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ING NOTES. S Besnard, Capt Annos Ayres for Tusket Barbados Saturday

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r Gulf of Ancud, which rday afternoon from ndon and Havre, took els of apples. charters are reported:

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WIND DOTH BLOW ne the twinges of rheuwarmly, stay indoors can and rub the swolscles with Perry Davis' and 50 cents.

RRIAGES.

R-At the residence of Walker, Beckwith, .. N. S., on 7th Febru-V. H. Cann, E. Arthur r of Mr. and Mrs. Alex-

R.-At the residence of Valker, Beckwith, Cum-. S., on 7th February. B. to M Steelie eldof Mr. and Mrs. Alex-

EATHS.

In Fairville, on Feb. of the late John Arm-4 years. Mary E. Barker, he late Judge Barker. ield Feb. 7th, aged 63

-In this city, on Monuary, Edna P. W., wife lander and daughter of ander MacMurray. Friday, 10th Feb., at ublic Hospital, in this art, leaving a wife and mourn their loss. e residence of George 91 Bridge street, Sarah

Station, Kings Co., after , aged 79 years, Mrs.

he late William E. Duf-

his city, on Saturday, , Bessie, aged 22 years, he late Samuel Brown harles F. London. (Bos-

ease copy). artland, N. B., on the ebe, widow of Patrick f North End, in the 81st ge, leaving three daughsons to mourn their

-On the 12th inst., of the late Francis

-At the residence of 43 Carmarthen Lucian, aged 13 months , infant child of Jas.

ity on the 9th February, leen, aged five weeks

C. Nye. s late residence, 19 Har-Jesse Purdy, aged 32 four daughters. Pearl Reed, daughter of William, died Februenth. Born September,

months. this city, on Feb. 18th a King Stewart, infant eorge and Jessie Stew-

ST. JOHN SEMI-WEEKLY SUN

ST. JOHN, N. B., SATURDAY FEBRUARY 18, 1905.

IMPERIAL HOUSE.

Austin Chamberlain Vigorously Scores Liberals.

Premier Asked if There is Any Difference Between His and Cham-

berlain's Fiscal Policies.

LONDON, Feb. 15.-In the house of sommons today the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the hrone was resumed by Mr. Asquith (liberal) formerly nome secretary, who made the amendment "We humbly represent to your majesty that the var ious aspects of the fiscal question have been fully discussed in the country for nearly two years and that the time has come for submitting the question to the people without further delay." Mr. Asquith supported the demand for an immediate dissolution of parliament with some trenchant-remarks on the wide fiscal gulf separating the unlonist factions

LONDON, Feb. 15.—Turning to Pre-mier Balfour Mr. Asquith asked him to give a monosyllabic answer whether there was any practical difference between his and Joseph Chamberlain's fiscal policies, but the premier maintained silence.

The speaker then declared that Mr. Chamberlain was also becoming inoculated with " the malaria of ambiguity and added that this intolerable con dusion menacing and perilous to industry and empire could only be cleared up by a prompt and direct appeal

Austen Chamberlain, the chancello of the exchequer, replying taunted the tiberals with asking the country for a mandate to stimulate bounty-fed competition with British manufacturers and to maintain a system of free imports without a free exchange. The opposition, he added, was to shut its eyes to all that was passing in the rest of the world and cling to the ancestral traditions of sixty years ago. The government desired a free hand to negotiate fiscal matters with foreign countries and the colonies and an unfettered conference of the latter to ing for the members and their friends. see if a closer union could not be pro-

Mr. Asquith's amendment to the reply to the speech from the throne was teachers have been sick of late. It discussed at the evening session. Sir has been impossible to get a sufficient Edward Grey said that next to a founwas the weakest upon which an empire could be built. The present suspense he said, was bad enough politically and materially. A moral obligation rested on the government to appeal to the

The debate was adjourned. The discussion was robbed of interest by the unexpected calling of a second cabinet meeting, which sat two hours during the evening. A second cabinet meeting in one day is unusual and created great curiosity and an noon under the auspices of the O exit of members to the lobbies. It is order and was largely attended. believed that the meeting had no connection with parliamentary affairs There is a rumor that it was owing to the reception of important despatches from the Far East connected with the possibilities of peace; but nothing reliable is known on the sublect.

