## PAVONIA'S PEOPLE

### Tell of Their Experiences During the Terrible Voyage.

#### Passengers Praise the Crew but Say That Capt. Atkin Showed the White Feather.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The Portuguese steamer Vega, which arrived today from St. Michaels, brought the passengers of the Cunard line steamer Pavonia, which was towed into St. Michaels after a terrible experience at sea. The total number of the Pavonia's passengers was 54, of whom nine were saloon, 17 second cabin and 28 steerage. The Vega also brought four cattlemen, who were on the German steamer Bulgaria, which put into St. Michaels disabled. Dr. J. W. Inches of St. Clair, Mich., one of the cabin passengers, said:

"The experience of the voyage of the Pavonia was frightful. Gale followed gale and hurricanes prevailed throughout the whole time from Liverpool until we landed at the Azores. During the gales the terrific seas came over the side and swept everything before them; the steamer rolled so violently that the six boilers broke adrift and the steamer was helpless on the ocean. Five steamers were sighted, but the weather was so stormy that they were unable to help us. The crew of the Pavonia worked nobly and did everything to make the passngers as comfortable as possible under the circumstances. When we finally got into St. Michaels we were obliged to land in life boats during a gale, and it is a great wonder that none of us were lost. However, we landed without any casualties. We embarked on the Vega for New York. We have had every care and comfort possible on the way from the Azores home."

The Pavonia sailed from Liverpool Jan. 24 for Boston. The general opinion of the Pavonia's passengers is that the members of the crew of that steamer deserve every praise for their heroic efforts, but that Captain Atkin did not merit the same consideration. One passenger said that he showed the "white feather."

### KILTS INDECENT!

#### Think of Such a Thing as That Being Said to a Committee of Scotchmen!

When Scot meets Scot in Paterson nowadays, each looks sadly and gravely at the other and says in hollow tones:

"Do you wear kilts?"

Then they both adjourn to the nearest cafe for a "hoot" and drink confusion to the Rev. Frank B. Hoagland, general secretary of the Paterson Y. M. C. A. Mr. Hoagland has declared that the Highland kilt is calculated to bring the blush of shame to the cheek of modesty and to debauch the innocence of youth, and that the Clan MacDonald having once profaned the atmosphere of Association hall by the use of that abbreviated garment at an entertainment, cannot be permitted to use the hall again. In consequence of this the reverend secretary is now having applied to him some of the most dreadful terms in the Scotch dialect.

On the occasion of the recent concert given by the Clan MacDonald nothing was said beforehand about the wearing of kilts, and a number of performers appeared in the national costume. It is not on record that any of the ladies present fainted from excess of horror, and though there were in the audience a number of gentlemen prominent in religious work not a single ambulance was summoned to carry any of them away in a hysterical condition. In fact, the performance was so successful that there was an immediate demand for a repetition, and Justice James Maybury went to the Y. M. C. A. building to see when the clan could get Association hall again. He was informed by the Rev. Mr. Hoagland, who wore an air of severe disapproval, that the hall would not be opened to the Clan MacDonald "or any other organization indulging in dances such as marked the recent entertainment."

"Man alive!" cried Justice Maybury, "what was wrong with the Highland fling?"

"Perhaps I should have been more accurate," replied the general secretary. "It was not the dances that were objectionable, but the costumes in which the men appeared."

"Do you mean the kilts?" asked the head of the committee, while an angry murmur arose from the other committeemen.

"I refer to the kilts," replied Mr. Hoagland firmly. "I am informed that kilts are indecent.

Then the committee, individually and collectively, exploded and filled the air with bits of Scottish history. When the storm subsided Mr. Hoagland was still there, wearing his look of sad determination.

"Indecent," he repeated. "From what I have heard, I think I may say that a man clad in that costume exposes his limbs."

"Ye may say more than that," cried an excited Scot. "Ye may say he shows his legs. An' why not?"

"Bare limbs," observed Mr. Hoagland. "A thing that would not be permitted in the ballet."

"That may be," said Justice Maybury. "I'm not a connoisseur of the ballet myself——"

"I speak from information," hastily interposed the general secretary.

"But the ballet is made up of women, and these are men."

