

houses, and others are said to be burning their furniture in the stores. A rancher in the afflicted district, who arrived here yesterday, says that many bodies remain unburied. He declares the blizzard to have been the most appalling yet experienced in the country.

Astoria, Texas, Jan. 16.—A terrible "norther" struck this section Saturday night, the temperature falling from 74 degrees to 10 degrees, the lowest the mercury has ever been known to register here, and the indications were favorable for a drop lower. The rapid change, intense cold and badly constructed houses have caused intense suffering among the poor in the city. The Missouri Pacific trains are 24 to 36 hours late.

Manassas, Tenn., Jan. 10.—The most phenomenal storm in the recollection of the oldest citizens reached here yesterday morning. It was the end of the blizzard with a wonderful accompaniment of thunder and lightning. The mercury stands at 10 above and the ground is covered with four inches of frozen sleet making excellent sleighing.

Cumaco, Jan. 16.—Sixteen degrees below zero was recorded on government thermometer here at midnight last night. Four below was the highest temperature reached during the day. The total amount of wind mitigated the cold materially and no severe suffering is reported. There is much hardship in the city, however, and police stations and other public shelters are crowded to their utmost capacity by homeless people.

The Gleaner.

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THE COLLAPSE IN MANITOBA.

The defeat of the government of Manitoba was not unexpected. Since the recent elections it has had a precarious existence, and since Norway left its ranks it has felt tottered to its fall.

Norway will now be convinced that the people of Manitoba can be misled for a time, but that they cannot be duped forever. The government rightly deemed its fate. While trying to persuade the people that it was dealing with Sir John as an enemy, it was actually acting under instructions from the chief, and sanctioning one of the greatest wrongs which a province has ever had to suffer. It was of the deepest tory stripe. For a time, a liberal shared in its councils, but was of little use. He was a man of high ability, but he was not a leader, and to the leader's master, and when he thought it well to withdraw, the government was left the very concentration of toryism. For a short time matters ran along smoothly, but soon troubles came thick and fast. Norway found it necessary to retire, and to his colleague, Dr. Horlick, was left the leadership of a shattered party. Every device which the chief could "grind out" failed, and when the first opportunity was presented for the people's representatives to act, it was killed at a blow.

Thus another column which Sir John depended upon for support has been knocked from beneath him. For long he will find that those of his supporters whom he has duped, as he did the people of Manitoba, will learn the insincerity of his professions, and do with him what was done with Norway and his cabinet.

WARDEN ROWLEY.

In selecting Mr. Alfred Rowley, of Marysville, as Warden of the Municipality of York, the County Council have chosen a most efficient man. Mr. Rowley is popular throughout the county, has an intimate knowledge of the work of the several portions of it, and is possessed of good judgment which is necessary to the proper discharge of the duties of the position to which he has been chosen. We congratulate Mr. Rowley upon his well-merited honor.

THE SHORT LINE.

The people of some sections of Maine are just now very much pleased over a report of a change of route of the Short Line, and a reported intention of the company to build a branch line from Matamoras, through Medway to Pattee, thence to Houlton and through a certain section of the Penobscot country. The Lincoln Up River News representative has interviewed a "mole" railway man, who is a contractor, on the subject, and has been so firmly convinced that the report is well grounded he has had prepared a map of the proposed route and publishes it with elaborate explanations. The change in the main line, he would have us understand, is to be made at Matamoras, from which point the company will build to Princeton, instead of taking the Maine Central to Vanceboro, and thence to the St. Croix river, then across to the headlands of St. Andrew's bay, one of the finest ocean ports in the world. From there runs the Grand Southern A. R. Line to St. John, and thus have the through line, made as the crows flies, from British possessions on your west to the same on your east. Frederickton dropped from the line altogether. We are not to be within seventy or eighty miles of the route. We are surprised that the News should allow itself to be misled in a matter of this kind, and we are astonished that the intelligence of Northern Washington should give credence to so unlikely a possibility of such a route being taken as laid down in the News. A glance at the plan, if nothing more, should convince the most ordinary mortal that the route is not calculated to serve the purposes of the construction of the Short Line. It has no advantages, and it has all manner of drawbacks. Again, the company have shown no disposition to change the original route, and even if it desired to make so great a change as that noted by the News it could not undertake it without first obtaining the government's consent, and this it would be impossible to do now. Our Maine friends

