# POOR DOCUMENT

THE STAR, ST JOHN M. B. THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1909

The figures show that the number of convictions for drunkenness has increased by 164 per cent. during the past ten years of an increase from 2.17 per thousand inhabitants in 1898 to 4.84 per thousand in 1907.

Manitoba shows the largest ratio of convictions for indictable of fenses in the several process, an increase of 10 and a half for cent. in charges and twelve and a half per cent. in convictions, as compared with the preceding year. An analysis of the number of convictions, according to population in the respective provinces, shows that crime is more prevalent in the western than in the eastern provinces. In the Yukon, where the population is composed of men coming from all parts of the world, there were fifty six convictions for every ten thousand in 1907.

Manitoba shows the largest ratio of convictions, according to population, with British Columbia next, Nova Scotia third and New Brunswick fourth. Customs receipts of the Dominion for the month just ending, the last month of the fiscal year, show that the turn of the tide which set in with the beginning of the year in respect to customs revenue is now increasing ly apparent. For the month the total ustoms receipts have been 34,747,291, an increase of \$391,189 as compared with March of last year. This is the first big increase in about a year and a half.

For the twelve months of the fiscal year the customs revenue has totalled 347,378,000, a decrease of \$10,488,632 as compared with 1907-08.

A return showing the financial result of the operations of the royal mint last year indicates that it is a most profitable investment for the country. Although, owing to the financial depression, the amount of the result of the operations of the royal mint was consequently restricted, thus decreasing profits, there was a gross profit on the silver and copper coins minted during 1908 amounting to \$194,-411. The expenses of maintenance and salaries totalled \$71,393, leaving a net profit, exclusive of interest on capital noverties.

were illiterate, eighty per cent. had an elementary education and 1.89 per cent. a superior education. Sixty-five per cent. of the delinquents were Canadian born, sixteen were British born outside of Canada, and eighteen per cent. were foreign born. By religions 22 per cent. were Roman Catholic, 13 per cent. were Roman Catholic, 13 per cent. Anglicans, 8 per cent. Methodists 7 per cent. Presbyterians and 3 per cent. Baptists.

The total numer of convictions for drunkenness in Canada for 1907 was 29,802, of whom 28,221 were males and 1,281 females.

# PRELIMINARY STEPS IN THE



# YES. BIG BARGAINS AGAIN THIS WEEK

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# STRAIN'S Special Friday and Saturday Sales.

Lot Colored Shirt Waists in Cambrics and corded Percales, neat stripes, etc., \$1.00 regular. Friday and Saturday 76c. Another lot white Lawn Waists are \$1.50 and \$1.60.

Friday and Saturday, \$1.19. Moire, Fancy Stripe and Black Sateen Underskirts, \$1.50 quality, at \$1.19 Friday and Saturday.

Corsets, Special Quality, at 69c. Ladies' Under Vests and Drawers 21c. Regular price, 30c. Our 15c English Cambrics, 12 1-2c Friday and Saturday.

Lot Curtain Muslins, 10c, 12c, 15c-Friday and Saturday 9c yard. Cotton Challis, very neat spots and figures, 10c-regular 15c. Cotton Cashmere-Black, cream, brown, pink, blue, 15c yard. New lot Roller Towelling, 7c, 8c, 9c, marked 10c, 11c, 12c regular price.

White Cotton, 34 inch wide, 6c yard. Lot Hamburg from 10c to 20c-Friday and Saturday 9c yard. Lot White Lawn Waists, little mussed and soiled, were \$1.50 to \$2.00-79c.

## ROBERT STRAIN @ CO.,

27 and 29 Charlotte Street.

USED HIS COPY-BOOK MOTTO AS GUIDE OF CONDUCT

AND BUILT UP A GREAT FORTUNE AS A RESULT

HELD FOR KILLING HOSPITAL PATIENT

Man Who Died of Pneumonia Found Fear fully Bruised and With Seven Ribs Broken.

BOSTON, Mar. 31.—Accused of having beaten an inmate of Pierce Farm so that death resulted, two attendants at this city institution for male insane were arrested today charged with manslaughter. The accused men are Roderic C. McKenzie and Murdock B. McGregor. At the farm last Thursday a patient died. He was Richord F. Mitchell, and was until his illness

day a patient died. He was intended F. Mitchell, and was until his illness employed in the Boston Herald composing room.

Dr. MacDonald, county medical examiner, performed an autopsy on his body by request of Dr. Wm. Noyes, of the Pierce Farm corps, and found that while Mitchell had been suffering from presumonic seven of his ribs had been

Every woman

April 5.

