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A SESSION.

was supposed to stand sponsor. The dedoubt which has attended the prelimin aries in connection with the proposed new reviews the case, resulted in damning cerbain features of the railway project in the yes of some of the railway men and panciers who had proposed to carry it

Next in the order of events came the deult of the promoters. By act of Parliaent they were called upon to deposit to the government's credit \$5,000,000 in cash or government securities. This was not done. Instead the Grand Trunk directors, without the consent of their stockholders offered to put up \$5,000,000 in mortgage bonds of the Grand Trunk. As this offer could not be regarded as a legal compliance with the act of Parliament, and as the government could not alter the contract without the consent of Parliament another session becomes necessary before the G. T. P. bargain can be regarded as complete. In reality the original bargain was vitiated by the failure of the Grand Trunk to meet the statutory requirements gate \$34,380,000,000. "Of this amount,"

The company asks for modifications. In plain words the original plan of the government in regard to the new transcontinental is not good enough for the investors. Perhaps they will ask that the Quebec-Moncton section be abandoned. Perhaps they are inclined to discard the scheme so far as it involves the operation of the line projected east of Winnipeg.

suggest some days ago, the government prefers to discuss these modifications of its railway policy while it has at its comlast year. The coming re-opening of the question, however, would seem to prefigure thirty-five cents per capita." a lively session.

CHAMPLAIN.

With the contribution that apepars in today's issue of The Telegraph the Rev. Dr. Raymond concludes his story of the River St. John so far as the French period is concerned. He has introduced into his very interesting narrative much that has never before appeared in print, and it may be said, without fear of contradiction, that he has written the most complete account of the course of events on the River St. John during the French regime that has yet appeared.

A widespread interest is being taken in these papers, and many inquiries have little over six weeks in which to hold the been made from various parts of the by-elections. province and even from places as far as the Pacific Coast, whether the series of in the situation. Since the house is t articles contributed to The Telegraph will meet there will not, of course, be the sam appear in book form. We are glad to say urgency for the selection of candidates all that this will be the case and that the over the province, but Hon. Mr. Emmerbook will appear shortly before the Cham- son, being now the provincial leader of his plain-de Monte commemoration in June. party, must of course get into closer touch Meanwhile Dr. Raymond will continue his series of papers and tell the story of the settlement of the country by the the landing of the Loyalists.

The Telegraph has been fortunate in

days of this region. Politics and war, per- powerful and aggressive than the sam the story which the Rev. Dr. Raymond the Liberal party of New Brunswick in s telling of the River St. John.

may negelect if he wish to know the story Indians, the French and the conquering Kings, Carleton, Sumbury and Northum-British. It is a stirring history, which berland were lost to the Liberals in th has already commanded wide attention last federal election, while York was won the color and temper of the period with if he will attend to the other constituencies ion which is to come in June, in which already so much interest has been dis played as to assure a conspicuous success

LOOKING FOR MONEY. Russia has Germany alone to look to, and there she may not be successful. For Russia's national debt is heavy and her credit is at low ebb. We all know something about the sinews of war. Where are they from her people, but the proposal suggests danger. It would be her plan to float a war loan and tax the subjects of the Czar thereafter. But already her debt is enenhance her credit in the money markets of the world. The Jews, whose grasp of international finance is of recognized strength, are opposed to Russia France has been both Russia's banker and her ally, but the bankers of Paris have just refused to underwrite anmen to the contract into which the govern- other loan for the Czar, and he must turn nent entered with the Grand Trunk Pacific to Berlin, where his government has been Company, for which the Grand Trunk unable to borrow a dollar since Bismarck's

fection of Hon. Mr. Blair and his great Notoriously in need of money the quesof the season of more than ordinary interest in view of the Trunk Pacific measure is not yet out of sufficient importance to commend itself speech against the government's railway tion Where will Russia get it? becomes of pert reminds us that after the Bismarck trans-continental railway. Mr. Blair's episode the periodical visits of the Czar speech, it must be plain to anyone who to Paris began. He says in this connec-

These visits were followed by the alliance between Russia and France. Immediately after the formation of this alliance Russia began borrowing heavily in Paris. The first loam was in 1891 and was for \$100,000,000. The bonds drew interest at the rate of 3 per cent. and were sold for 79%. Since that year Russia has borrowed over \$1,000,000,000 in Paris. The French government notified the Paris bankers several weeks ago that it would not be advisable to underwrite any more Russian bond issues. Russia, cannot, of course, borrow any money in London and may be forced to turn to Berlin. This would be the first Russian loan in Berlin for over fitteen years.