should not build much on their hope or belief that a change is to be made. As Sir Charles Tupper said in Parliament last winter the original route will be worked to completion. A portion of the Maine Central will be acquired, and this with the New Brunswick will bring the line to Harvey, at which point it will strike direct for Frederickton, then across the new bridge, and through to Salisbury, then along the Intercolonial to Oxford and so on. As to the branch line to the Annapolis, it is not at all likely that the Short Line Company which is virtually the owner of the New Brunswick will undertake the construction of branches likely to interfere in any way with the line now in its possession, and which will so admirably suit its purposes in the upper sections of country. The News and the people have been "hoaxed" by the "mole" railway man."

THE PUBLIC WORKS REPORT.

We have received a copy of the annual report of the department of Public Works for the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1887. The works under the control of this department are: public buildings, their construction and maintenance; harbors and piers, their improvement and construction; works on navigable rivers; dredging and dredge vessels; roads and bridges; slides and booms and telegraphs; and the report contains a description of the progress made in each of these services during the year, and a statement of the expenditure made thereon. The total amount available for public works during the year was \$3,667,958.50, of which sum \$2,699,761.17 was expended, \$1,445,456.50 on the 30th September, 1886, and the balance, which remained unexpended on the 30th of June, 1887, was carried forward for the unfinished works then in progress. For the construction, maintenance and repairs of public buildings, the amount available was \$1,888,456.50, of which \$1,453,218.22 was expended, and \$112,970.09 unexpended. New Brunswick's share for public buildings was \$65,190.99; of this \$77,980.72 was expended; and \$93.30 unexpended on the 30th of September, 1886. The statement of expenditure is:

Name of Work.	On construction.	Repairs.	Total.
Bayshore Post Office.	13,311.02	13,311.02	
Bayshore Post Office.	8.10	8.10	
Bayshore Post Office.	14.45	14.45	
Bayshore Post Office.	34.18	34.18	
Bayshore Post Office.	19,334.44	19,334.44	
Bayshore Post Office.	2,280.34	2,280.34	
Bayshore Post Office.	1,408.91	1,408.91	
Bayshore Post Office.	1,106.61	1,106.61	
Bayshore Post Office.	6,816.27	6,816.27	
Bayshore Post Office.	315.80	315.80	
Bayshore Post Office.	6.60	6.60	
Bayshore Post Office.	2,548.92	2,548.92	
Bayshore Post Office.	422.91	422.91	
Bayshore Post Office.	60.00	60.00	
Bayshore Post Office.	1,800.00	1,800.00	
Bayshore Post Office.	8.64	8.64	
Bayshore Post Office.	67.25	67.25	
Bayshore Post Office.	8.65	8.65	
Bayshore Post Office.	2,307.81	2,307.81	

Referring the Frederickton report says:—
"At the session of 1886 the sum of \$1,400 was voted for the purpose of repairing the public buildings, and at the session of 1887 a further sum of \$600 was granted for the same purpose. During the year a quantity of painting, kalsomining, etc., was done, new asphalt sidewalks laid, the vault fixed up and additional fixtures supplied. Repairs, \$2,280.34. Total expenditure on this building, \$30,521.57 for construction; \$2,450.31 for repairs."

For harbors and rivers the total amount available was \$1,812,200.00, of which \$1,292,938.02 was expended, and \$519,261.98 unexpended on the 30th of September, 1886. From this expenditure New Brunswick received \$35,435.09. As to the improvements on the St. John the following observations are made:—
"At the session of 1886 the sum of \$5,000 was voted for the improvement of Grand Lake; for the river from des Chutes to Bear Island and Frederickton; for the river above Grand Falls, and for the section between Frederickton and Woodville; and at the session of 1887 the sum of \$800.00 was voted for the completion of the dam above Grand Falls. At the opening of the fiscal year the dredge 'Hercules' was at work on the Grand Lake and worked there until 29th October, removing 8,555 cubic yards of clay and sand. On the 29th June, 1887, the dredge resumed work at Bellisle Bay. Between Frederickton and Bear Island boulders and rocks were removed at Bear's Landing and in the vicinity of Spring Hill, and the channel was widened at the head of Bear's Island. From Bear Island up to the river des Chutes the channel was improved by the removal of boulders and bars. From River des Chutes to Grand Falls blasting was done and rock removed at White Rapids and Larrie Rock, below Anderson Bridge. On the tubular improvements were effected at Nictau Bar, Hammond Bay and other points. Above Grand Falls to River St. Francis the tow path was repaired, and some rocks and sand bars removed from the channel at Baker's Brook, while immediately above the falls a 'bar dam,' 229 feet in length, to guide timber and logs over the falls, was commenced. Expenditure during the year, \$26,918.12. Total expenditure on this river (including the 'Tobique' since Confederation, \$97,410.25). For dredging and dredges \$155,990.36 were appropriated; \$145,403.42 were expended, \$5,496.94 of this amount in New Brunswick.