CAPTAIN HONORED.

Master of Sch. Cordelia T. Hayes Rewarded for Saving Ship-. wrecked Crew.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 .- The Britsh ambassador has transmitted to the state department a piece of plate which the British government has presented to Elmer Ellsworth Ross, master of the American schooner Cordelia T. Hayes of Portland, Me., in recognition of his services to the shipwrecked crew of the British steamship Kelvin of known. Glasgow, which foundered at sea on It is

LIVERPOOL, Feb 16-Ard, str Teu-



COUNTESS OF DALHOUSIE An intimate friend of the Princess and whose title is now being disputed by an Italian lady, the affair having created much excitement.

MONCTON NEWS.

MONCTON, Feb. 16 .- T. B. Kidner, superintendent of manual training at Fredericton, has written to the Moncton board of school trustees respecting manual training in the schools here. It was decided to ask Mr. Kidner to name a date when he could come to Moncton and discuss the matter with the city council, the trustees and the board of trade. Manual training schools are now in operation at Campbellton, Woodstock, Fredericton, St. Stephen, Milltown, St. Andrews and Sackville, as well as in some rural schools, and it is claimed the results

There is a scarcity of coal here as rell as at other places along the line that depend upon the I. C. R., and unless the conditions improve soon there will eventually be a panic. The cotton mill was closed down on Monday, the coal supply being exhausted, but a temporary supply was delivered yesterday and operations resumed.

Westmorland Lodge, Knights of Pythias, will celebrate the natal day of the order by attending service in the Central Methodist church on Sun day next, and an at home will be given in Castle Hall on Monday even-There has been a great deal of sickmoted between Great Britain and oth-er ports of the empire. ness in town of late, and three of the present laid off, while two of the male teachers have been sick of late. It number of supply teachers, and in con-

Shareholders in the Record Foundry and Machine Company have been receiving their dividend checks this upwards of thirty-four thousand dollars, which is more than the entire capital stock of the concern when it was taken over by the present management some twenty years ago. The funeral of the late William O. Buchanan took place yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the Orange

DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Doherty's Organ Factory Completely

CLINTON, Ont., Feb. 15.-About 4.30 this morning fire was discovered in the organ factory. This building, which was the largest brick building in the city and was heavily stocked with or-gan cases in process of manufacture,

was completely gutted. The company's fire equipment confined the fire to one building. The loss is about \$30,000, fully covered by in- in July. surance. The origin of the fire is un-It is the intention to rebuild as soon

as the fire loss is adjusted.

LIVERPOOL, Feb 16-Sld, str Otto man for Portland. tonic, from New York.

There's Money in the Poultry Business!



Cypher's Incubators -AND-

Brooders.

Incubators for 60, 120 and 220 Eggs. Catalogue on application.

W. H. THORNE & CO., Ltd. 42 and 46 Prince Wm. St., St. John, N. B.

TROUBLE THICKENING IN VENEZUELA. Alfred Porter Saw Many

Revolution Against President Gastro Not Unlikely---United States Negotiations at a Standstill---The Situation.

Press.)

LA GUAIRA, Venezuela, Feb. .3.negotiations between United Scarcity of Coal Cotton Mill Closed standstill. Mr. Bowen's efforts to ad- and other pending questions are dip-Castro's abrupt departure from the ation rests. capital when he was pressed for a frank and definite answer to the proposition to arbitrate. On his return have a possible foundation. The moveto Caracas he declined to submit to ment is assuming a more widespread arbitration the asphalt case and oth- character than for some time and it er pending matters of dispute on the ground hat they are now before the that a revolutionary attempt is not a courts of this country. He made a remote possiblity.

(Correspondence of the Associated | counter proposition, however, that the United States conclude with him an arbitration treaty to cover future cases, which under international law could be considered as diplomatic questions. States Minister Bowen and President This Mr. Bowen declined as not meet-castro in the effort to reach an adjustment of the pending disputes between proposed that a tribunal be selected to the two countries are practically at a determine whether the asphalt case vance the matter have been blocked lomatic matters. Again Castro refusby the evasive and dilatory tactics of ed and pressed his demand for a treaty Castro. which culminated recently in to meet future cases and here the situ-

The ever-present rumors of a revolution against Castro seem at present to is considered in well informed circles

SYDNEY'S GROWTH

During Past Year,

But Indebtedness Amounts to Almost a Million—Civic Reports

Just Issued.

