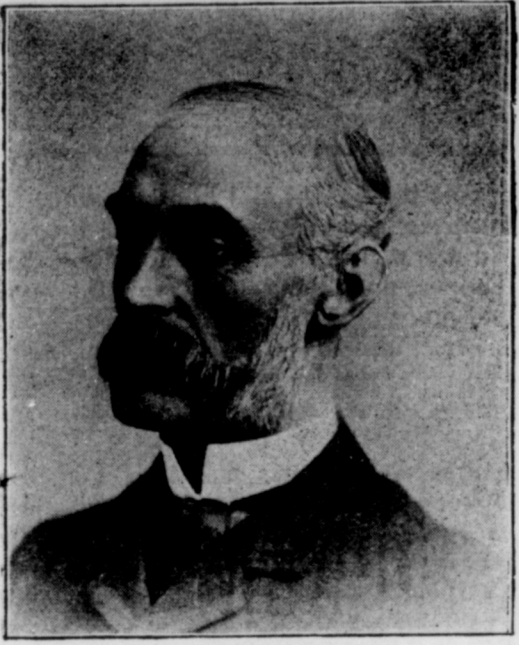


# THE MAYOR OF THE CITY

ONE OF ITS FOREMOST CITIZENS AND MERCHANTS.

Interested in Important Business Concerns—A Portrait of Mr. Dunlap and an Engraving of one of His Places of Business.

No account of the commercial and industrial resources of the thriving town of Amherst could be complete that should fail to describe and give an idea of Dunlap Bros. & Company. This firm is one of the most important in the place, and does



MAYOR DUNLAP.

a very extended trade in hardware, groceries, dry goods, etc. These three lines of trade are individually the most important, but combined in one the business becomes essentially a very prominent one. This house dates its inception back over a quarter of a century, when it was founded by Thomas Dunlap, the present mayor of Amherst, who is also head of the firm of Dunlap, Cooke & Co., gents' outfitters, and another large concern at Wallace, N. S., since then its history has been a steadily progressive one. The premises occupied are located on Victoria street, and comprise a general store, with a warehouse of large dimensions in the rear, while the upstairs portion is used for storage of all kinds of goods. Throughout this establishment the utmost system prevails and a



very full and varied stock of goods comprised under these various headings is carried, including shelf and heavy hardware, British and American staple and fancy dry goods, and the best grades of family flour. A department is devoted to crockery and glassware: boots and shoes of all styles and qualities are handled as well as ready-made clothing, gents' furnishings and fancy goods. Both members of the firm are gentlemen highly esteemed in both social and commercial circles, and are widely known as enterprising, energetic men of business.

## CHRISTIE BROS. & CO.

Manufacturers of Coffins and Caskets, Planing and House Finishings.

Improvement is the order of the day, and this holds good in mortuary appliances as well as in those more intimately relating to the wants of this world. Within the memory of men now living it was considered for even the rich that the breathless clay should be consigned to the tomb encased in a plain coffin unornamented, save by a small metal plate bearing the name and age of the deceased. Now, all this is changed, and the trappings of sorrow outlive in sumptuousness and cost those of joy. Such is the demand of the time.



Christie Bros. & Co. are the leaders of this reform in the province, and their beautiful goods have come into general use wherever introduced; sales have gradually increased since their establishment in this line in 1880, until last year's output of the business was distributed all over the maritime provinces, Quebec and Newfoundland, and their facilities for supplying the trade is far in advance of the present demand. The company's plant comprises the wood factory, a substantial three story frame structure 200 x 35 feet, fitted up with the latest and most improved machinery, and sand papering machines suitable for straight and curved surfaces; warehousing and finishing department, three stories high, 90 x 40 feet; heated throughout by steam. The office and showroom are on the first floor; two dry houses, supplied throughout with sturtevant fans. In connection with the planing mill is a grain crusher, liberally patronized. The shipping facilities are all that could be desired, a switch of the I. C. R. running through to the premises which embraces about three acres of ground. Twenty-five skilled workmen are constantly employed upon the premises. In connection with their premises is the Public bathing house—water heated by steam—open Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week during the summer to ladies and children. Several agents represent the house, and their sales are sufficient evidence of the industry and tact that characterize their operations.