"All the worse," insisted the general secretary.

"Why, kilts are worn at Queen Victoria's court," cried Justic Maybury. "I suppose you'll allow that the Queen is respectable."

Mr. Hoagland said that he had no doubt Queen Victoria was a perfect lady, but he thought at her age she should have better judgment than to allow such a degrading spectacle in her presence.

"Degrading spectacle raised another verbal riot. Every Scot on the committee broke loose.

"The Rev. Mr. Chalmers wore 'em, and he was as good as any Y. M. C. A."

"John Knox preached in them."

"Wallace fought in them."

"Robbie Burns wrote his immortal poems in 'em."

"It's the black oppression back again to forbid the wearing of the kilt."

They closed in around Mr. Hoagland. If some one had sounded the pibroch of the clan the general secretary would have been in peril of his life. But he struck to his guns. Chalmers and John Knox were very good men, he said, but they lived in other times. As for Burns, he was an immortal poet. Justice Maybury at this point hastily gathered his forces and led them forth, leaving the Rev. Mr. Hoagland triumphant on the field. This clan will appeal to the directors of the Y. M. C. A. to overrule the general secretary's decision.

It is not the first time that kilts have been in trouble in Paterson. Several years ago Gilbert D. Bogert of Passaic, who is of Scotch descent, was a member of a grand jury which, at the instance of a man named Beam, started in to indict a lot of Highlanders who had danced in kilt costume. Mr. Bogert says:

"This Mr. Beam was a good man and had been really greatly shocked, and he had such control in the grand jury that he was carrying everybody with him, and I saw the necessary votes were ready when I got just boiling hot and my rage got the better of my timidity, and I got up and thundered out in opposition, and the voting showed but eleven votes to indict them, and as it required twelve votes to find a bill my vote saved them. I had been in the war for the union, but the only time my legs trembled was when I found myself on my feet making a speech before a grand jury, and I astonished myself that time and saved the countrymen of Bobbie Burns from being indicted and punished for appearing in the streets in bare knees."

### DEATH OF MRS. McCREADY

#### Of Penobsquis, Kings Co.—She Leaves Many Relatives in Westmorland Co.—Sketch of Her Life.

(Sackville Post.)

The funeral of the late Mrs. Caleb McCready was held on Sunday forenoon from her home at Penobsquis, Kings Co., and was attended by a large number of friends.

Forty sleighs were in the procession. Undertaker Hallet of Sussex had charge. The services were conducted by Revs. Prosser and Carey. There were a number of handsome floral tributes from relatives and friends. Friends were present from Moncton, Petitcodiac, Sussex and several other places along the line.

The deceased was 82 years old and had scarcely been ill a day in all her long life until she was taken down with la grippe about two weeks before she died. A little over a year ago she began to be troubled with rheumatism, but while this made it difficult for her to get around, her general health continued excellent. Her death occurred Thursday night somewhat unexpectedly, as she had seemed a little better that day.

Mrs. McCready was a daughter of the late Samuel Freeze of Kings county, who represented the county in the local legislature at one time, and who was an active and public spirited man. Mr. Freeze was married three times and had 22 children. The subject of this sketch was a daughter of the second wife, by whom he had several children. Mr. Freeze's first wife was a Wells from this part of the province, and by whom he had a large family of daughters, all but one of whom married and settled in Westmorland. The names are very familiar to readers of this paper. They are Carter, Trueman, Chapman, Chappell and Wells. One daughter married the late Geo. Ryan of Studholm, Kings Co., who was the first representative from that county at Ottawa. Mrs. McCready was the last of the family to which she belonged, but Brome Freeze of Petitcodiac, Harris Freeze, who lives out west, are half brothers, and Mrs. Morton of Hartford, Conn., is a half sister.

Mrs. McCready was married in 1837, sixty-two years ago the 29th of this month, to Caleb McCready of Penobsquis. During the first few years of their married life they lived near what is now known as Havelock. Returning to Penobsquis, Mr. McCready settled on the homestead, and has lived there ever since. Four sons and one daughter are living, viz.: C. F. McCready of Point de Bute, S. F. and C. B. McCready of Apohaqui, Kings Co., Elias, who lives home, and Mrs. Wallace Taylor of Salisbury. There are only thirteen grandchildren living, and no great-grandchildren.

