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LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

The Governor of McGill University have decided to confer the honorary degree of L. L. D., on Hon. W. S. Fielding.

Lord de Clifford married Miss Eva Carrington, an actress, in London on the 17th. The bride is twenty-one years of age, and is said to be over six feet in height.

It is stated from Montreal that one of the largest European Banks has invested over \$2,000,000 in the stock of the Sovereign Bank of Canada. This is the largest investment ever made by foreign capitalists in a Canadian Bank.

The Leyland liner Devonian, carrying passengers and freight from Liverpool went ashore off Seditate, nine miles south of the entrance to Boston harbor on Thursday last, after fourteen hours she was pulled off with assistance of tugs and came to Boston.

Archbishop Bruchet of Montreal has issued a pastoral letter prohibiting the attendance of the faithful at horse-racing and base-ball games, and other like contests, political meetings, public excursions, theatrical representations and concerts on Sunday.

The seventy-fourth annual report of the Bank of Nova Scotia shows that institution to be in a flourishing condition. Its capital is \$2,500,000, and its reserve is \$4,200,000. Its net profits for the year ended Dec. 31st, 1905, were \$475,507.03. Its assets are \$33,438,775.31.

Elaborate plans are making at Ottawa for the reception of Andrew Carnegie who will visit that city toward the end of March to open the new public library. A dinner will be given in honor of the distinguished visitor by the Ottawa Canadian Club.

The writ of election of a member for the House of Commons for North Cape Breton has been issued. Nomination March 7th, and polling on the 14th. This vacancy is caused by the appointment of the sitting member to the County Court Bench.

A meeting of prominent European automobilists was held in Berlin on Monday to discuss plans for a great touring contest through the chief countries of Europe this year. It has been decided that the trip start from Paris, and the conference is to determine the exact route.

There was not a very large inside market yesterday and prices were not very much changed from last week. Outside there was a considerable quantity of pork which brought all the way from 8 to 8 1/2 cts, and in some cases 8 3/4. Hay was lower bringing from 25 to 40c, per cwt. Eggs were a shade lower, changing hands at from 17 to 18 cts, per dozen.

The appointment is announced to the Chair of Ophthalmology, at McGill University, Montreal, of Dr. J. W. Sterling who will thus succeed the late Dr. Frank Bullar. Dr. Sterling is a Canadian by birth. He was born at Halifax in 1859. He was a son of Mr. W. Sterling who was for many years Cashier of the Union Bank of Halifax.

John A. McCall, until recently president of the New York Life Insurance Co., died at 5.35 o'clock Sunday afternoon at Laurel House at Lakewood, N. J., where he had been taken three weeks previously in the hope that the change might benefit his health, which had suffered a break down two months ago. Worry over the exposures of his company, no doubt, hastened the end. He received the last Sacraments and the rites of the Catholic Church.

A despatch of the 20th, from Chicago says: The Illinois Central railroad this morning sent out a train of six cars, to be run over 2,000 miles of the system in Illinois to stimulate interest in better corn crops—quantity and quality. The train will make 126 stops. Each stop will be of 40 minutes duration, during which there will be a lecture on seed and soil. The tour is in charge of Prof. Hopkins of the University of Illinois. It will occupy twelve days and will cost the railroad about \$12,000.

Mr. Fred W. Hiler, for forty years Secretary of the Steam Navigation Company died on Saturday, at the age of 77 years. Deceased was born near London in 1829, and came to this Province in 1850. For a time he engaged in farming and milling business at York. Subsequently he came to Charlottetown, and was connected with the mercantile business of the Hon. D. Davies. In 1866 he became Secretary of the Steam Navigation Company and remained in that position till his death. His wife, who predeceased him was a daughter of the late Parson Jenkins. He leaves to mourn two daughters and three sons.

Paris advices say that a notable engineering work is now going on in France, and involves the construction of a viaduct crossing the Bioulle Valley, near Vauxart. This structure, known as the Fades Viaduct, when completed will be the highest railway bridge in the world, the level of the rails being 434 ft. The above the bed of the stream. There are two granite masonry tower piers which are founded on solid rock and rise to a height of 308 ft. These piers standing alone have the appearance of large chimneys, but their function is to support the three steel spans, which have the unusual length of 472 ft. for the centre span and 375 ft. for each of the flanking spans. The latter connect with masonry approach spans formed by circular arches.

