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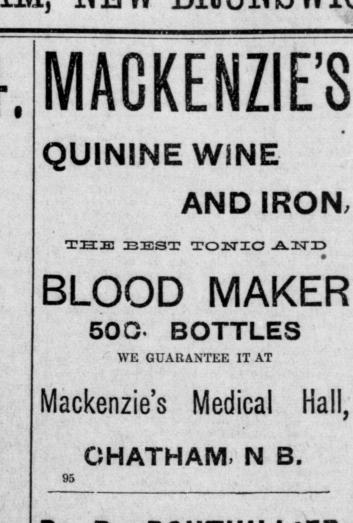
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vessel strike and stepped forward to go below, but the smoke-stack fell, and barred my way. Something made me stoop

OHATHAM, N. B., - - AUGUST 29, 1895 down low and when I turned round I saw just the clothing of some person who was FATAL COLLISION going overboard from the hurricane deck. One of the men moved the smoke-stack

A DOUBLE INQUESTI and I then went below. I think, when I went to the upper deck I noticed ten persons, but some moved about and I don't As stated in last Thursday's ADVANCE, the body of one of the Misses Lobban know how many were there when the

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(Margaret) was found late on Wednesday accident took place. I asked below, when afternoon by Mr. Peter Loggie, at a point I got there, if the boat was perfectly safe, a short distance above where the collision but could get no answer. I asked no between the Miramichi and Osceola took person in particular. I said I thought place. It had floated and was caught on some persons were swept overboard from a salmon net picket by the clothing. Messrs | the upper deck. I first said it to the whole John Loggie, son, and Alger Baker son-in crowd, and afterwards to Geo. Stothart. law of Mr. Peter Loggie were with the The boat kept on her course for quite piece ofter the accident. I saw the latter at the time. Coroner, Dr. John S. Benson, being notified went to Mr. captain trying to get up a minute or two Loggie's accompanied by Mr. Nelson after the accident. I didn't see him Lobban, who identified the remains as The smoke stack was in his way. up.

those of his sister and they were handed The steamer turned around and on going over to undert ker Wm. McLean, under to the scene of the accident we took two ladies on board who had been picked up the coroner's permit. On Thursday morning beween 8 and 9 in the water. I had seen one person in the water before we went back. I think o'clock as a lad named John Quahan was loitering about the shore near Ritchie's there were three boats pulling about on the river at the time. I did not notice the wharf, he saw the remains of a woman on deceased on board : did not know them. that part of it at the rear of the Johnston To juror Anderson : I can't say I saw property, between the Ritchie wharf and

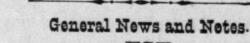
Ferry landing. Percy Howard, another | Tait come up the main stairway; I think lad, who was near by had his attention he did. I think he went in the wheel called to the body by Quahan and they house by the north door. The steamer ran to the street and made the fact known. | was going towards Chatham when I saw when Dr. Baxter, Mr. Frederick Bow- a woman in the water. It was right after den and others went down and the re- the accident. It was before the smokemains were removed to undertaker Mc- stack was moved from over the stairs that Lean's establishment, by permission of the I saw the captain trying to get up; did coroner. They were identified by Mr. not see him on the hurricane deck after that, as I went down. Nelson Lobban as those of his sister, Henrietta. To Mr. Tweedie :- It was immediately happiness of its object. The point at which this body was after the accident that I saw the woman's found was fully four miles up-river from arm sticking up above the water overthe place where the collision took place, board. I told the crowd I thought and the fact has caused considerable consomeone was overboard and told Geo. jection and discussion. Two reasons for Stothart positively there was; I did not it either of which may be the right one, direct either the captain or wheelsman's are assigned. One is that the body beattention to the fact that a person was came attached to the schooner or steamer overboard. When I told Geo. Stothart and was thus towed up at the time or a person was overboard he disappeared the day following the collision, or it floatamong the crowd. The man at the wheel ed in Wednesday's thunder storm at low could not see the person overboard from water and drifted up with the in-coming where he was. tide." The latter seems to be the most EDWARD NELSON LOBBAN, reasonable theory. sworu-I reside in Chatham; am a tin-The funeral of the Misses. Lobban took smith ; deceased were my sisters. Their place on Thursday afternoon at five names were Margaret Garvie and Henrio'clock from the residence of their father, etta Amanda. I have seen both bodies Mr. John Lobban, Chatham. The sad and indentified them as my sisters. interest in their fate and the disaster by knew they were going down river on which it was brought about were mani- the Miramichi on Saturday. fested by a remarkably large attendance FREDERICK BOWDEN of all classes. The sight of two hearses sworn: I am a clerk and reside in at one door was an unusual one-that of Chatham. I heard a boy singing out Mr. Maltby of Newcastle having been near Dr. Baxter's office that there was a brought down to be used, as well as that ; body down on the shore ; it was between | and with alacrity. of Mr. Ullock. The funeral service at 9.30 and 10 o'clock, this Thursday, morn? the house was a very solemn one, in which ing. I went down and walked up the Rev. Neil McKay, pastor of St. John's shore with Dr. Baxter and we saw the church, to which the young ladies belong- body between Ritchie's wharf and the ed, was assisted by Rev. Joseph McCoy, | ferry wharf, Chatham. It was lying on pastor of St. Andrew'sechurch. The the shore, face down. Dr. Baxter asked pall-barers were Messrs. M. S. Hocken, me to turn the body around, which I did, Amos Perley, Jr., Alex. Perley and I helped to put it in a boat; it was Hugh Daley, Walter Crosby and not recognised by anyone then present. The body was that of a woman. It was Thompson Copping. The funeral procession, like that which followed the clothed. remains of little R hoda Stewart to the Under this arrangement the testimony grave, was one of the largest ever seen in of Licensed Pilot Nowlan, Theresa Burke, Chatham. The service at the grave was William Sinnot, Capt. Alex. DeGrace and by Rev, Messrs. McKay and McCoy. Capt. Robert McLean was read and became The interment was in St John's gravea part of the record of the court. As such it was published. The coroner, Dr. J. S. Benson, decid-Subsequently, however, -that is, on Sated, on Thursday, to hold an' inquest on urday and Monday-it seemed that th the bodies of the Misses Lohan, although, testimony was considered as removed fro under the circumstances, it was not the record of Thursday evening. altogether necessary, the enquiry before It was explained to some of the juryhim into the death of Rhoda Kate men who enquired on the subject of the Stewart, who lost her life at the same testimony at the former inquest of Capt.