## ETTER & PUGSLEY.

Importers and Dealers in Carpets, Rugs, Clothing, Dry Goods, etc.

Of prominent Amherst business houses few have been longer established or have enjoyed more uniform prosperity than has the one named above.

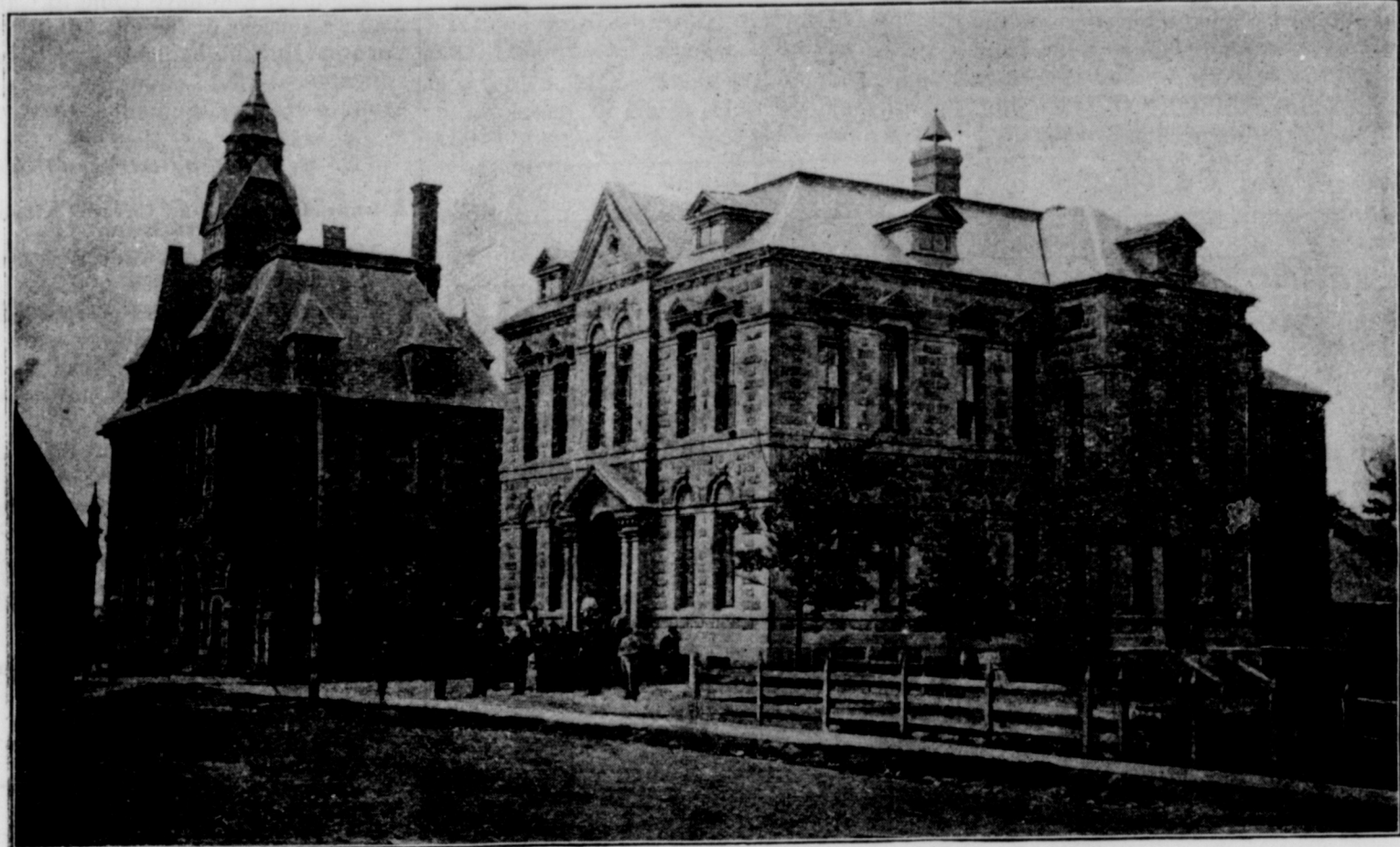
They invite the public to inspect one of the finest and most comprehensive stocks ever shown in this market, their stock of carpets, comprising velvets, brussels, tapestries, wools, unions, etc. Add to this a line of beautiful Smyrna rugs, attractive, saleable and serviceable, something that will certainly interest every housekeeper in the land. It is such establishments as this that adorn the palaces of the rich and the cottages of the poor, rendering both more beautiful and more homelike.

