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on Bay Company, 2,008 mile in the Arctic Gircle. This year the toker a gophar's tail, mounted, and accom little book that is a gem

the printer's art The cophers, to Montreal." This would be both

practically give the Canadian waters the bulk of the traffic and amply repay the ook which cost of the improvements to the Welland Cree legend of hich is a little animal-and quite a pest

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-that burrows in the prairie. The book urge the importance of government en couragement of the shipbuilding industry; the nages with nictures of gopher and a committee of Canadian shipbuilder But it contains much more will prepare a statement of the present There are pages dealing with "The situation, and suggest the course of actio re"-its area, population, in nigration, railway mileage, agricultural that should be taken by the government products, elevator capacity, and the This, of course, relates to shipbuilding on

"American Invasion"; and with the city the lakes. All these various matters are to be con-Winnipeg,-its beginnings, population, idered by committees and then by the as clearings, post ofand placed before the govern ms figures, grain trade, and sociation. ment at the next session of parliament. There i Canadian newspapers, with a swort daily average circulation for morning and and canal interests, a hint editions of 20,846 during the he taken by the people of St

of November. Only the other day the Telegraph received from the Mayor of Winnipeg a splendid book of views of the oity. with valuable information. Thes western folk, of the prairie outlook, have ike the dredging now the true spirit of enterprise; and it is not surprising that their cities grow as their wealth multiplies.

The number of building permits issue in Winnipeg in 1903, up to Nov. 30, was 1,215, representing a total value of \$5,814,-000. Of these 1,126 were for dwelling diate reply to their request. houses. From a special issue of the Free

Press itself the Telegraph recently quoted other interesting statistics of the marvelous growth of the city.

OUR WESTERN RIVALS.

The Telegraph extends contemporary best wishes for a prosperous year, and looks forward with no little to learn what form next year's Christmas greeting will assume. If, as the Cree medicine man of old declared, the gopher's tail is a good luck bringer, the Free Press has proved itself an 833-

There are petitions against five Liberal uffalo, and 450 miles in 1.000nembers of the house, and the trial dat re as follows:-North York-Thursday, Jan. 14, New

with the greatest interest

market

erton North Perth and cross-petition-Mon

day, Jan. 18, Stratford. North Grey and cross-petition-Wedne

day, Jan. 20, Owen Sound. Sault Ste. Marie and cross-petition-

The association will go still farther, and Tuesday, Jan. 26, at Sault Ste. Marie.

Both political parties in New Brunswic expected contest. Uncertainty with r gard to Mr. Blair's position and the idea

course influences the Liberal party to som extent, while their opponents in man onstituencies appear to be playing a wai of the Cor course re-nominate Mr. Ganong. The

ed by activity all along the line, if it were Halifax. The claims of th known under what provincial leadersh the struggle were to be waged. Mr. Blain and the premier hold the key to the situ last week that the Grand Trunk Pacifi neasure might fail, but the latest word of St John should Saturday to dent of the Montreal Witof the cabinet. But our people should not the correspon

wait for favors. They should press their just claims, and, with respect to the dredging asked for, urge the need of an imme-It appears to be taken for granted by

NORTH RENFREW. The ew

loss of North Renfrew "might fairly jusof the Ross ministry,"

Centre Bruce-Thursday, Jan. 14, Walk

POLITICAL UNCERTAINTY.

tity of the next mi inister of railways

ness, is to the effect that the arrangement will proceed without delay, the security deposited being considered satisfactory.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley and by the Moncton Transcript that Hon. Mr. Emmerson i practically sure of the portfolio of rail ways and

sion has yet been made, but the genera pinion appears to be that the ex-min definitely slated for the chairmanship The one thing on which there appears t Indeed the St. John Globe expressed the view on Saturday that the be a general unanimity of opinion is that the elections will be held before parlia ment meets again. If that be true the

Honesty in Overcoats.

It's the hardest thing in the world for a man to carry values in his eye; he may see an overcoat marked \$15 at one store and \$18 at another, but he can't remember "whether it was just the same thing or not "

" Cloths and styles in so many stores look alike-it is confusing.

So he must depend upon the reputation of the store and its garments.

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Men's Winter Overcoats, \$5 to \$20

AT \$5.00-Blue and Black Beave Overcoats, made Chesterfield style, having Italian body linings and mohar eleeve linings.

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AT \$18.00-A line of Men's Oercoats made of finest quality of Grey Cheviot with a fine white stripe ranning through the cloth, with all the style and good trimming usually pu on a \$22 coat. OUR PRICE \$18.00.

