

# 100 Years Ago in the Aroostook Pioneer

## The passing scene of a century since as seen from the editor's desk

The Aroostook Pioneer is the most northern newspaper in the United States. The nearest press to us in the State is the Calais Advertiser, one hundred and thirty miles—and the nearest in New Brunswick is at Woodstock, fifty-five miles—it is the only paper in New England, we venture to say, that is published in a PLANTATION organized for election purposes only.

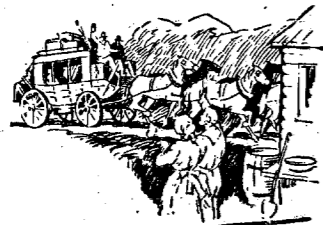
We beg leave to call the attention of our readers to the advertisements in the Pioneer. As a general rule, our best business men, are those who advertise liberally. It is, in fact almost impossible to succeed in any business now-a-days, without the aid of the printer. We always get good bargains at the stores or merchants who advertise liberally and judiciously, because such men have a liberal patronage, and can afford to be satisfied with "quick sales and small profits". Our readers will find them all honorable men, and ever ready to serve their customers with promptness and dispatch. We

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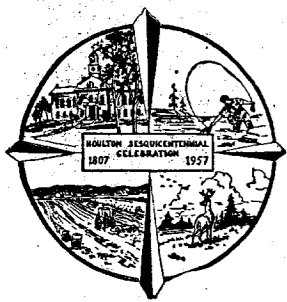
**SUSAN'S**  
SANDWICH SHOP

## SEPTIC TANKS...

Septic Tanks were no problem back in the days of the stage coach. You can be sure of proper care if you call us.



CONGRATULATIONS  
HOULTON on this  
your 150th  
BIRTHDAY



**PAUL A. BELYEA**

53 RIVER ST.

HOULTON

WE GIVE "S & H" GREEN STAMPS

hope everybody who reads the Pioneer will remember its advertising patrons, when making their purchases.

**EXTRA COPIES.** We have printed a large edition of this number of our paper, so that our people who desire to send a specimen to their friends "outside", may not be disappointed. Price, four cents, neatly enclosed in wrappers, easy for mailing or thirty for one dollar.

### NEW HOTEL IN HOULTON

We notice with much pride and pleasure that our friend L. Snell, Esq., has nearly completed a new and spacious Hotel in the pleasant village of Houlton which he informs us will be open to the traveling public in a few weeks (i.e. early in 1858). The building is three stories high, the rooms pleasant and commodious. And when completed will be an ornament to the village in which it is located and a credit to our county.

The Mass Temperance Convention, held in this city, (Augusta) on Wednesday of last week, was very fully attended. North's new and splendid Hall was filled to overflowing in the afternoon and evening—and eloquent addresses were made by Hon. Neal Dow, Hon. A. P. Morrill and others. We regret however that the zeal of some of our friends led them to make remarks which could quite as well have been unsaid. If the people of Maine want a prohibitory law, they will have it, and it is not the severity of the penalty—the length and number of teeth, but the certainty of its execution which will make any law effectual—no law can be respected or enforced properly unless supported by public opinion—Joseph B. Hall.

**THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH.** Mr. Cyrus W. Field and Engineer Everett, left New York Jan. 6th (1858), in the steamer for England, for the purpose of making arrangements for laying the Atlantic Telegraph Cable in the Spring. They take with them the model of a new machine invented by

Mr. Berdan, for paying out the cable, which is said to possess great advantages over any other that has been made.

The report of the treasurer of the State of Maine for the year ending December 31, 1857 reveals total funds of \$505,124.90 received during the year, including \$146,277.41 of cash on hand at the beginning of the year and \$358,847.49 of receipts. During the same period expenditures of \$456,701.60 were made, leaving a balance of \$48,423.50 with which to start off the new year. In 1858 it was estimated \$370,055.36 would be received during the year and \$432,952.80 would be spent, forecasting a deficit of \$62,897.46.

**SAD OCCURRENCE.** We learn that Mrs. Folsom, of Monticello, was found dead, Jan. 27th (1858) in a well near the house. It is supposed that she fell in accidentally. The water was about four feet deep in the well, and when found, she appeared to be standing on her feet.

**J. M. Goodwin, proprietor of the Houlton Variety Store takes this method to inform his old friends and the public generally that he keeps constantly on hand a good assortment of confectionery, fruit, nuts, toys, fancy goods, together with a small but select stock of Dry Goods, Boots, Shoes, Crockery Ware, etc. etc. which will be sold very low for cash.**

Luther Snell of Houlton takes space to advertise the fact that he "has just completed, at great expense, in this village, nearly opposite his old stand, an extensive and commodious Three Story House with stable and out-buildings to correspond, for the accommodation of the traveling public (and) takes this occasion to state that he is now prepared to wait upon the general public in every department of tavern keeping . . . (he) begs leave to tender to his old friends and patrons his sincere thanks for former favors, and, by strict and careful attention to the wants of those who may favor him with a call, (he) hopes to merit a share of public patronage.