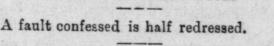
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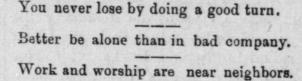
gave it. It was finally agreed that the witness's former testimony would be read over to him, a copy to be made of it, subsequently, by the Coroner, when witness coald sign it, together with any additional testimony he might now give.

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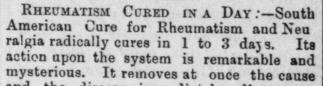
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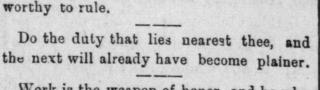


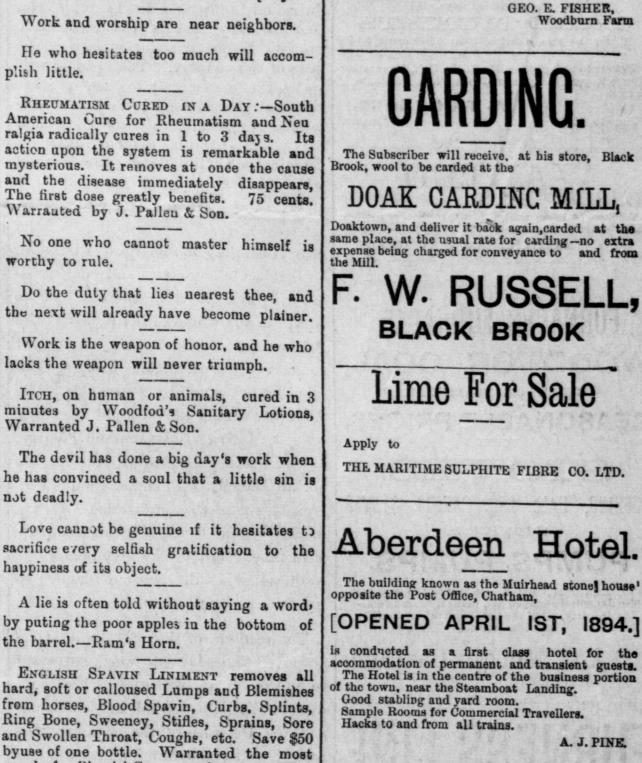


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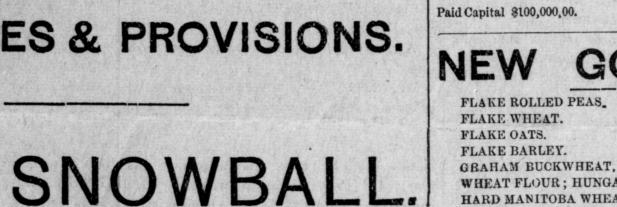
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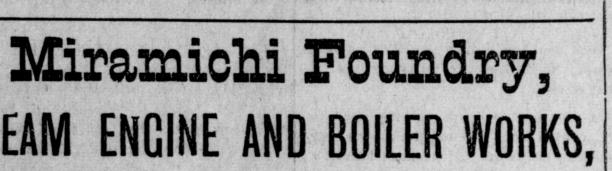
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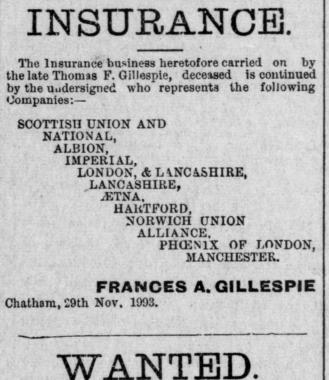
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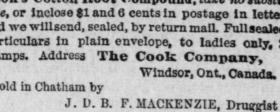
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