A gruesome tale comes from San Francisco relative to traffic in human skin. The despatch says: Dealing in human skin, stripped from corpses in hospital and college dissecting rooms, tanned and made into purses and articles of wearing apparel, is a gruesome business, said to have assumed large proportions in this city. Two men, who declined to tell their names, but who said they were medical students, called on the president of a tanning company at West Berkeley recently and asked him to tan some human skin. They had two pieces of cuticle, each about one foot square, which they said they wanted made into slippers. The commission was declined and they went elsewhere. Articles made from human skin have been carried from California by tourists. When tanned the skin of a man is worth \$500. It is soft and pliable, resembling chamois.

LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

The St. Dunstan's hockey team defeated the Abegweit, 7 to 4 on Wednesday evening last.

The Ontario legislature assembled at Toronto on the 15th, and was formally opened by the Lieut. Governor. The outlook is for a brief but busy session, with adjournment in fixed for the second week in April.

Miss Alice Rosewell, daughter of the President of the United States was married at the White House, Washington, on Saturday, to Congressman Nicholas Longworth of Cincinnati, Ohio. It was a magnificent wedding, but there was nothing spectacular about it.

A single woman, named Libby Backman, between 45 and 50 years of age, who lived alone at Fatmouath, near Windsor, N. S., has disappeared, and it is thought she has been murdered. She was known to have \$14,000 in her possession. Her sister counted this money for her in September last.

Jewelry worth four thousand dollars was stolen from the residence of J. N. Woods, Ottawa, on Monday afternoon of last week. Mrs. Woods is a daughter of Senator Edwards. The theft is probably the largest of its kind in the history of Ottawa. The police have been working on the case since midnight on Monday but no arrests so far have taken place.

A Halifax despatch of the 15th says: A large vessel is reported bottom up off Port Beckerton, Guysboro, Co., seventy miles east of Halifax. The name could not be made out. It may be the ill fated barge, Rembrandt, which went adrift in a gale in November with a crew of six men who have never been heard from since.

The timber limits belonging to the lumber estate on Lake Temiskaming were put up for sale by auction at Ottawa on the 13th. The Hawkesbury Lumber Co., and W. C. Edwards purchased 225 square miles for \$200,000. The value of \$180,000 was made for 97 square miles, but as this did not reach the reserve bid the limits were withdrawn.

Last Friday night has the distinction of being the coldest night of the winter when the mercury took a sudden depression, falling to 24 degrees below zero. The coldest previous to that was 1 below. Saturday morning at nine o'clock it was five below, but the sun's warm rays coming out later, soon had the effect of making it a fine warm day.

The Lieutenant Governor has an enquiry from the British Consul at Boston Ayres concerning the relatives of Thomas E. Murphy whose father, Thomas Murphy pilot, was drowned off Montserrat in 1865, aged 28. His uncle was Captain James Jackson Murphy and his aunt Mrs. Thomas Murphy (nee Reardon). The late Thomas Murphy was a native of Prince Edward Island.

J. H. Gillis John McDonald and George W. Cummings, three young men who are walking from North Sydney to San Francisco and back on a wager arrived at Amherst Thursday. They remained over night and left for Moncton Friday. They were in splendid condition and stated that they felt far more hopeful of accomplishing the task than they did the first few days after they started.

The funeral of King Christian of Denmark took place on Friday. The royal hearse was drawn by six black horses and escorted by a large detachment of troops. The members of the Danish royal family and the visiting royalty followed in state coaches. Among those in attendance were King Frederick, Queen Alexandra of England, King George of Greece, King Haakon of Norway, the Crown Prince of Sweden as well as a number of other princes and princesses from continental capitals.

Mr. John Newson is presenting to the National History and Antiquaries Society, a Royal calendar for England, Scotland, Ireland and America for the year 1794. On the margin of the leaves is a diary kept by the late Rev. Theophilus Desbrisay, the first Protestant minister in Prince Edward Island. The deaths of prominent Islanders of that time are recorded by Mr. Desbrisay. Mr. Newson is also presenting a copy of Hazard's Gazette of 1832 and the Royal Gazette of 1846. In the latter is given the pedigree of the famous stallion Saladin.

