

General Business.

Advertisement for SHARP'S BALM OF GOSHEN, featuring an image of the product bottle and text describing its uses for various ailments.

Advertisement for G. WARMUDE, offering special bargains in watches, clocks, jewelry, silverware, and novelties.

Advertisement for STOP IT QUICK!, a medicine for summer complaints like cholera, dysentery, and diarrhea.

Advertisement for PENLETON'S PANACEA, a medicine for various ailments, including a list of prices.

Advertisement for MURDOCH'S NEW CARPET AND HOUSE FURNISHING DEPARTMENT, listing various carpet and furniture options.

GO TO PORTLAND, BOSTON, ETC.

Table showing train schedules for the Canada Eastern Railway and Fredericton, including departure and arrival times for various destinations.

MILLINERY OPENING!

Advertisement for Fall and Winter Millinery, featuring an image of a woman in a hat and text about the 'THE BOUQUET' collection.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY

Advertisement for the Intercolonial Railway, detailing routes, fares, and services between Montreal and other cities.

Advertisement for WOVEN WIRE FENCING, highlighting the quality and durability of the product.

Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, N. B., JANUARY 28, 1897.

Is it Evidence of Mismanagement? The Moncton Transcript, which has the cheap faculty of endeavoring to make political capital out of every subject of public administration, regardless of the effect upon the interests of the country, says:—

The mismanagement of the Intercolonial Railway under Tory rule has been the climax for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, for which the Conservatives were entirely responsible. The total revenue and working expenses reveal an enormous deficit. The total receipts of the Intercolonial amounted to \$2,957,640, and the working expenses, \$3,012,827, showing a deficit of \$55,187. The net deficit on the P. E. I. railway was \$78,002, or a total of \$134,449 on account of the two government roads and branches. So much for Tory rule!

Supposing some Tory paper were to state that because the deficits on the Government railways in 1875-6-7 and 8—years of the former Liberal administration—were \$695,847, \$377,935, \$605,159 and \$518,027, respectively,—and \$183,540 for 1879, for which year, according to the Transcript's argument, that administration must be responsible, the Mackenzie Government were chargeable with mismanagement, would it not be denounced as a most unfair and partizan assertion? Most fair-minded people would think so. But those who know the conditions existing in those years believe that the Government of that time administered the great interest with all possible economy, and that the deficit was not due to "mismanagement" but reasons of policy which were approved by the people's representatives of the time and have continued, in the main, ever since.

In order to understand the subject fairly, let us go back for, say, five periods of five years each and see how the matter stands on the Government railways. That is a fairer way than to take any one year singly. Twenty-four of those years have been years of deficits, for there was a surplus in only one of them—1872.

Table showing deficits for five-year periods from 1872 to 1896, with columns for Period and Deficit.

We have, then, the following record of deficits for five-year periods:—

Of the \$874,963 deficit for the five years period ending June 30th, 1896, \$612,204 are chargeable to 1892—the first year of the five, and only \$262,759 to the last four years, and we submit to the Transcript whether it has sufficient evidence in the facts to warrant its wholesale charge of mismanagement. The country has felt a measure of relief in the last four or five years over the fact that the large deficits which were an annual offering in connection with the Government railways, had been gradually lessened, and the accounts nearly balanced. The fact that last year showed a somewhat larger balance on the wrong side than its predecessor is not evidence of mismanagement, any more than a similar condition of things would be this year, for while it is difficult to keep every avenue of waste and leakage guarded in the working of a system in which there is endless detail, and so much must necessarily depend upon individual good faith and honest work, we do not believe that there is any branch of the public service administered by its responsible heads with more jealous regard for economy, consistent with adequacy, or a greater desire to make the system a credit to the country and its management a model of efficiency. We do not say they have succeeded in realizing their ideals, but they have made an honest endeavor to do so, and have accomplished as much as reasonable men could expect of them.

Table showing election results for Miramichi, listing candidates like Hillsboro, Baltimore, Hopewell Cape, etc., and their respective vote counts.

What a Spectacle! We are sorry for the World. The poor old thing is going round and round in eccentric circles and its old and bad habits cling to it in all the changes and vicissitudes of its checkered career. It is now trying to perform the work of a Liberal organ in Northumberland, and, at the same time, keep up the pretence that it wishes the Liberal-Conservatives well.

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The bargain and sale having thus been made, the poor old mercenary has come over and is working out his own conception of what a party organ should be, by republishing—as if from his old purchaser's pens—some of his old attacks on the ADVANCE and its editor and other old Liberals, the hands of some of whom he personally likes with the docility of a spaniel, like the explanation that it is those who have bought him and not he who is stabbing them. What congenial associates these writers must be!—the staff of the defunct Liberal Herald and that of its successor, the World! What a gang of political lazzaroni! But what a stain it is on the Liberal name and Liberal traditions, that they should, in so public a manner, parade in the liverly of the grand old party, which has been dragged from its former height in the County, down to the position it now occupies!