Caleb McCready is 86 years old, but is still enjoying very good health.

### HAS LEFT THE PARTY.

LONDON, March 6.—Lord Claude John Hamilton, chairman of the Great Eastern railway, and brother of Lord George Hamilton, secretary for India, has ruffled the political waters by suddenly seceding from the conservative party.

In an open letter of explanation, he asserts that while the foreign and colonial policy of the government has his entire approval, its fiscal policy, home legislation and continual attacks upon property and capital are "beneath contempt." Therefore, he says, he can no longer support the administration.

Lord Claude Hamilton, who is the son of the first Duke of Acorn, represented Londonderry in the conservative interest in the house of commons from 1855 to 1868, Kings co. from 1869 to 1880, and Liverpool from 1880 to 1885. In 1868 he was a lord of the treasury.

### A BIG THANK-OFFERING.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Emil L. Boaz, the New York agent of the Hamburg-American line, received a cablegram from the home office stating that the company had contributed 20,000 marks to public charities in Hamburg in commemoration of the saving of the steamer Bulgaria.

Work on the terminal facilities at Long wharf was resumed yesterday.

## LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

### When Does the Next Century Begin?

To the Editor of the Sun:

Sir—In the Sun of this date there is a catechism extract from the Century which has caused a discussion as to the correctness of the answers. Will you kindly give your opinion? When does the next century really begin?

I claim the answer to the 2nd question, When does the 1st century end? should be, with the last moment of the year 99, and the 2nd century began with the first moment of the year 100. Also that the 19th century will end with the last moment of the year 1899, and the 20th century will begin with the 1st moment of the year 1900. When a child attains its 1st birthday it is a full year old, and completes that year at the last moment before its first birthday, and commences the 2nd year with the first moment of the year (one) 1, viz., the 2nd year of its existence. Also that at the end of 1899, nineteen hundred years shall have been completed, and with the 1st moment of the next year (1900) the next century begins. Thanking you for your valuable space,

I remain, yours, etc.,

INQUIRER.

CHATHAM, N. B., March 2, 1899.

### HON. JOHN COSTIGAN.

To the Editor of the Star:

Sir—During a long series of years I have given to the liberal conservative party such proofs of fidelity as would justify me in believing at least one thing with unshaken confidence. That one thing is that no conservative worthy of the name, worthy, indeed, of the name of an honest man, would seize on my attitude in the recent New Brunswick elections as a valid reason for treating me with insult and contumely in the fashion that seems to have commended itself to many liberal conservative organs. Were those pure-minded, great-souled, patriotic journalists to grind out a tune of decent criticism, or even in condemnation of my course in provincial politics, I would pass it over, knowing especially how ignorant most of them are as to the real state of affairs in New Brunswick.

For the sake of the Grand Old Party I have frequently suffered in silence from blows below the belt, aimed at me by those from whom I deserved better things. I do not propose to put up with much more of that sort of treatment; but I trust to counteract it without having to resort to unbecoming and wordy warfare with those newspapers which show neither generosity towards me, nor carefulness toward their own honor.

In the provincial politics of New Brunswick my attitude is now precisely what it has been for many years. In this latest electoral campaign, Mr. Foster's views differed from mine. That is nothing new or strange. We have had different views in provincial politics for many a long year, and yet—wonderful to relate—the newspapers now howling and caterwauling about me never even dreamed of denouncing my course during these "great circles of revolving years." Whence have they had illumination?

It seems to me that I can make a proposal that would place the public in a fair position to judge upon their merits—that is all I ask for—my actions and my attitude during these much-mooted New Brunswick elections.

Let the Montreal Gazette, for instance, get any responsible and recognized leader in the conservative party to take up its ungenerous and cowardly attack on Senator Poirier and myself in its issue of the 28th ultimo—to voice that "common cry of ours" as his own—in this city or in its own city Montreal, or any public platform, and I will incidentally enable the Gazette and others of its pack to scent out some renegade conservatives—if that is what they are after. Yours sincerely,

Ottawa, March 3.