And Berlin would loan no money unless richest province in China.

The nations of the world owe varying and vast sums. They are by no means poorest in credit who owe the larger sums A statement recently compiled may be of interest. The public debts of the chief countries of the world today are in aggre-\$150 per capita; the United Kingdom \$3, 885,000,000, or \$92 per capita; Russia, \$3, 333,000,000, or \$24 per capita; Italy, \$2,-Empire and German states, \$3,385,000,000, capita. The United States is the only country in the world able to borrow money port:at two per cent. The highest interest passed the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme charge per capital is the \$10.14 for Australia. That of the United States is only

> is comparatively small her actual and pros- consideration your geographical position Russia is almost in the condition of the hibernating bear which must feed on his for peace, albeit the Bear must fight not- velopment must take place. St. John will is to be done or not. Unless the knowlwithstanding, or withdraw his paws from of course do an enormous business. I can edge course very soon it will be too late the borders of Corea.

MR. EMMERSON'S TASK.

Political events in Canada will now move more rapidly. Parliament is to meet on March 3rd, and this leaves only a

New Brunswick is especially interested with the various constituencies.

This is the second time he has such Mr. Blair in the leadership,-first, as pioneers of English civilization, including premier of this province, and now as the that it is the medium of publication he assumes a far more difficult task and a selected for these papers. The series fur- greater responsibility; for the course pur- and at the mouth of the Yalu, and almost striking idea as to the methods in vogue nishes a oplendid literary preparation for sued by Mr. Blair, and the uncertainty the celebration which St. John will un- and the period of delay before his sucdertake in June next. While saying that, cessor's appointment was announced, have The Telegraph desires to say, also, that somewhat lessened the enthusiasm of t'e the information set forth in Rev. Dr. party. It is Mr. Emmerson's task to prove, part of China. The net result, therefore, in the interest of public safety in all those Raymond's narrative is of peculiar value if he can, that the New Brunswick Lib- of the Japanese treaty is the immediate places of amusement. An inspection of to any man who would know of the early eral party under his leadership is not less opening to foreign trade of two Chinese churches will also be made, doubtless to

onal worth and personal adventure, the party was under the leadership of Mr. organized fighting trim for the general elections. He is thus confronted with very heavy demands upon his time and talents, even if he should not have to contest the

The Globe on Saturday evening indicated some of the tasks that await Mr. Emmerson. It reminds him that Charlotte and which will be even more absorbing in by a narrow majority. The Globe does there are gentlemen on Prince William

France has loaned to Russia all the They endorse the Chamberlain imperial programme, and also stand for protectio in Canada. Speaking at Magog last week, Mr. Borden said: "I am appealing to Liberals and Conservatives alike and am proclaiming the same policy from British Columbia to Nova Scotia. That policy is protection."

Mr. Tarte spoke at the same meeting, and the correspondent of the Montreal Gazette quotes these entences from his "And I am now, always was, and always

imposed by the United States against us."

The fight between the two parties, one of its chief issues, though of course terial; but unless some thought is given to other issues may arise as a result of the the subject by the citizens, the best rethe woods, and the public will await with very deep interest the next announcement of the government policy relating thereto. The summoning of parliament changes the the premier decided to have another session, after having apparently convinced even his colleagues that the elections would be brought on almost immediately. The ecssion is likely to be a lively one, for both parties will be anxious to supplement much more of the same kind. Doubtless the work of organization in the country will continue for some weeks yet, and the Germany had decided to support Russia by elections will furnish a battle ground in return for the doubtful cession of the prior to the transfer of the ctorm centre to Ottawa on March 3rd.

THE WINTER PORTS.

