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ganized in Halifax. Plans were prepared, land secured, and sufficient capital provided. Some of the leading business men of Halifax were in the company, including a fair proportion of confirmed liberals. The company had the support of at least one of the late Governmen candidates and two or three Liberal members of Parlia ment. It seemed absolutely sure of the contract the Government, and everything was going on well.

A young man appeared on the scene and changed everything. His name was Macoun. He was not a Halliax man, or even a Nova Scotlan. He lives in Ottawa and is a broker, or selling agent, who appears an nually in the public accounts as a vendor of Duch sup plies to the Militia department It is only necessary to add that he is a Son-in-law of the Minister of Militia.

Mr. Macoun claimed the Hallfax Cold Storage con

act. He was away behind the other people with his ans and specifications. He had no such organization plans and specincations. He had no such cryanization of business men with him. Yet when he appeared the other applicants began to find hard sledding. He is reported to have told the members of the other company that they might as well give up as he was dead sure of the contract. He is in a fair way of making good his contractor was asked by his counsel about campaign contributions, the enquiry was ruled out.

THE TEN MILLION DOLLAR LOAN.

the Grand Trunk guarantee of repayment is not a security of great value, since it loiters along after various bonds, debentures, and preferences of various clas ses. But the minister is able to say that the security s not the worst possible. There is a worse one in the Grand Trunk Pacific fourth mortgage, which is also giv-

on to the Government.

Mr. Borden finds that the Government is now paying nine-tenths and the Grand Trunk one-tenth of the cost of the road. Naturally one would expect the Government to hold nine-tenths of the stock. But as a matter of fact the stock is all given away to the Grand Trunk. It was explained at the beginning that the parent company was getting the stock as a reward for financing the new company. As it works out the Grand Trunk gets the stock as a reward for inducing the Government to fi nancé the company.

Five years of G. T. P. construction have revealed

some interesting things, as that:—

The Grand Trunk is not behind the younger company except to get gain out of it. The Mountain section will cost three times the estim

The Prairie section will cost twice the estimate.

The Eastern section will cost more than double the

It is not touching the Peace River Country.

It hardly shortens the distance between Quebec and The Grand Trunk intends to use Portland for a ter

The Government pays more than was expected.

The Grand Trunk pays less than was expected. Senator Cox, who could not wait, pays nothing.

After the ex-ministers and their organs have exploited to the full their story of the man who was sent out of prison to vote for the local Government candidate, we have the full account of what happened. It is found that the officer did not send him to the pulse but forbade him to go, and punished his disobedience with close confinement. The canvasser who persuaded the man to go and vote was an ardent supporter of Mr. Carvell and Mr. Upham. It does not appear who got the man's vote, but It is clear who tried to get it.

The State of Maine would be expected to take the lead in opposition to free lumber, free pulp and free paper. Therefore it is not surprising that the State Senate has memorialized Congress against the change. But even among Maine public men, opinion is divided. The minority vote was considerable, and strong argument was made that Maine stood to gain rather than lose by free trade in forest products.

THE MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Government action on the Cassels' enquiry is about what was expected. Several officials are dismissed, some are retired with allowances, a few that have been under suspension are restored to their duties with their back pay. A number of graft-taking employes are to be dropped from the public service with permission to the department to re-engage them after a brief penitential period. In this case due consideration is to be given to the amount of gratuity received, and to the general character of the employee. It is not stated that account shall be taken of his political pull, but there are large spaces between the lines of an order-in-council. It is just that officers who were suspended before or during the enquiry, and who were not found to have done wrong, should be restored to their duty with back pay. The Government cannot make good to such a man what he has suffered, but it can repair his financial loss.

Is this to be the end of it all? It should be but the Is this to be the end of it all? It should be but the beginning. Most of the officers who are black-listed in the order-in-council probably deserve it. But it is useless to pretend that a system of corruption covering so many places and involving so many officials, was continued without the knowledge of the head and deputy head of the department. The chief commissioner of lights is justly dismissed. But what about the successive minisjustly dismissed. But what about the successive minis-ters who thrust him forward by quick and high promo-tions over heads of other, abler and better men? How about the minister who three years ago heard in the public accounts committee the disclosure of the very ransactions rehearsed again by Judge Cassels, and who allowed his dark lantern brigade to block enquiry so far as they could, and himself in the House defended the

ANOTHER COLD STORAGE STORY.

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Halifax has a Cold Storage company case, which recalls a chapter of St. John history. The Dominion Act provides a subsidy for approved companies establishing told storage warehouses. A strong company was organized in Halifax. Plans were prepared, land secured and sufficient capital provided.

In the same year the graft in the Merwin contracts was exhibited and whitewashed. Other swindles were revealed in 1907. Still the culprits were protected. Min-isters have thus made themselves parties to the whole

revealed in 1907. Still the culprits were protected. Ministers have thus made themselves parties to the whole system of plunder.

The civil service commission report, with its "lack of conscience" accusation, brought the matter to a head. That report was a surprise to the Government.