### How Charlotte Voters Were Disfranchised.

To the Editor of the Sun:

Sir—An illustration of the manner in which some deputy returning officers and poll clerks manipulated things in the government's interest at the late provincial election may interest your readers.

If a liberal named, say Johnson, was on the list as Johannsen, he was allowed to vote without question, but if a good conservative, say John Brown, was down as John Brawn, he was not allowed to deposit his ballot, unless he made oath that his name was John Brawn, which of course he could not conscientiously do, so he was disfranchised by Blair and Emmerson's minions.

This is a true story.

Yours,

A TRUE CONSERVATIVE.

Charlotte Co., March 6th.

### The Question of the Centuries.

ST. JOHN, N. B., March 8, 1899.

To the Editor of the Sun:

Sir—In reply to "Enquirer," Chatham, N. B., I give it as my opinion that the 20th century cannot begin until the first moment of the year 1901, because nineteen centuries will not have elapsed until the very last moment of the year 1900; that is, if it is an understood fact that 100 years constitute a century. Regarding the first century, "Enquirer" claims it ended with the year 99. Maybe it did, but if it did, some one certainly robbed that century out of a whole year. Now, if the first century contained 100 years (and I see no reason why it should not have), then each succeeding century was entitled to the same respect. To begin the 20th century before 1901 is ushered in is to start the next century before this one ends, and this one cannot end until the last moment of the year 1900, because 1900 years will not have passed until then. He might as well say that, because today is Wednesday, we are in Thursday, on account of our proximity to it. However, I am merely expressing an opinion, and trust that others will do likewise.

Yours truly,

CENTURY-IAN.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.

### SERENADED GODFREY'S BAND.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The U. S. Marine band today serenaded Lieut. Dan Godfrey and his British guards band, who arrived here from England yesterday.

The examiner wished to get the children to express moral reprobation of lazy people, and he led up to it by asking them who were the persons that got all they could and did nothing in return. For some time there was silence, but at last a little girl, who had obviously reasoned out the answer inductively from her own home experiences, exclaimed, with a good deal of confidence: "Please, sir, I know—it's the baby."

## PROVINCIAL NEWS.

WOODSTOCK, March 6.—At a meeting of the town council this evening Mayor Murphy read a petition signed by over 150 influential ratepayers asking that the commercial travellers' tax be abolished.

Mr. Watts moved that the by-law regarding the license on commercial travellers be changed so that the tax be 5 cents per day, 10 cents per week, 15 cents per month and 25 cents per year. At the same time he moved that those travellers or pedlars who sell direct to the consumers be taxed $2 per day, $4 per week, $6 per month and $8 per year. These motions were carried.

Mr. Watts then moved that notice be given that legislation will be asked to change the law, so that the council shall have power to impose the license or not. This motion, like the others, was unanimously adopted.

A well attended meeting of the newly organized liberal conservative association was held this afternoon. It adjurned to meet on the evening of the 13th, when the regular meeting of the Junior Liberal Conservative Association will be held. The question of amalgamating the two associations will then be decided.

SUSSEX, March 6.—Rev. Mr. Neales, rector of Trinity church, in an excellent sermon yesterday made touching reference to the sudden death of the venerable archdeacon of St. John.

Rev. Mr. Bruce, a young Englishman who recently came out here, preached an excellent sermon in the Methodist church last evening.

There were over sixty teams, bearing the mourners and friends, at the funeral of the late Mrs. Caleb McCready, which took place at Penobsquis yesterday. Rev. Messrs. Corey and Prosser conducted the funeral ceremonies at the house and grave side.

Miss O'Brien, teacher of St. John, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends at the Queen hotel.

John S. Trites, who for over a quarter of a century carried on a large mercantile business in Sussex, leaves tomorrow for Moncton, where he enters into a co-partnership with his brother-in-law, Geo. R. Jones, as general storekeepers. The Church avenue Baptist church, of which Mr. Trites had been deacon for many years, will lose a valuable member.

Robert Bustard, a well to do farmer of Mechanics' Settlement, died at his home yesterday, in the 76th year of his age.

The Orioles of Moncton will play a friendly game at hockey with the Sussex team tomorrow evening in Alhambra skating rink. On Thursday the Sussex boys are to play the Sackville team in their rink at Sackville. This is a return match.

