

SUBMARINE BELL OFF TOWER'S POINT

Government Engineer Here from Ottawa to Install It

WILL BE SOUNDED BY SHORE BATTERY

Will Transport Pulp Wood to Bath, Me., and is First of a Fleet of Carriers—Many at the Launching—Capt. David Tufts of Carleton to Be in Command.

Louis Cote, of the marine engineering department, Ottawa, arrived in the city Thursday and will be here for several days. It is learned that Mr. Cote's visit here is in connection with the installing of a submarine electric signaling station two miles off Negro Head, which will materially facilitate navigation at the mouth of St. John harbor by minimizing the danger to steamers during periods of heavy fog.

The plan is to build an electric station at Tiner's Point, at a considerable cost, and to connect the station by cable with a bell placed in the waters of the bay, two miles from land. The bell will be right in the path of the steamers and as it can be heard many miles away by approaching navigators, it will serve as a steering point and be of great value in thick weather.

A submarine signal like the one being installed at Tiner's Point has been in operation at Chedoke head, near Halifax, for nearly a year and has proved very satisfactory. Steamers fitted with a special receiving apparatus can distinguish the tones of the bell for a distance of fifteen miles, while at six miles it is sure to be heard.

The receiving apparatus is not very elaborate and can easily be fitted to any steamer. The C. P. R. Empresses are fitted with the means of receiving submarine signals, as are all the New York liners. The apparatus consists of chambers on each side of the steamer fitted with apparatus which transmits the sound of the bell and by vibrating communicates the sound through telephone receivers.

Steamers and vessels not fitted with the apparatus will also be benefited by the signal as the sound can be heard distinctly in the hold of such vessels, though not at such a distance.

The signal is being placed in position by the Submarine Bell Company, of Boston, and it will probably be completed inside of two months.

The signal will be placed at a depth of thirteen fathoms. The system of signalling to be installed off Negro Head is similar to that being used by the United States submarine boat, the Otopan, and is claimed to be the safest, the surest and the most easily manipulated of any system in the world.

DR. BAYARD 70 YEARS IN PRACTICE, PROFESSION TO MAKE RECOGNITION

The St. John Medical Society, at the annual meeting held Wednesday, put in the hands of a committee the matter of arranging a suitable celebration to mark a wonderful anniversary to be attained by Dr. William Bayard, in August next. In that month Dr. Bayard, who is now ninety-five years of age and still engaged in medical work, will complete seventy years of professional medical profession, a record certainly unique.

Dr. Bayard graduated in England in 1837, not long after the year that Victoria was crowned queen. The greater part of his life, as is known, has been spent in St. John and he has been for many years the pastor of the Methodist church, as well as being active in many movements which tended to the city's good.

At the meeting of the medical society last night tribute was paid to Dr. Bayard and there was a general expression of opinion that there should certainly be some recognition of the remarkable anniversary.

The association sat down to dinner in Scammell's, about twenty-five being in attendance. The president, Dr. G. G. Melvin, was in the chair, and the vice-president, Dr. T. H. Lunney, in the vice-chair. After the menu had been discussed, a business session was held, and the following were elected officers for the ensuing year:

President, Dr. T. H. Lunney. Vice-president, Dr. C. M. Pratt. Secretary, Dr. John Bentley. Treasurer, Dr. James Christie. Librarian, Dr. Rowley. Pathologist, Dr. Watwick. Committee, Drs. Crawford, Crockett and Roberts.

The meeting was enthusiastic and accomplished important matters. The constitution and by-laws were reconstructed so as to place the association on a broader basis and give it better facilities for its work.

The matter of medical inspection in schools was taken up again and a resolution favoring such inspection was passed and ordered forwarded to the board of education.

Action was taken regarding the celebration of Dr. Bayard's anniversary, as mentioned, and votes of thanks were passed to Dr. Melvin, the retiring president, and the other officers who had so well conducted the affairs of the society during the year.