Daniel Cummings of Haynesville respectfully informs the

## Houlton's First and Only Automobile Show was Held in 1918



In these quarters now occupied by Ralph L. Berry Company and L. R. Ingram & Sons the first automobile show in this area took place 40 years ago. It was staged by J. Dal Luther with the help of local dealers and featured a program of entertainment as well as the latest models of passenger cars.

"traveling community that he has opened a Public House at his residence in Haynesville and is prepared at all times to accommodate in good style all who may favor him with their patronage.

"The House is situated in Haynesville, on the Military Road and half way from Mattawamkeag Point to Houlton.

"By strict attention to his business he hopes to give satisfaction to his patrons. A warm stable is connected with the House and a good hostler in attendance."

Town of Ashland. At a meeting held on the eighth inst. the legal voters of No. 11 Plantation, voted to accept an Act passed by the Legislature of 1854, incorporating them into a town by the name of Ashland.

needed by every man in the community—Aroostook Pioneer 1858.

**REDUCTION OF FARE.** We learn from the Bangor Whig, that the fare on the railroad from Bangor to Boston has been reduced to \$5. From Bangor to Portland to \$3.50.

An advertisement inserted over the name of James C. Madigan of Houlton announces CHOICE FARMING LAND FOR SALE, described as "Three thousand acres of as desirable settling land as can be found in Aroostook County—free from early frosts—well watered and timbered, with good road to it; near to school houses, within hour's ride of Houlton Village and but a few miles from the route of the \$2.

simple fact that the columns of the Pioneer afford a very desirable medium for advertising, especially for the merchants and business men of Bangor, and other places, who desire to secure the trade of Eastern Maine. Under the peculiar circumstances under which it is published, the Pioneer, it is safe to say, has as many readers as most newspapers have weekly, a circulation of from three to four thousand. A word to the wise is sufficient!

Subscribers in this town, will hereafter receive their papers at the office of publication. We trust this arrangement will be satisfactory, as we can hardly afford to pay the Postmaster a

MAIL IRREGULARITIES. We have heard complaints that letters mailed at this office are sometimes strangely delayed—it sometimes taking two weeks for a letter to reach Portland. We do not think the fault is in this office, for we believe all letters deposited are carefully and promptly mailed by our accommodating Post Master. But there is a screw loose somewhere. Where is it?

Evidently something serious is going on in Russia. Owing to government espionage it is next to impossible to get the actual facts, and the rumors and reports from that quarter are sensational, contradictory and unreliable. But there cannot be so much smoke without some fire. It would not be strange if a great conflagration should break out presently—

They take with them the model of a new machine invented by

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# Sesquicentennial Greetings from Our Two Companies

Manufacturers of  
LEMCO SPRAY MIST  
POTATO DUST  
SPRAYING MATERIALS  
COPPER SULPHATE  
BASIC COPPER SULPHATE  
MONOHYDRATED COPPER  
SULPHATE  
DDT - TALC - LIME



**L.E. MACNAIR**  
*Chemical Company*  
HOULTON, MAINE

## State of Maine Distributor for these Leading Chemical Manufacturers

### E. I. DuPONT DeNEMOURS & CO.

"Fermate" Ferbam Fungicide  
"Manzate" Maneb Fungicide  
"Parzate" Nabam Fungicide  
"Zerlate" Ziram Fungicide  
Weed and Brush Killers

### GENERAL CHEMICAL CO.

Chlordane  
DDT  
Parathion  
Methoxychlor  
Potato Top Killer

### SHERWIN & WILLIAMS CO.

Monohydrated Zinc Sulphate  
Potato Top Killer

### DOW CHEMICAL CO.

Dow Premerge  
Dowpon Grass Control  
Novon - Grass & Weed Control  
Selective Weed Killers  
Amine and Esteron Weed Killer

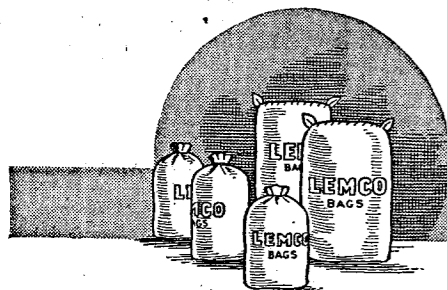
### TENNESSEE CORPORATION

Monohydrate Copper Sulphate  
Tri-Basic Copper Sulphate  
Copper Sulphate  
Cop-O-Zinc

