LOCAL MATTERS OF INTEREST.

SATURDAY

W. D. Baskin has arrived home from Panama, and is the guest of his father, Ald. Baskin, of the West Side. Mr. Baskin is a graduate in engineering of the U. N. B., and has been employed in the technical studies department of the Isthmian Canal Commission. He expects to return to Panama in about three weeks.

The following customs employes will receive an increase in salary commencing on April 1st: John L. Finley, T. A. Linton, Arthur McHugh, R. E. McLaughlin and James P. Owens Edgett, $100 each, and John McKelvie, J. R. Legere, W. S. McLean and Joseph E. Haggerty, $50 each.

The Shore Line Railway will soon have a station at the end of Rodney wharf near the ferry toll-house. Quarters are now being prepared for them in the building owned by the C. P. R. and used as a station before the bridge over the falls was built. To reach this station the Shore Line will have to run over the C. P. R. tracks. The new move will be greatly appreciated by patrons.

Miss Susan Toner of Milltown, having business to attend to in Calais on Tuesday evening of last week, carried in a hand bag $88.00 which amount was in a cotton mill pay envelope. On arrival at the Calais post office, she states, the amount was still in the hand bag but while returning from that point to the office of Hanson and St. Clair the money was lost.—Courier.

While Cap. Chas. Anderson, of this place was in St. John lately, a wily agent approached him with an offer of $1,600 to smuggle in from Newfoundland 40 Chinamen, landing them at any port in Canada near a railway. The charter was to be $2,000 if Capt. Anderson would bring 50 Chinamen that way. He didn't like to try.—Coast Guard.

D. W. Newcombe, divisional superintendent and other C. P. R. officials held an inquiry here Monday into the collision between two engines last week. Their decision will be made later. Driver Allen Bartlett who was scalded by escaping steam, is recovering satisfactorily, though necessarily by slow degrees, as the burns on his legs, arms and face were of a very severe nature. Fortunately for him he retained his presence of mind while enveloped in escaping steam and kept his mouth closed, for one inhilation of the scalding steam would probably have proved fatal.—Courier.

James Rodden of Chesley street, who is employed in Miller's mill, met with a nasty accident yesterday afternoon, the fingers of his right hand being badly torn by coming in contact with a log roller. Dr. Roberts was summoned and sewed up the man's wounds, after which Mr. Rodden was driven to his home.

Between two and three o'clock yesterday afternoon Ernest Earle, a four-year-old boy whose home is on Mill street, fell over the dump in the I. C. R. yard into the water. The youngster was rescued by two boys and taken to his home.

MONDAY

Wm. Turner, of Sandy Point road, and John Watson, returned on Saturday from a fishing trip on the Nerepis river. They brought back with them seventy-four trout.

Thomas Potts tells the Star that his firm, A. L. Goodwin and Estabrooks & Son had a lot of perishable goods shipped from Liverpool on the steamer Dominion, of the Dominion Line on a through bill of lading to St. John via Quebec. The consignment consisted of fruit, which left Liverpool on April 24. The Dominion arrived in Quebec on May 9th, but since that time the consignees have been unable to obtain any trace of the goods, all efforts to locate the shipment having failed.

George Driscoll, who left St. John twelve years ago, is in the city again today to be present at the opening of the Unique Theatre, the new moving picture play house on Charlotte street, which will throw open its doors tonight. Mr. Driscoll has general supervision over amusement houses of this character in the Bennet-Keith circuit. He has been in the show business ever since leaving the C. P. R. staff at Ottawa and has been the head of The Prince of Pilsen Co. and other well known road aggregations. Mr. Driscoll is succeeding admirably in his chosen vocation which will be good news to his many St. John friends.

TUESDAY

Fred Goodspeed, who was accused of being an acessory to the murder of Willie Doherty, was released from Dorchester penitentiary last Monday, and has left to begin life anew in the United States.

Next Monday is Empire Day. There will be two school sessions but part of the day will be devoted by the teachers to giving lessons on the significance of the day. At the High School there will be an appropriate entertainment in the afternoon. The general public is invited to attend.

The last examinations for the year were held last night at the Law School, bringing the term to a close. The examinations held last night were "Partnerships and Companies," of which Ald. Baxter is the examiner, and "Real Property," in which course J. Roy Campbell is the lecturer. The graduating class this year numbers five. They are J. M. Trueman, B.A., W. D. Turner, B.A., W. G. Pugsley, B.A., J. A. Barry, BA., and A. E. G. Mackenzie, B. A.

