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COL. DOMVILLE ON THE KLON-

DYKE The Member for Kings Talks About the Country-The Timber

Col. Domville, M. P., was in town Thursday and talked freely on Klen-dyke matters. The colonel does not believe that 200,000 or 100,000 or more than 25,000 people will go into the Yukon district this year. If more than 20,000 go he is of the opinion

that there will not be food for them. In reply to the suggestion that if provisions sold high at Dawson City it would be possible for merchants to deliver them in large quantities by the all water route, Colonel Domville says that there is not enough suitable shipping on the Yukon or the Pacific coast to do the says to do the says that there is not enough suitable shipping on the Yukon or the Pacific coast to do the says that the past to do the business. The dis tance up stream is some 1,800 miles, and the river is swift and shallow. Only boats built for this class of work could be engaged for transport, and there are not enough of them available on the Pacific coast. Two trips only could be made in a season by one toat. Colonel Domville's company is building one river boat at Vancouver. This is the one which Captain Ferris

is to command.

The member for Kings is of the opinion that the majority of the adventurers who set out for the Yukon gold fields this year will give up the enterprise before they get there, and ninety of every hundred who go will come back the same season sorry they went. He has a poor opinion of the Stickeen route for a railway. Stickeen, he says, is not navigable earlier than the middle of May, and then the western terminus of the prorosed railway can only be reached by vessels drawing about two feet of When the railway terminus is reached there is one hundred and fifty miles of rail to Teslin lake. When the traveller gets to this lake he is no better off than he would be if he had gone to Skagway and taken an overland journey of 30 miles from deep water navigation. Over this 30 miles Colonel Domville's company is buildng a wagon road.

Colonel Domville is elated over his

capture of timber limits on Bennett lake. He says that his company has secured seven of these limits, for which they were the highest tenderers. The stumpage charge is \$2 per thousand, and it cost about \$7,000 besides to secure the lease. A saw mill is to be put up at once in the vicinity of

Colonel Domville also assured the Sun that he had bought the charter for the railway from Edmonto to Athabasca lake. This is the charter said to have been purchased by Mr. Pugsley from the town of Edmonton "We propose to begin construction at once," said Colonel Domville,

QUEBEC NEWS.

A Liberal Caucus to Discuss Patronage Ouestion-Chapleau's Position.

QUEBEC, Feb. 3.-A liberal caucus ield here was attended by about one hundred and fifty. Its object was to discuss the questions of patronage and to settle the discontent existing in the district on that score. principal matter under discussion was the Intercolonial railway. One complaint was that some members went round to different departments and so well pressed their claims that they got all the patronage, while their neighbors got none. Some members brtterly complained that conservative employes of the Intercolonial railway were still in the employ of the road. although orders had been issued for their dismissal. This was attributed to the refusal or neglect of the roadmasters to comply with the orders. is attributed to the wickedness of the New Brunswick roadmasters. To obviate this difficulty members have been instructed to get Ron. Mr. Blair to do his whole duty and put on the screws, and also to have from Levis to Campbellton made one section under a French-Canadian with headquarters at Levis. It is also understood that the liberal members from the district should unanimously support the Quebec bridge and other kindred interests of the section

Sir Adolphe Chapleau, ex-lieutenant governor, and Lady Chapleau have taken a suite of apartments at the Windsor for the winter months. "I Lurpose," humorously observed. Sir. Adolphe this morning, "to take up my hammer and chisel again. It is twenty-two years since I last appear-

TORONTO, Feb. 3.—The execution of Allison, the farmer's boy who mur-dered Mrs. Orr, wife of his employer, takes place tomorrow at Berlin. the clergyman and jail officials will be allowed to be present. The press is

The senate committee on public health has reported favorably the bill authorizing an investigation of leprosy in the United States. Surgeon General Wyman believes the disease much more prevalent than is generally sup-

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PARLIAMENT.

Opening Thursday Attended by Large Gathering.

The Government Has Scored a Sharp Move on the Senate.