SYDNEY, Feb. 14.-The annual re ports of the city of Sydney are pubcivic business transacted during Sydney's first year's existence as a city. The city has an area of 5.83 square

week, the amount distributed being miles, or 3,730 acres. It has 43.26 miles of accepted streets and 4.19 miles of ing: alleys. There are also 21.84 miles of unaccepted streets. Of the total mile- are appointed members of the board age of streets, 9.69 are macadamized. The city has 3.316 feet of sidewalks and 4,031 feet asphalt. There are 60,393 feet of sewers, the total cost of the system being \$124.101. The water system is owned and operated by the city. The first reservoir was built in 1892, and contained 8,500,000 gallons. In 1902 a new reservoir was completed with a capacity of 187,000,000 gallons, and elevated 212 feet above tide. The daily average consumption is 1,396,346 gallons. The entire cost of the system to date has been \$362,460.56. The city is lighted by the Cape Breton Electric Company. There are 15 arclights and 186 incan descent lights on the streets, and 12,316 house and shop lights. The city has six public school buildings, with 43 machinery department of Doherty's departments and 38 teachers. The total enrollment is over 2,300. The Steel Company employs over 2,600 men and

disburses annually upwards of \$1,600,000 The losses by fire during the year amounted to \$17,500, nearly \$6,000 of which was caused by the forest fires

The bonded indebtedness of the city amounts to \$925,000, which, together with sums due county, totals \$953, 721.11, as the total liabilities of the city. The assets amount to \$722,347.03. leaving a net debt of \$231,347.08. In the assets are included an unexpended balance on loans on deposit of \$62,000 and uncollected taxes for the past year of \$23,000, and a sewer frontage uncollected of \$50,000.

The total receipts for the year am unted to \$432,507.38 and the expenditures to \$432,507.38, there being \$4,275.22 cash on hand at the close of the year. The sum of \$25,704.27 was paid in in-

terest on coupons. The receipts from the enforcement of the Canada Temperance Act amounted to \$6,783.10, the expenses connected with the same being \$4,069.11, leaving a balance to the credit of the city of \$2,813.99. There were 137 convictions

There were only 26 building permits granted during the year, representing a total cost of \$127,585. during the year.

Clear Out Your Nostrils.

It's simply disgusting to keep sniffling when Catarrhozone cures so quickly; it clears away the mucous Carleton, Kent and Victoria. discharge, frees the nostrils and air passages of offensive matter, cures the Kings, Albert and Northumberland. catarrh thoroughly. Mrs. Breach, of Chapman, writes: "I have Stats: used a great many catarrh remedies, but none of them ever helped like Catarrhozone. It cleared out my nose and throat, and stopped a ringing noise in my ears. Catarrhozone is very simple and pleasant to use, and many times better than any other catarrh remedy." Your druggist has Catarrhozone; get it today. Two months treatment guaranteed to permanently cure, costs \$1; sample size twenty-five

NEW LONDON, Conn., Feb 16-Ard, New York.

Star Line steamer Baltic, which sailed sent his hearty acknowledgement to lumber and agricultural products show alongside of them once the fire zone is the leader of the opposition.

COURT SITTINGS.

Has Not Been Very Rapid Application For Incorporation of St. Stephen firm.

> Hon. Messrs, Labillois and Farris Are Appointed to Board of Gover-

Industrial Home. FREDERICTON, Feb. 15.-This

nors of St. John Boys

week's Gazette contains the follow-Hon. Messrs. Labillois and Farris of governors of the St. John Boys' Industrial Home.

Kings Co.-Archibald Brittain, justice of peace and commissioner of Hampton civil court. L. R. Murray, M. D., chairman of Sussex board of health.