At a meeting held in White's restaurant last night, The Frank White Catering Co., Ltd., was organized. A. O. Skinner was elected president; J. F. Gregory, vice-president; Frank White, managing director and H. D. White, secretary-treasurer. In addition to these officers W. H. Mowatt and H. J. Smith were elected directors. The company will take over the business hitherto carried on by Frank White, as well as the amusement features in Rockwood Park and the restaurant at Seaside Park.

Those who are inclined to believe that the control of the N. B. Southern Railway has passed into the hands of the C. P. R. are calling attention to the fact that the Shore Line Railway are putting into service on their line a large passenger car belonging to the C. P. R. On behalf of the N. B. Southern management, however, it is claimed that the car has been purchased from the C. P. R. at no nominal figure. The new car is likely to add considerably to the convenience of the patrons of the line.

WEDNESDAY

Among the new automobiles which will be seen in St. John this summer will be a large Ford touring car which has recently been ordered by Wm. Pugsley, jr. The car will be one of the finest in the city.

E. H. Drury of the City of Mexico is at the Royal. Mr. Drury is manager of the Mexico Power and Light Company and has held that position for some time. He has been in Mexico for about four years, but is a native of St. John and has many friends and relatives here. Mr. Drury will remain here for some days.

Rev. William E. White, C.SS.R., who has been rector of St. Peter's parish for five years, has been transferred to the Church of the Immaculate Conception, New York. He will be succeeded here by Rev. Augustine Duke, C.SS.R., of Boston, who is expected to arrive in St. John next week, to begin his new duties.

The marriage took place last evening of W. Thomas Fulton to Miss Mary A. McLeod, daughter of Daniel McLeod of Chipman. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. W. E. McIntyre at the residence of C. N. Huggard, 165 Main street. The young couple will leave this morning via the C. P. R. for Montana, where they will make their future home.

New Brunswick shareholders of the famous Kimberly, Montana, gold mine, formerly known as the Bear Gulch, are making an effort to oust the present management and to secure a new control. A. H. Hanington, who is himself a shareholder, has secured the consent and approval of practically all the others in this section who represent about $700,000 of the capital of $3,000,000, and acting on behalf of those who have contributed to the expense, has begun legal proceedings in Chicago. Mr. Hanington, W. H. Barnaby and other local people interested have made affidavits setting out their position, and it is expected that the application for a receiver will be granted.

A committee of Woodstock Methodists has been appointed to take up the work of arranging for the construction of a new church. Rev. R. G. Fulton, formerly of Carleton, is pastor of the church. The Woodstock Sentinel recently published a cut of Mr. Fulton and complimented him upon his success in raising some $11,000 for the new church. The Sentinel also says: "Architect Mott, of St. John, has made several trips here recently, and it is expected that the plans will be drawn by him. Within a few weeks, perhaps by the middle of June, the work of demolishing the old structure will be begun."

The treasurer of the building fund for the new Y. M. C. A. building received a voluntary contribution of one hundred dollars today from J. Sutton Clark of St. George. The unexpectedness of this handsome gift and the kind and endouraging things said about the project by Mr. Clark made the act all the more pleasing.

Last night's train brought to the city, John Tyler and Thomas Sanch, two sailors from the wrecked schooner Ellen M. Mitchell. They say that the schooner was sailing along on the early morning of the 16th. The water was calm, when, before anything could be done to save her she struck heavily on Stanley's Ledge, two miles west of Great Wass Island, Me., and has become a total wreck. The vessel had a cargo of 350,000 of lumber and sailed from St. John last week. The vessel's gear and most of the cargo will be saved.

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THURSDAY.

Miss Jennie M. Bell, daughter of Joseph Bell, Horsfield street has successfully passed the required examinations and graduated today from the Lowell General Hospital, Lowell, Mass.

Work is progressing favorably with the street railway operations in Carleton. The roadbed in Queen square has been graded and the rails are in position. Rails have also been laid on Queen street, and it is expected that the circuit will be completed in a few weeks.

James Hanna, milk-dealer, of Military Lane, was surprised to find last night that the tail of one of his cows had been cut off. The animal was found covered with blood.