TO PENSION POOR CLERGY

Ecclesiastical Board Provides \$1,250,000.

London, May 29.—Few causes more effectively hamper practical work than the restrictions in office of aged and infirm clergymen, who, however much they long for rest, cannot be called on to resign since thereby they would be deprived of the barest means of livelihood. This declaration was made by the Bishop of Rochester at his diocesan conference yesterday, when he imparted the interesting announcement that the ecclesiastical commissioners had decided to set apart \$1,250,000 for the purpose of pensioning clergymen. Constituting the bishop said, in connection with this state of affairs is creditable as a Church as wealthy as ours. It is brought out that there are 1,400 beneficed clergymen whose average age is 65, and that more than 250, while the incomes of more than one-half the 400 incumbents in England and Wales are less than \$300 a year.

FIRE BARGE TAKES HER FIRST DIP

Successful Launching of Pretty 800 Ton Craft at Salmon River Thursday

BUILT FOR BAY SHORE COMPANY

A telephone message to the Telegraph Thursday from Salmon River, told of the launching of the first of a fleet of barges to be built and used by the Bay Shore Lumber Company in transporting pulp wood to Bath (Me.), from the company's big lumber lands in St. John and Kings counties.

The barge was launched at the company's plans for a fleet of barges, and about the laying of the keel for the first some time ago. Thursday the one known as No. 1 took gracefully to the water and now awaits rigging before beginning work.

The company's tug Pegeco arrived from Bath (Me.), at Salmon River on Wednesday at 11 a. m. with David S. Cowles, president of the company, and Hon. Francis C. Whitehouse, treasurer of the company, on board. They came on a tour of inspection and incidentally to see the launching.

At 12 o'clock Thursday afternoon the big barge left the ways, being christened by Councillor Robert Connelly, manager of the company, who broke a bottle of champagne over the bow as the barge took to the water. The launch was a success in every way and a cheering crowd marked the advent of the new carrier. The barge was warped into the wharf at Salmon River and there will be signed. The contract for this is in the hands of Arthur W. Adams of St. John.

The barge is built as solidly and staunchly as iron and wood can make a vessel, and is declared by those who know, and there are many in the St. Martins district who do, to be the finest of her kind ever launched into Fundy waters.

The vessel is of pretty lines, more the schooner than barge, is 185 feet on deck, 185 feet keel, thirty-eight feet beam, twelve feet hold and 800 tons gross. Albert Patterson of St. Martins, was the builder and his work is declared to be a credit to the reputation of St. Martins, where many a good vessel was constructed in the olden days. The barge will be commanded by Capt. David Tufts, of Carleton, and he should be proud of his craft.

A launch was not a curiosity in St. Martins and vicinity in the palmy days of wooden ship building, but is now accounted for the big crowd present. Among them were several from St. John, including W. G. Scovil, Arthur DeForest and David E. Richardson. Councillor E. M. Cochrane drove over from St. Martins to attend the launching.

The Bay Shore Lumber Company are carrying on active operations. They now employ about 300 men. That they are no laggards, is shown by the fact that today the keel of a second barge, of the same dimensions as the one launched yesterday, will be begun. Messrs. Cowles and Whitehouse were to leave Thursday afternoon on the tug Pegeco to return to Bath.

WEDDINGS.

Richey-Red. There was a pretty wedding in St. John's church, West End, Monday, when Rev. G. P. Scovil officiated at the marriage of Miss Annie Louise Richey and John C. Red. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. J. C. Richey, and the groom by Rev. G. P. Scovil. The ceremony was a simple one, and the bride and groom were accompanied by their parents and several friends.

Kingsmill-Henry. The residence of L. Ross, 20 Hanover street, was the scene of an interesting event Tuesday evening when Miss Katherine Louise Henry was married to Thos. Kingsmill. The nuptial knot was tied by Rev. L. A. Maclean, of Calvin Presbyterian church. After the ceremony a dainty luncheon was served. The happy couple, both of whom belong to the city, are well and favorably known and have been the recipients of numerous wedding gifts.