Geo. Coggin almshouse commission er in place of Arnold Droasd. Westmorland Co.-H. G. Wadman H. Trenholm, R. T. McLeod, R. Finlay, W. Bulmer, T. E. Brownell and Err Tingley are appointed justices of

The Caraquet Railway_Co. gives no tice that it will apply at the next legislature for an act authorizing directors to make a new issue of bonds for \$500,000 to provide for bonds lost or destroyed and for other purposes. Notice of application for letters patent is given by E. G. Vroom, G. W. Ganong, J. D. Chipman, Charles C. Grant, F. M. Murchie and James Vroom, all of St. Stephen, for incorporation as the "Vroom Brothers, Ltd." to carry on a general business in manufacturing and selling furniture

carpets, musical instruments, etc.; capital. \$24,000 subscribed. The Gazette contains the assignment of the sittings and circuit courts. St. John circuits are: Justice Gregory, 14 March; McLeod, 20 June; Landry, September; Hanington, 28 November; Tuck, 2 January.

Landry and McLeod are assigned to the York sittings.
Westmorland—Chief justice, McLeod, Gregory.

Kings-Chief justice, Landry. Charlotte-Hanington, Landry, Albert-Chief justice, McLeod. Kent-Gregory.

Restigouche-Landry Gloucester-Landry. Northumberland - Hanington, Greg Carleton-McLeod. Queens-Gregory.

Victoria-McLeod. Madawaska-McLeod Sunbury-Landry, Gregory. Judges under dominion controverted lections act: Chief justice and McLeod for York, Westmorland, Sunbury, Queens, Glou-

cester and Restigouche. Hanington and Gregory for St. John Landry and Barker for Charlotte, Election petitions under cap. Con. Chief justice-Westmorland, Char-

Hanington-York, Gloucester, Resti-Landry-St. John county, Victoria, Madawaska. Barker-Carleton, Albert, Sunbury. McLeod-Queens, Kent. Gregory-St. John city, Northumber-

QUEENSTOWN, Ireland, Feb. 16 .-

BOOMED ST. JOHN.

Ice Bound Harbors,

And Took Pleasure in Telling the People He Met That St. John Was Clear All the Year

Alfred Porter, of Wm. Thomson & Co., returned yesterday from a trip south, made in the interests of the Battle Steamship Line. Although the winters in Virginia are supposed to be as balmy and pleasant as Canadian summers, Mr. Porter found the weather

is in St. John at the present time. The Delaware river was full of ice and for a time was altogether closed to navigation There was good skating at Newport News a week ago, although Mr. Porter remarked that only a small proportion of the children seemed to be availing themselves of the opportunity to indulge in this pastime, probably because only a few of them knew how, owing to the very limited opportunities which they have

of learning. Battle liners, was three days in making the trip from Baltimore to Cape Henry, the usual time for the distance being sixteen hours. The presence of so much ice caused the suspension of the whole ferry service.
In New York Mr. Porter also found

the weather very cold. Not for years past has there been so much ice in the harbor, and Mr. Porter says he was told that the fall of snow this winter was within two inches of the record. Mr. Porter gave some information with reference to the movements of

several of the Battle liners. The Albuera, which was damaged by striking an uncharted rock in the Straits of Magellan, was repaired at Newport News, and loaded grain there for Hamburg. The Himera, from New Orleans, and

at Newport News recently bunkering.

The Pandosia discharged a cargo of hemp and ore at Baltimore, from Rio
Janeiro, and has gone to Savannah to
load for Europe.

The Eretria loaded grain at Baltihim, which proved so interesting and

more for Copenhagen. Mr. Porter said that he north of Hatteras which was free from ice the year round. This was news to ports, and caused considerable surprise

During his trip Mr. Porter visited Baltimore, Newport News, Old Point Comfort, New York and Boston.

CONCERT AT ALBERT.