Mrs. Ellen Delaney, said to be a native of P. E. Island, was found dead in bed this morning in a house of White street. Mrs. Delaney who was not well off in worldly possessions, had been for some time a sufferer from consumption. Arrangements were being made to have her admitted to the Home for Incurables and until a vacancy occurred she was living with Mrs. Robinson, on White street. This morning when Mrs. Robinson went to the room, she found that Mrs. Delaney had passed away during the night. The dead woman was about fifty years of age and is thought to have relatives living at Tryon.

The D. A. R. steamer Prince Rupert, Capt. Potter, arrived in port this morning from Boston, where she has been in dry dock. The Rupert has been off the Bay route for the past winter and has been given a thorough overhauling. She is now in excellent shape for the summer trade. The Rupert leaves tomorrow morning, and the steamer Yarmouth, which has given a faithful winter service, will be taken off the route.

Mrs. Sarah Cunningham met a tragic death at her home at the corner of Bentley and Chesley streets at 10 o'clock night. She was walking along the main hall in her house and came to a door which opened out on a steep flight of stairs. Mrs. Cunningham put her hand on the door which was not latched and it opened unexpectedly. She was walking quite rapidly at the time and pushed on the door. When it opened she was thrown forward and fell down the stairs. Other occupants of the house heard Mrs. Cunningham fall and they rushed to her assistance. The unfortunate woman was carried up stairs and Drs. Pratt and Roberts were summoned. They found upon arriving that Mrs. Cunningham had severely injured her head. She was also badly bruised about the body.

Death relieved her of her sufferings an hour after the accident. Dr. Pratt stated today that death might have been the result of heart failure, but in all probability the injuries received in the fal were responsible for her demise.

Mrs. Cunningham was the widow of Robert Cunningham. She was 75 years of age and is survived by one son, Robert, of this city, and two daughters, Mary and Mrs. John Rolston, both of St. John.

Her funeral will take place tomorrow.

Edward Cotter, a pensioner, and over seventy years of age, attempted to commit suicide last evening by jumping into the water near the I. C. R. deep water terminus. He was rescued, much against his will, by Herbert McDonald and Wesley Friars. When seen later in the evening he was quite cheerful.

RECENT WEDDINGS.

CAMPBELL-PATERSON.

A quiet wedding took place in St. Mary's church rectory Tuesday evening, when Miss Ella May, daughter of Samuel Paterson, of 248 Brussels street, was married to Owen R. Campbell, also of this city. Rev. Dr. W. O. Raymond performed the ceremony.

RECENT DEATHS

MRS. SARAH BISSETT.

Mrs. Sarah Bissett, wife of Captain Geo. W. J. Bissett, of the Dominion steamer Lansdowne, died on Tuesday afternoon at her home in Carleton, after a long illness. Besides her husband she is survived by one daughter, Leah, and two sons, Hedley and Edgar. Mrs. Bissett was a very estimable lady with many friends.

ST. STEPHEN, May 22.—After a lingering illness extending over many months, M. Everett Smith passed away at an early hour this morning. He was a young man of integrity and enterprise and popular with all classes. A few years ago he conducted a clothing business in Woodstock in partnership with F. L. Ham, but returned here and opened a book and stationary business about eight years ago. A widow, mother three brothers and two sisters survive him.

MRS. ADELAIDE STIRLING.

The death of Mrs. Adelaide Stirling occurred at Carpenter's, Queens Co., on the 16th instant. Mrs. Stirling was twice married; her first husband was Coles H. Carpenter, by whom she had eight children, all but one surviving her. The deceased was highly respected, and her death is keenly felt by all who knew her.

MRS. WILLIAM HODNETT.

NEW BRANDON, May 21—Mrs. William Hodnett, aged seventy-eight years, died at the home of her son-in-law, James M. Ellis, on May 17. The funeral on the 19th was largely attended for she was beloved by all who knew her. She is survived by one daughter, Maggie. She had been a sufferer for years but bore all with patient resignation to the will of God.

ISLAND SOLDIERS ARE EXPECTING LAND GRANTS

South Africans Hope That the Federal Government Will Comply With Their Request.