Manning-Hampton. The marriage of Ellsworth Manning to Miss Mary C. Hampton took place Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of R. C. Manning, 62 Waterloo street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. Trafton. About forty guests were present. The bride, who looked very pretty, was given away by her father-in-law, R. C. Manning. The bride received many useful presents. Among them was a casey chair from Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Fisher. The groom's sister, Miss Lottie Manning, was maid of honor. After the ceremony, luncheon was served.

Out in Two by Street Car. A countryman driving a team belonging to Joseph Lamb met with rather a serious accident at the corner of Main and Adelaide streets about noon Tuesday. The wagon was struck by a street car and in two and the driver was thrown out and dragged about fifteen feet, but escaped without serious injury.

He was going up Main street and, crossing the street to enter Adelaide, he saw a car a little distance away. He held his horses but one being a four-year-old colt was very restive and would not stand. He then decided to cross and, his attention being occupied with the handling of the horses, he did not notice the car, he says, until it came up and was only a few inches from his wagon.

The car struck the wagon fairly and, knocking the body off altogether, separated the forward and rear wheels. The man was caught under the box of the wagon and the car, pushing the box ahead of it, dragged him for some distance.

On the car stopping he was able to crawl out and a few minutes later was walking Main street as if nothing had happened. His errand to the city was to haul a load of manure out to the farm of his employer but he returned without a fertilizer.

GIVES UP HOPE OF MISSING MAN

No Word of Arthur Hardman Who Left North End Boarding House May 20.

All hope of ever seeing Arthur Hardman again alive has been given up by Mrs. A. Carson, 43 Hilyard street, his landlady and one of the few friends whom the young man had in America.

Hardman came to the city from England during last winter. He boarded about a month at Mrs. McFadden's in Broad street, then removed to Mrs. Carson's on Monday, May 20, left Mrs. Carson's house, taking his dinner and leaving his clothes and other belongings behind. He was expected back on Monday night but he has not been seen since.

It was thought at first that he might have secured another boarding place in the city, but Mrs. Carson's idea that the young man was drowned, possibly by the Bay Shore Lumber Company, has been given up. It is Mrs. Carson's idea that the young man was drowned, possibly by the Bay Shore Lumber Company, has been given up.

Hardman was about twenty-three years of age and it is thought unmarried. It is known that his father and mother are living and in his trunk Mrs. Carson found a sealed letter addressed to his father. In a few days, if nothing is heard of the young Englishman, Mrs. Carson will send word of the disappearance to Hardman's father. Fellow boarders have searched thoroughly for Hardman and made many inquiries but all to no avail.

STRIKE SETTLED BY A COMPROMISE

Scowmen Get \$2.75 a Day and Will Return to Work.

As was predicted, the scowmen's strike was settled by a compromise. Though prevented by the heavy rain from commencing actual operations, the men Tuesday agreed to accept the \$2.75 a day offered by the employers, and will go to work this morning.

Rather fortunately for the interests of St. John trade, the strike, which affected the reputation of St. Martins, where many a good vessel was constructed in the olden days. The barge will be commanded by Capt. David Tufts, of Carleton, and he should be proud of his craft.

CELEBRATION FOR 1908

Suggested Commemoration of Century of Formal English Occupation of St. John River Lands.

A meeting of the Historical Society was held Tuesday in their rooms, Market building, the president, Col. J. R. Armstrong, in the chair. Rev. Dr. W. O. Baymond drew the attention of those present to the fact that Sept. 20, 1908, will be the 100th anniversary of the English formal occupation of the lands round the St. John river. He suggested that something should be done by way of a celebration of the event.

An interesting discussion a committee was appointed to consider the matter and make suggestions. It was reported that S. D. Scott, of Ottawa, who was appointed to the committee, had written to the Royal Society in behalf of the local body, had undertaken to do so and report later.

