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THE REAL THANKSGIVING.

On Thanksgiving Day most of us are hard to feel grateful for all we have received, but in many cases we are with but little success although we make a bluff at it. In the majority of men there is a desire to wait until the close of the year, for then they can realize better what they have accomplished, how their business has prospered, and whether they are in a position to give some material evidence of their gratitude. Hence it happens that while Thanksgiving Day is a fine day for people attend church and contribute sparingly to the collection plate, the Christmas season is the time above others when persons of every rank in life have kindly feelings toward their fellows. This is the week during which we give each other presents; it is also the time when the needy are most generously cared for. The Christmas Christmas spirit is responsible for some of this outpouring, but gratitude for a prosperous year is the general cause.

New Brunswick has never had more reason to feel grateful than during the present month. Good times have prevailed everywhere, bountiful crops, successful fisheries, profitable lumbering, and brisk trade in all lines have marked the year now drawing to a close. We have never had deeper cause for gratitude, and it is our duty to remember in the midst of it that although most of us are comfortable there are some who are not so well off. Fortunately there are few poor in St. John, but there are some, and they should be well looked after. The different charitable organizations which now systematically arrange for the relief of the destitute are best able to distribute the gifts of money, food, fuel or clothing sent in by citizens. They should be kept busy—the members will not object—for this has been such a prosperous year that all of the more fortunate classes should open their hearts even wider than usual. From now until Monday the days will be exceptionally busy, but even in the rush, give a thought to the poor, and send a load of coal, a suit of clothes, a big dinner, or ten dollars, to your favorite charity.

THE G. T. P. ROUTE.

The new transcontinental is a national railroad. It is not a New Brunswick line, and while we in this province may hold pronounced opinions on the advantages of the various routes from the Quebec boundary to the winter port of Moncton, we must consider which of the three lines proposed will fit in best with the other sections. In St. John we are looking forward to the handling of an immense through business, in the central portion of the province the people are crying out for a better local train service; in Canada the new railroad is regarded as a factor in the development of national commerce.

Whichever line is finally selected by the government, there are bound to be disappointments, but it is scarcely to be anticipated that the efficiency of the railway for the handling of transcontinental business will be impaired in order that a small section of country may profit.

The report from the surveyors places before the government the task of approving of one of three routes, each one having some peculiar advantage. Where one involves a longer haul, another has stiff grades, and it will be a somewhat difficult matter for the railway commissioners to decide which should be favored by them. They are not to reach a conclusion by guess work, or with an indefinite knowledge of the country, for they are now and have been for some days in conference with practical engineers who have spent the past two years in going over the proposed routes, who know the situation thoroughly, and who will not doubt place before the commissioners in the clearest manner, the arguments in favor of each of the three distinct lines.

HOCKEY.

The policy adopted by a number of hockey teams in forming a new, and what it is planned will be a strictly amateur league, will no doubt cause a lot of discussion in sporting circles. Without entering into consideration of the arguments on both sides, it is a fact that there has been dissatisfaction in regard to the presence on the ice of several players. This formed the direct cause for the organization of the new league, and while it is regretted that anything has been done to cause ill feeling, yet it is hoped that results will justify the policy adopted.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 19.—A Pioneer Express special, from Lakota, N. D., says:

"Upon investigation the report sent out from this point that people were freezing to death for lack of fuel is found to be false. There has been no suffering for lack of fuel up to the present, although supplies have run very low."

ALONE IN HOUSE, CHILD WAS BURNED TO DEATH

Five Year Old Maine Lad Played With
Matches While His Mother
Was Visiting.

SANFORD, Me., Dec. 19.—Left locked in the house while his mother was absent this afternoon Savio Fontaine, aged 5 years, was burned to death. A neighbor, Thomas Sutton, who discovered that the Fontaine house was on fire, smashed his way through a kitchen window and heard the cries of the boy in the dining room, but the flames were then too hot and Sutton was unable to reach the sufferer. By the time the fire department, summoned by Sutton, arrived, the entire building was in flames. The body of the boy was burned so as to be almost unrecognizable, and was removed from the ruins.

FOUR BURNED TO DEATH IN APARTMENT HOUSE

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Four lives were lost and one person was fatally burned in a small fire in the Zenobia apartment house on Presque Isle street tonight. Other occupants of the place had narrow escapes, and a dozen were rescued by the firemen.

FIFTEEN YEAR OLD MURDERER SENTENCED

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Robert Gordon, 15 years of age, was today sentenced to the reformatory for life after pleading guilty to the charge of murdering Joseph Reed, 3 years old.

NAT HERRESHOF IS RECOVERING FROM INJURIES

BRISTOL, R. I., Dec. 19.—Nat Herreshof, the cup yacht designer, who was injured last Sunday by the explosion of naphtha, is making rapid progress in recovering. Today his physicians removed permanently a number of the bandages, and after an examination said that there would be no facial disfigurement probably.

The two sons of Mr. Herreshof, who were also injured, are now so far recovered as to be able to attend school.

GOOD NEWS FOR LOCAL INVESTORS OF EAST SIDE PROPERTY, SASKATOON.

A telegram was received this morning from Saskatoon, stating that, owing to the Grand Trunk Railway developments on the eastern side of Saskatoon, all property in Section 21 had been withdrawn from sale and could not be had at the present time at any price.

The land recently sold by the Northwestern Land & Permanent Investment Company to local people immediately adjoining the above property, and interesting developments can be expected at any time, in connection with their property.

The Canadian Northern Railway have also decided on Saskatoon as their divisional point, which will add still further value to real estate in the progressive city.

IN N. B. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20 1906.

GOVERNMENT CRITICIZED FOR MISSING CHANCES

Dissatisfaction Because No Compromise
Was Reached on the Education
Bill

LONDON, Dec. 19.—There is no indication as yet as to what course the government will pursue on the Education Bill. There is the greatest resentment among the ministerial members of parliament that ten months of gladiatorial work have gone for nothing, he feeling in strong against Mr. Balfour, the leader of the opposition in the House of Commons, as he is held to be personally responsible for the failure to arrange a compromise.

The Duke of Devonshire, in the course of the final debate, entered a strong protest against what he termed Lord Ashbourne's wrecking tactics, and voted with the government in the majority. It is not believed that the ministers contemplate an immediate appeal to the country though this was Mr. Gladstone's desire when he faced a similar situation in 1884, at which time he was overruled by the cabinet. The general idea is that the ministers will introduce at the next session of parliament a more drastic Educational Bill, applying the \$5,000,000 which, under the dead bill, would have gone to assist denominational schools to build entire new council schools intending to produce a practically secular system of public education. This being a money bill the House of Lords would have no power to throw it out.

Most of the members of the non-conformist party are pleased at the failure of a compromise in the negotiations, though they regret the loss of the bill; but their view is that the government was making too many concessions to the House of Lords.

The Rev. Robert Forman Horton, speaking at East Derham tonight, said that the lords and the bishops had opened a plain and almost inevitable way to secular education. This would result in enormous activity by the Roman Catholic church in opening schools in England. He regarded the prospect with the utmost misgivings.

The Rev. Frederick Brotherton Meyer, minister of Christ church, Lambeth, said the death of the bill will give impulse to the movements for removing the bishops from the House of Lords and for the disestablishment and disendowment of the Church of England.

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KILLED BY CIGARETTES.
LONDON, Dec. 18.—It was announced at a meeting of the South Shields Education Committee that a 12-year old boy had died from excessive smoking. During his dying delirium he continually asked for cigarettes and matches, and made movements as though striking matches and lighting cigarettes. Another boy, 13 years old, is under medical treatment for the same cause.