Messrs. Etter & Pugsley, in addition to the above, carry one of the finest and largest lines of clothing of any house in Cumberland county, besides dress goods, silks, etc., in endless variety.

Mr. Etter is an extensive stock-raiser



TREES' BLOCK.



COURT HOUSE AND POST OFFICE.—Photo. by D. R. Pridham.

and his stables at present contains some of the finest horses in the maritime provinces.

## GEO. A. ANDRES.

Importer and Dealer in Boots, Shoes, Slippers, etc., Victoria Street.

Experience in this line of business is very necessary for success, and in this connection Progress takes pleasure in calling attention to the newly established boot and shoe store owned by Mr. Geo. A. Andres, whose experience in this line extends over a number of years. His present premises



is a commodious store, where is displayed an unusually fine assortment of fashionable and durable boots and shoes, made in various grades and qualities and especially suited to the wants of patrons, as possessing those essential qualities of efficient workmanship, elegance, strength and general excellence. These goods are obtained from leading manufacturers, and in their variety they provide an ample selection for ladies and gentlemen, youth, misses, children's and matrons' boots, in which will be found all the leading styles. Both the goods and house enjoy an enviable reputation, and a consequently big trade is done.

## W. H. JOHNSON—Pianos and Organs.

If one business more than another reveals the progress of a city in high and civilizing art, it is that of the piano dealer and music seller, and from the early ages to the present time no instruments have ever been so universally used as the piano



and organ. The subject of this sketch is a citizen of Halifax: the Amherst branch is conducted by Mr. Miles, who has with more than ordinary push and ability, built up a prospering business. His warerooms are stocked with a choice assortment of pianos and organs, embracing Bell, Chickering, and Knabe & Co.'s Dominion pianos and organs.

## D. R. PRIDHAM—Photographer.

The unpretending yet skillful and conscientious photographer, who, uniformly exerts himself to produce the best results, is reasonably certain of a fair share of public patronage. Without making much noise or parading his claims under escort of a brass band, Mr. D. R. Pridham has already in less than eight years, made for himself a reputation for superior skill of technique and execution that assures him



TIDNISH DOCK, SHIP RAILWAY.—Photo by D. R. Pridham.

Ethel—It's too bad it's cold. I prayed for a warm day. Does God always answer prayer? Mamma—Yes, if you ask for a thing in the right way, and if you don't he reproves you by not giving it. Ethel—Oh, I see now. The governess told me to try to say my prayers in French this month, and I guess I made mistakes.—Life.

the respect of all who appreciate real talent, and his rooms in Music hall block are the resort of great numbers daily. An experienced and successful operator, Mr. Pridham attends to that part of the work himself, making a specialty of photographing children and animals by the instantaneous process.

## HENRY CLIFFORD CARTER.

Manufacturer of Fine Carriages, Phaetons and Buggies, Church Street.