The publication committee reported that the proceedings of the society are now in the hands of the printers and will appear in the next issue of the Telegraph. The committee also reported that they had secured original documents treating of early historical events.

LOCAL I. C. R. CLERKS ASK HIGHER SALARY

Swinging into line with the many classes of employes who have asked and received an increase of wages, the I. C. R. clerks of this city, who have received a substantial increase.

Breeze Over Fairville Fire Matters.

At a meeting of the Lancaster highway board Monday Fire Warden Robert Irvine accused Councillor Fox of having influenced the insurance underwriters' committee to pass a way that that body had refused to lower the rates in Fairville, by reporting that the fire department was very lax in its methods, and generally were not as careful as they should be. Councillor Fox said he had talked of the fire plugs and engine house not being shovelled out, and said he could have told the committee a great deal more about the investigation of the whole affair. The session was for a time exciting.

S. P. C. A.

The report of S. Merritt Waterman, manager of the S. P. C. A. of the work done in the five months from Jan. 1 to May 27 showed that 286 cases were considered. Thirty horses were adopted, and in 145 other cases the owners of horses were cautioned. There were 90 cases dealing with the treatment of cattle and other stock, and nine with reference to the ill-treatment of dogs. There were also investigated five cases of ill-treatment and five cases of neglecting children, one of ill-treatment of a woman and one of neglecting a woman. One case was taken to court in connection with the ill-treatment of a horse, but the society failed to secure a conviction.

OBITUARY.

Patrik Kolher. The death of Patrik Kolher occurred Tuesday at his residence, 119 Market Place, Carleton. Mr. Kolher, who was in his forty-eight year, was the son of the late Timothy Kolher. He leaves his wife and six children and is survived also by his mother, eight brothers and three sisters. Mrs. Luke Foley, Mrs. James Lynch and Mrs. C. G. Manson, of Carleton, are the sisters. Mr. Kolher was widely known and respected. He was a stone polisher by trade and was employed at different times by Stead, Quinn & Co., and a millinery Co. He was very popular in west side dramatic circles and took a great interest in the minstrel shows of a few years ago, being much sought as an emcee. Much sympathy will be felt for Mrs. Kolher and the family in their bereavement.

Charles M. Brown. The death of Charles M. Brown, aged 80 years, a highly respected and well known citizen, occurred Tuesday morning at his home, 119 Market Place, Carleton. Mr. Brown had been a sufferer from paralysis for some time. For several years he was a resident of the Home for Incurables. Mr. Brown was a member of the St. John Baptist church. He was a native of Ireland and was married to Mrs. Elizabeth Brown. He leaves a wife and several children. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning at the residence of Mrs. Brown, 119 Market Place. The interment will be in the St. John Baptist cemetery.

Miss Emma E. Wells. The sympathy of his many friends will be extended to David Wells, of Lancaster Heights, in the death of his daughter, Miss Emma E. Wells, which occurred Tuesday morning at her home, 119 Market Place, Carleton. Miss Wells was a highly respected and well known citizen. She was a native of Ireland and was married to Mr. David Wells. She leaves a husband and several children. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning at the residence of Mrs. Wells, 119 Market Place. The interment will be in the St. John Baptist cemetery.

James W. McGowan. The death of James McGowan, second son of the late Bernard and Emily McGowan, occurred Tuesday morning at his home, 119 Market Place, Carleton. Mr. McGowan was a highly respected and well known citizen. He was a native of Ireland and was married to Mrs. Emily McGowan. He leaves a wife and several children. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning at the residence of Mrs. McGowan, 119 Market Place. The interment will be in the St. John Baptist cemetery.

James Black. The death of James Black, aged 80 years, a highly respected and well known citizen, occurred Tuesday morning at his home, 119 Market Place, Carleton. Mr. Black was a native of Ireland and was married to Mrs. Elizabeth Black. He leaves a wife and several children. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning at the residence of Mrs. Black, 119 Market Place. The interment will be in the St. John Baptist cemetery.

LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Gertrude McDonald, court stenographer, who has been seriously ill in Fredericton with typhoid fever is slowly recovering but will be confined to the hospital for some weeks yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Arbo, of 223 Sherbrooke street, called on Monday to suffer the loss of their fifteen-year-old daughter, Margaret E., and friends will sympathize with them in their bereavement.

"Goodie" Humphrey, the Fairville boy shot in the thigh by a gangster some days ago and lying temporarily in the General Public Hospital, is reported to be getting along very well. There is no talk now of any further action by the authorities in the case.

At the regular meeting of the District Orange Lodge Thursday the celebration of July 12 was decided upon. A picnic will be held at Westfield, the excursionists going there and returning by train. A committee was appointed to arrange the details.

J. G. Taylor has been appointed to the position of secretary-treasurer of the Victorian Order of Nurses, temporarily to fill the place of H. M. McLeod, who has been granted a three months' vacation from the Savings Bank and will be absent from the city.

The tug Hero, owned by D. D. Glasier & Son, is now owned on Howard's Ridge, a few miles below Gaspoint. The white house has been used as a steering post for years, but recently another house there has been painted white and the steering post has been moved to the new house. The tug was the tug used.

George Parker, of Woodstock, complained to the police Wednesday that he lost his pocket book containing \$80, and believes it was stolen from him by a room waiter in a North End hotel. Parker had written to Woodstock for money to get home, and meanwhile had to seek shelter Tuesday night in central police station.

The pharmaceutical examinations for the province will be written here, under the direction of the Pharmaceutical Society, in June. Among the candidates for qualifying is Joseph Hawker, of Centreville, son of William Hawker. For this year the examiners are M. V. Padlock, Dr. Hay A. D. Johnson, St. Stephen, H. D. Wildman, E. R. W. Ingraham, St. John.

A telephone message was received Wednesday in the board of health office from St. Martins. No new developments were reported and no action was taken with regard to the smallpox situation. Men are now busy disinfecting the two houses under quarantine. This will take some time as one of them contains thirty rooms. It was wrongly reported in the press that one of the patients was named Gould. It now turns out the name is Manford Scholes. Mr. Scholes is so much better that the health officer does not consider it necessary to move him to the isolation hospital.

WILL REPORT ANOTHER ENGLISH CRIMINAL

George Shenton Found Guilty of Forgery at Ottawa, Will Be Sent Back to Yorkshire. Ottawa, May 29.—The immigration officials will likely deport to England George Shenton, who belongs to Yorkshire, and reached Ottawa some eight or nine months ago. He was charged with forgery but sentence was not imposed by the magistrate.

Sonrek Defeats Hart.

Tonopah, Nev., May 29.—After a hard fight the seconds of Martin Hart tonight threw up the sponge in the twenty-first round, and Mike Szereck was declared the winner.

Store open evenings till 8 o'clock.

Union Clothing Company

26-28 Charlotte Street Alex. Corbet, Mgr.

Special Sale of Men's and Boys' Suits

Men's Fancy Tweed Suits regular \$10.00 values, \$8.49

Boys' Fancy Tweed Suits regular \$3.00 values, \$2.49

THOSE WHO WILL GRADUATE FROM WOLFVILLE

Wolfville, N. S., May 30.—Next Wednesday Acadia College will graduate a class of twenty-six persons. Of this number twenty-one will receive the degree of bachelor of arts and five the degree of bachelor of science.

It is hoped by the governors of the college that they may be able to announce the name of the new president at the closing exercises.