There were \$125,672.85 expended on slides and booms, and \$36,951.08 on roads and bridges, of which amount the handsome sum of \$18,084.86 was spent in the city of Ottawa and immediate vicinity. Telegraph lines cost \$106,497.28. The city of Ottawa seems to have shared well at the hands of the Public Works Department. There has been paid for the following services in and about the capital for the past year:—
Carry Square, \$2,607.28
Central Experimental Farm, \$4,011.54
Chaudiere Slide Bridge, \$1.51
Dufferin Bridge, \$4,373.66
Victoria Park, \$10,000.00
Public Buildings, \$88.33
Major Hill's Park, \$16,813.21
National Art Gallery, \$22.00
New Departmental Building, \$6,027.73
New Bridge, \$2,000.00
Post Office, \$971.49
Printing Bureau, part building, \$703.80
Public Buildings, \$11,860.13
Bleed Hall, \$2,500.71

Ridau River, repairs, 3,678.55	
Sapper's Bridge, repairs, 636.55	
Patrick's Street, repairs, 510.27	
Supreme Court Building, repairs, 600.71	
St. John's Suspension Bridge, 2,574.39	
Wellington Street, repairs, 10,555.59	
Total, \$338,447.72	

Mr. Purcell, a liberal, has been disqualified for personal bribery, and while the tory press are exulting over the fact, Mr. Temple, the tory member for York, is openly boasting that Baird of Queen's "is all right," because he has at his command about \$15,000, collected from Tories throughout the province, with which to buy his seat. What noble examples of men these Tories are.

NEWS OF THE WORLD CONDENSED

From Our Own Telegraphic Reports and Our Exchanges.

Personal, Political and Religious News of the Day.

Cable, American, Canadian and Provincial Topics.

The Prussian diet opened Saturday.

Stephen Heller, of Paris, the distinguished pianist and musical composer, is dead, aged 70.

Re-president Grey suffered a second stroke of apoplexy last Monday, since which he has been confined to his bed.

Two boats organized to cause a rising in Bulgaria were defeated by Turkish soldiers before they crossed the frontier.

Orangeburg attacked the Irish leader, meeting at Boston, Eng., Sunday, and wrecked the ball. Councillor Byrne was seriously injured. He is in a precarious condition.

The London Standard denies that there is any discussion between the Unionists and the Government in connection with the proposed local Government bill.

The Berlin Tagblatt reports that there is serious difference of opinion between Dr. Mackenzie and the German doctors in regard to the crown prince's case.

Wilfred Blunt was moved to a warmer climate in Calcutta, on Sunday, and his recovery, a hand tried to surrender him but was prevented by the police.

Refugee notices have been posted on the Countess of Kingston's estate at Mitchellton against 120 tenants who adopted the plan of campaign. The latter cleared the farms of all movable stock.

The king of Abyssinia has summoned Kassaala and other chiefs to council at Addis Ababa to arrange for a forward movement when the main body joins Kassaala's force at Awraja.

Lord Randolph Churchill visited Gen. Ignatieff at St. Petersburg, and was happy to make the acquaintance of a statesman representative of the Russian national party. Ignatieff replied that no political parties in Russia; that he rather represented national sentiments.

Grandma Garfield, mother of the murdered president, is growing weaker, and it is believed that she will die.

John C. Harris, a Canadian, charged with forgery, has been arrested at St. Paul, Minn., and is on his way to Toronto.