The Douster Murder. At the Circuit Court, Dorchester, yesterday afternoon, the jury in the case of the Queen vs Sullivan, found the prisoner guilty of murder. The verdict will meet with public approval, for all the circumstances pointed to Sullivan as the perpetrator of the terrible crime, and the testimony of little Maggie Dutcher, which we published last week, seemed to remove all reasonable doubt of his guilt.

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The address in reply to the speech from the throne was moved by Mr. Wallace, of Halifax, and seconded by Mr. McClure, of Colchester. Both seemed a little nervous at first, but that soon wore off and they made excellent speeches, which created a very favorable impression.

John Smith, a C. P. R. engine-driver of Carleton, St. John, who was separated, by mutual consent, from his wife, who was a Miss Ervin, of the same place, was committed for trial at St. John last week on a very serious charge. John had been living with his father, and his wife with her father, and when she separated from him he had let her take their household belongings, including a piano, and he also let her have custody of their child. On Friday morning at a very early hour the piano in Ervin's house in which the piano was, was found by Mrs. Ervin to be on fire. There were evidences of kerosene oil having been used to start the fire, which was put out with considerable difficulty. The police were called in and they proceeded to the residence of Smith's father and arrested John, for there were fresh tracks in the snow leading from a window of the freed room to the door of the Smith house. Mr. Ervin had, meantime, found a part of a newspaper, that had evidently been used as a stopper for an oil can, on the snow outside the window by which the incendiary had evidently entered his house, and Sergeant Ross and Capt. Jenkins in searching the suspected man's room found part of the newspaper from which this incriminating stopper had been torn. The crime is a very serious one and the accused will find it difficult to remove the impression of his guilt created by all the circumstances.

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depressed; good stock is offered at 16 cents per pound. Eggs are scarce and fresh stock sells quick at 18 cents per dozen. The mill weather brings an active demand for apples from the country. George S. DeForest & Sons have 500 barrels in stock and quote good Bishop Apples \$1 per barrel; commoner goods 75 cents. This kind of fruit was never so cheap at this season as at present. Messrs. DeForest & Sons find that the scrupulous dealers are selling all kinds of inferior bleached teas as of the same class as Union Blend and sometimes mixing the commonest kind of teas with Union Blend and selling it as the genuine article. They hoped it would be this kind of fraud, but as it is persisted in to a certain extent, to protect consumers from being swindled they are preparing to have the Union Blend put up in pound and half-pound solid packets, and as soon as arrangements are completed they will put every pound sold in packets so that consumers can rely on getting the genuine article.

Sixteen deaths were reported in the city last week. St. John, Jan. 25.

Municipal Council. (Continued from last week.) WEDNESDAY 20TH JAN. After routine the following resolution, moved by Coun. Betts and seconded by Coun. Morrison was unanimously passed:— THE LATE DE. GOVERNOR FRASER. Whereas, The Hon. John James Fraser, a native of the County of Northumberland, had been called away from earth in the fullness of his powers, after having attained the high position of Lieut. Governor of New Brunswick; therefore Resolved, That this Council hereby express its sense of the great loss the Province has sustained in the death of one so correct, able and whose long political career was without stain, one who was ever a true friend, a conscientious and able Minister of the Crown, and a patriotic and public-spirited citizen; and further Resolved, That this Council tenders its deep sympathy to Mrs. Fraser in the sad affliction which she has sustained.

It was ordered by a subsequent motion that the foregoing be entered upon the minutes, and a copy thereof to be read to the late Dr. Governor.

COUNCILLORS' PAY, ETC. Coun. Flett moved that the resolution of Coun. Betts, passed at the meeting of the 17th of last week, be amended so that the salary of the members of the Council be increased to \$200 per annum, to be paid in four equal instalments of \$50 each, to be paid on the 1st of January, 1st of April, 1st of July, and 1st of October, and the proper order of procedure.

Coun. Flett moved the following: Resolved, That the Councils receive this pay \$2 per day, in addition to mileage, as allowed by law. Coun. Watt said the law required that the payment be fixed by by-law. He moved that a by-law committee be appointed, and that the resolution be referred to it. Carried.

The Warden appointed Couns. Flett, Tozer and Watt. Coun. Betts, Tozer and Cameron presented dog tax exemption petitions, which were referred.

ALMS HOUSE. Coun. Anderson presented the report of the Committee on Almshouse Accounts, as follows: The Committee on Almshouse Accounts submit the following report:— We have examined the accounts and find them correct in every particular, and we recommend that the sum of \$200 be credited to the account of the Almshouse for the year ending 31st Dec. 1896, as follows:—

Table showing Almshouse Accounts, listing items like Newcastle, Northside, and other locations with their respective amounts.

Coun. Watt wanted information from the Secretary-Treasurer as to whether the Municipal Council had the right to order an assessment for support of the Alms House on the City of Chatham.

had not power to assess the Town of Chatham for Alms House purposes. Ordered that the report lie over until 2 p. m. Thursday.

