

NEWS OF THE WORLD. THE HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK IN BRIEF.

Despatches from points of Interest in different parts of the World—Domestic and Foreign events—The Dark and Sunny Side of Life. London, Feb. 22—Baron Waterpark, chairman of the Deshler county council, has failed with liabilities aggregating £28,288.

TO BE TRIED AGAIN. THE REPORT ON CANADA'S RAILWAYS FOR LAST YEAR. Jury Disagreed in Dr. Kennedy Murder Case. ONCE WAS SENTENCED.

New York, Feb. 22—The jury in the second trial of Dr. Samuel J. Kennedy, under indictment for the murder of Dolly Reynolds, today disagreed and the accused is again in the Tombs, in the cell formerly occupied by Roland B. Moineux. By the disagreement the prisoner is further removed from the death chair to which he was once sentenced. He may be released on bail pending a third trial, which will be held at an early date in the court of general sessions. There is good authority for the statement that the jury took many ballots and stood all night in the jury room, but that on the last ballot one jurymen went over to Dr. Kennedy's side and that the result was a final vote of seven to five for conviction. The jury came in at 2:45. After the usual questions from the justice as to whether the jury had agreed upon a verdict, the foreman, James Klakely, replied: "I can speak for myself only. I am unable to speak for the others. I cannot be persuaded from my position."

THE REPORT ON CANADA'S RAILWAYS FOR LAST YEAR. Detailed Statement Submitted to Parliament—More Miles of Railway, More Money Made—The Number of Lines Operating—Intercolonial Business Has Been Excellent.

Ottawa, Feb. 22—The annual report of the Hon. A. G. Blair, minister of railways, which has just been issued, shows that 160 miles of new lines were laid during the year, making 17,824 completed miles of road in all. Besides, there were 2,538 miles of siding. The number of miles of main line was 17,694. The actual number of miles in operation is 17,657. The Dominion government is the third largest owner of railways in the Dominion, the Canadian Pacific being at the head of the list and the Grand Trunk standing next. The Dominion government is controlling companies in Canada is 82. The paid-up capital amounted to \$68,268,404, an increase of \$3,588,620. The gross earnings amounted to \$70,740,270, an increase of \$8,496,186, and the working expenses aggregated \$47,099,738, an increase of \$6,983,381 compared with those of the previous year, leaving the net earnings \$23,640,472, an increase of \$1,502,885. The number of passengers carried was 21,500,175, an increase of 2,366,510, and the freight tonnage was 33,946,183 tons, an increase of 4,734,430 tons. The total number of miles run by trains was 55,177,871, an increase of 2,992,924. The accident returns show seven passenger-kills.

EXEMPTED FROM FASTING. Because of Prevalence of Grip, Bishop Rogers Issues Decree in Chatham Diocese.

Chatham, Feb. 20—The usual Ash Wednesday services were held in St. Mary's (Episcopal) church and the Rev. Mr. Rogers issued the following circular to the clergy and parsonages of his diocese: "Since the season of fasting and abstinence in our diocese, we have judged it well to follow the prudent suggestions of worthy persons—both clergy and medical men—of the laws of fasting and abstinence on account of the prevalence of grip, all under our pastoral care. Mr. J. F. Benson, editor of the Canadian Press, has written me a short note to the effect that he has been advised by his physician to abstain from meat during the fast. This year the parish of Chatham is advised to abstain from meat during the fast. At a meeting of the Synodical Convention, held in the Prince Edward Island railway, the gross earnings of the year 1899, compared with those of the preceding year show an increase of \$282,344. The gross working expenses amounted to \$4,065,228, an increase of \$758,615. The net earnings were \$3,307,123. There are three railways maintained and operated by the government. They are the Intercolonial, the Canadian Pacific and the Grand Trunk. The gross earnings of the year 1899, compared with those of the preceding year show an increase of \$282,344. The gross working expenses amounted to \$4,065,228, an increase of \$758,615. The net earnings were \$3,307,123.

ALBERT COUNTY NEWS.

Addition to Population—Good Price for Hay—Personal. Hopedale Hill, Feb. 20—The parish of Hopedale has recently received a very substantial addition to its population by the immigration of a family of 17 persons from the States. The family is that of Mr. J. A. Hucks, who lived at Albert when a young man, and who moved to the United States about 22 years ago. Mr. Hucks first went to the State of Maine, but for the past 17 years he has been living in Minnesota, where he owned a large farm, which he sold for an excellent price. Mr. Hucks will purchase a farm in this section and will reside here permanently. Mrs. S. S. Calloway, of Lower Cape, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. B. Hamill, in this town. C. C. West, merchant of this place, made a business trip to Moncton this week. Mrs. Aurelia Colpitts has returned from a visit to friends at Moncton and Pettit-cosme. John A. West, of the I. C. R. office, Moncton, was in this place this week. Miss Laura G. Calloway, teacher at West Hill, spent Sunday with her parents at Lower Cape. Mrs. Daniel O. Woodworth, of Chemical Hill, has been seriously ill, but is slowly improving. W. J. Carmichael's steam mill is now engaged on a lot of cut logs at Harvey. Hay is selling rapidly at a good price. English brings from \$8 to \$9.