Commission was not appointed to discover graft, but to report on the reorganization of the civil service. When Mr. Brodeur's department was exposed he attacked the commissioners furiously for going out of their way in pursuit of his officers. Judge Cassels was next appointed to mitigate the horrors of the first report. He intensified them. So the minister has had to surrender.

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Judge Cassels was not instructed to investigate min-

At last accounts the matter was not settled, but there was large indignation over this exhibition of pull. Attention has been called to the St. John episode, and to the letter of Mr. Fisher stating that the subsidy had been promised to Sir Fred Borden. It remains to be seen how far history will repeat itself.. For the Mr. Macoun who got the St. John Cold Storage contract is the same son-in-law who is after the Hallfax subsidy.

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at last accounts the matter was not settled, but there was not settled, but there about contractors paying freek colonists in A vote of thanks those prosecutions. Nothing has been neared of these actions. There is nothing about them in the order-in-council. The contractors who kept officials in their pay were all good party men on the patronage list. They are still selling goods to the marine department, and to the railway and public works department as well. There is nothing in the order-in-council so far as can be learned to show that the conduct of the contractors is learned to show that the conduct of the contractors is Mr. Fielding is quite modest in presenting his ten with the corruptors on the patronage list.

COLONIAL COAL.

Canada, Australia, and British India are somewhat on a level in the production of coal. South Africa and New Zealand are also coal producers, so the supply of fuel is pretty well distributed through the British Empire. Following is the Colonial coal production for the last three years, in tons of 2240 pounds:

Tons. Tons.

1905. 1906. 1907.

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last three years, in tons of 2240 pounds:—			
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
	1905.	1906.	1907.
British India	8,418,000	9,783,000	11,147,000
Australia	7,494,000	8,596,000	9,681,000
New Zealand	1,586,000	1,730,000	1,831,000
Canada	7,739,000	8,717,000	9,385,000
Transvaal	2,327,000	2,574,000	2,583,000
Cape of Good Hope	147,000	128,000	129,000
Natal	1,129,000	1,239,000	- 1,530,000
Orange River Colony	106,000	235,000	446,000

THE LIQUOR LICENSE ACT.

Mr. Hazen is offering the people of this province the most advanced temperance legislation proposed by a New Brunswick administration since the short lived pro hibition measure of more than half a century ago. As a matter of fact this bill offers prohibition to any ward and parish which may desire it. In the absence of such hibitionists will not be satisfied with this measure Thei nibitionists will not be satisfied with this measure. Their creed does not permit satisfaction with anything short of the ideal legislation perfectly enforced. But they will admit that if this measure is properly enforced it should go some distance in removing temptation from the weak, and in mitigating the evil of intemperance.

The Fredericton Herald accuses the Hazen Govern

way and never spent on it.

It is clear who tried to get it.

So vanishes the great Carieton scandal. It was a great story while it lasted. But now it is gone like Hans Breitmann's party:

Hans Breitmann's party

Hans Breitmann gife a barty

Vhere ish do to barty now?

Vhere ish do lofely golden cloud

Dot float on de moundain's prow?

Vhere ish de himmelstrahlende Siern

De shtar of de shpirit's light?

All goned afay mit de lager beer—

Afay in de Ewigkeit!

Mr. Fielding does not appear to be in much hurry about his budget. The House has been sitting nearly ten weeks, and the Minister of Finance has been in Canada about half that time. The budget statement for this year will be unusually interesting. It is a pity to keep it back.

In view of facts now disclosed concerning the prison voter in Carleton, the attention of Mr. Upham is respectfully but earnestly commended to the Scripture text which he will find in the upper left hand corner of the lirst page of yesterday's St. John Globe.

Mr. Fielding announces that the Government is acting as banker for the G. T. P. A banker who borrows money at four and a half per cent and lends it at four per cent on fourth mortgages is not long for this world.



BOSTON DENTAL PARLORS

DR. I. D. MAHER. Proprieto

INTERESTING

on Cyprus in the Natural History Soin the University of Liverpool, under the auspices of the Canadian Department of the Archaelogical Institute of the

An Interesting Subject
Professor Myus lectured on the subject of the present and the pre-historic age in the Mediterranean. He fully illustrated with lantern slides representing the works of art of many different periods, some of them discovered in the course of excavations conducted in Cyprus by the lecturer himself.

himself.

Professor Myus described the primitive civilization of Cyprus, and the way in which this civilization was influenced by the scafaring inhabitants of pre-historic Crete, by the ancient Phoeniceans and then again by Greek colonists in early historic times. A vote of thanks was proposed by Judge Skinner and seconded by Wm. McIntosh.

OF Y. M. C. A.

and Herman Lordly third with 72.4 per cent.