Mr. Carter's plant, which comprises the two-story wooden structure 60 x 35 feet, divided into three separate departments and utilized as woodworking, blacksmith, and paint shop, presents with equipment and stock an investment of a considerable sum. An average force of eight skilled workmen is employed in all departments and the output of hand work exclusively, embracing a variety of fine carriages, phaetons, buggies, road, express, grocers', and other light vehicles made to order, or sold principally to local customers, aggregate in value a large sum annually.

Previous to 1886, Mr. Carter worked as a journeyman in Merrimack, Mass. Coming to Amherst that year, he established himself in business on a modest scale on the premises he still occupies. Citizens of Amherst or elsewhere, desiring any kind of vehicle of any style, of carefully selected

## J. H. BROWNELL—Livery Stable.

Strangers visiting Amherst on business or for pleasure will greatly add to the enjoyment of their stay by taking a day's drive through the town and its unsurpassed surroundings—scenery that is famed for diversity and hardly rivaled from the Boar's Back to the Shepody mountains. That it may be properly enjoyed, however, it is necessary that the tourist be provided with



A. J. GORMAN, CLERK OF LAMY'S HOTEL, CONDUCTED BY W. B. GANONG.

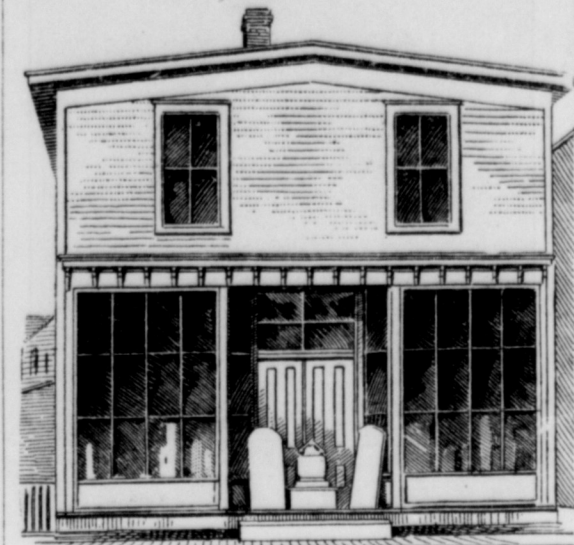
a good vehicle and team, and as these indispensable are not found hanging on the bushes, no one will take it amiss if we hint that the Lamy hotel stable in rear of that celebrated hostelry is amply provided with fine horses, carriages and buggies, which are hired to responsible parties by the hour, day or week at moderate charges.

The stable is a substantial wooden structure, fitted up in handsome style and kept in apple-pie order, clean and neat in all departments. The horses, of which there are about fifteen, and an equal number of vehicles, give evidence of the care

## S. B. ANDRES & CO.,

An Old Established Freestone and Granite Works.

Since the early ages the art of sculpture and carving in stone and marble has been held in high repute, and as custom has ordained that this be the form by which we shall mark the resting place of our dead, it is at once obvious that this trade is one of great importance in all large com-



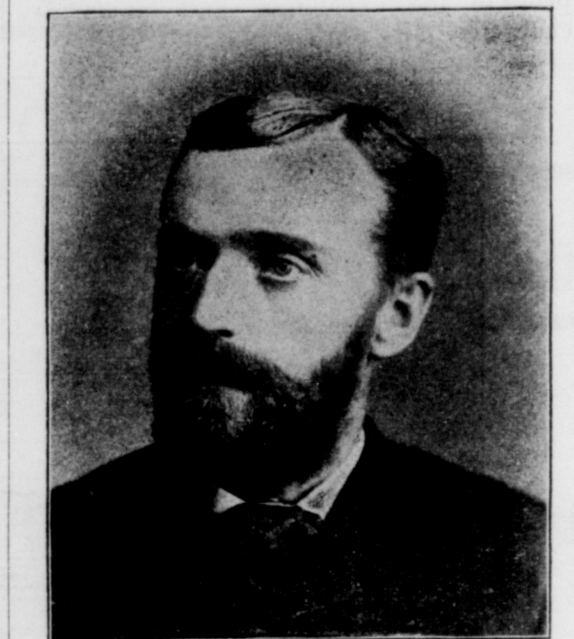
munities. The leading representatives of this branch of trade in this county are Messrs. S. B. Andres & Co., whose works are located on Church street. This business is an old established one, dating its foundation back to fifteen years ago. The trade done by this house is a large one, and extends to all parts of the province. The products of these works include monuments, tablets, headstones, heartstones, etc. All work is executed in a first-class manner, while all orders sent by mail are personally and promptly attended to, and designs are furnished free. Mr. Andres is a straightforward business man, liberal and fair in all his dealings.