WHITE'S COVE, Queens Co., March 5.—Abram Wood Ferris of Upper Jemseg died at his home on February 20th after a short illness of pneumonia, aged 47 years, leaving a wife and a large family to mourn. His remains were interred in the Church of England cemetery here. Rev. Judson Blakeney (Baptist) conducted the obsequies.

Mrs. Evered Masson and Miss Kate McDermott of Boston are here visiting their father, Francis McDermott, who is dangerously ill.

Mrs. Mary Ferris and Mrs. James Kennedy are ill with grippe. Mrs. Andrew Gunter is in ill health. Mr. and Mrs. Peter Knight and Miss Melinda Kennedy are convalescent.

E J. Wright has gone to Chipman, where he will open a shop for boot and shoe making.

HOPEWELL HILL, March 6.—A thunder storm of unusual violence prevailed here last night. The roads in many places are bare from the downpour of rain.

A large number of young folks from the Hill drove to Mountville on Friday night, and enjoyed a "surprise party" at the residence of Mrs. Butterfield.

Mr. and Mrs. David A. Stiles, who have been visiting relatives here, left today for their home in Wollaston, Mass. Mrs. Davidson has returned to her home in Truro. Capt. and Mrs. J. B. Hamilton of New York are visiting their former home at Hopewell.

MONCTON, March 5.—At the last meeting of the city council, the police committee reported on the recent investigation, recommending the acceptance of the resignation of Scott Act Officer Belyea, and that they had not found sufficient evidence of wrong doing on the part of other officers to recommend their suspension or dismissal. They, however, thought it advisable for the incoming council to take up the investigation where it has been left off.

So far the civic elections attract little attention. The two candidates for the mayoralty, Ald. Martin and ex-Ald. Ayer, are prosecuting a more or less vigorous personal canvas, and both profess to be confident of success. Ald. Wall and J. T. Ryan have formed a ticket for aldermanic honors in ward 3, and James Flanagan is a candidate in ward 1. These are all the candidates who have announced themselves so far, though many others are talked of.

In memory of Mrs. Frances J. Bowser, who died at Malden, Mass., January 12, 1899.

These lines are in memory of one who, although removed from earth, can never die. Her spirit of faithfulness and courage still lives in the breasts of children and friends, who mourn her departure with unutterable grief.

A friend of the family writes: "She was a woman of marked individuality, of rare force of character, and—in her days of strength—of broadest usefulness. She lived to ripest age, and earned her release through the patient endurance of great physical suffering. You would not, if you could, call her back. Her's was eminently a life of well-rounded service to all about her."

Thirty years ago Mrs. Bowser's family removed to Boston, Mass., and she lived in that vicinity until called to

"That bright world above,
That world of broader love,

where God has some grand employment for his child, who was faithful even unto death. In 1878 she bore the bereavement of her eldest and dearly beloved son, William Leggett Bowser, and two years later, her husband, John Wesley Bowser. Although bowed down with sorrow, she took up the burdens of life again, with characteristic energy and devotion to duty, and carried them bravely and with cheerfulness to the very end.

Mrs. Bowser was the daughter of Richard Lawrence, one of St. John's oldest and most respected citizens, and grand-daughter of Colonel Richard Lawrence. For many years her father was the worshipful master of the first Masonic lodge in St. John, having himself obtained the royal charter from England. She leaves a son, Richard Lawrence Bowser, and a daughter, Sarah F. Bowser.

DORCHESTER, March 7.—The March term of the Westmorland county court opened here at two o'clock this afternoon, Judge Wells presiding.

Before court was opened, Ferdinand Cormier and Wm. LeBlanc, charged with setting fire to hay in the barn of Philip Pullertin, at Shediac, and with breaking into the store of T. B. Calhoun at Calhoun's, respectively, were brought before the judge's criminal court, under the Speedy Trials Act, and made election, LeBlanc to be tried by a jury and Cormier by the judge alone. Both ultimately pleaded guilty.