HOPEWELL HILL via Albert, Feb

16.-Madame Alertha Bowie, the well

known singer, with her newly organ-

ized company, comprised of her former

pupils, Mrs. N. P. Duffy, Mrs. B. F. Steeves with Miss Dorothy Smith by field glasses. planist, gave a grand concert in Oulton Hall at Albert last evening. The performance, which was the opening of the company's proposed tour, being a magnificent success, applause from the appreciative audience that completely filled the large hall followed the rendition of each and every selection, and Madme Bowie, who hails from this county, must have been highly gratified at the splendid reception accorded her and her talented associates by the people of her native land. Considering that Madame Bowie has only recently returned from abroad, the opening selection, Home Again From a Foreign Shore, sung as a trio, was very appropriate and was most enthusiastically received. Mrs. Duffy on one occasion sang a very lovely sorg, Dear Heart, I Love You, in a very low and rich contralto voice. The numbers on the very full programme, which included solos, duets and trios, were largely classical, including Home to Our Mountain, from Il Trovatore; Hearest Thou, Mattel; Happy Days Streleski; Melba Waltz, Arditi; I Am Titania, Thomas; In the Calmness, Gound: Romeo and Juliet, closing with Home Sweet Home sang as a trio. The encores included the ever popular Coming Through the Rye by Madame Bowie; Sweet Bird of Spring by Mrs. Steeves, Bonnie Sweet Bessie, The Maid of Dundee, etc., most charm ingly rendered. M'ss Dorothy Smith, the accompanist, who made her first public appearance as a pianist, came in for a large measure of praise and rendered several instrumental soles in very artistic manner. Madame Bowie, who is a daughter of Capt. Geo A. Coonan of Harvey, has had a period of training of some fifteen years, having studied in Canada, Boston, Michigan and Chicago, where she was under the instruction of one of the head teachers of Dresden University. Mrs. Duffy and Mrs. Steeves are both sisters of Madame Bowie.

LOVING CUP FROM BORDEN. conferring upon Robert Laird Borden The exports of domestic goods

Royal Baking Powder

45 cents a pound can 25 cents a half pound can

Royal Baking Powder is made from pure grape cream of tartar, and is absolutely pure.

Royal Baking Powder assures wholesome food; it makes the best biscuits, cakes and all hot-breads; it protects the family from the danger of alum and other injurious substitutes.

Royal Baking Powder saves time, saves butter, flour and eggs; saves health.

AT BISLEY.

of learning.
The steamer Pandosia, one of the Lt. Col. W. P. Anderson Gives His Report.

> How the London Scottish Made Themselves Practically Invisible in

Advance.

OTTAWA, Feb. 15 .- Lieut. Col. W. P. Anderson has handed to the government his report of the visit of the the Cunaxa, from Savannah, have been canadian team of marksmen to Bisat Newport News recently bunkering. ticularly to Ottawa:

instructive that although not connected with the National Rifle meeting, I upon the people whom he met the fact consider it well worthy of mention. that St. John harbor was the only one | The competition to which I refer took place on the Pirbright Common between teams of five men under the command a great many people at the various of a non-commissioned officer, from the several companies of Col. Balfour's old called an 'invisibility competition,' and Field Marshal Earl Roberts Shows Its the prize went to the team which succeeded in advancing about half a mile over the common with least exposure

to the sight of the umpires. "The ground selected for the comstationed, and succeeded between the time that the musket was being

rushes in absolutely concealing them- replaced by the rifle: selves from our sight, even when aided organized at Rockliffe would show Bess,' I would point to a trial where commanding officers and the militia the best shot of this establishment, authorities how much can be done to firing with that musket from a rest, instruct corps in taking cover while could not at 300 yards hit an 18-feet skirmishing, and would also test the relative value of different types of taking aim at a mark in its centre, uniform to meet service conditions. and that at 200 yards the shooting was The warm grey uniforms of the London Scottish seemed to melt into the heath, so that men lying on ground absolutely unsheltered offered nothing to aim at so long as they remained motionless."

CONSERVATIVE CAUCUS

Held Yesterday—Whips Appointed— **Trade Figures for Past Seven**

OTTAWA, Feb. 15 .- The first caucus of conservative members of this parliament under Mr. Borden's leadership was held this morning. Mr. Bergeron presided, and a valuable two hours was devoted to discussion of the proposed organization of party on the lin down by Mr. Borden as one of the conditions under wnich he accepted the

leadership. Whips were appointed as follows: Chief whip, George Taylor; for Ontario, Mr. Lancaster of Lincoln and Mr. Ingram of East Elgin; for Quebec, Dr. Worthington of Sherbrooke and Mr. Leonard of Laval; for the maritime provin es, Mr. Ganong of Charlotte and Mr. Lefurgey of Prince Edward

Island; for Manitoba and the west, Dr. Roche of Marquette. The trade figures for the past seven months were given out by the customs physical support. department today.