## JAMES CURRIE.

Dealer in Sewing Machines, Pianos and Organs.

The trade in sewing machines in this country has in the last fifteen years or so been most materially developed, and now forms a very important and necessary feature of commerce. Mr. James Currie enjoys in Amherst a well earned reputation of being most enterprising in this line. He has been established in business for eight years, and in that period has built up a wide and substantial connection amongst the best class of customers.

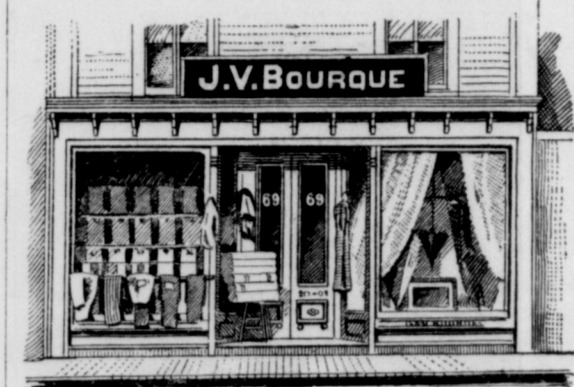
The premises utilized are spacious and convenient. Mr. Currie handles exclusively the celebrated New Williams ma-



chine, which has been before the public so long and is so well known as scarcely to need comment. It embraces all the improvements of other machines, while for neatness, general excellence and moderation in price, it is excelled by none. Mr. Currie is a native of P. E. Island, and an energetic, courteous business man.

"Now, Robby, if you don't want to go to Bessie Smith's party, you must write a note and tell her so; and be sure and get it polite. You will find some models in this book of etiquette," said Mrs. Carhart to her little son. Robby struggled with the problem for an hour, and then presented for his mother's inspection the following truthful unconventional effusion: "Mr. Robert Carhart declines with pleasure Miss Bessie Smith's kind invitation for the 14th, and thanks her extremely for having given him the opportunity of doing so."—Harper's Bazar.

## J. V. BOURQUE,



## CASH

Dry Goods Store, IMPORTER AND DEALER

— IN —  
STAPLE AND FANCY  
DRY GOODS,  
GENTS' - FURNISHINGS,  
— ETC. —  
69 Victoria St.  
AMHERST.

## J. B. GASS & CO.

Importers and Retail Dealers in Dry and Fancy Goods.

The times change. Very likely the simple-minded and straight-laced pioneers who founded this colony of Acadia and their immediate successors who pushed into the wild-rness and planted the germ which has since developed into the beauti-