Laurier Provides a Means of Avoiding a Fair Investigation Into Brummond Deal.

OTTAWA, Feb. 3.-In piercing but bright winter weather the third session of the present parliament was opened this afternoon. The attendance in the senate chamber was the largest ever witnessed, crowds of ladies dressed decollet having to stand for lack of accommodation. Previous to Lord Aberdeen's arrival Mr. Dandurand being introduced as a senator. Lord Aberdeen being seated on th throne, the commons sent for, the speech from the throne was read as

Gentlemen of the House of Commons Honorable gentlemen of the Senate: I have observed with great pleasur the remarkable advance in the political importance and material prosper ity of Canada during the year which has just closed.

The loan recently negotiated has shown that the credit of Canada has never stood so high in European mar-kets, and affords reasonable grounds for expecting that the burdens of the people will in the near future be materially reduced by the substitution of a much lower rate of interest on the indebtedness than that which now

I congratulate you upon the exceedingly cordial reception accorded to the representatives of Canada at the jubilee ceremonial, and also upon the warm appreciation manifested everywhere throughout the mothe country in reference to the conduct of Canada in materially reducing the rate of duty upon goods imported from the United Kingdom into the dominion of Canada.

The action of the imperial govern ment in denouncing the treaties with Germany and Belgium also affords most satisfactory evidence of their desire to facilitate your efforts to promote the closest possible relations between Canada and the remainder of the colonies, and will, I trust, con-tribute materially to the development

of imperial trade. The extraordinary gold discoveries recently made upon the Yukon and its tributaries appear likely to result in an enormous influx of people into that ernment to take prompt action for the preservation of law and order in that distant and almost inaccesible locality. Measures will be laid before you for that purpose.

A contract has been entered into subject to your approval, for the completion at the earliest possible mo-ment of a system of rail aid river communication through Canadian ter-ritory with the Klondyke and principal gold fields, which it is expected will secure to Canada the larger por tion of the lucrative traffic of tha

country The bountiful harvest with which we have been favored by a benevolent Providence has contributed greatly to the increase of our prosperity, and I am glad to note that the trade and commerce of the dominion, and more especially the amount and values of her principal exports, have increased greatly during the past eighteen months, and there is good reason believe that this improvement may be maintained, if not augmented during the remainder of the present year. I observe with pleasure that certain government contracts recently let con-

the evil of the sweating system. Gentlemen of the House of Commons: The accounts of the past year will be laid before you. The estimates for he succeeding year will likewise be placed upon the table at an early

tain provisions calculated to suppress

Honorable gentlemen of the Senate: Gentlemen of the House of Commons: Measures will be submitted to you respecting superannuation, the repeal of the present franchise act and a plebiscite on the question of prohibition. These and other measures I commend to your earnest consideration, invoking the divine blessing upon the important labors on which you are again entering.

Almong dignitiaries present were Lieut Governors Mowatt and Jette. Premier Laurier wore his privy councillor uniform with the decoration of St. Milchael and St. George, and the Legion d'Honneur, but not the Cobden club medal. When the floor was cleared, the senate resumed. Sir Macken-zie Bowell asked for the Yukon railway charter.

Hon. Mr. Mills said he would have it down on Monday.
In the commons the proceeding were of the usual routine character.
Five new grit members were introduced—Messrs. Gauvreau, Temiscouta;
Lavergne, Drummond; Ross, Rimouski; Mallouin, Quebec, and Ber-

tram, Toronto.

The debate on the address comniences tomorrow, and in the senate jects mentioned in the speech from the throne, that referring to the Yu-kon railway matter attracts the most

The public opinion is deeply stirred over the concessions granted by the government to Mackenzie and Mann Mackenzie is here, and along with him is his legal adviser, Mr. Lasp, Q. C. The members from Manitoba and the territories are practically a unit in their opposition to the monopoly clause, and will strenuously insist upon it being modified. Mr. Scriver told ine tonight, after carefully consider-ing the government offer to him of the pattlion of lieutenant governor of the Territories he decided not to take it, owing to his advanced age and the ties in Huntingdon.
Of the weather predictions, num

bering 9,963 last year, 7,323 were fully verified; of the storm warnings, 1,015 out of 1,181. The marine department contempletes abandoning the carrier pigeon service to Sable island, owing to the

want of success.