The detailed results of last evening's test are as follows:
Parallel bars—James Humphrey, 94;
L. Dow and A. Kierstead, 90; Campbell, 88.
Potato Race—C. Climo, 33; J. Chambzerlain, F. Cunningham and James Humphrey, 34 sec.; F. Knodell and L. Dow, 35 sec.
Rope Skipping—L. Dow, 38 sec.; F. McKiel, 40 sec.; J. Chamberlain, 42 sec.
Total—lst, L. Dow, 249; 2nd, James

Total—1st, L. Dow, 249; 2nd, James Humphrey, 263; 3rd, F. Knodell, 235.

DELEGATION MAY GO TO

It is possible that a delegation consisting of His Worship the Mayor, Ald. Rowan and Ald. McGoldrick, will go to Ottawa for the purpose of advancing the scheme for the nationalization of the port of St. John. These gentlemen were appointed at yesterday's meeting of the Harbor Facilities Committee which was held at City Hall in the afternoon. Those present were Mayor Bullock, Ald. Baxter, Ald. McGoldrick, Ald. Rowan, Ald. Willett, Ald. Elkin, Ald. Kelley, H. B. Schofield and Comptroller McIntyre.

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The meeting was for the purpose of considering the telegram of the Minister of Public Works asking for more definite information concerning the value of harbor property. It will be decided at a subsequent date whether or not the delegation will go to the Dominion capital.

The figure at which the harbor property is valued is \$3,000,000, but it is probable that the figure which the Government will consider will be below that.

Common Council Today

Mr. Fielding announces that the Government is acting as banker for the G. T. P. A banker who borrows money at four and a half per cent and lends it at four per cent on fourth mortgages is not long for this world.

The authors of the story about the jail bird who was sent out to vote for the Hazen candidate in Carleton are now engaged in the study of boomerangs.

Common Council Today

This afternon at three o'clock there will be a special meeting of the Common Council for the purpose of considering in committee of the whole, the report presented by the Bills and Bylaws Committee on the legislation which the city will ask to have enacted at Fredericton. The Assessment Act is the most important of the City of St. John's bills.

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NO. 3 BATTERY HOLDS ANNUAL

The dining room of the Park Hotel was a scene of revelry last evening when No. 3 Battery, 3rd New Bruns-wick Regt, C. A., held its annual dinner. There were eighty-three present, Major L. W. Barker commanding offic-er of the battery being in the chair. he other officers of the battery, Capt in were also present. The guests of on Cyprus in the Natural Transfer of the State and Suther-ciety rooms last night by Professor J. and Sergts. Major Cox and Suther-land, R. C. G. A. who are instructing

land, R. C. G. A. who are instructing the 3rd Regt.

The dinner began at 8.30. After the menu had been discussed there was the usual programme of toasts, songs and speeches. The guests of the evening and the officers of the battery all spoke. The remainder of the programme was as follows: Songs, Sergt. Slater, Sergt. Williams, Sergt. Simpson and Gunners Woods, Griffin and Bawn. Recitations were given by Sergt. Sampson and Bombardier Swall.

Hearing Postponed.

Andover, N. B., March 30—Owing to the non-arrival of counsel for the defence, the preliminary examination of Sandy Murray and the Hatches is postponed until tomorrow. Joseph Murray, Interpreter at the trial of Arosha and Sepepil, is very active preparing the defence. He says he will have Messrs. Powell, Mullin, Carvell and a Montreal lawyer 13 defend the prisoners if they are sent up for trial.

Wanted a Long One

A sailor entered a livery stable to hire a horse for the day, to take some friends into the country. The proprietor had one brought out for his inspection, and begins: "There's a beauty for you! Small head, clean legs, short back.—"
"Short back, be blowed! We want one with a long back. It's to carry nine."

Two Fast Free-for-Allers.

It is understood that Sussex parties have imported two fast free-for-all horses which will make any provincial horses step some. Further details con-cerning the purchase are expected shortly.

Probate Court

City and County of Saint John.

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To the Sheriff of the City and County of Saint John, or any Constable of the said City and County—Greeting:

Whereas the surviving executor of the estate of Mary Ann Brayden, of the City of Saint John, in the City and County of Saint John, in the City and County of Saint John, married woman, deceased, has filed in this Court an account of his administration of the said decased's estate and has prayed that the same may be passed and allowed in due form of Law, and distribution of the said estate directed according to the terms of the last Will and Testament of the said Mary Ann Brayden, deceased.

You are therefore required to cite the Heirs, next of kin, Divisees and Legatees of the deceased and all of the creditors and other persons interested in her said estate to appear before me at a Court of Prob te to beheld in and for the City and ounty of Saint John, at the Frobate G urt room in the Pussey building in the City of Saint John, on Monday the lineteenth day of April next, a elever of clock in the forenoon then and then to attend at the passing and allowing of the said estate as prayed or and as by law directed.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the said Probate (L. S.) Court, this eleventh day of March, A. D., 1909.

(Sgd.) J. R. ARMSTRONG, Judge of Probate. (Sgd.) H. O. McINERNEY, Registrar of Probate. (Sgd.) E. T. C. KNOWLES, Proctor. 4-4-10-A

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