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RAPID SETTLEMENT OF OUR CROWN LANDS UNDER THE FREE GRANTS ACT.

We think, after all, we will be able to glory in what in having given our support last winter to the local government.

Upon our honor, though, there were times when our heart sorely misgave us for saying so much, on risk, for the new found party. But the end has justified our course: more than that we take much pride in having succeeded so well in "taking the measure" of both parties.

The farmer concludes whether his harvest has been good or bad after he has gathered in his crops and summed up the total: We judge of a government by its harvest, which is the sum total of what its legislation has been the means of producing. We have been shown a summary of the Crown Land Grants for the past year, and the number of brawny armed fellows that have thrown off their overclothes and seized the axe. It is far and far a better return, and a more pleasing account than New Brunswick has had before for so long a time.

If, as has been said, and very correctly said, the future prosperity of the province depends upon the settlement of our vacant Crown Lands, then a vigorous settlement, by a sturdy class of settlers, is the most important result legislation can have. We give below a few figures obtained from Mr. W. P. Flewelling of the Crown Land Office. They are the summary of approvals for the year ended 31st October, 1879, and show the number of acres granted under the Free Grants Act, the number of applicants, and the locality:—

County.	No. of applicants.	Acres.
Carleton.	107	10,620
Charlotte.	21	2,074
Gloucester.	28	5,800
Kent.	22	16,387
Northumberland.	128	11,000
Restigouche.	94	11,000
Sanbury.	17	1,700
Victoria.	178	19,972
Madawaska.	46	4,495
Total.	761	78,544

It will be seen that the total number of applicants for Crown Lands during the past year is 761; but the total number for the year 1878 was only 191. This speaks volumes for the administration of the head of the Crown Land Department. But it sometimes occurs to us that Hon. Michael Adams would like to make Northumberland to New Brunswick, what Paris was to France in the days of Louis XIV. To prove what we say, we quote figures. For a number of years past the County of Northumberland has been a term of reproach in the Crown Land office; for though possessing wide tracts of ungranted lands, scarce ever an application came into the office from that County. But now it is the second in the Province in point of settlement enterprise, and will soon be the banner County. In the year 1878 the number of applicants for Crown Lands in that County was 28, for the year just past the number reached 191. If Northumberland is not satisfied with this it would be a puzzle to us to know who was to.

But we will do the Surveyor General the justice of complimenting him on his general management of the department. The settlement of the Provincial lands during the year he has been at the head of the department quintuples that of the previous year; while the prospects are that in six or seven years more, little of our valuable lands will remain unsettled. The large increase of grants of Crown Lands, too, must necessarily make a large increase of work in the Crown Land Department, yet so far as we can learn the business is kept to the front, and no one has any reason to complain, unless the Surveyor General and the patient "seconds" of the office. We are pleased from all these facts to congratulate the Surveyor General; but the County he represents has greater reason to be congratulated.

OUR NEXT LOCAL SESSION.

THERE is no reason why the next session of our Local Legislature, or indeed any sessions of it should be dragged out to nine or ten weeks. Last winter of course this could not be helped, as there were so many new fledged politicians in the House who wanted to test their wings. The leader of the Opposition had carried his cross for many long years through the County of York, and it would never do for him to be a "mute, inglorious Milton."

When he came upon the floors of the House the pent up agony and disappointment of half a score of years, the oratorical perfection of as many years of labor at the Bar could not be got off in five weeks, so it is no wonder that even for the accommodation of Mr. A. G. Blair the session at 12 weeks would not be too long. Then the session was rolled in uncertainty. No member could satisfy himself that he was not walking on a mine, that might at any moment explode under him. There were a few worthless creatures floating around in the "pool," whom the highest bidder could have. Party lines had for a time ceased to be definable, and the good and the bad were jumbled and lost in the haze of uncertainty.

So it took several weeks for the belated to find out where they stood, and who their friends were. Then too it was the time of the year when gossip mongers infested the barrooms and the street corners; and many was the scurrilous story told of what the Government was going to do. Responsible before heaven and his fellow-men for the welfare of this province, Mr. A. G. Blair had to drop his plummet into the very depths of these "important rumors." Freighted with the tip of these stories Mr. Blair took his seat at his desk, and told the people and the House in such an impassioned burst as might make angels weep: "When stories like these float on the public tongue, it is the duty of the Government to put the wheels in motion and move from the realms of fancy to the region of fact."