The names and home addresses of those receiving the B. A. degree are: Cassie M. Benjamin, Gaspereaux (N. S.); Mildred M. Black, Fairville (N. B.); Joseph D. Bruchat, Goldenville (N. S.); L. Etta Brown, St. John (N. B.); Cecilia A. Craig, St. Stephen; I. Mary Crandall, Chipman (N. B.); Mary I. Currie, Wolfville (N. S.); Rufus L. Davison, Delhaven (N. S.); Frank H. Eaton, Lower Canada (N. S.); J. Arthur Estey, Fredericton (N. B.); Gordon H. Gower, Westport (N. S.); Clarence M. Harris, Bear River (N. S.); William H. Hutchinson, St. John (N. B.); Bruce D. Knott, Merigomish (N. S.); Gertrude L. McDonald, Upper Duke Village (N. S.); Helena B. Marsters, Wolfville (N. S.); Frances P. Messinger, Wolfville (N. S.); John C. Peacock, Port Egan (N. B.); Victor E. Peppard, Central Onslow (N. S.); William L. Spurr, Kinsmouth Corner (N. S.); Edith M. Rand, Kinsmouth (N. S.).

Those receiving the science degree are: Frank F. Adams, Wolfville (N. S.); Burpee A. Balcom, Nictaux Falls (N. S.); Harry G. Stenhouse, Freeport (N. S.); William J. Wright, Clements (N. S.). Last year the graduating class consisted of twenty members.

Baptists from all over the maritime provinces are arriving in platoon daily. Gentlemen of the cloth are especially noticeable. To them anniversary is the big-guest holiday of the year.

H. B. Haver, Acadia '06, of Digby (N. S.), who has been studying medicine at McGill during the past year, is spending a few days in Wolfville.

YOUNG LADIES WHO WILL GRADUATE FROM ACADIA SEMINARY

Wolfville, N. S., May 29.—It is reported that a smallpox of a mild type is prevalent at Hantsport.

Miss Joy Lawrence gave a pianoforte recital in Alumnae Hall, Acadia Seminary, on Thursday evening of last week. She was assisted by Miss Nellie DeWitt, Miss Hazel Goddard and Claude Balcom. H. H. Ayer, of the I. C. R. office, Moncton, is in town for a few days.

One week from today Acadia Seminary will graduate a class of twenty-two young ladies. Their names and home addresses are as follows: Collegiate Course: Florence Eaton, Pugwash (N. S.); Bertha Cleveland, Wolfville (N. S.); Muriel Harrington, Wolfville (N. S.); Mary B. Peck, Hillboro (N. S.); Agnes Rogers, Springhill (N. S.); Julia DeW. Sweet, Billtown (N. S.); Florence Walker, Turro (N. S.); Junia Waterbury, Wolfville (N. S.); Kathleen Wortman, Wolfville (N. S.).

Sophomore Matriculation Course: Helen Bancroft, Acadiaville (N. S.); Marion Bancroft, Acadiaville (N. S.); Amy Kelley, Sydney (N. S.); Evelyn Slack, Windsor (N. S.); Anna Layton, Great Village (N. S.). Education Course: Mary E. Richards, Campbellton (N. S.).

Pianoforte Course: Joy Lawrence, Hantsport (N. S.); Gladys Harris, Wolfville (N. S.); Lottie Nicholson, Charlottetown (P. E. I.); Lena Anderson, Digby (N. S.); Florence B. Brown, Cornwallis (N. S.). Art Course: Emma Murray, Wolfville (N. S.). Domestic Science Course: Rita Manning, Chester (N. S.).

LOWEST PAID I. C. R. EMPLOYEES TO GET LARGEST INCREASE

MONCTON, May 28.—(Special)—A compromise has been offered to the I. C. R. machinists who are asking for an increase of wages. An increase of four cents an hour or 40 cents a day all round was asked for, but Deputy Minister of Railways Butler, has met this with an offer of compromise. Mr. Butler, it is stated, agreed to an advance of four cents an hour for machinists now receiving 16 and 20 cents an hour but proposes that the higher paid men now receiving twenty-four cents an hour accept a raise of two cents or twenty-six cents an hour.

