

ably declare war at 48 hours' notice and will try to raid Natal before the British troops arrive. I believe the Orange Free State will join the Transvaal but that the Boers in Natal and the Cape Colony will remain quiet at the outset, unless irritated by the dismissal of the Cape Colony cabinet. The Boers have the fullest confidence in their magazine rific and their skill in marksmanship. State Attorney Smith is the chief inciter of the war party. Thirty thousand men in the Transval and twenty thousand in the Orarge Free State will take the

field." LONDON, Sept. 4—The secretary of state for the columies, Mr. Joseph Cham-berlain, arrived in London this after-noon and at once proceeded to the foreign office. It is understood that he will remain here until the end of the crisis. The war office refuses to confirm the rumor that a proclamation will be issued calling out reserves.

SEVEN DROWNED.

An Awful Accident in Halifax Harbor-Sailboat Foundered and Only

Five Saved.

HALIFAX, Sept. 4.-Shortly after six o'clock tonight, news reached this city that a sailboat, with eleven picnickers returning home from Macnab's Island, had foundered in a rqual at the entrance to the eastern passage, and that seven of those on board had been drowned. The accident is one of the worst of the kind that has happened in Halifax harbor for many years. The hames of the victims

are:---Wm. Hamilton, 25, single, clerk in city tax collector's office, son of Joseph Ham-Robert J. Davidson, 25, plumber, mar

ried. Munnie Davidson, wife of Robert, aged

23. Mabel Davidson, aged 22. Tott Davidson, aged 19. Berths Davidson, aged 29. John Hancock, aged 27. married. Saved-Edward Udy, Albert Poole, Alice Davidson, Louise Davidson. The accident was caused by a squall striking the boat and lifting the mast out of the step and driving out through the side. None of the bodies were re-ceovered.

covered. The Davideen girls were daughters of Bobert Davidson, sexton of St, Paul's church, and Bebert J. was his son. The terrible affair has cast a gloom

The sorrible affair has cast a gloom over the entire city and little else is talked about on the streets tonight. Edward Udy, one of the saved, is a petty officer on H. M. S. Talbot. He made superhuman effort to save Louise and Minnte Davidson, but was obliged to let the latter go as he was being drawn down himsel! by the weight of the two women. Alice was saved through the assistance of Albert Poole, who sup-ported her antil a boat picked them ap

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ett. The executive committee reported that in all departments in connection with the coming exhibition they have been able to make satisfactory progress. An additional ticket office has been erected at the entrance front, enabling the doubling of the number of ticket sellers and preventing the blocking of the entrance, which has so frequently occurred. The undertaker arrived from the eastern passage at 11 tonight, bringing the body of Tot Davidson. Pocle is at a farm house and is not in a position to be

occurred. The front part of the roof of the grand stand has been raised several feet, se-curing a better outlook from all the There are only 100,000 British in In-dia-one to every 3,000 of the popula-

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Mr. M. P. Richardson, president of the Truro branch, reported active membei-ship 22; income, \$62; expenses slightly more. They had 37 meu's meetinge, with average attendance 28, and 15 mass meetings, average attendance 130. An inspiring address was delivered to the convention by Rev. G. O. Gates on The Holy Spirit. For What Purpose

Given. AFTERNOON SESSION.

The convention opened at 2 o'clock with a solo by Mr. J. Brittain. The as-sociation reports were then presented from P. E. Island by J. J. Chappell; Campbellton by J. J. Deversaux, and they showed that a prosperous work had hear done.

seats. The barrack fence adjoining the grand stand has been built higher. The rail-way siding at the stock yard has been lengthened, and otherwise materially improved, and the snirance to the grounds made assign. been done. A paper on new social features in as-sociation work was presented by T. S. Morris.us, secretary Montreal B. R. As-sociation, and it was spoken to by J. J. Devereaux. The following resolution moved by W. Kingston, seconded by Mr. Eilis, and canted. Recorded This this compation to be improved, and the entrance to the grounds made easier. The restaurant will be in the hands of a society of ladies who are determined to make it a success in every particular. Efforts are being made to secure an automobile and some other manufactur-ing industries. The committee are also seeking to get an exhibition of maritime pube. SHUE24 (18)

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of the building known as a sub-foremain. His duty is to see that all the work on his section is being properly done. There are three different gangs of men raising staging. Part of the sub-foreman's duty is to see that the stagings are properly looked after. The sub-foreman on that section of the building was S. Kearns. He has been in way available there for top. The remains were taken to Canter-bury by the early train this morning for interment. The naptials of Arthur R. Slipp, the well-known barrister, and Miss Bassie Logan, daughter of the late Thomas A. Logan, are to be celebrated at the bride's home, Waterloo Row, at 3 o'clock on Tuesday atternoon next. The honey-

He has been in my employ about four years. He acted in that capa-city on the West St. John building, Mr. George Lord was the other, and Mr. moon will be spent in the upper prov ncar.

inces. The value of goods entering for con-sumption at this port during August was \$30,144, against \$28,734 for the corres-ponding month last year. The duty collected amounted to \$3,361.40 against \$2,934.24. The imports for the month just ended were valued at \$15,837 against \$14,847 for August 1898.

Devereaux. The following resolution moved by W. Kingston, seconded by Mr. Ellis, and can'ted. Resolved, That this convention feels the most hearty appreciation for the ser-vice of the general secretary and would

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The Question of Winter Service

The council of the board of trade had a meeting Friday afternoon at 4

year. He acted in that capa-city on the West St. John building, Mr. George Lord was the other, and Mr. Herbert Earle, the other sub-foreman, looked after the distribution of the ma-terial. The staging is held in place by a stageing dog, which is wedge shape. There are men on the tramway where the is room enough formen to walk on either is room enough formen to walk on either it hree to four men on the tramway. An the tramway near where the acti-dant cocurred. With ordinary care there abouild be no danger. Rollers were used on the tramway and are substitutes for cars which were used on other buildings. To Mr. Blair—We have used the syso'click in one of the board rooms. The