Mr. Fred B. Macrae, provincial manager of the Imperial Life Assurance Co., on Prince Edward Island, is a guest at the Royal. Mr. Macrae was one of the first members of the African contingent from P. E. Island. He says that the boys from that province have now every hope of being granted land in the Northwest. When the application was first made the federal government promptly refused to comply with the request. The reason given was that as British Columbia and Ontario had out of the crown lands made grants similar to that asked, the other provinces enjoying the possession of such lands should do the same.

Hereupon the Island men came back at the government with the statement that P. E. Island alone had no crown lands, and that consequently the grant should be made by the Dominion. The force of this argument has been acknowledged and Hon. Mr. Fielding has said that the request is now being carefully considered. The Island men will endeavor to secure all the land in a block

STRONG ENDORSATION OF HON. H. R. EMMERSON

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haps, and I have since thought that I had no right to say that I would continue as a member of the parliament for the county of Westmorland. That was a matter which affected my constituents, and perhaps I should not make such an assertion until I had submitted the matter to them.

Will Fight to a Finish

"Political life has its dark side and its bright side. The strenuous life which we are compelled to live affects some men very seriously and while the struggle in which I am now engaged affects you, it affects me and my family even more deeply. While I am fighting this matter in a political sense, let me also assure you that I am fighting it another sense as to my standing as an individual, and the effect which such allegations may have upon my family. Let me assure you of this fact, that while I am considerably older than when I first appeared before you and perhaps without so much energy and strength, I still have the same pluck and courage, and if I am beaten, the other fellow will get a few knocks." (Applause.)

Convention Elects Officers

Election of officers proceeded, with E. A. Smith elected president; vice presidents, E. T. Gaudet, Coun, A. J. Wells, ex-Coun. A. H. Mitton; secretary, J. A. Bourque; treasurer, Willard Barnes, Sackville; executive, representative from each parish.

Resolutions Adopted

Resolutions were then adopted. The first of these expressed gratification at the probable appointment of Hon. C. W. Robinson to the premiership and the high services rendered by Hon. F. J. Sweeney, C. M. Leger and A. B. Copp. The convention endorsed the movement under the leadership of Mr. Emmerson for the establishment of the provident fund. The policy of the Laurier government in regard to the construction of the new shops at Moncton was heartily endorsed and especial credit given to Hon. Mr. Emmerson, under whose leadership and guidance the new shops at Moncton were started. The convention noticed with gratification the wise and statesmanlike attitude assumed by Hon. Mr. Emmerson in resisting the concession of running rights to the C. P. R. over the Intercolonial, commending his course as being loyal to the people's interests as above those of a private railway corporation. The convention was of the opinion that the concession of running rights to the C. P. R. for a term of years, together with the diversion of local earnings between points on the I. C. R. to the C. P. R. treasury, would encourage the absorption of all the I. C. R. feeders by the Canadian Pacific, thereby inflicting permanent financial ruin upon the people's railway. The convention endorsed the successful railway policy of Mr. Emmerson, including the absorption of the Canada Eastern, double tracking in various places, construction of new stations, railway motor cars for suburban service and smaller improvements.

An important resolution was the one expressing confidence in Hon. Mr. Emmerson and inviting the attention of the country to his successful and progressive policy as Minister of Railways. The convention recorded its unqualified endorsation and keen appreciation of the admirable services rendered not only to this constituency and the Maritime Provinces in particular, but to the Dominion of Canada as a whole by Hon. Mr. Emmerson, whilst holding the portfolio of Minister of Railways and Canals and Hon. Mr. Emmerson as Minister of Railways has so completely re-organized the management and policy of the Intercolonial Railway of Canada as to supplant the annually recurring deficits by the annually recurring surplus, despite the fact that since he assumed the portfolio in January, 1904, the prices of materials, as also of wages of hundreds of employes, have increased from 25 to 50 per cent, and the expenditure necessarily increased, the fact is noted with gratification that the revenue has expanded in a greater ratio than the expenditure. The convention noticed with regret that the Conservative party has ceased to formulate any high ideals of general political or administrative policy, and has instituted a campaign of slander and abuse and had published in a newspaper a charge against Mr. Emmerson. The convention accepts in the fullest sense Mr. Emmerson's denial and places on record unwavering confidence in himself personally and the unanimous approval of his course in resigning the portfolio and appealing to the courts for justice.