This has not been finally agreed to by the machinists who are still holding out for the full increase asked for. In addition to the increase the revised schedule makes some change in the Saturday half holiday. Under the new arrangement it is said the machinists are to have a half holiday every Saturday afternoon for the summer months with the loss of one hour. During the other seven months the Saturday hours will be the same as at present. The machinists expect one of their grand officers here today to assist them in coming to a decision in reference to the wage schedule and a meeting of the general committee will probably be held tonight to discuss the new arrangement.

ARRANGING FAIR AND HORSE RACES

Agricultural Society Decided on Plans for September Event on Moosepath.

At the monthly meeting of the St. John City and County Agricultural Society, held Thursday afternoon, it was decided to hold a fair at Moosepath some time next September. President B. V. Millidge occupied the chair and a large number of the directors were in attendance.

A short time ago Moosepath was leased to Mr. Fleming, but the society retained the privilege of using it for two days each year for the purpose of holding a fair, if desirable. On account of the exhibition in this city last year, no fair was held, and it is planned to make the coming event one of the most successful yet undertaken.

In addition to the usual exhibits of stock, etc., two days' sport and horse racing will be held, and the arrangements for those latter features were left in the hands of a committee. A committee was also appointed to rearrange the prize list, so as to present inducements sufficient to make the entry list a large one. No dates have as yet been definitely fixed upon.

At Thursday's meeting it was decided also to grant a bonus to Joseph and Young, of Silver Falls, wherewith to purchase some pure bred Ayrshire cows which is to be sold in New York state within a few days. These additions to the county herd are expected to be on hand in a short time.

The track at Moosepath is reported as being in a good condition. Mr. Fleming proposes to remodel the grand stand and to make the park thoroughly up-to-date.

PLEASED WITH ST. JOHN RIVER VALLEY COUNTRY

Mackenzie & Mann's Inspectors Likely to Make Favorable Report on Proposed Railway.

Fredricton, May 29.—The local government was in session here today for the evening but time was taken up disposing of matters of routine. There are a number of matters to be still taken up which will occupy the greater part of tomorrow.

A. P. Stewart, assistant engineer, and George W. Stewart, assistant engineer, of the Canadian Northern Railway Company, who have been making an inspection of the route of the proposed St. John valley railway, returned to the city this evening. They were accompanied by a train from Woodstock, where they abandoned their team and caught a train at Aroostook Junction. Upon returning to Woodstock yesterday they were met by their friends.

Both gentlemen expressed themselves as delighted with what they saw of the country and it is quite certain that on the strength of their report, which is certain to be favorable, Mackenzie & Mann will accept the government's proposition.

CHARGES PRINCIPAL SHAW WITH LIBEL

Methodist Committee Investigating Prof. Wortman's Complaint Behind Closed Doors.

Gannock, Ont., May 30.—The charge of libel made by Prof. Wortman, of the Wesleyan Theological College, Montreal, against Principal Shaw, is being investigated this morning before a committee of the ministerial session. The proceedings are conducted behind closed doors and neither of the reverend gentlemen interested know whom they were to face previous to entering the room. Dr. Shaw was first called, and after a lengthy examination gave place to Prof. Wortman. After lunching the meeting resumed and both gentlemen were present.

HON. EDWARD BLAKE STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS

Toronto, May 30.—Hon. Edward Blake is ill in London, having been stricken with paralysis. W. H. Blake, K. C., received a cable today saying: "Satisfactory improvement. The stroke seized the member for South Langford yesterday."

HOME FROM ENGLAND

Jarvis Wilson, of the lumbering firm of John E. Moore & Co., returned Thursday from England after a two months' trip. He came home on the big Canadian Corona to New York and thence by rail. In Liverpool Mr. Wilson met Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Burnhill, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. McKewen, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonald, all of St. John, and F. W. S. Prout, of Moncton. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald also came across on the Corona to Fair Brookway Beach to see before coming home.