### RALPH ADAMS

"Handy Kill"  
Potato Top Killer

POTATO SHIPPERS' SUPPLIES • SPRAYING MATERIALS • FERTILIZERS



**L.E. MAGNAIR CO.**

HOULTON, MAINE

TELEPHONE 2289

## State of Maine Distributors for these Makers of Potato Shippers Supplies

### MILLER, TOMPKINS & CO.

Paper Potato Bags  
All Sizes  
5-10-15-50 lb. Bags  
Master Containers

### GREAT NORTHERN PAPER CO.

Carlining Paper

### EQUITABLE PAPER BAG CO.

Paper Potato Bags  
Poly Potato Bags  
See Pac Window Bags  
All Sizes

### BATES WIRE TIES DIV.

Wire Ties

tion, voted to accept an Act passed by the Legislature of 1854, incorporating them into a town by the name of Ashland.

The firm of Tewksbury & Tilton announce through the Aroostook Pioneer, that they have taken "the tavern known as the 'Ketchum Stand', in Bridgewater, and having thoroughly refitted it, will hold themselves in readiness at all times to wait upon all who may favor them with a call.

"The House is pleasantly situated half way from Houlton to Presque Isle, and travelers will find here a first-rate hostler in attendance night and day.

"We shall take pains to furnish our table with the best the county affords."

AUGUSTA — A Bill to Divide Aroostook County. The Committee on Division of Counties yesterday reported a bill to establish the County of Madawaska. This singular bill provides for the establishment of a new county with but one town, Fort Fairfield, on the whole territory — its southern line runs along the south line of township C, Range 1, and F, Range 2. We believe the bill will not pass—we have given our views in relation to this subject, and have nothing more to say about it for the present.

The Milford, N. H. Republican advises those who will emigrate, to go East—to Aroostook.

BENEFITS OF ADVERTISING. One of our advertising patrons informs the editor, that his advertisement in the Pioneer, drew a customer who bought at one time, goods enough the profit on which would ten times pay for the bill for advertising.

J. Z. Swanton, new proprietor of the Houlton Stove Store advertises that he has taken the store "formerly occupied by Wm. W. Winslow where he has on hand a good assortment of Stoves, Stove Pipe and Tinware at Wholesale and Retail" and notes that "All those in want of anything in my line, please give me a call". In the same issue, S. H. Hussey announces that he is desirous "to close off his Winter stock of Clothing, Dry Goods, Caps, Clocks, Watches, Jewelry" and will sell them "for the next thirty days at prices that cannot fail to satisfy the closest buyer."

A good newspaper, and a

good road to it; near to school houses, within hour's ride of Houlton Village and but a few miles from the route of the St. Andrews and Quebec Railway." The same advertiser boasts also of a tract of 10,000 acres, being five miles from Houlton Village and also near the above mentioned railroad.

A report of the election of town officers in Linneus 100 years ago reveals the following results: Moderator, Daniel Howard; clerk, Benj. Morrison; Selectmen, John H. Clough, John Taylor and Daniel Howard; Town Agent, Phineas Bither; treasurer and collector, Thomas Nickerson; superintending school committee, P. P. Burleigh.

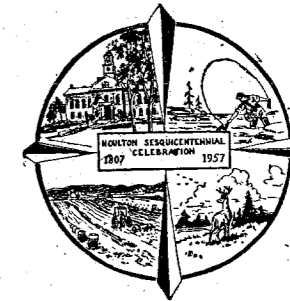
EDITORIAL CONVENTION. Many of our contemporaries have suggested the idea of a convention of Editors and Publishers in this state, for consultation on matters of general interest to the Press. We heartily concur with their views. Such a Convention would undoubtedly be of much benefit to the craft.

TO BUSINESS MEN. Most business men are so fully aware of the advantage of judicious advertising, that we need not speak of its importance—but we simply wish to call their attention to the

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BEST WISHES . . . to the HOULTON PIONEER TIMES on its 100 years of Service in Aroostook County . . .



Congratulations . . . HOULTON ON YOUR 150th BIRTHDAY

## CHAIN APPAREL SHOPS

"THE FAMILY OUTFITTERS"

Pay As You Wear — Use Our Easy Credit Terms  
MARKET SQ. DIAL 3412 HOULTON

Serving Houlton for over 27 years

BEST WISHES . . .  
HOULTON . . . on this your  
150th BIRTHDAY . . .

AND TO THE HOULTON PIONEER TIMES . . . FOR YOUR 100 YEARS OF SERVICE IN AROOSTOOK COUNTY.



## D. G. MILLER and SON

GENERAL CONTRACTING — BUILDING

• RESIDENTIAL • INDUSTRIAL • COMMERCIAL  
MILITARY STREET HOULTON