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Your Wirter Underwear.

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Boys' Clothing for Winter. The Boys' Clothing

December 30, 1903.

store serves all tastes, and stands for good qualities alike to all.

Just a hint today of what, perhaps, your boy wants in his winter outfit, with price ranges.

Denble Breasted S	uits\$2.00 to \$6.00
Norfolk Suits	
Sailor Suits	
Russian Suits	\$3.50 to \$6.50
Reefers	\$1.50 to \$6.00
Overcoats	\$3.75 to \$8.50 .
Odd Trousers	50 to \$1.75
Suspenders	
Underwaists	
Stockings	
Chirts and Drawer	
Night Shirts	

offer over given by a Provincial newspaper and over 1,000 persons have already taken advantage of it. Why not join this rapidly increasing list and get this splendid paper for a year? We intend making eight drafts through the Bank on all persons who t remit before DEC. Slet, and when we are compelled to collect in this way we cannot give the premium, as the cost of collecting is then largely We believe our friends will much prefer to remit direct, and re-ceive this plendid premium free. Address all communications to

St. John, N. B.

The Telegraph Pub. Co,

AN IMPORTANT COMMISSION. report on the proj.et of municipal developnt and distribution of electrical energy It was decided by this committee to re end the proposition to the favorable sideration of the council, with the that not less than six municipal ities outside of Toronto, with an aggregate action must be removed. ement of \$30,000,000 join in the undertaking and chare the expense, which it is estimated will be about \$15,000. It was stated that nineteen municipalities with an assessment of \$234,000,000, would probably come in and bear a share of the

Referring especially to street railway ownership, the Toronto World makes a statement of the case, that will be fully appreciated by the citizens of St. John.

against corporate ownership is that the people get what they want. If they own their street railway service and do not railway service and do not their street railway service and us he set the kind of service they desire they ave only themselves to blame. But what can they do with a private corporation? railway controlled by a compar cun cold cars or hot cars, it can seat its St. John is merely doing what the Do-passengers or make them stand up, it can minion Marine Association is endeavoring appoint impudent efficials or obliging of-floials, or both. It is master of the situa-tion, no matter how stringent may be its tion, no matter how stringent may be its agreement with the municipality. Suffer-ing municipalities are told to go to the courts, but that is a course which prom-ises poor reward. The courts will not require specific performance of contract. If a company keeps any kind of cars running almost yany kind of schedule it can being spent on the sanal system; for they costfully defy attack on the strictest recommized that the expenditure was accesment that has yet been drawn.

The weakness of the World's argument is, of course, that even with municipal ownership the people do not get what same reason they want St. John is not satisfied with its street Tailway corvice, which it does not own, but neither is it eatisfied with its ferry service, which it dres own. Nor is it eathered with the condition of its etriets, which are under civic control. Nevertheles, much valuable information would be cecured by a properly constituted commission, which a wid tend toward a modificactory solution manent her le of very great importa all citics and towns

A WESTERN GREET

From the flourishing City of Wh comes to the Telegraph a quaint Chint ask that the government canals be kept stent demand for better things. Mr. mas greeting. Last year the Free Press open on Sunday. They will further ask a fine opportunity when he as that eity sent out to its friends of the funct the Welland canal be enlarged. They sumed the office of premier, but failed to States. In Chicago the other day he said: ern press a little bag of reindeer pem-

or the dispolution of the house. he still has a majority in the house, but WAKE UP, GENTLEMEN ! It is time the city council was told carry on business in the face of an alert whether the government intends to do the

and aggressive opposition. dredging required for the proposed new berths at Sand Point. If those four berths are to be constructed next summer, Liberal member, J. W. Munro, in the the timber must be got out this winter election of May 29, 1902, had a majority The winter is passing, and each week inof about 460. The change is therefore a sames the difficulty that may arise with

remarkable one. The Hon. Mr. Stratton regard to the timber supply. The citizene and Mr. Gamey both took a hand in the have cheerfully agreed to the suggestion fight, and the latter was served with a of the civic committee having this matter writ in a libel suit for \$10,000, on account in hand, that the aldermen should not be of certain charges he made against J. M. pressed for particulars of the proposed McEvoy, of London. The struggle was arrangement until it had reached the stage carried on with great bitterness. The where they could outline a definite plan; seat had been kept vacant by the governout patience will cease to be a virtue un ment for over a year and a half, and this ese something is done at once, or very was used for all it was toon. If greater pressure and more in worth by the opposition; while the course fuence are needed, now is the time to say of events in regard to the notorious so. Unless the committee are absolutely Gamey charges, and the criticism to which sure of their ground, it would be the part the government was subjected by some of wisdom to ask for the general cooperation of the citizens. This is not a leading Liberal papers, no doubt influence ed the electors. These papers strongly party question in any sense. St. John must have more berths for steamers, and ber in his cabinet. There must have been it is the plain duty of the government to many Liberals in North Renfrew who grant assistance. If there is a dispute between the committee and the department the most prominent men in the party. as to terms, no time should be lost in arriving at a basis of agreement. Whatever it is that stands in the way of prompt