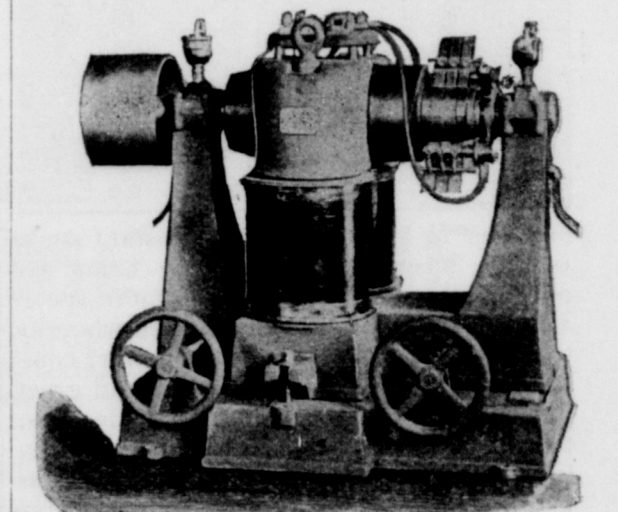
ful town of Amherst, never imagined that the time would come when their descendants would forsake the plain but comical attire, hard fare, and frugal ways imported in the *Sir William*, to disport themselves in silks, purple, and fine linen, far sumptuously every day; make themselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness, tolerate the salvation army, and have a good time generally after the manner of reasonable creatures. It is just as well that they can't come back to chill us with their frowns, for the way people set themselves to "enjoy the good the gods provide," in our day is quite enough to revivify and distract an old "settler." If one could only come back and take a stroll along Victoria street with bible and staff, one glance at the interior of J. B. Gass & Co.'s dry goods palace would be sufficient to "break him all up."

To come to the front: The times demand that men and women show their self-respect and respect for others by arraying themselves as neatly as their circumstances will permit. In order to obey this social mandate it is necessary that responsible merchants of ripened judgment provide them the means. This is just what J. B. Gass & Co. have been doing for the past six or seven years. The house owes its existence to Messrs. L. C. Archibald, J. B. Gass, and F. E. Lindsey, who in 1881 established the business in Antigonish under the style of L. C. Archibald & Co. In 1885 the present firm of J. B. Gass & Co. was formed, and from that time the concern's advancement was both rapid and substantial. They transact a business of enormous proportions and have few rivals in the maritime provinces in point of stock and sales. The entire edifice is heated by steam, and many electric lights rendering the whole interior as bright as day—an illumination that is heightened by lofty plate glass windows. The dress-making department is under the supervision of an artist, and the latest New York and Boston styles are here reproduced every year.

## CANADA ELECTRIC COMPANY.

D. W. Douglas, President; Thomas A. Nicholson, Sec. and Treas.; D. M. Bliss, Supt.

The more the subject is investigated, the more evident does it become that electrical science is still in its infancy. We converse over hundreds of miles of wire, and recognize the voices of our friends. We can hear in our own parlors the impassioned oratory of a Gladstone or a Parnell delivered in far-away England weeks or months previously; we turn night into day by simply touching a button—all through the agency of that subtle fluid—worshipped



by the heathen and dreaded by all men since God spake upon Sinai. As yet the best and most popular uses to which electricity has been put, is in the dissemination of intelligence, light and motive power.

The Canada Electric company was incorporated in 1888 with a large capital. The lighting plant is provided with dynamos driven by three 60 horse-power steam engines, and the lighting and manufacturing business gives employment to 25 skilled electricians. More than 1200 incandescent lights and 40 arc lights are now operated in this town alone. They also supply power for running the machinery of numerous carriage and other factories, dental lathes, sewing machines, etc. The Canada Electrical company does the largest electrical manufacturing business of any concern of the kind east of Montreal. The engraving illustrates the dynamo manufactured by the company, in sizes ranging from 25 to 400 light capacity. The great specialty of the house is manufacturing power apparatus in all its branches. They give unvarying satisfaction in all cases.

## Geo. L. Moss, Watchmaker and Jeweler.

One of the most intricate, and difficult branches of mechanical art is that of the watchmaker and jeweler, and long experience and much assiduous labor are necessary for him who would be successful. Mr. Geo. L. Moss is one of those who in this important branch of mechanical industry has had all the experience requisite for success, and is regarded by all who have had occasion to seek his services as a thoroughly reliable and expert watchmaker, and one who faithfully executes all work he undertakes. Mr. Moss gives particular attention to the repairing of watches, especially those of delicate make; as also to clocks and jewelry of all kinds. He keeps always in stock a very choice selection of gold and silver watches of both European and American manufacturers, which he sells at reasonable prices, and gives a warranty with them.