The Patron member (Rogers) got it very hot last session because be was charged with accepting a leather trunk provided by parliament while shouting for economy. The trunk is awaiting him in the lobby of the building with his name on it in big letters.

at Government house tonight. The government has scored a pretty prove against the senate. It late in the last session that the ators got ready to investigate the mious Drummond county deal. The bered, withdrew the proposal to buy the road out and substituted an estimate to cover the expenses of nine months' trial of the road and induced the senate to forego its enquiry at session. But the government was going to risk a repetition of the Baile des Challeurs disclosures of 1891, and so decided to take the matter out of the hands of the senators altoether and have the investigation self the commons. No time has been lost in carrying out the plan for the first issue of the common order paper will contain notice of the following resoutions given by the premier himself: "Resolved, That a special commit-tee of the house be appointed to en-

re into the expenditure of the sub-es granted by parliament of Canh said of the construction of the mmond County railway and in aid tations and transactions between the government of Canada and any member or officer thereof, or any person, or any person in its behalf, and the Drummond County Railway Company, or any director, officer or person in the company's behalf relating to the acquiring of the said rafti-way bill the government with power to send for papers, persons and rec-ords and to report the evidence to this house cogether with the opinion of said committee thereupon."

Mr. Tarte will breathe easier now. Mr. Reld gives notice of a bill to establish railway communication with power to regulate freights.

Hon Mr. Foster will ask for papers regarding the fast line, also respecting the gold dredging rights given to parties in the Northwest. Mr. Penny proposes to top off some of the religious holidays in Quebec. Mr. Taylor proposes to strengthen the alien labor law.

Among the New Brunswick ladles present at the senate chamber this afternoon were Mrs. Blair, Miss Blair, Mrs. King, and Mrs. Robinson, wife of the popular member for Northumberland. Mrs. Robinson wore a very andsome costume of pink and white brocaded satin court train, plaited cream chiffon with handsome lace caught up on the shoulder with black velvet and crimson roses; also black velvet and roses on the skirt diamond

The trials and tribulations of the C'algnecto Marine Transportation Co. are well known to the average newsparer reader. The company has secured several extensions of time to finish the enterprise and earn the gov-ernment subsidy of \$150,000 a year for twenty-five years. Now the end has come. Another application for an ex-tension of time has been under consideration of the government. Last year Mr. Provand, M. P. for Black Friars division of Glasgow, one of the and spent several weeks here urging the company's case. The jubilee cele-bration and Mr. Fielding's visit to England prevented the consideration of this question until within the past few days, when, after going into matter carefully, the government has

come to the conclusion not to grant

a further extension, thereby killing the project. DEATH OF JOHN MCQUEEN Word has been received by friends in Little Harbor, N. S., of the death John McQueen, who moved from that place in 1890, and settled in Anoka, Minnesota. Few men in East Pictou were more extensively or favorably known than the deceased, who while he lived in Pictou county, manifested a keen interest in all that pertained to the social, moral and spiritual advancement of the place. He was an active elder in the convergation at Little Harbor, for a period of 25 years, and it was with deep regret that he severed his connection with the congregation on the eve of his departure for the west. During the years he lived in the west he enjoyed good health and always maintained that deep interest in all that pertained to the welfare of the home of his youth. He was a regular subscriber to this paper, which he gadly received every week as a letter from home, and gladly noted every item that showed advancement in the country. The change came very sudden and most unexpected, but he was not alarmed, for he knew in whom he had believed, and he passed into the great beyond (surrounded by the partner of his joys and sorrows, his children and grandchildren) in the sure hope of a glorious immortality. Deceased was in his eighty-fourth year, yet his faculties were good and his intellect clear until the last, He was married to Margaret McKenzie, daughter of the late Dun-can McKenzie of Churchville, who survives him. Four daughters are in the state of Minnesota and one in Massachusetts. Two brothers in New Brunswick still survive. One Sheriff McQueen of Westmorland, the other, Alex., lives in Shedlac. An aged sister lives in Little Harbor. The aged

widow and relatives have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

THE POISONING CASE

Arrival of Deputy Sheriff Foster at Woodstock.