ernment." Col. Tucker, M. P., has just returned The parties have been very close in profrom Ottawa. So far as The Telegraph vincial politics in Ontario for some years has been able to learn, the committee has not conferred with him regarding the quesa majority of seven after the elections of tion of dredging. One would think that 1898, and on March 28, 1901, on a motion every possible source of influence would be appealed to in a matter of so much only had a majority of 8. The elections importance to the city. It is now conof May 29, 1902, were so close that there siderably more than a month since the was a good deal of doubt whether the delegation returned from Montreal, and

government could hold on, and since that expressed confidence that a satisfactory time they have certainly not developed arrangement would very soon be made. strength. Saturday's election will further increase the confidence of the opposition. and it would appear the wisest course to have another general election. Neither

party is at present in a position to give he province a satisfactory administration In its plea for government aid for the Naturally there will be some epeculation necessary development of a national port. as to the effect this victory may have up on Conservative chances in North Rem frew in the federal elections; and the Conto do in connection with the canal sy tem. The national ports have an equal it is an evidence of growing weakness in claim with the canals, and should receive the Liberal party in that province. But equally prompt and favorable considera-Liberals who voted for the Conservative the hands of the government. The people of these provinces have not mur- candidate on Saturday, or refused to vo at all, will have an entirely different view mured in the past, when millions were point in the federal contest. They will not decide a federal question on provincial lines. Of course it goes without say sary to provide transportation facilities on ing that Saturday's victory will influence Canadian territory. The development of the parties to some extent in the next the national ports is necessary for the contest, but the great significance of the

result is provincial and not federal. The Dominion Marine Association was Doubtless one of the happiest of the organized at Ottawa last June, for the nen who was in the contest is Mr. Gamey. pecific purpose of securing abolition of the When challenged to do so he went int tolls on government canals. They wer the riding and into the thick of the fight. successful in gaining the concession for Hon. Mr. Stratton also went in, and his two years, and it is announced that the candidate was bad'y defeated. Mr. Gamey result has been a great increase in traffic is not a very good exponent of purity in on the canals. The association will now politics, but the probability is that in urge that the abolition be made perthe end his entry into the field in Ontario

will result in both parties fixing a little But other requests are also to be made higher standard than has ruled for some In view of the fast that their great comtime past. The political conscience of the petitor, the Erie canal, is open on Sun people has been rudely shocked during days, and that the season of navigation the past few years, and there is an inin the fall is short, the association will ask that the government canals be kept stent demand for better things. Mr

od of suspense with regard to the New longer. There is, of course, the possibility so very small as to make it difficult to that the government itself is as yet un decided whether to summon parliament or ask for a dissolution, but members of the The Conservatives claim a majority of government have certainly indicated by over 600 in North Renfrew. The late their words and actions that the party everywhere should be in readiness for a campaign

canals. The Globe insists that

A LARGE SURPLUS.

The city of Toronto is so highly pleased with the result of this year's exhibition that when the statement was made to the mayor and board of control the opinion was expressed by several speakers that the exhibition was one of the best assets the

city possessed. The surplus this year was \$31,029.55, but besides this sum the board handed over to the city a value a \$26,112.28, as follows: Dairy building, \$12,956.55; process of nanufacture building, \$3,721.23; machinery hall portico, \$1,069.95; band stand, \$559.65; art building, water mains, gas mains, elec urged Mr. Ross to get rid of weak tim- tric light fittings, platforms, drains, floor ing, etc., \$1,428.25; women's building, \$2, 257.18: dairy building, cold storage, \$1, echoed the words of Mr. Findlay, one of 150.29; turnstiles, \$560; buildings put chased, \$715; rent, information bureau Interviewed by the Globe he said: "I am \$150; oil paintings handed over to th still a Liberal and I am a follower of city for city hall, \$1,000; portable crane, Laurier, but I don't like the Ross Gov- machinery hall, \$114; repairs, removing buildings, etc., \$265.