The Halifax papers of Friday and Satursays the writer, "France, the United King- shown over the harbor and presented with dom, Germany, Italy and Spain owe \$17,- a great mass of information concerning 000,000,000. France owes \$5,856,000,000, or the port, its trade, its grievances and aspirations. The speakers generally appear to have expressed pleasure at the growth of the trade of St. John, but they nature 560,000,000, or \$81 per capita; Spain, \$2,- ally and properly devoted their attention 061,000,000, or \$110 per capita; the German chiefly to their own port. Before the commission adjourned, Mr. Bertram made the or \$60 per capita; the United States, \$925,- following remarks, which will be as gratify-Evidently, as The Telegraph ventured to 000,000, or \$11 per capita. Japan has a ing to St. John as to Halifax, inasmuch as debt of \$206,000,000, representing \$4.73 per he speaks with absolute assurance conconcerning the growth of trade at this "Regarding through traffic across the

> a long time, and if you think you have not While Russia's interest charge per capita progressed as, say Boston has, take into pective wealth, and so her power of re- It is for us to grasp our opportunities, and covery, is also small, and her credit is if Halifax is the mearest open port to virtually exhausted. Financially, today, Great Britain and the Orient your development will come, and it will be natural. Halifax is on the main road to own fat. It is a condition which makes the Orient and along that line the desee, however, that in the near future business will come to Halifax. This is the only point of indication I can give you I assure you your good city will get our best consideration.

TWO IMPORTANT TREATIES

The ratification of the treaties between China and the United States and China and Japan mean much to the world's comopen door in Manchuria, which Russia has elect delegates to the county convention so strenuously sought to control. By the and elect officers for the ensuing year American treaty two new localities in Halifax Liberals will meet tomorrow even-Manchuria are opened to foreign tradethe city of Mukden and the town of Antung (or Shao, as it is frequently called) on the Yalu river. It is to be noted in this connection that the Japanese and trade the opening of the port of Tatung directly opposite the Corean port of there. Yongampho. The Japanese treaty also provides for the opening of Ch-Angsha-Fu, in the province of Hunan, in the central resulted in a report which calls for changes

things march in their proper position in preparation. He is also expected to get Another important concession is thus described by the New York Journal of Com-

> In addition to the opening of the portented, Japan has obtained from China the very significant concession that in case of and after the complete withdrawal of the foreign troops stationed in the province of Chihli and of the legation guards, a of Chini and of the legation guards, place of international residence and trade in Pekin shall be forthwith opened by China itself. An annex to the treaty formulates the conditions under which this inner city is to be selected and set apart where merchants of all nationalities may reside and carry on trade. Within these limits they are to be at liberty to lease land, build houses and warehouses, and establish places of business. All the road there are gentlemen on Prince William street who can do as much for St. John.
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> CAMPAIGN ISSUES.
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> Mr. Borden and Mr. Tarte leave no one in doubt with regard to their attitude on the tariff question on preferential trade. tional settlement in Pekin a foreign grown on so impressive a scale at Shanghai

WHO WILL BE MAYOR? Who is to be mayor of St. John during he term of 1904-5? It is not too soon to est celebration in the history of the city. The chief magistrate at such a time should be exceptionally well qualified to perform the important duties that will devolve will be a protectionist."

"We must build up a tariff wall to counteract the forty-nine per cent. tariff

Week, with British, American and French "I favor the Chamberlain policy. It would make us, if adopted, more and more Britishers."

"The results of the next election will Mayor White, if it should be the desired. mot be what they were in 1992. Free trade principles have proved a failure."

"We must be independent in every way of the United States."

Mayor White, if it should be the deficient of the citizens to give him a third term, and he should consent, would be well qualified, both by reason of ability and qualified, both by reason of ability and experience. If the choice is to fall upon therefore, will probably have the tariff as some other, there is no lack of good ma much with civic affairs, except to grumble at recults which they might have pre

GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

The Telegraph's Montreal correspondent states that the opinion prevails there that the Grand Trunk Pacific Company would like to be rid of the eastern section of the line, meaning that from Quebec to Monethe campaign literature of last session with ton. The government has been unfortunate in this whole affair, and the next move will be awaited with no little anxiety. It wou'd be in the public interest to have the proposed modifications made known before the by-elections are held. be called in St. John before the month is Before appealing to his constituents in out. Thereafter the public will know Westmorland, Mr. Emmerson should be able to tell them what it is now proposed to do, so that they would know what favor or are to be nipped by the frost of effect the change may have on the whole project. The like is true of this constituency. We know what the late member for St. John thought of the original scheme, and the government candidate in the coming by-election will not only have to overcome the effect of Mr. Blair's speech but also discuss the effect of the proposed changes-whatever they are. It is assumed, of course, that there will be opposition in the by-elections. The ac-Conservatives all over the country, and the confident tone of their orators and newspapers. If they have only been waiting for an opportunity they have it now.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

There is to be a session within a few weeks. Who is to represent St. John?