He Brought All the Important Witnesses in the Tucker Case.

Mrs. Tucker Interviewed by the Sun Correspondent-She Professes Innocence.

WOODSTOCK. N. B., Feb. 1.-Early this morning Deputy Sheriff Foster took the train for Bath, where he will will be joined by Sheriff Balloch and the two will get the various with required at the examination Police Magistraite Dibblee to The terrible snow storm w vailed all morning and is still on, may sause a good deal of delay. In fact it is quite possible that the country rosis are impassable, in which ease it may be necessary to deter the examinaton. Howver, several must nesses are at the stations along the line and can easily be got here, provided the trains are not blocked Apparently the case is not one that

will be too easily disposed of. As I have written before, the prisoner has made nothing like a confession. Deputy Foster was most guarded against anything of its kind. It also transpires from the evidence before the oroner that she made no adm of guilt, and that both she and he mother proclaim that the deceased took the poison herself. Against this theory is the damaging evidence of Dr. Somerville that the prisoner, Annie which the prisoner denies.

Supposing she admits that she did in this instance, it certainly seems that the crown will have some difficulty in proving that the prisoner administered the poison. It might have been the mother or father. It is only known among them. Of course, when the search light of court investigation is on, one or other of the parties may weaken and the truth come out. At the same time the case is not alto-gether clear against the prisoner, yet again, she is evidently ready to make

is shocked that such degrading pov-erty and misery should have a place in a county like this.

The cell in which Mrs. Canovan now must seem palatial to the wretched room where there was no furni-ture, and where the whole family slept and ate together.

have enquired at the jail and find that the prisoner is quiet and apparently Whatever she may suffer mentally, it has not affected her apetite, one of the fail attendents informing me that she ate her dinner, and appeared to relish it:

Wendell P. Jones has been retained o defend the prisoner. She will probably be committed for trial at the next elroutt court, which will sit here on the 26th of Amril

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Feb. 3.-Progress has been made in the Tucker poisoning case. The mixed train from the north arrived about half-past four. and on board were Deputy Sheriff Foster, old James Tucker, his wife Mary Tucker, and Mrs. Caroline Brewer, a neighbor. In the meantime Sheriff Balloch drove through from Bath with Patrick Canovan, and he was at the Victoria hotel when the deputy arrived with the other witnesses. Old man Tucker is a sorry looking representative of humanity. He is old and feeble and weak, and seems not all there, as the saying goes. The old woman is a well preserved old body, and when she divested herself of her outer garments and was sitting before a comfortable fire in a parlor one was inclined to form a rather favorable opinion of her. The husband, Canovan, is a young man, apparently about thirty. He has sandy hair and moustache, and is not a bad looking chap. He was decently dressed. The sheriffs had quite a time getting to Glassville, where the parties lived, but they got through on a double sled and had the witnesse at Bath last night.

I had a talk with Mrs. Tucker after the child, a little by a year and a half old, was given in care of a neighbor in Glassville by the husband.

As to the tragedy she said she did not know anything about it, excepting that she herself was entirely innocent. She seemed to dwell on this a good deal. She also said it was hard for poor folk that had to work out to be put to all this expense. I do not know a thing about how it occurred, she said. I was out getting water. Be-fore going out I noticed the deceased and prisoner talking together. prisoner had been rocking and holding the baby all day. A great deal of the time I was not home. I work out. Further she said that the farm, which was in hers and her hus name, comprised one hundred acres. They had to mortgage it, however, to get a team to work it. All I wish is that the dead girl were here to tell the truth of the matter. I hope the truth When she was asked about Canovan's habits, as to whether he was a drink-ing man, she said she had never noticed him the worse of liquor. He would take a drink. She did not care to discuss her son-in-law apparently.