The case of the Queen, on complaint of Mrs. Paul, v. Parriett Nocote, for assault, was taken up at four o'clock, and occupied the attention of the court until time of adjournment, when the taking of the evidence had been concluded. Both complainant and accused in this matter are women of the Micmac tribe. Many of their race attended court today, among whom was Mark Paul, an Indian of enormous stature, who has been for thirty years chief of the tribes in Cape Breton.

There were no jury cases entered on the docket. Of the seven non-jury cases, three undefended were heard and disposed of this afternoon. A fourth stands over for trial in chambers at Moncton, and a fifth will stand over until the next session of the court.

McADAM JUNCTION, March 6.—C. Moffat has again accepted the position of night station agent at McAdam.

W. Wensley has resigned his position as fitter to accept a position in Toronto. He went west a few days ago, and Mrs. Wensley will follow in a short time. Mr. Hallam has moved into the house vacated by Mr. Wensley.

Mr. Weeks and daughter have gone on a visit to Toronto. Mr. Weeks has been ill for the past two weeks.

The heavy rain of Sunday carried away much of the snow, and the lumber teams are beginning to get out of the woods.

The McAdam school trustees will build a new school house during the summer, to accommodate the increasing number of pupils.

FREDERICTON, March 7.—Judge Barker held the March session of York equity court this morning. The following common motions were made:

In the matter of trustees of Church of England Hall, parish of Fredericton, G. W. Allen moves for leave to trustees to mortgage hall to the extent of $3,400; ordered accordingly.

Josiah Wood v. Catherine Stiles—C. E. A. Simonds moves to take bill pro confesso and for foreclosure and sale of mortgaged premises; leave to take bill pro confesso at hearing granted, motion for foreclosure and sale refused.

Mary Isabella Sharp, by George Campbell, her next friend, v. Herbert Fawcett—F. St. J. Bliss moves to take bill pro confesso at hearing against Laura Fawcett and Milton Sharp, and for order of appearance of infant defendants; granted.

The March session of the Sunbury court was opened today by Judge Wilson. William Hudlin and Fred Day were sentenced to three and two years respectively in the penitentiary for theft.

Several lots of crown lands were sold today, and there being no competition all went at the upset price, $8 per square mile. The lots sold were as follows:

In Restigouche county—A small lot west of Upsalquitch River, applied for and sold to the Bishop of Chatham.

In Gloucester county—98 acres on Shippegan Island, to Joseph X. Poulin; 80 acres on River a'Bordage, to Jean P. Noel.

In Westmorland county—42 acres on Petitcodiac River, to Augusta F. Gauvin; 50 acres west of Abeushagan River to Vanwart P. Belliveau.

MAUGERVILE, Sunbury Co., March 7.—Rev. R. W. Colston is holding special services on Friday nights in the temperance hall and also Sunday afternoon services in the upper school house.

Rev. O. P. Brown had nightly meetings last week at Emery Sewell's place.

Miss Wheeler of Fredericton has had charge of Miss Sadie Thompson's school during her recent illness with la grippe.

The Fredericton Boom Co. has a number of men and teams building piers. Hanford Brown is supplying the hemlock logs for the work.

T. Arthur Magee, who left here some years ago in company with Walter H. Sterling, had not been heard from by his friends for some time until last week, when they were informed that he was alive and doing well at Rat Portage, Man.

Mr. and Mrs. Medley Dykeman of Jemseg made a short visit to friends here last week.

BAIE VERTE, N. B., March 7.—What will in all probability be a money making industry has taken substantial form here during the last few weeks. For many years it has been known that the bay and surrounding waters fairly teemed with herring and gaspereaux, but no one sought to profit by the fact until a clever Yankee appeared on the scene in the person of C. E. Ripley. This gentleman has organized a company composed entirely of Grand Manan people, and proposes to erect several fishing factories along the coast. One building at Baie Verte has already been completed and is the largest of its kind upon the continent. The company, which will be incorporated, is known as the Baie Verte Curing Co., and this seasan expects to ship 30,000 boxes of smoked herring, besides gaspereaux. The greater part will go to the West Indies via Halifax.

DORCHESTER, March 8.—The case of the Queen, on the complaint of Mrs. Paul, v. Harriett Nocote, was resumed at the opening of Westmorland circuit court this morning. After being absent for half an hour, the jury returned with a verdict of not guilty.