The total receipts were \$218,717.40, which the dominion government grant past. The Hardy government only had \$46,676.66; the province, \$10,000; the city a sum about equal to the amount returned to it in cash (\$31,029.55); and \$10,326 was of want of confidence the Ross government subscribed. The receipts from admission were \$124,528.52, the balance being receiv ed for concessions, entry fees, etc.

IRON IN GLOUCESTER.

The Telegraph's interview with Mr. J. L. Masters, relative to mineral deposits in this province, and especially with remarket which the ritish empire affords to the United Stat is given in the stategard to the Gloucester iron deposits, will ment of the expos of boots and shoes be read with interest and satisfaction. The entry of the Dominion Steel Comfrom the last name country in the year pany into the field in this province is a ending June 30, 19. fact of great importance. If it can be shown that they will carry on operation on a satisfactory scale, the extension of servative press will no doubt claim that the railway to the mines should be made. With regard to the presence of mineral West Indies and with Africa. wealth in the northern part of the provnce generally, Mr. Masters speaks with great confidence, and believes that more extended investigation by the government would lead to profitable results. It is to be hoped his belief is well founded, for entire exports :-the development of mineral deposits would he an enormous gain to the wealth of the Doubtless the government will Juited Kingdom British North Anica give the subject careful attention. If

minerals in paying quantities econor were disc British Australas British Africa portant industries would only be a ques ion of a short time. Hitherto the weight of opinion has been rather against the Total possibility of such discovery, but oil has been found, and it may be that much greater discoveries are within our reach. value will exce \$7,000,000.

ROSS ON RECIPROCITY.

Premier Ross, of Ontario, agrees with Sir Wilfrid Laurier in discountenancing the campaign of Mr. Charlton. Mr. Ross imperial preference, and recogfavors the nises that it would be fatal to any large nat city sont out to its means of the welland canal be emerged. They sumed the once of premier, but latted to states. In United Kingd have only grown from or cure cracked hands with ease and des-match. The mext de- the welland canal would be that "the result of this improve-means to the Welland canal would be that "Globe terms "barnacles." The next de- the establishment of commercial relations period. Thus alle the United Kingdom Long life and happiness to the editor C. BARTHO COME The next de- the establishment of commercial relations period. Thus alle the United Kingdom Long life and happiness to the editor the editor the establishment of commercial relations period. Thus alle the United Kingdom Long life and happiness to the editor the establishment of commercial relations period. Thus alle the United Kingdom Long life and happiness to the editor the editor the establishment of commercial relations period. Thus alle the United Kingdom Long life and happiness to the editor the establishment of commercial relations period. Thus alle the United Kingdom Long life and happiness to the editor the editor the establishment of commercial relations period. Thus alle the United Kingdom Long life and happiness to the editor the editor the establishment of commercial relations period. Thus alle the United Kingdom Long life and happiness to the editor the establishment of commercial relations period. Thus all the United Kingdom Long life and happiness to the editor the establishment of commercial relations period. measure of reciprocity with the United

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within the Empire on the basis of preferential tariff would great strengthen the

States.'

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SIGNIFICAT FIGURES

-Boots and Sh

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the United States shows over five and a ties which bind all thecolonies, includhalf millions. The United States now ranks second in ing Canada, to the Enire, and remove the world among the exporters of boots still further in the bacground whatever and shoes, and according to the figures inducements remain forloser political or just quoted is rapidly nearing first place. ommercial relations wh the United The following table is quoted as showing the exports of boots and shoes from the

Mr. Ross went furth, and argued that the tendency in the fure would be to United Kingdom and the United States, respectively, from 1893 to the latest availward segregation rath than a union o Canada and the Unite States. able date:-The statements may by the premie -United Kingdom-

The statements may by the premier of Canada and the preier of Ontario will not afford much comft to the American advocates of reciproci, but they express Canadian sentiment ith far greater ac-curacy than the Bosh speeches of Mr. Charlton, Canada halearned much and accomplished much see the days of the they are the man who Pairs. 493,027 647,318 22,412 1,036,235 1,224,484 1,307,431 1,934,277 3,916,720 3,492,041 3,966,765 old reciprocity treat and the man who Apparently the value per pair of the would today affirm tit we are dependent American boots and shoes exported is upon the United Stat for a market could much higher than that of the British. not hope to be take seriously. Any ne The facts set forth in this statement gotiations between the two countries must are, as already stated, a clear evidence of percafter take accout of the changes of the last twenty yea, and the new the value of the British market to Ameritionship with the rt of the empire into which Canada has eered, and which she seeks to make closeand more potent for

can manufacturers. It is also an interesting fact that in the fiscal year 1903 the United States exported to Canada, and presumably Newfoundland, boots and shoes to the value of \$662,839. Naturally the Americans would like to hold on to A fine illustratic of the value of the their imperial market.