H. & A. Allan of Montreal announce the retirement of Capt. McNeill, commander of the fleet, after a long period of honorable service in the company's employ. Capt. McNeill's last command was the new turbine Victorian, into which he went from the Bavarian. Capt. Brae, now captain of the Tunisian, will take the Victorian. Capt. Vipond will retain the turbine Virginian and become commander of the fleet. Other changes consequent upon the retirement of Capt. McNeill will be announced later.

There was great jubilation in London on the 15th, at the sixth annual conference of the Labor Representation Committee, whose candidates scored so much successes at the general election. Over three hundred delegates attended the conference, and many resolutions were introduced. Among them was one for making the eight-hour working day compulsory, also one for re-adjusting the burden of cost in the matter of social reform. Substantial taxation of land values, free meals to school-children, and the prohibition of the publication of betting news were also discussed.

The Prices.

Table listing various goods and their prices, including Butter, Eggs, Flour, etc.

The Union Party and Fiscal Reform.

London advices of the 14th say: Interesting correspondence between A. J. Balfour and Joseph Chamberlain led today, and published on the eve of the unionist party meeting at Lansdowne House, disposes effectively of the report that serious difficulties exist between the factions of that party. Mr. Balfour's letter is as follows:

"The controversy aroused over the fiscal question produced not unnaturally the impression that the practical differences of fiscal reformers are much deeper than is the case. An exchange of views which has constantly taken place between us leads me to hope that this misconception may be removed and with it the friction which has proved so injurious to the party. My own opinion, which I believe is shared by the great majority of the unionist party, may be briefly summarized as follows:

"Fiscal reform is and must remain the first constructive work of the unionist party. The object of such reform are to secure more equal terms of competition for British trade, and clear commercial union with the colonies.

"While at present it is not necessary to prescribe the exact methods whereby these objects may be attained it is inexpedient to permit of differences of opinion regarding these methods to divide the party. Though other means may be possible, the establishment of a moderate general tariff on manufactured goods, not imposed for the purpose of raising prices or giving artificial protection against legitimate competition, and the imposition of a small duty on foreign corn, are not in principle objectionable and they should be adopted if it can be shown to be necessary for the attainment of the ends in view or for the purposes of revenue."

"To this letter Mr. Chamberlain replied as follows: "I cordially welcome your letter of today, in which you have summarized the conclusions we reached during our recent discussion. I entirely agree with your description of the objects we both have in view and gladly accept the able for the unionist party to adopt in endeavoring to give effect to this policy, and in defending all the unionist principles, any service I can render will be entirely at your disposal."

London, Feb. 15.—Former Premier Balfour finally has crossed the bridge which Joseph Chamberlain held out for him, and in correspondence published late last night he takes his position practically on Mr. Chamberlain's tariff reform programme. The fact is heralded in the liberal newspapers this morning as "Balfour's surrender." "Chamberlain's victory, etc., while the Daily Graphic, speaking on behalf of the unionist free traders, deplors Mr. Balfour's "Journey to Canossa" as the price of his retention in the leadership of his party. The Chamberlainite journals express complete satisfaction and attach no importance whatever to the Balfour limitations which the former premier places upon his acceptance of the proposed duty on corn and a tax on manufactures. The Standard says that "The agreement between the two foremost statesmen of the party is absolute and all-embracing."

Mr. Balfour's surrender, though delayed till the eve of the Lansdowne House meeting quite evidently was arranged at the famous dinner conference with Mr. Chamberlain and enabled the latter to publish his recent repudiation of desire for the leadership which suddenly stilled the newspaper attacks on Mr. Balfour.

As though to emphasize the fact that there will be in the future a dual leadership of the unionists, it is announced that in addition to the provision of the customary private room in the house of commons for the official leader of the opposition only, a similar room has been allotted to Mr. Chamberlain. This is unusual if not unprecedented.

Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain are still in negotiation with regard to re-organization of the party machinery. Mr. Balfour's conversion to Chamberlainism is likely to be unpalatable to a large section of the unionist party and the Lansdowne House meeting which the Duke of Devonshire Lord Hugh Cecil and other free traders will attend, is likely to be the arena of some plain speaking on the subject.

Circular to Customers.

Mr. J. M. Davison, Cashier of Merchants Bank, who will be agent for the Canadian Bank of Commerce in this city has issued the following circular letter to customers of the Merchants Bank:

Charlottetown, P. E. I., February 17th, 1906.