The Evening Meeting

MONCTON, N. B., May 22.—The city of Moncton and Westmorland county united tonight to declare their belief in Hon. H. R. Emmerson, when between three and four thousand people packed into the Curling Rink to do honor to the ex-Minister of Railways. Senators, members of the federal and provincial parliaments of this and other provinces, expressed their belief that Mr. Emmerson will clear himself of the charges made against him, and that he has been worthy of the splendid support given him.

Mr. Emmerson in an eloquent address, aroused the big gathering to the highest pitch as he told them that it was justice, not sympathy, for which he was appealing.

There was seating capacity in the rink for between two and three thousand people, and standing room for a large number of others, and the big building was packed to the limits. As speaker after speaker expressed the belief that Hon. Mr. Emmerson would clear himself of the slanderous charges against him, the building resounded with applause and cheers.

Hon. C. W. Robinson occupied the chair, and the other speakers in addition to the ministers were the four local members, Senator Gilmor and Domville, W. S. Loggie, M. P., of Northumberland, C. J. Osman, M.P.P., Mr. Turgeon, M.P. for Gloucester, Dr. Demers, M. P. for Levis, Mr. Lapointe, M. P. for Kamouraska. Speeches in French were made and well received. The whole county and other surrounding counties were represented in the audience.

The speech by Hon. Mr. Emmerson was an eloquent effort, and time and again were his remarks punctuated with applause and cheers. He went over the same ground covered in the afternoon, and also spoke at length on the plans of the I. C. R. for the future.

Ex-Minister Cheered

Mr. Emmerson when he arose to speak was greeted by a storm of applause. Any one in his position and listening to the kind words would feel an elation that is hard to repress, and he was touched more perhaps than he could give expression to. The demonstration was one which he appreciated more than any other he had ever had in the city of Moncton. In a reminiscent mood he sketched briefly his political career and the honor which had always been done him here. But tonight as he was passing through the Gethsemane of political life he was met with a reception which would honor one who had done much more than he. "But although I am passing through Gethsemane," said Mr. Emmerson, "there will be a resurrection, and the man who thinks I have gone into political oblivion is a liar and the truth is not in him. My political record during the years is not only before the people of Westmorland but the whole province, and I feel that I have sympathy all over the province. In my political course I have certainly have never been a wobbler. I have not wavered, but have followed the straight and narrow path. I am prepared to fight out my political career to the end, as I have fought it in the past. If I was wrong when I started I am wrong now, and if I was right then I am still right. He proposed to fight it out to the end and with the help of God would win. This afternoon he had placed himself in the hands of the convention and like a clarion call had come the answer of confidence reposed in him. Why were these statements made? Does it relate to any policy of Canada or is it connected with statesmanship? Was it for purifying the political life of the country, or was there envy, and malice and jealousy back of it? If it were for the good of this country, for the improving and purifying of our national life he could forgive them, even if he were the victim. But as he thought of the venom and malice behind, he realized that the discussion of political affairs had been dragged down into unfathomable depths and that the Conservative party, once led by giants is now in these latter days led by pigmies. With the question of slander he would deal elsewhere. That question is not vital to the interests of this Dominion, but only affects in so far as the character and name of a representative is concerned. When the time comes he would return to his trust unsullied and unbesmirched. He was not standing before this or any other audience with an appeal for mercy, but what he did ask was justice.

The Intercolonial

He went on to speak regarding railway matters. He dealt with the extension of the railway from the time it was built to River du Loup. He thanked the men of the Intercolonial for demonstrating that the railway can be operated on economical lines and took no special credit to himself. The Intercolonial has made a splendid showing and as the result officials are discussing the best means of distributing so much additional money among the men in the shape of wages. As the Intercolonial earned its money it was always his aim to distribute that money among the men.

He referred to the request made recently by the C. P. R. for running rights but, said Mr. Emmerson, "if any corporation ever gets those rights it will scoop in every feeder of the I. C. R. As soon as this was done the alienation of the I. C. R. as a government railway would be accomplished. There will be a glorious future for the I. C. R. It is an asset of which all Canada has been, is and should be proud. The policy of showing to Canada that our people can run a railway as well as any one else should be continued." The speaker's concluding remarks were received with cheers and he was heartily cheered at the close.

Other Speeches

Hon. C. W. Robinson, who presided at the outset, commented upon the large number of delegates present and this he attributed to the fact that they disapproved the imputations of slander which the Conservative party had made use of. No representative had ever done more or worked more faithfully for the county of Westmorland than Hon. Mr. Emmerson. Moncton would stand by him in the hour of his trouble. (Applause.)