During the interview Mrs. Brewer, the neighbor, was handed a cigar by some kind party, which she lit and proceeded to smoke.

As it was late when the witnesses arrived, the magistrate decided not to proceed with the case until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

Of course there is great excitement



afternoon the town hall was filled with a crowd, who expected the hearing to be on. Court Stenographer Fry is here to take the evidence.

BIG WINNIPEG FIRE.

Most Destructive Conflagration in History of City.

The Handsome Three-story McIntyre Block on Main Street Destroyed.

The Loss is Estimated Close on Half a Million Dollars.

WINNIPEG, Man, Feb. 2.—The most destructive fire that has ever visited Winnipeg started this morning at 6.30 e'clock in the Mointyre block. Main street, and in two short hours this handsome structure was completely destroyed. The adjoining block on the north side, occupied by the Criterion restaurant, was

The principal losses are: McIntyre block, \$200,000; Thomas Porte, jeweller, \$8,000; A. G. Morgan, boots and shoes, \$20,000; Alex. Taylor, stationer, \$15,000; Geo. Vette & Co., liquors, \$15,-000: James Payne, wall papers, \$5,-000; J. Elizinger, tobacconist, \$15,000; James Turner, milliner, \$18,000; Mass-Kay Bros, & Norris, \$25,000; Miss Maycock, toys and fancy goods, \$15,-000; Criterion block, \$35,000. The total loss is estimated at \$500,-

The total loss is estimated at \$500,000, and insurance at \$30,000. The fire
is supposed to have been caused by an
electric light wire. No accidents or
loss of life have been reported.

When the brigade arrived the fire
had gatred such headway that the
men were powerless to do anything.

half-past nine nothing was left but a few bare walls and a heap of debris. The McIntyre block, which was a

brick, facing on Main street, was oc-cupied by a caretaker and fraternal lodges on the top floor; offices and sample rooms on the second floor and store on the ground floor.

The fire entered the block from the north end and spread upwards and along the top of the building, and it was not half an hour before the flames were issuing from almost every win-dow in the block. There was no time to save anything whatever, and all stocks carried by occupants of the stores are a total loss.

A conservative estimate of the loss on stocks alone is placed at \$250,000, while the buildings were valued at \$200,000. The upper stories of the taillings were fully occupied by lawyers, travellers, sample rooms, contractors and insurance offices.

It was impossible to save even the books, as the fire doors had been left open and the flames had made a clean sweep down the corridors. Very little insurance was carried by any of these people, and it is estimated the insurance on the whole

thing is about \$230,000. The block was recently reconstructed of iron ceilings, fire doors, and all the latest improvements being placed in the building, and it was considered one of the safest risks in the city

I. C. R. "BUSINESS" MANAGE-

The application of business principles to I. C. R. freight tariffs con-

The Sun pointed out recently that the rate on lime from St. John to Hallfax had been increased from \$27 to \$33.60 per car. This was done with-out notice, and the first additional \$6.00 was collected in Hallfax after the old rate of \$27 had been paid and accepted at St. John, and the shipper at St. John was not informed of it he heard from the consignee. to pay the \$33.60 rate here before being sent forward.

When it was announced that the tariff under which the increased was levied was unauthorized and had been cancelled, the St. John shipper of course applied for a rebate of the amount he had been overcharged.

He has been advised that though
the unauthorized tariff has been canthe unauthorized tarin has been concelled, he cannot get a rebate of the amount paid extra on

It therefore appears that it is good business for a government railway to dive into the pockets of its patrons whenever it is pleased to do so, without notice, and appropriate whatever it can secure by that method, ex-plaining afterwards that nobody au-thorized it and therefore there is no edress for the party plundered.

TIME WASTED.

(From the Chicago News.)

"So you've decided to take your son out of college and put him to work at once. Why don't you let him go ahead and gradu-"What's the use? They had a coffe