Dear Sir,— With reference to the announcement in the public press of the proposed transfer of the assets and good will of this bank to THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE, I think it will inform you, as one of our valued customers, that the Prince Edward Island business after the transfer will continue under the same administration as at present and that there will be no change in the policy regarding the Loaning business which has been followed by THE MERCHANTS BANK. THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE is one of the very largest and most progressive banks in Canada, and we trust that their entry to this Province will be recognized as advantageous to the community generally.

Yours truly, J. M. DAVISON, Cashier.

DIED

On Saturday morning, February 17th, at Grand Tracadie, after a short illness, Miss Lucy Martin, in the 80th year of her age. R. I. P. At the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Mahoney, Stanley Bridge, on the 12th inst., Mary, relict of the late Dennis Higgins, Cayendish Road, in the 82 year of her age. She died fortified by the last Sacraments and consoled by the rites of holy Church. May her soul rest in peace. At Monaghan, on Feb. 8th, Michael Burns, aged 75 years. R. I. P. At Monaghan, on Feb. 8th, Margaret, relict of the late Terence Boylan, in the 8th year of her age. May her soul rest in peace.

An Interesting Ceremony.

A large and very fine portrait of His Honor Lieutenant Governor McKinnon, has been presented to the Province by Mr. A. A. McLeod, a native of Finlay, now a distinguished artist of New York. The formal presentation took place in the Legislative Council Chamber on Friday last. His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, the Premier, Provincial Secretary, the Commissioner of Public Works and Hon. Mr. Hughes, Mr. Arthur Newbery, Clerk of the Executive Council, and representatives of the city papers were present. The following letter from the artist was read by the Provincial Secretary:

"New York, Jan. 18th, 1906. (Copy.) To Hon. Arthur Peters, K. C., Premier of Prince Edward Island. My Dear Sir,— I have much pleasure in presenting through you to the Province of Prince Edward Island the life size bust portrait of His Honor Donald Alexander McKinnon, your worthy Lieutenant Governor. I do this solely for the purpose of manifesting in a more suitable way than in mere words my devotion and affection for the land of my birth. It is accompanied by my best wishes for you all, and the hope that my family and I will yet spend the remaining days of our lives in my much loved native land. Respectfully yours, A. ALEXANDER McLEOD, Artist."

Premier Peters in an appropriate speech accepted the gift on behalf of the Province. Suitable remarks were made by the other members of the Government. His Honor the Lieutenant Governor briefly expressed his gratification and appreciation of the gift, and the words spoken by the Premier and his colleagues. He thought the portraits of more of our distinguished men who had passed away should adorn the walls of our public halls. If we had suitable monuments of Coles and Whelan, he said, the young people of each succeeding generation would acquire more deeply into their history and achievements.

Bravery Rewarded.

For bravery in the rescue of Canadians at sea, several appropriate testimonials have been presented by the Marine Department, Ottawa, to some of the officers and crew of the British steamer "Star of Australia." On a voyage to the East Indies last year, the Canadian barque "Swansea" met with a succession of gales which reduced her to a helpless condition. On the morning of July 2nd, when off Cape Verde, the steamer Star of Australia hove in sight and observing the Swansea's signals of distress, bore down upon her. The barque was then water logged and in a sinking condition and two boats' crews of the steamer put off to the rescue of the crew. All were taken off in safety and carried to port. In consideration of this humane service the department of Marine awarded a handsome binocular glass to the Captain of the steamer, a gold medal to the officers of each of the two rescue boats and sums of money from \$15 to \$50, each to the members of the boats' crews.

A dreadful tragedy occurred at Glace Bay early on Friday morning last, by which a whole family, father and mother and two children, aged 6 and 8 respectively, were destroyed. The house was found on fire. The room in which the dead bodies were found was not on fire when the alarm was given. This and other evidence indicate that a dreadful murder has been committed. Last fall a man named Snelgrove was charged by Mrs. Sietka, the murdered woman, with an unbecoming conduct. He was out on bail and his trial was to come on on Saturday. Suspicion points to him.

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Hundreds of Accounts

Have been settled during the past few weeks; but to those who have not yet found it convenient to do so, we would urge that they come in this week or as soon as possible, and have their bills receipted, as we also have obligations to meet. A prompt response will greatly oblige

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