The Halifax merchants asked the transportation commission to endeavor to induce the government to grant the C. P. R. running rights over the I. C. R.

If there is to be a by-election, St. John to be of any service in providing berthe for next year.

It will interest New Brunswick tourist associations to know that more than 88,000 York visited the Adirondacks last summer, and the summer visitors spent in that re gion alone nearly \$4,000,000.

Monoton Liberala will meet tonight to merce, inasmuch as they guarantee the arrange for a reception to Mr. Emmerson, ing to select candidates for the city and

The General Public Hospital manage ment is on trial. The coroner has not yet the institution, but before the inquiry is Kou, about thirteen miks below Antung, finished the public is likely to get some

An inejection of Montreal theatres has

HOW YOU CAN SAVE ON OVERCOATS IN OAK HALL'S CLEARANCE.

Every housekeeper knows that twice a year there comes a time of hurly-burly, when some things are sent to the garret and others to the cellar, and new things are brought in to brighten up the house.

January 20, 1904.

January is Oak Hall's house cleaning time-it doesn't send its winter clothing to the garret or the cellar to make ready for the reception of its spring clothing.

It sends hundreds of suits and overcoats out into the community by reducing the price considerably below the original figures, which in themselves were already twenty-five per cent. below others, and that's why you can get

Overcoats others ask \$6 25 for we sell regularly at \$5.00, now \$3.85 Overcoats others ask 750 for we sell regularly at 6 00, now 4.25 Overcoats others ask 850 for we sell regularly at 7.00, now 5.25 Overcoats others ask 10.00 for we sell regularly at 8.00, now 5.85 Overcoats others ask 12 00 for we sell regularly at 10 00, now 7.50 Overcoats others ask 15.00 for we sell regularly at 12.00, now 8.75
Overcoats others ask 16.50 for we sell regularly at 13.50, now 9.50
Overcoats others ask 18.00 for we sell regularly at 15.00, now 10.75

BOYS' CLOTHING—Better Values Than Ever.

Some, our spindy spandy best; all stylish and extremely well tailored. Good patterns and good cloths. I nink of it. And there are weeks of cold weather ahead. Why, at the prices it will pay you to buy these and lay them away until next year.

> Boys' Two-Piece Suits, 6 to 12 years. Reduced from \$2.25, 2.50, 2.75, 3.00 \$2 89 Reduced from \$3 50, 3.75, 4.00 \$3 89 Reduced from \$4 50, 4.75, 5.00, 6 00

Boys' Three-Piece Suits, 9 to 17 years. Reduced from \$3,50, 375, 4.00, 4.25 Reduced from \$4.50, 5.00, 5.25, 5.50

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Boys' Reefers. \$1.25 Reduced from \$1.50, 4 to 12 years, Reduced from \$2.50, 4 to 10 years \$2.35 Reduced from \$3.00, 11 to 15 years. \$2 85 Reduced from \$3 75, 5 to 16 years.

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Boys' Russian
and Fancy Overcoats. Reduced from \$4.50, 5.00. \$4.95 Reduced from \$6.00, 650, 7.00, 8.00

GREATER OAK HALL,

KING STREET, COR. GERMAIN. ST. JOHN.

SCOVIL BROS. & CO.

St. John committee's report is awaited with interest.

The new Minister of Railways has been a meeting of New Brunswick Liberals is to whether certain eager candidacies are to blossom under the sun of ministerial ministerial frigidity.

The Montreal Witness throws out this hint to aspiring souls in that city: "Speaking generally, we would advise publicspirited candidates for civic positions to avoid getting the names of the representatives of public service corporations on voters to be very cautious about supporting any candidate who has such endorse ment. The corporation that does not work in elections in the interests of its own franchise as opposed to the interests of the public is seldom found, and the man who obtains such support is counted on to serve the corporation rather than the pub-

In spite of the Moncton Transcript's joyous caperings it is not to be supposed that Mr. Emmerson will be content to have his future policy shaped in the Transcript sanctum. There are some self and assuming to be long tolerated by a minister who would be popular and whose appear. A new minister would be the better for a literary lieutenant of a less peevish disposition. In time, if not immediately, the soundness of this advice will appeal to him.