A resolution was read from a delegation of Kings county Liberals, expressing their support.

Hon. F. J. Sweeney, surveyor general, paid a tribute to the hard work accomplished by Hon. Mr. Emmerson, the results of which were to be found in the changed conditions on the I. C. R., where now the workmen had good pay and old-age pensions. In remarking upon the presence at the meeting of a large number of the fair sex, Mr. Sweeney said that even they by their presence showed that they took no stock in the gutter-snipe politics and slanderous campaign of the Conservative party and the charges made against Mr. Emmerson.

C. M. Legere, M.P.P., said we are here to defend from the slanderous attack that has been made one of our sons who is one of the worthy public men that has ever been before the people of this province, Westmorland, New Brunswick, and, in fact, the whole Dominion of Canada, were bettered by the wise and prudent administration of him whom they were gathered together to defend.

A. B. Copp, M. P., in paying his tribute to Mr. Emmerson, said: "For one say we, the Liberal party in Westmorland, are as a unit at the back of the Hon. H. R. Emmerson in this county." Sarcastically calling Mr. G. W. Fowler an apostle of virtue, standing up in the House of Commons to clear the air of any insinuations, let us look at the source where those charges originated,' said Mr. Copp. An honorable gentleman, if you car use the term honorable in such a way, Geo. W. Fowler, member for Albert and Kings, made charges which were repeated in an obscure newspaper in Fredericton, and this was the situation before the people.

Mr. Lapointe, Kamouraska, regretted that in Canadian politics public men who had devoted all their time to the betterment of the citizens and their country should be attacked in their private life and the sanctuary of their family life violated. Hon. Mr. Emmerson had revolutionized the system of our railways by his arduous work, and it was their duty to return to him the portfolio of railways. They could rely on the people of Quebec supporting Emmerson. Lapointe was received with tremendous enthusiasm in a French speech.

Senator Gilmor wanted to be counted amongst the friends of Hon. H. R. Emmerson. The liberal party had been called upon to defend their principles and to see how loyally those principles had been defended one had only to look how Canada had been brought out of the darkness into light. The Conservatives could not destroy those principles, so they descended to defaming the Liberal party's public men.

Mr. Turgeon, M. P. for Gloucester, said they were gathered together to show their gratitude to a man who had done so much good for Moncton, for New Brunswick and for the Dominion in bringing the laboring classes to a higher rung on the social ladder, and this he had done in a spirit of patriotism. Social transformation Mr. Emmerson had brought about by his management of railways, especially to the working classes of Moncton.

W. S. Loggie, M. P., Northumberland, expressed himself as a follower of Mr. Emmerson "where he leads me." (Laughter). The position of the I. C. R. today was due to the administration of Mr. Emmerson and he, the speaker, would be true to the gentleman.

Telegram from Pugsley

Hon. Mr. Emmerson arose to read a telegram and was received by a storm of applause, the band playing For He's a Jolly Good Fellow. Emmerson said that a few weeks ago he read a paragraph in a newspaper, and after he read that paragraph he didn't know himself. After hearing these words of praise he was utterly at loss to know who he was. The telegram was from Hon. Wm. Pugsley offering congratulations on the splendid convention and offering his sympathy with that of Westmorland. He congratulated Mr. Emmerson on the splendid financial basis on which the Intercolonial had been placed and hoped to see him back again in the cabinet.

O. J. Osman, Speaker of the local legislature, said that although the speakership barred partisanship to a certain extent, still if he could not speak on behalf of his friend, Mr. Emmerson, then good-bye to the speakership. (Applause). I hope that the gentleman will rise above the present cloud and resume his important duties and leave behind him a distinguished Canadian name second to none in the Dominion. (Applause.) He characterized the slanderous attack upon Mr. Emmerson as "a pack of damned lies." (Laughter.) Dr. Demers of Levis spoke briefly in French and English.

Senator Domville gave an eloquent address, in which he ridiculed the charges made against Mr. Emmerson. Who were they made by? asked Senator Domville. The representative from Albert only, for we repudiated him in Kings. He said the senate would sustain Emmerson and so too would every member from New Brunswick of the house of commons, excepting perhaps the member who made the charge.

