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Miramichi Advance. CHATHAM, N. B., NOVEMBER 4, 1897. The Local Government. The long continued illness of Hon. James Mitchell, who succeeded Hon. A. G. Blair in the premiership of the province, has resulted in that gentleman's resignation of the position.

On the Railways. Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways, accompanied by General Manager Pottinger, General Passenger Agent J. M. Lyons, General Freight Agent J. J. Wallace and other officials, including trackmaster Debo, made an inspection trip over the portion of the Intercolonial in Northern New Brunswick last week.

Miramichi Klondikes. While the reported gold finds on Sabies river (the "Savage" River as it has appeared in print in so many papers) had turned out to be of no account, it cannot be thought that we have no gold deposits on Miramichi waters.

P. E. I. Government. Premier Peters and his colleagues in the Government of Prince Edward Island tendered their resignations on Wednesday forenoon last week to Lieutenant Governor Howland, who immediately sent them to A. B. Warburton for a new administration.

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The Question of Incorporation in Newcastle. The ratepayers of Newcastle voted on the question of incorporation on Thursday last. The election was held by Lt. Col. Call, High Sheriff, at the court house. A good deal of interest was manifested in it, as the promoters of the incorporation idea were very earnest in their efforts to secure the better support for the management of their local affairs.

defeat which resulted, the voting being as follows: For incorporation, 60; Against, 167. Majority against, 107. We believe that the result will only delay the adoption of the improved system for a short time.

Considerable business in flour has been done during the last week. A heavy export demand has set in and millers claim that better prices are paid abroad than in the home markets.

Two fishing boats landed 33,000 pounds of haddock at Digby one day last week. John Walsh will be placed on trial for the murder of John Meahan on the 4th inst.

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Chatham Town Council. The first meeting of Chatham's newly elected Town Council was held at the Council Chamber last Monday evening. His Worship Mayor Winslow presiding.

GENTLEMEN OF THE COMMON COUNCIL: It affords me pleasure to meet you as Council members and representatives of the Town of Chatham. Its important and growing business interests and increasing population should, and I am sure will, impress upon you the absolute necessity of so conducting the public business that the citizens will feel that their interests are safeguarded by men conscious of their responsibility and who devote sufficient time and attention to perform their faithfully.

On this first meeting of the Council it is natural that I should be expected to present to you a full and detailed statement of the town affairs that you are intelligently devote yourselves to the study of all the various branches of the public service; that you as ratepayers generally might be fully apprised of the financial condition of the town and its future requirements. It would then be known what this Council is responsible for, and what it is not responsible for, and the people would be enabled to fairly judge our actions in future.

The recent visit to Chatham of His Excellency the Governor, and the Hon. the Countess of Aberdeen afforded me, as well as your honorable body, an opportunity of displaying a spirit of loyalty to the Queen and a respect for the British flag, and a representative, worthy of the citizens of Chatham, and I trust my course on that occasion will meet with your approval.

It is my duty to you as representatives of the ratepayers, and I feel certain that you will appreciate my object in desiring to place that statement before you and be willing to meet me again at a special meeting of the Council to receive such advice as I may have to offer.

I may here refer to the contract entered into by the late Council for the erection of a public building to be used as an engine house, treasurer's office, council chamber, police court and lock-up, the contract price of which is \$12,700. The work to be performed by the contractor, I believe, is soon completed, and the money available from the balance on hand of the bond issue authorized by the Legislature will fall short of the amount required to complete the building, and I have accordingly applied to you to place the fire services on an efficient basis (almost an immediate necessity), plumbing, water supply from the river for fire purposes (if deemed desirable), to provide for using the engine in the building) water for sanitary purposes, and the furniture for the building to be provided for.

I repeat it will be your duty to give immediate attention to these matters, and to obtain proper estimates of the amount of money required to complete the work, and to place the fire services on an efficient basis (almost an immediate necessity), plumbing, water supply from the river for fire purposes (if deemed desirable), to provide for using the engine in the building) water for sanitary purposes, and the furniture for the building to be provided for.