A number of accounts and returns were filed and Council adjourned until Thursday morning. THURSDAY FORENOON, 21ST, JAN. After routine— ELECTIONS OF COUNCILLORS, ETC. Coun. Tozer called attention to the fact that there had been an alteration in the law respecting the election of Councillors. There is a by-law paying the Chairman and the law now imposes the Chairman's duties on the Parish Clerk.

The Sec-Treasurer said the amount payable to the Chairman would be paid to the Parish Clerk without an alteration of the by-law. A number of accounts and returns, and parish officers' lists were passed. HIGHWAY DISTRICTS, ETC. On motion of Coun. Anderson a resolution passed rearranging the highway districts of Alwrick.

Coun. Tozer read the petition of R. R. Cull for renewal of leases of public wharfs lots now held by him, at the same rental, for 20 years. Referred, and after being reported on, the prayer of the petition was granted.

On motion of Coun. Tozer, parish and county officers for Southesk were appointed, and a resolution passed fixing new highway districts for the parish. ABOUT THE JULY SESSION. Coun. Flett moved a resolution to abolish July sessions seconded by Coun. B. T. A. Coun. Anderson asked what would be done in such cases—would a committee be appointed to pass accounts? This matter was debated at length and, finally, an amendment by Coun. Morrison, providing that no mileage allowance or per diem payment be paid to Councillors attending in July, was carried.

NORTHERN HIGHWAY DIVISIONS. On motion of Coun. Ryan a resolution passed establishing the Northesk highway division. A number of returns were passed and Coun. B. T. A. Chairman of the County Accounts Committee submitted the following report on

COUNTY ACCOUNTS. Your committee to whom was referred the County accounts, beg leave to report that they have visited the jail and had everything cleared up. Since our last report we have placed a new furnace on the building which the keeper claims to be a saving of fuel and heat. We would recommend that the jail Committee should have a report from the keeper before recommending a new furnace for the jail.

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MISCELLANEOUS. Accounts, lists of parish officers, and report of Newcasle Fireward were passed, and after a passage-at-arms between Coun. Sullivan and Cunningham—Coun. Kerr submitted the following:— THE HILL-MENZIES MATTER. We the undersigned, in pursuance of the clause in the Bill of Rights, 1701, do hereby certify that we have visited the jail and had everything cleared up. Since our last report we have placed a new furnace on the building which the keeper claims to be a saving of fuel and heat. We would recommend that the jail Committee should have a report from the keeper before recommending a new furnace for the jail.

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Shorten it with Cottoleone instead of lard and see what a crisp crust it will have; how delicious and wholesome it will be. Pie made with Cottoleone will do a dyspeptic good. Do everybody good because it is good. There is only one secret in cooking with Cottoleone—use but two-thirds as much as you would naturally use of lard. Follow this rule and Cottoleone will do the rest. Cottoleone is sold everywhere in tins with trade-marks.

A TIDAL WAVE

Sweeping Over This Canada of Ours. Pain's Celery Compound Banishing Sicknes and Disease, Bestowing Health, Vigor and New Life. The Young and the Old Feel its Wonderful Power. The Cured Never Cease to Sing its Praises.

Like a mighty tidal wave, Pain's Celery Compound, with its marvelous healing and curing virtues, is sweeping over Canada on its mission of health restoring. To-day it is the only medicine that is banishing sickness and disease; the only one that is bestowing health, vigor and new life. Amongst all classes its wonderful power is felt; it is the first-aid in all cases of illness. Pain's Celery Compound, owing to its healthy and never-failing virtues, has become the "people's" chosen medicine, and its wide praises are sung everywhere by thousands of cured people. Nothing else in the world is so well adapted for the needs of the sick and suffering. After one trial it becomes a friend.

"For many years I have been a sufferer from liver troubles, and have doubted with several physicians, but only found relief for a very short time. My husband advised me to try Pain's Celery Compound. I did so, and found so much relief from the first bottle that I continued, and am now using the third bottle. My compound has done more for me than any physician. For months before using the Compound I never had a night of sound sleep; but now I can go to bed and sleep soundly and naturally and feel like a new creature in the morning."

A GROSS FRAUD.

How to Avoid Deception and Loss. Some dealers in Canada buy packages of diamonds from the East and then require many tiny diamonds to give the weight of color that is obtained from one single package of the Diamond Dyes. These weak dyes, worth from four to five cents, are sold to consumers at ten cents per package, some prices as the full strength Diamond Dyes. Any woman who is urged by a dealer to buy these adulterated and weak dyes should refuse at once to be swindled. Such dyes are only a source of profit to the merchant who happens to sell them; they are certainly snares and delusions to the woman who buys them. Loss, trouble and fraud can be avoided by asking for the Diamond Dyes. Examine each package, and be sure you see the name "Diamond," working with the "Diamond," you are sure of good, fast, brilliant and lasting colors.

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