Previous to the meeting Mr. Emmerson and other visitors were escorted by the band down Main street from the hotel. Hundreds of cheering spectators lined the route. Hon. Mr. Emmerson occupied the barouche with Senators Domville and Gilmor, and Lapointe, M. P.

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BIRTHS.

ROMANS—At Cedar Cottage, Dartmouth, N. S., on the 19th inst, to C. W. and Mrs. Romans, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

STAPLES-GOLDING — At Germain street Baptist church on May 15th, by Rev. W. W. McMaster, W. Allan Staples to Mable Louise, daughter of Emily E., and the late Robt. Golding.

FULTON-McLEOD.—In this city on the 21st instant, by Rev. W. E. McIntyre, W. Thomas Fulton of Missoula, Mont., to Mary A., daughter of Daniel McLeod of Chipman.

FOSTER-BARKER.—At the residence of the bride's father, 219 Germain street, St. John, N. B., on Wednesday, the 15th day of May, by the Rev. E. Bertram Hooper, Emma Leontine Barker to Frederick Allan Foster.

Bangor Farm For Sale

70 Acres, overlooking lakes and fertile farming valleys; cuts 30 tons hay; 100 apple trees; pasture 10 cows; wood; splendid house, 9 rooms; new barn with fine cellar 42x55; 2 miles from depot. Owner is out West and wants to see quick sale; price only $1800, with $1,000 down; barn cost $2000. Some immediately or others will. A. B. RICE, 20 Hammond St., Bangor, Maine.

300 Apple Trees

On this 130-acre farm; all engrafted, just beginning to bear. You take care of them a few years and they will take care of you all the rest of your life. Comfortable 5-room house, barn 40x40; only 3 miles to depot. To settle estate, only $1300, with $500 down. L. H. STROUT, Winthrop, Maine.

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BIRRELL BILL IN DEATH THROES

Obsequies Likely to be Performed on June 3rd.

Measure Continues to be Uppermost Topic of Discussion in Political Circles in United Kingdom

LONDON, May 29.—The situation resulting from the rejection of Mr. Birrell's Irish council bill by the Dublin convention continues to be the uppermost topic of discussion in political circles in the United Kingdom. As forecasted in these dispatches, the measure is in its death throes and it is believed in authoritative quarters that as a result of the prolonged cabinet meeting today, Premier Campbell-Bannerman will formally perform the obsequies on June 3rd.

Bound up with the fate of Mr. Birrell's bill is the future of Sir Antony Patrick McDonnell, under secretary to the lord lieutenant of Ireland, whom the Nationalists consider responsible for the unfulfillment of many of the government's Irish promises and whom they are determined to oust from office by every means in their power. It is an open secret, on the other hand, that, Sir Anthony is extremely anxious to retire and it is practically certain that he has tendered his resignation. It is known also that the government is anxious to retain the services of the under secretary.

The Irish Reform Association, of which Lord Dunraven is president, is the latest organization to criticise adversely this unhappy bill. At a meeting of the association held in Dublin today, a resolution was passed declaring that the measure ignored legislative functions altogether, that it did not take into account the question of financial relations or pretend to deal with great public works, and that it was generally absolutely inadequate.

THOUSANDS ARE IDLE IN SAN FRANCISCO

Strikes Tie up all Lines of Industry—Streets Crowded With People Seeking Employment.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 30.—Harbor Commission W. W. Stafford has submitted this report to Governor Gillette: "The San Francisco Musicians' Union has a membership of nine hundred. At this time but fifty are working regularly. The majority of the members in the union are taking turn about for this employment.

"Of about 6,000 clerks and salesmen in retail stores, 2,000 are out of employment and those that are working get two days off weekly, some with, and some without pay.

"There are 12,000 ironworkers, 2,000 carmen, 500 telephone girls and 1,500 laundry workers out on strike.

"Ten thousand men of the building trades are out of work through strikes, lack of material and lack of money.

"Three hundred laundry wagon drivers are out of employment as a result of the laundry workers' strike.

"Up to a month ago architects took draftsmen who could not speak English and were glad to get them. Now there are four or five applications in every office daily and no work to be had.

"Four thousand laborers on street railway work are laid off. They walk the street in droves looking for work and congest the employment offices."

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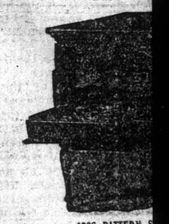

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