The two civil cases which would, it was thought, be tried, were settled out of court.

At eleven o'clock, Ferdinand Cormier and William LeBlanc, who yesterday pleaded guilty to charges of setting fire to hay in a barn, and with shop breaking at Calhoun's, were sentenced by Judge Wells to two months in the common gaol, and eight years in the maritime penitentiary, respectively. LeBlanc is an old offender, having served one term of two years for theft committed at Richibucto.

Judge Wells returned to Moncton by the Canadian Pacific express.

FREDERICTON, March 8.—Mrs. Sophia Schleyer of this city died very suddenly this morning from paralysis. Deceased was 80 years old. One daughter, Miss Ada Schleyer, and three sons, Albert, John and Andrew, all of this city, survive.

The work of remodelling the Pitts building on York street will be begun at once. The building will be three stories high, with a front of pressed brick, with brown free stone trimmings. The ground flat will be occupied by the Bank of Nova Scotia, the offices of the Reporter, and offices of the law firm of Phinney & Crockett on the second flat. The Fredericton Business College will be located on the third flat. When completed the building will present a very handsome appearance.

Charles H. Segee, the well known shoemaker, and Mrs. Harry Winters, both of this city, were united in marriage last evening.

L. C. Macnutt, editor of the Herald, received word today of the death of his father at Debert, N. S. Deceased was 85 years old.

Messrs. Estey and Thompson of this city have decided upon re-building their mill lately destroyed by fire at Shogomoc. The lumber which was on hand at the time of the fire will be brought to this city. Mr. Estey stated tonight that if they did rebuild it would not be before next fall.

SURPRISE SOAP
MAKES CHILD'S PLAY OF WASH DAY
Is so good,
so economical,
you really can't
afford to be
without it.
A pure hard Soap.
5 cents a cake.
Your grocer sells it.
If not, change your grocer.

### ALL ENGLAND'S FAULT.

We notice that there is an active agitation in England in support of the czar's theories of universal peace. It is curious that a movement of this kind should succeed in England. That such should be the case is an irony of fate. England caused the Armenian massacres, England stirred up the Cretan rebellion, England egged on the Greeks to war, England by her huge naval armaments is compelling all the powers to double and treble their navies. And then the English talk of peace.—Budapest Pesti Neulo.

### POTATOES PLENTIFUL AND CHEAP.

Potatoes are quite plentiful and cheap for the season of the year at Fredericton. The best sorts are offered at the market at $1 a barrel, and do not find very ready sale at that price. The farmers report that the potatoes have kept remarkably well through the winter, and that not for many years have there been so few rotten ones as are found this spring. This accounts in a large measure for the abundance offered for sale and the consequent low prices.—Gleaner.

### BLUEFIELDS.

#### Conflicting Reportos as to the State of Things There.

NEW YORK, March 5.—A. D. Straus, consul general for Nicaragua, today received the following cablegram:

"The port of Bluefields is open again to foreign commerce."

COLON, Columbia, March 7, via Galveston, Texas—The U. S. gunboat Marietta, arrived here from Bluefields late yesterday, bringing news that all was quiet there up to three days ago. But there were rumors of political troubles in the interior.

The U. S. cruiser Detroit has just received orders to return to Bluefields forthwith. She will leave today, although she has not finished coaling.

News just received from Bocas Del Toro confirms the reported arrival there of General Reyes, the head of recently collapsed revolution at Bluefields.

Do You Fear Consumption?

Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure Prevents Consumption by Curing Catarrh.

Everyone who reads the newspapers must know by this time that consumption is only a further development of catarrh.

Consumption is catarrh of the lungs, and is the natural result of neglected catarrh in the head and throat.

Droppings in the throat, a husky voice, hawking and spitting, headache, deafness, choking up of the air passages, are symptoms of catarrh, which can be quickly removed by using Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure.

You may well fear consumption if you neglect a case of catarrh. But you can cure catarrh and prevent consumption by using the world's most successful and most popular catarrh remedy, Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure. 25 cents a box, blower free.

For la grippe there is no treatment so prompt and effectual as the combined use of Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure and Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine.

C. B. Allan has been awarded the contract for machinery repairs on the government steamer Lansdowne.