Out of these stories grew two motions of "want of confidence." So there was in this respect a tremendous justification for stretching out last session. And then too another task lay for Mr. Blair, which took up much of the Country's time, and that was to make a political Protestant of Hon. William Elder. Right well the cunning opposition leader knew that in poor Mr. Elder's armor there was one weak spot. In tempting uprightness Mr. Elder from his allegiance, from those principles for which he had contended so well and so ably defended, we were reminded of the weak-backed Adam, who was not proof against the charmer's voice. Now had it not been an old malady of Mr. Elder's to "turn his back on things," Mr. Blair would never have thought of seducing him. But, however, we only wish that all this took up time.

But this year let us hope it will be different. There will be no want of confidence vote, unless indeed Mr. Blair may think it his duty to move one because the Government permitted the storms to come and sweep away so much of the public works to the north. Should he not do this, then we see no reason why the business should not be pushed through in thirty days.

THEFTS.

It is a strange fact lately that every little error the Star happens to make in its local news column, is faithfully reproduced in the St. John papers a day or two afterwards.

The Irish Land troubles are by no means settled yet. Another of the agitators, one Brennan, has been arrested, and Parnell has received warning not to league himself with the tenantry, else he may be fired upon. It is said Parnell now counsels legitimate action only. Such advice as this could not be given too soon or too forcibly.

It will be sad news to Hon. P. A. Landry, who is absent at Ottawa, to learn that his son, a beautiful little boy, six years old, died suddenly yesterday evening, and that his little daughter is quite ill with diphtheria-croup. We sympathize with Mr. Landry in his affliction.

The New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Old Claims delegations were invited to a dinner party at Rideau Hall Wednesday evening. If they are not successful now in getting their "claims," they will be able to bear the disappointment like men.

PAUL DE CASSAGNAC, the great French fire-eater, has been censured for insulting Ferry, the Minister of Public Instruction.

"Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown."

ALEXANDER'S THREE MIRACULOUS ESCAPES FROM DEATH.

[N. Y. Heald.]

It is scarcely seven months ago that the Czar stood at the door of the Kasan cathedral, and giving his hand to the officials of the Empire, said:—"This is the third time that God has saved me." Exactly thirteen years before, on the same day of the month, he had knelt in that cathedral and had given thanks to the "Holy Mother of God of Kasan" that through the agency of a peasant, one Osep Ivanovitch Komissaroff, he had been saved from the assassin's knife.

Osep Komissaroff was a young man of twenty-five, born in a village belonging to Baron Kuster, to whom Komissaroff stood in the relation of a liberated, annuity-paying serf. Having been allowed to go to St. Petersburg and work in a hatter's shop, he rose in

his calling, became foreman and married a peasant girl. He was celebrating his birthday on April 14th, 1866, and went to say his prayers in a chapel near the house of Peter the Great. Coming to the river side close to the marble palace, he perceived that the bridge was removed and the passage temporarily interrupted. Retracing his steps he made his way to the summer garden, at the gate of which a crowd was assembled around an imperial equipage. Knowing the carriage to be the Emperor's he joined the throng waiting for the monarch's arrival.

IN THE SUMMER GARDEN.

Presently there was a stir and animation in the crowd and he saw His Majesty in an overcoat. The Czar approached the carriage and was putting on his cloak when a young man who stood standing behind Komissaroff tried to push him aside. The individual had repeatedly attempted to make his way through the surrounding crowd and get nearer the carriage; but Komissaroff, wishing to see the Emperor, would not suffer him to pass. At last the individual succeeded in squeezing through. Komissaroff followed him closely. Hardly had the assassin got to the front ranks when, drawing a pistol from under his overcoat, he levelled it at the Emperor. Komissaroff, who had noticed the movement, caught up his arm, and raising the pistol from his aim, caused it to discharge in the air. In another instant the assassin, a student named Karakoff, was arrested, and Komissaroff was lost in the surging crowd. The Czar at once drove to the Kasan Cathedral. In the evening, all generals, officers, and persons having access at court assembled in the Winter Palace.

