the consent of the Ratepayers should have been asked or if the people of Caraquet were desirous to annex the new Settlements of Pacquetville and Millville to their Parish they should have been willing to cede an equivalent on the seaboard. It does not do to be too grasping, and above all it is contemptibly mean to seek aggrandisement at the expense of a neighbour by a hole and corner business such as that. We trust that in future when such demands have to be made they will be made in good faith and with the previous knowledge of all concerned. We may refer at some future time to this matter in connection with the formation of a new Parish. Meanwhile we must say that the President of the Executive—the Hon. R. Young—deserves the thanks of the people whose interests he guarded in the upper branch by getting this Bill laid aside for the present. I have the honor to be, Mr. Editor, yours truly,

Vivian.

What a North Esk Man Thinks.

North Esk, March 26th 1877.

To the Editor of the Miramichi Advance.

Dear Sir:—Please to allow me a small space in your valuable paper, in order to pass some remarks on Mr. Chaplin's letter, which appeared in your last issue. In speaking of the nets which were seized by Overseer Hogan, Mr. Chaplin says that he had some suspicions of them being in use, but went according to where he supposed them to be fishing. The first man refused to draw his net, and Mr. Chaplin seems to think he did so in order to allow other parties to escape with their unlawful nets. Now, there was nothing to prevent Mr. Chaplin from seeing any persons who might be leaving the ice with their nets for they must have done so in order to conceal them from the Warden, but if such was the case why did not Mr. Chaplin leave the net he was at and pursue those persons who were secreting their unlawful nets. I think Mr. Chaplin is inclined to show too much favor to the fishermen. I have known him to be on the ice fishing and there was small meshed nets not ten rods from him fishing at the same time, and on another occasion I have known him to be on a sled where there was a lot of small bass concealed. Now, I think if Mr. Chaplin was inclined to do his duty such things could not pass him by without attracting his attention. Mr. Chaplin has stated that he has a district of 12 miles extending from Red Bank down to the N. W. Bridge. He might as well have said he had to look after the whole River as nearly all the fishing is done within this space. Now, I have been fishing all winter, but I have not seen Mr. Chaplin on the ice half a dozen times during the season, and I have not heard of him having taken any nets excepting two. It seems strange if Mr. Chaplin does so much and has such a good plan of coming on the fishermen without their seeing him, that he did not succeed in taking more unlawful nets for he seems to think there is plenty of them on the River. Mr. Hogan's lighted lantern seems to be the plan as he has succeeded in taking about 20 nets this season. Perhaps his light attracts the fishermen so that they come towards him instead of it notifying them to leave the ice.

I can assure Mr. Chaplin that it would be well for the fishing interests if we had two or three as good officers as Mr. Hogan. There would be very little unlawful fishing done if such was the case. Mr. Chaplin thinks it is necessary for every net to be visited hourly in order to prevent unlawful fishing being done. Now, this is all folly as there are very few unlawful nets left on the river—Mr. Hogan having succeeded in seizing the greater part of them, and there are only a few parties on the river who make it a practice to fish unlawfully. Mr. Chaplin thinks there is more unlawful fishing done now than there was before Mr. Hogan was appointed Overseer. At the time Mr. Hogan was appointed there was very little done in the fish business on this river in winter, but since that time it has grown to a great extent, there being ten times as many nets in use on the river as there was then. And there is also a lot of men from other places who care nothing about the fishing interests as long as they can make an extra dollar. The fish being in such good demand, men will try every means to catch them, but I must say that if we had some good Wardens to assist Mr. Hogan this unlawful work would soon be stopped. Considering the large number of men fishing, there is little unlawful work done. Mr. Chaplin seems to think that the Bass are nearly all caught, but I can assure him such is not the case, there has been a large quantity of fish taken this season, several tons being caught during the past week. There has been so many fishermen and so many buyers in the business this season that when they come to be divided they look small. No doubt the fishing has not been so good as it has been other years, but this is no sign that the bass will soon be exterminated. If the seining for bass would be stopped and some good Wardens appointed on the river to look after and protect our bass fishing, I imagine the fish would soon be in the river. I would suggest that a Warden be appointed lower down the river, there being three quite close together at Red Bank where there is little for them to do, especially in winter. Hoping you will allow this a corner in your paper,

I remain, yours,

A Fisherman.

[If we are not very much misinformed our correspondent is wrong in intimating that Bass are continuing to be plentiful in the Northwest. So far as the appointment of additional Wardens is concerned we believe it will not be necessary if the officers who are now paid do their duty. We have not