There were five witnesses in court this afternoon, but as the case was about the wonderful MARVEL Whirling Spray
The new Yaginal SyringeBest-Most conventient. It cleaned the property of the serious and have been called by the serious continued their evidence was not heard. All are attached to Pierce that it cleaned the serious continued their evidence was not heard. All are attached to Pierce that it cleaned the serious continued their evidence was not heard. All are attached to Pierce that it is afternoon, but as the case was not heard. All are attached to Pierce that it is afternoon, but as the case was not heard. All are attached to Pierce that is afternoon, but as the case was not heard. All are attached to Pierce the serious continued their evidence was not heard. All are attached to Pierce the serious continued the serious continued their evidence was not heard. All are attached to Pierce the serious continued the serious continued their evidence was not heard. All are attached to Pierce the serious continued the serious continued

fractured.

The members of Boston Typographical Union started an investigation, and at a meeting of the union last evening a resolution was adopted asking for an investigation. In this action the local union has received promise of support from the International Typographical Union. The Pierce Farm authorities were unable to explain how Mitchell could have seven ribs broken, an eye blackened, a lip cut, teeth knocked out and his body generally bruised.

Mr. Mitchell's mother called at the Pierce Farm after he had been there a few days, and after waiting an hour and a half was allowed to see him. She said he appeared apprehensive of the Discounty of the West Roxbury Court, McGregor and McKenzie pleaded not guility to the manslaughter charge and were held in \$5,000 each for a hearing on April 5.

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The acts of this life are the destiny of the next.-Eastern Proverb.

## About Your Easter Hat.

GENTLEMEN, we do not advertise to give you \$3.00 Hats for \$1:98, nor \$2.50 for \$1.49—which common sense will tell you cannot be done.

What we do accomplish is to give you

The Best Materials Money Gan Buy, and proper Workmanship in our

\$2.00. \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$4.00 Hats.

Besides good service in the way of Style and Fitting a Hat

properly to your head. Our Hats guaranteed not to lose color.

JOHN B. BARDSLEY

17 Union Street.

## MARS IS DYING OF THIRST.

It s rather a curious coincidence that Professor Percival Lowell, whose discoveries of evidences of the presence of living beings on the planet Mars are just now creating so much Mars are just now creating so much sand. There are no houses, no imhabitants; nothing but sand.

WORSE THAN THE SAHARA.

Well, Arizona, too, is a waterless desert, except where it is irrigated by canals, the reason being that its few rivers run along the bottoms of terrific gorges, called canyons, some of which are over two miles deep. Of ordinary rain-fall there is little or none, just as Mr. Lowell says is the case of Mars. In fact, if a Martian were transported to Arizona, he would probably detect little if any difference between his own country and it.

Not even the worst portions of the

EVERYTHING COOKED BY THE

And for this reason; Mars, according to Mr. Lowell, is a dying world, a flat expanse of waterless desert, whose few remaining inhabitants are only kept from perishing of thirst by a wonderful system of canals which brings to the equatorial regions the melting snows from the Martian polar ice-caps.

Every twenty miles there is a section house, wherein dwells a gang of Chinese coolles, whose duty it is to keep the track clear of the ever-encroaching constantly shifting sand. These men are called upon to endure a temperature that, during the day time, seldom falls below 120 Fahrenticit.

the royal navy.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Mar. 31.—

Dr. Inch left this evening on a trip
to the United States to recuperate his

MONTREAL, Mar. 31.—A new department of importance to the industrial interests of the country has been created by the Grand Trunk. At the head of it will be W. P. Fitzsimmons, who has been for many years associated with the Grand Trunk, both on the western lines and in Montreal. His position will be that of Commissioner of Industries and his function will be to facilitate the creation of new industries all over the system, and the development of those already in existence.

CONSUMPTION.

Read how Mrs. T. G. Buck, Bracebridge, Ont., was cured (and also her little boy) by the use of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

She writes: "I thought I would write and let you know the benefit I have received through the use of your Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. A few years ago I was so badly troubled with my lungs people said I had Consumption and that I would not live through the Fall. I had two doctors attending me and they were very much alarmed about me. I was in bed three months and when I got up I could not walk, so had to go on my hands and knees for three weeks, and my limbs seemed of no use to me. I gave up all hopes of ever getting better when I happened to see in B.B.B. Almanac that Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup was good for weak lungs. I thought I would try a bottle and by the time I had used it I was a lot better, so got more and it made a complete cure. My little boy was also troubled with weak lungs and it cured him. I keep it in the bouse all the time and would not be with lungs and it cured him. I keep it in the house all the time and would not be without it for anything."

Price 25 cents at all dealers. Beware of imitations of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Ask for it and insist on getting the original. Put up in a yellow wrapper and three pine trees the trade mark.