The Czar was greeted with tumultuous enthusiasm. He at once sent for Komissaroff. The peasant was brought before him. He was a youth of middle size and boorish in his manner. The Czar advanced and told him that he was raised to the rank and dignity of a nobleman. Then all present repaired to the Preobrazhenski Cathedral. The town was illuminated, and an immense concourse thronged round the palace. It was the first murderous attempt on a Czar that was ever known in Russian history.

IN THE BOIS DE BOULOGNE.

The second was made at the grand review given at Paris in honor of the Emperor of Russia and the King of Prussia. The Czar had been riding down the Bois de Boulogne beside the Emperor Napoleon. On his breast was the grand cordon of the Legion of Honor and many other decorations. Instead of the rich saddle cloth, such as the other sovereigns rode on, he had a simple bearskin under his saddle, the spoil of one of his hunts near St. Petersburg. Tall, well-formed, and of graceful carriage, the Czar had not his equal on horseback in the entire field. Officers of every civilized nation swelled his cortege. Cossacks of the Don, officers of the Imperial Guard and Arabs from the deserts trotted behind him in the review. Unannounced, he entered a carriage with the French Emperor. Four horses, ridden by postillions, drew it. Squadrons ofgend-rms cleared the way. The Imperial equipage moved on through the leafy avenue between the Cascade and the Pre Catalan. Suddenly a young Pole, Bizozofski by name, took deliberate aim at the Czar, discharging a double barreled pistol. The shot failed to take effect. The second tube exploded in the hands of the Pole. The carriage checked its progress for an instant, but neither Napoleon nor Emperor Alexander changed a muscle of the face. They were perfectly cool. The shot failed to drive on. "Forward," said he, and the carriage resumed its usual speed. A soldier of the Cuirass Guards had meanwhile cut the assassin down. The crowd was paralyzed for a moment, and then sprang forward upon the culprit like punished wolves, and as he fell with blows, kicks and maledictions. He was immediately beaten almost to death. A soldier grasped him by the throat and strangled him, while the enraged people seized him and beat him till he fell unconscious to the ground. The Emperor repaired as usual to the Russian Church. Next day a magnificent ball was given in honor of his escape.

A MYSTERIOUS VISITOR.

The third attempt is fresh in memory. The Czar received his warning at a celebration of the last Easter festival at the Church of the Winter Palace, attended by the whole Imperial family and many of the highest officials and nobles of the country, arrived in their grandest gala dress. Many people went to the palace that night, and among others there came a lady in a carriage and alighted at the "Commanant's" entrance. The shot failed, the usual hour for attending the night service. Being unknown to the porter she asked to be shown to the apartment of one of the ladies of honor to the Empress, a Mlle. Tutcheff. On being informed that Mlle. Tutcheff was already in waiting on Her Majesty the strange lady inquired for another lady of honor, and descended the staircase of the Palace, following the footman who led her. But, on her doing so, one of the courtiers of the Palace happened to look at her feet and observed that she had black boots, which did not at all correspond with her splendid dress. This fact was communicated to the police officials, and sufficed for exciting their suspicions. The lady was, consequently, arrested, and proved to be a man in disguise.

Just Received.

QUINCES,
PEARS,
ORANGES,
MALAGA GRAPES,
SWEET POTATOES,
For Sale by
G. T. WHEPLEY.
F'ton, Oct. 18th, 1879.—if.

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D. C. ORPWOOD.
Fredericton, Nov. 18, 1879.—2m p w 1 tr w

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OATS, POTATOES, FISH,
Tea & Sugar

AT
J. Machum's,
Queen Street,
Fredericton, Oct. 14th, 1879.—3 mos.

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BROOMS AND WISPS.

We Respectfully Solicit the patronage of those in the trade.

All Orders Promptly Filled & Satisfaction Guaranteed.

REED & REED,
QUEEN ST., FREDERICTON.
Sept 16

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ST. BASIL, MADAWASKA.