A correspondent makes, in today's Telegraph, a strong statement of the advantis considerable feeling in that locality because it is claimed that the merits of the port were not fairly placed before the are many people who have had but an imperfect knowledge of the port. For the present, of course, interest chiefly centres n the development of St. John and Halifax, but in that great future which Chairman Bertram predicts for all maritime ports, L'Etang will have an opportunity to share in the general development. Our correspondent's letter will be read with general interest.

Some extraordinary prices were realized at the Smithfield Show, London, for a few pounds of potatoes. France, Pond & Sons, potato merchants, York, sold 4 lb. of Eldorado potatoes for £600, or at the rate of 150 per pound. This works out at £356,000 per ton, or about three times their weight in gold. Mr. Findlay, the raiser of these remarkable tubers, declined an offer of £70 for a single potato. A sum of £3,000 was paid for ten tons of the Northern Star yartety.



MORE MINERS ARRIVE.

New Brunswick.

Queens Coal Fields--Families to Fellow-- the Central Railway by the provincial Queens Coal Fields-Families to Fellow-Surveyor General Dunn Sees Very H. pe-the different mines, along the road will ful Outlook in Mineral Davelopment.

Forty-five practical miners arrived on the steamer Lake Price and be a great source of revenue to the the steamer Lake Erie Monday and Monday evening left for New Brunswick mines to take up work. Nine of the num per are Englishmen and they went to the for snears and imagines them when none have gone to the Beersville mine in Kent county. Every man carries a certificate showing him a practical mine workman. They are the last of a party of 100 brought out by the New Brunswick government and their establishment here wil be followed by that of their families that they will become settlers in the prov ince. Hon. A. T. Dunn, surveyor genera was in Kent county last week looking over the mining situation there and als arranging for the arrival of these work-

Mr. Dunn is well pleased with the development in coal mining which is going on in New Brunswick. The mine at Beerson in New Brunswick. The mine at Beersville, the property of the Beersville Coal & Railway Company, will have some 70 men at work when the arrivals of yesteryday will have begun. A shaft of some 950 feet has been run in this mine and the cocupants were thrown out. Captain White was practically unfarmed, but Mrs. Erwin was hurled with the company of day will have begun. A shaft of some 950 coal mining is being done in a very practical way. A trestle has been erected by means of which the coal, after being brought up the slope, can be screened directly into the cars. The natural facilities for working this mine are very great and the drainage is by gravitation, this doing away with the expense of pumping veyed in a coach to her home. The run and also meaning a dry mine to work. A railway has been biult from the mine to yard. The sleigh was shattered. Adamsville on the I. C. R. and the coal Adamsville on the I. C. R. and the coal is being taken out over the new road.

Some two miles away at Coal Branch, is the mines of the Canadian Coal and Manganese Company. This mine had been closed for some time, but is now in operation again and some 50 men are at work

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and in a short time will be able to mine quite a quantity of coal. A number of additional miners were taken on last week. The new Calyx drill recently purchased by Party on the Lake Erie to Work in Branch boring for the Canadian Coal and Manganese Company on their property.
In Queens county the several coal mines are in operation, more especially the King mine and that of J. S. Gibbon. Forty-five Practical Men for Kent and The facilities given by the extension of open up another large area of coal which in a very short time is expected to give

> In Gloucester county prospecting of the iron ore properties is going on and on the whole Surveyor General Dunn declares that the outlook for a large and valuable mineral development in different parts of the province is exceedingly good.

WOMAN INJURED.

A Runaway Accident in North End Monday Afternoon.

Mrs. Erwin, daughter of Captain White, of the Millidgeville ferry, was severely injured late Monday afternoon. With her father she was driving down Main great violence against a telegraph post, opposite S. Hawker's drug store. She was carried into the store, restoratives were applied, and she was made as comfortable as possible. In a short time Dr. McAlpine also gave assistance though no bones were broken, Mrs. Erwin sustained a bad bruising. She was con-