Queens County News.

White's Cove, Queens County, Feb. 19—J. E. White, of this place, is doing quite a business getting soft wool for the Rock-land market. Mr. Hancock and wife, of Portland, are here, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. White. Mrs. Hancock was Miss Anne Morley, of White's Point. There was service yesterday at Mt. Cove, the first in five months. Hon. L. P. Harris left this morning for Fredericton. Able to Collect. You seem in good humor, old man. Yes, I've just won a bet from my wife. Yes, I will. I bet her three nights of the next month against a dozen orange spoons.

Government Baking Powder Tests.

The Royal Baking Powder is an old commodity for favor with the housekeepers of the Dominion. Its patrons will be pleased to know that the recent Government report giving the analyses of baking powders sold in the Dominion show the Royal to be the purest of cream of tartar powders, the most healthful in character, and of greatest leavening strength. It is shown that the art in baking powder making is to give a pure and healthful powder, which will keep indefinitely without losing its strength. These two qualifications—effective keeping and highest strength—it is impossible to combine in a powder except with the use of chemically pure ingredients. The report states that the only entirely cream of tartar powders which came up to this standard were the Royal and Cleveland's.

McAVITY WOOD PUMPS (Anti-Freezing). PITCHER SPOUT PUMPS, FORCE PUMPS, WELL PUMPS, STOCK PUMPS. Prices furnished on Application.

T. McAVITY & SONS, ST. JOHN, N. B. SIR LOUIS DAVIES MAKES STRONG PRONOUNCEMENT RE ST. LAWRENCE.

Willing to Spend Money Where Improvements Are Shown to Be Needed—Lights for New Brunswick—Bill on Preferential Tariff.

Ottawa, Feb. 22—(Special)—When the house met today Mr. Monk, of Jacques Cartier, first lieutenant of the opposition, moved that the name of R. L. Richardson be added to the committee. He was on the committee last parliament. The premier said there was no objection to the motion but he moved that the name of Mr. McCreedy, of Selkirk, be added to the committee; which was also agreed to. The house then went into supply and took up the estimates of the department of marine and fisheries. In reply to a query by Sir Hubert Tupper, the minister of marine stated that, after being operated in ice on the Atlantic coast last year, the iron shipbuilding industry of the province had been revived. The number of new vessels built was 1,100, an increase of 1,100 tons, were carried. Of manufactured goods, 507,021 tons were carried, an increase of 107,407 tons. Of refined sugar 29,007 tons, an increase of 3,743 tons were carried. A total of 3,929 tons of fresh fish, an increase of 2,356 tons, and a total of 6,943 tons of salt fish, an increase of 1,109 tons, were carried. Of manufactured goods, 507,021 tons were carried, an increase of 107,407 tons. Of refined sugar 29,007 tons, an increase of 3,743 tons were carried. A total of 3,929 tons of fresh fish, an increase of 2,356 tons, and a total of 6,943 tons of salt fish, an increase of 1,109 tons, were carried.

New Brunswick Lights.

Replying to Mr. Fowler, Sir Louis Davies said new lights were being arranged for in New Brunswick as follows: Pointe-a-la-Peine, Zephyr Rock Ships, Grays Point and Hampstead wharf, and a lightship on the La Crosse River in the Bay of Fundy. Referring to the fishery regulations, Mr. Hackett said that the department was suffering in popularity from the stringency of the regulations which were being enforced out of season. Sir Louis, in reply, admitted that this might be so, but nevertheless he was going to do his duty and see that the fisheries were protected.

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Mob Twice Strung a Man Up by the Neck to Make Him Confess.

New York, Feb. 25—An excited mob in Manhattan, N. Y., last night hanged Chas. Herbert, a recent convict, by the neck in an effort to make him confess that he had started a fire which destroyed the business portion of the town on January 27. Herbert protested his innocence. He was strung up a second time and again asserted that he was not guilty. This time the mob ceased, and the man was taken to jail. As the man was being taken to jail several frozen persons kicked and struck him, and he was taken to the hospital.