Friday and Saturday night were unprecedentedly cold throughout Montana, Minnesota and Nebraska. On Friday night a heavy snow storm set in, and on Saturday a heavy snow storm set in, and on Sunday a heavy snow storm set in.

Yesterday, a freight train on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati & St. Louis railway, while crossing a high bridge near Pittsburg, righted a car that left the track, from a supposed spring rail. Two cars fell to the street, 90 feet, and were smashed to splinters. The employees were instantly killed and another seriously injured.

Wm. Calley, a compositor in the Globe office, died suddenly in church at Toronto, Sunday.

John Rutledge, the Toronto prize grand, stabbed by the convict Robert Bell, Friday, died Sunday afternoon.

Joseph Richardson, of Toronto, was arrested Saturday for criminally assaulting Miss Dunning, under 12 years of age.

Inspector Cullen, of Montreal states that a body of 100 men, armed with revolvers, was discovered in New York.

Antonie Patterson, aged 70 years, of St. Catherine's, who was given to St. Catherine's, was found dead in a ditch at St. Catherine's, was found dead in a ditch at St. Catherine's.

At the inquest on the death of G. O. Cook, of North Pelham, Ont., the jury returned a verdict of poisoning. The evidence proved that strychnine caused his death. No arrest as yet.

James McKee, a farmer of West Plainsboro, Ont., committed suicide Saturday, by jumping over a precipice, 75 feet. He was 60 years of age and worth \$40,000. He cut his throat six months ago, but recovered.

Stephen Kilroy, a farmer of Nova Scotia, was found dead on the road near his home Friday night. It is thought he was killed by a runaway accident at his home near home without the slightest suspicion.

An explosion occurred in the Albion mine near Pitcair on Sunday, injuring three men and killing a horse. Fifteen men just got out of the pit before the explosion occurred. Several buildings near were destroyed.

Sanctuary of a Low Affair.

Norfolk, Mass., Jan. 12.—The town of Hancock, Carle Brockway, a farmer's daughter, perished in meeting clandestinely Washington Street, a lover, and the latter was warned away by her father and two brothers. Finally the three Brockways besieged Sweet in his house. The latter shot one of the Brockway boys, probably fatally, in the hip. Two survivors returned the fire, and Sweet fell seriously wounded in the neck. At this point Carle arrived and the door was broken in. Sweet was found unconscious on the floor. Carle shrieked; his father and brother seized a carving knife and cut out their throat. Still dead across her lover's body. The community is composed exclusively of French Canadians. There is high excitement and no shooting is liable.

A Radical Cure.

(Nebraska State Journal.)

Doctor, I am afflicted with soreness of the throat, which is a great annoyance to me. I am in the choir, you know.

Yes, I hear you every Sunday.

Can you tell me what I can do that will effect a satisfactory cure?

Certainly. I can recommend a cure that will be satisfactory to all concerned.

What's that?

Quit singing.

Vice Versa.

1st Trump.—Why, here, Bill, this paper says they're making whiskey out of old rags.

2nd Trump.—You'd better sell yourself to a distillery then.

1st Trump (reflectively).—I think that is a little wick-vary. It was whiskey made a bundle of rags out of, ain't it?

The Oldest Mormon Bishop Dead.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Jan. 15.—Bishop Wm. H. Hickeloper died yesterday, aged 83. He was the oldest bishop in the Mormon church. He had been a bishop over 40 years. He had two wives. He has living by one 15, and the other 12 children; 30 grand children and 52 great grand children.

Cutting it Short.

Stranger—"Is Mr. Blake in?"
Hotel Clerk—"Yes, he's in his room."
"Tell him Mr. Schweiferts is outside."

"Front, tell 126 a gentleman from Cincinnati wishes to see him."

Trouble and Thrill

and Lung Troubles are treated successfully with Allen's Lung Balm.

A Common Fault.

I saw you at the theatre last night, Jack.

No, did you? What did you think of the little party with me, Gus?

Too much heads and feet, and not enough girl, said Gus, critically.

Don't

let that cold of yours run on. You think it is a light thing. But it may run into catarrh. Or into pneumonia. Or consumption. Catarrh is dangerous. Pneumonia is dangerous. Consumption is death itself.

The breathing apparatus must be kept healthy and clear of all obstructions and offensive matter. Otherwise there is trouble ahead.

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