The total imports for consumption were \$147,916,422, an increase of \$5,768,-902 for the same time last year. Hon. R. L. Borden has given another imports for January were \$18,068,671, example of his whole-heartedness by as against \$17,472,980 for January, 1904. Bisset, a baby of this city, a handsome seven months were \$125,240,493, a desilver loving cup. The child he never crease of over \$10,000,000 compared with tactics; these advantages disappeared, saw, but incidentally heard some the same time last year. For the and it is difficult to overestimate how months ago that the child's parents had month of January the decrease was greatly regimental officers are now. named it after him. He made a note \$263,147. There was a gain of \$343,361 of the fact and as soon as he arrived at in the exports of manufactures last control over their men, and how great W. S. Fielding, the Canadian finance Ottawa went about to surprise the parminister, is a gassenger on the White ents of the little one. Mr. Bisset has their produce show an increase, while to feel the support of their comrades

TERRIBLE RESULTS

QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 16.-Four men were killed and 14 injured, of whom three are in a critical condition, as the result of two explosions on board the British submarine "A-5," in the harbor this morning. The killed included Engineer-Artificer Chaffee, a leading stoker and a stoker. Lieut. H. G. Good, commander of the vessel, was blinded. His condition is critical. Lieut. Skinner, an officer of the submarine boat, subsequently died of his injuries. Only one man of the entire

crew escaped uninjured. The first explosion is believed to have occurred while the crew was engaged in filling the gasolene tanks, preparatory to proceeding outside the the first explosion. When this explosion occurred a number of the crew teered to go to the rescue of the submarine boat's crew, but hardly had second explosion took place, and all the

rescuers were more or less injured The submarine boat was afterwards docked, and an official statement issued suffered much damage.

CHANGE FROM MUSKET TO RIFLE

Disagvantages in the Army. As regards precision, the musket was sighted to hit point-blank at 150 yards, petition was almost level and practi- but so inaccurate was it that Col. cally bare, being covered with only the Charles Hay, who was appointed comshort heath common to the locality and mandant of Hythe when the School of a few scattered tufts of bushes and Musketry was first established there grass, yet the men advanced in rushes in 1853, made the following remark in to within 100 yards of where we were his report of the 17th of May, 1856, at

"Should there exist any one who retains any lingering affection for the "I believe that a similar competition musket, pattern 1842, the 'Brown square target once in twenty shots,

> hardly more effective." The change from the musket to the rifle came on very gradually. At an early date in the last century, the Rifle Brigade, and three years later the First Battalion Sixtieth, were armed with the Brunswick rifle. It was practically a 12-bore, sighted by means of a folding sight to 300 yards, and was used the rifle regiments employed in the Kaffir war of 1851-8.

> In 1854 all rifle regiments were armed with the Minie rifle, and during the Crimean war the Enfield rifle was issued to certain other regiments.
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> In 1857 the long Enfield was issued to the army generally, and ten years later it was converted into the Snider pattern breech-loader. In 1873 the issue of the Martini-Henry

> In 1889 the Lee-Metford was irtroduced, and at the present time a new pattern of that rifle is being issued, which experience has proved to be ad-Except that it is five inches shorter and one pound four ounces lighter (which makes it handler for the cavalry soldier), and has the clip-

> loading attachment, it is the same as the original Lee-Metford rifle. Up to the time that breech-loading weapons were introduced, battles were fought as they had been fought from time immemorial, at close quarters and in compact formation. These con-ditions had two distinct advantages. First, the regmental officers had

> throughout an action, while the men themselves had mutual moral and Secondly, the officer in supreme command was kept fully and quickly informed while an engagement was be-

> ing fought of everything that was taking place from end to end of the field. But the greater accuracy and increased range of the breech-loaders necessitated a considerable change in handicapped by not having complete