

Parmi les 18 bénéficiaires, au moins 14 étaient acadiens. L'année 1882 était d'ailleurs une mauvaise année; le correspondant de Tignish, au Pioneer de Summerside, nous donne des détails de la situation dans le numéro du 7 juin:

It is no exaggeration to say that never since I came to Tignish (over 12 years ago) has there been so much want in the country... Only yesterday, a man living on 25 acres and who generally raises enough potatoes to last him through the winter, came a distance of 9 miles with a small jag (sic) of wood which he exchanged for a few groceries and 12 lbs. of corn meal. He declared that he left his wife and 2 children at home without a particle of food of any kind, and that these few pounds was all he could look too with any certainty. This case is only one of many I might quote, with the difference that most of those poverty-stricken people have no wood to bring.

On arrive ainsi au tas "industrie et commerce". L'année commença bien; F. J. Buote, fils de Gilbert, et plus tard éditeur et rédacteur en chef de l'Impartial, ouvrit une librairie dont voici l'annonce publicitaire parue dans le Pioneer du 1^{er} février:

BOOKSTORE AT TIGNISH

THE SUBSCRIBER has just opened a BOOKSTORE at TIGNISH STATION and has on hand a good assortment of PRAYER BOOKS, SCHOOL BOOKS, SCHOOL REQUISITES, Stationery of all kinds, besides a choice Stock of Miscellaneous Reading, all of which are offered at lowest living prices.

In connection with the above a Circulating Library is kept to which anyone can have access for the small sum of fifty cents a year. Eleven hundred (1100) books have exchanged hands from this Library since July last.

Give us a call and encourage a new beginner.

F. J. Buote

Tignish Station, January 4th, 1882.

Dans le même numéro du Pioneer, F. J. Davidson cherche à vendre ou à louer une "Lobster factory and fishing stage... with all equipment at North Cape". La compagnie Myrick vendit une propriété près de la gare