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TERMS:
Board and tuition, per year, \$60.
Music and use of Instruments, 25.
Drawing, 5.
Washing, 5.
Fancy work, 5.

The train running from Grand Falls to Little Falls affords an easy mode of access. Great attention is given to the French course, which is confined to the special care of French teachers.
Nov. 27, 1879.—w & t w 1 year.

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TEAS SUGARS,
MEAL of all KINDS.

Also, a Lot of Crockeryware and a small assortment of Men's clothing which will be sold cheap for cash.

W. R. LOGAN,
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Arriving this day from Pittsburg Pennsylvania,
A varied assortment of Table Glassware, and Table Lamps, &c., at
LEMON'S Variety Store.
Dec. 2, 1879.

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CONSIGNMENTS OF
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Potatoes, Bran,
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CHARGES MODERATE!
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We have every facility for handling PRODUCE, and will always endeavor to obtain the Highest Market Price.

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Goods purchased for our Customers Free of Charge. Address,
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Double and Single Sleighs and Pungs, Sleighs and Coaches,
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He has also a full stock of Gas Pipe, Chandeliers, Pendants, Brackets, and everything appertaining to Gas Fitting and Plumbing; and with the above stock he will guarantee that any work entrusted to him will receive prompt attention, and be done in a first class manner.

SOLE AGENT FOR ELLIS' BURNERS AND GLOBES.
All kinds of Jobbing promptly attended to. A lot of first class Cook Stoves, which will be sold at a bargain.

WELL BORING.
A full stock of Pumps, etc. on hand. The above a specialty.

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WM. McALPINE,
Fredericton, Oct. 14th, 1879.—6mos

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BROOMS AND WISPS.

We Respectfully Solicit the patronage of those in the trade.

All Orders Promptly Filled & Satisfaction Guaranteed.

REED & REED,
QUEEN ST., FREDERICTON.
Sept 16

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OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS.

WE HAVE NOW ON HAND,

One Hatched Carriages,

20 per cent. less than former price.

Our stock has been laid in since before the NATIONAL POLICY came in force. We do not take advantage of the high rates. Also on hand:—

5 TONS SPRINGS,
100 SETS OF WHEELS,
100 SETS OF PATENT AXLE

In Steel and Case Hardened Iron. All it

BEFORE THE NEW TARIF.

We offer stock at exceedingly low rates because all on hand now is built of material entered under the 17 1/2 per cent. tariff.

We will sell a Top Buggy from \$ and upward. Call and see our Stock.

EDGEcombe & Sons,
For Sale.

200 Cords Dry Hardwood
75 Cords Softwood.

VERY LOW FOR CASH.

The above will be delivered where ever ordered.

JOHN OWENS,
Queen Street
Fredericton, Sept. 30th, 1879.—tr.

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AT
GUIOU'S
Variety Store!

During the next THIRTY DAYS
GOODS WILL BE SOLD

AT COST

FOR CASH to make room for Fall Stock. British and American Silver taken at the face for goods.

WILMOT GUIOU.
Fredericton, Oct. 14th, 1879.—tr.

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CLAPBOARDS, SHINGLES, BRICK AND LIME,
HARDWARE & PAINTS,
Groceries

CHOICE TEAS,
CROCKERYWARE, STOVES
DRY GOODS, HATS, CAPS, Etc

Country Produce taken in exchange for goods.

BEN. CLOSE,
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Gibson, Sept. 24, 1879. 6 mos

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Fredericton, Sept. 18, 1879.—

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At GEO. H. DAVIS,
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RED GRANITE WORKS,
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MANUFACTURERS OF
ALL KINDS OF GRANITE,
Orders Solicited,
Oct. 9, 1879.—1v.

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In Variety at
LEMON'S VARIETY STORE.
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FREDERICTON LEATHER COMPANY

PAY CASH
FOR
Hides, Bark and Tallow.

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HARNESS MAKER,
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Harness, Brides, Saddles, Whips, etc.
Orders promptly attended to on reasonable terms. Repairing executed in a satisfactory manner.
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Fredericton, November 6, 1879.

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Oct. 25, 1879.

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