A SOOTHING JOURNALIST.

In this season of political expectancy, when the jawsmiths are beginning to unlimber their weapons, and the party news The total value us \$6,665,317. Of this papers are digging up new and striking no less than \$4,7,627, or almost twopithets for instant use, it is refreshing thirds, went to thUnited Kingdom, Austo discover one journalist , who goes on the tralasia, British orth America, British even tenor of his way, and pays no atten tion to these precursors of a period of The following ale shows the exports mbridled turmoil and ferocious conflict. of boots and she of domestic manufac The editor of Campbellton Events has ture from the Uted States during the secured the rights for a new healing preyear ending June, 1903, to the ten prinparation, and devotes the whole of his cipal countries, at the grand total of the Dollars 109,874 337,093 2,128,958

662,839 623,804 readers of Events must have been of great value. The excited Tory who rushed to get a copy to see whether Events agreed with Mr. Reid's prediction about a Liberal north shore would be soothed by the 6.665.317 Ten years agehe export of boots and nent that the editor had discovered an excellent cure for scalds. The Liberal who wanted to know if Events had any reply to the coarse Tory ribaldry of the Chatham World, would learn that the danduff out shoes from the nited States was only \$590,754. For # calendar year 1903 the To show howapidly the United States the editor could take the dandruff out

is overtaking t United Kingdom in this trade, a Wasigton letter to the New of his head in the twinkling of an eye. The doubting voter who wanted to know York Journal Commerce states that while America xports of boots and shoes what was doing anyhow in the political while America ports of boots and shows what was doing anyhow in the political have grown fn \$590,754 in 1893 to \$6... 182,098 in 190 the exports from the United Kingd have only grown from or cure cracked hands with ease and due-

only shows an increase of a million dollars of Events. May his healing balm assuage the bitterness of political strife in Restigouche and heal all the sores that may result from the coming fight. If his preparation will cure cold feet, he will be a greater benefactor than the man who tells us how we ought to vote.

SOUTH AFRICAN TRADE.

There should be a good market in South Africa for Canadian, produce. A Canadian writing recently from Bethulir, Orange River Colony, gave this state ment about prices:

Dollars 590,754 777,354 Meat is 11d. a pound; potatoes, 4d. pound; eggs vary considerably from 6d. to 3s. 6d., and butter from 2s. 6d 3s. 6d. Practically no vegetables ar be had, and we only have them about 1.816,538 a week, not because we will not p them, but because we cannot get you cannot drink water in this co so up goes the drink bill. Groceri so up goes the druk bill. Groceri expensive, and we have to use a many costly tinned things. When is fruit, it is poor stuff, and I have longed for a good Canadian apple.

Doubtless transportation expense to the cost of produce at the place tioned, as the writer says the people country are a little better off; but whole range of prices is excessive. captain of the steamship Oriana, wh sailed from this port last week for So Africa, told The Telegraph that prod prices at the seaports are very high. Th is very little market gardening done, e.

cept by the Kaffirs, and the people mu ergely depend on importations. Canad has sent some appres there, but unfortunately some shipment did not arrive in good condition. Th trade, under proper conditions, should yield good returns to the shippers.

The Grand Trunk Pacific.

To the Editor of The Telegraph: Sir,-Extracts from cable report in the Toronto Mail and Empire of 25th August,

"London, Aug. 24-There was a large paration, and devotes the whole of the editorial space to an exposition of its value to man and beast. He explains that it is an emollient, antiseptic and germi-cide, and externally applied will cure many diseases. The effect of this long editorial upon the the directors to increase the four-per-ent grangated stock from the present ed the directory to all from the present cent. guaranteed stock from the present authorized amount of £5,220,000 to £10; 000,000. * * * President Wilson, atte 000,000. President Wilson, are the meeting, denied expecifically that the money would be employed in the work of extending the road to the Pacific." Note-Reference to London papers of October, 1896, will show that G. T. 4 per

tract, the government is unconditionally bound to yeturn to the company any inividend on deposited securities is therefore valueless to the it, except for the voting power terest or of The stock government, except for and which it carries (see Act of 1844) £25, or \$0.000 votes on the £1

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