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SAD FATALITY.

CORNELIUS McGOURTY'S HEROIC ACT COSTS HIM HIS LIFE.

The Mispec pulp mill works were the scene of a sad fatality Friday morning. Work has been in progress toward the laying of pipes, and, in doing this, it was necessary to use dynamite in blasting the rock, and Mr. Cornelius Mc-Gourty was foreman of the men engaged at this work. In a boiler house near the works he had about 50 sticks of dyna-mite hanging in a sack over the boiler mite hanging in a sack over the boiler to prevent their freezing. It is said two of the sticks were capped. He went into the boiler house about 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and seven or eight other men were there too. Mr. McGourty took the bag of dynamite cartridges and placed it on the ground while he lighted ris pipe. Suddenly the bag was seen blezing and some one drew Mr McGourty's attention to it. He called to all to run and they did so. He, himself, staved to and they did so. He, himself, stayed to pick up the blazing bag with its terrible contents and made for the door, with the evident intention of throwing the bag

into the river.

He had not got out beyond the doorway when there was heard a terrible explosion—the fire had reached the capped sticks of dynamite. Glass in the capped sticks of dynamite. Glass in the mill, 40 yards away, was smashed, the shed covering the boiler was blown to pieces, the workmen fleeing from the boiler house were thrown stunned to the ground, while the heroic man who faced death to save the others

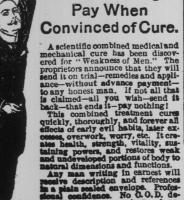
the body was carried to the office of the works and Coroner Berryman sumbaloned. He drove out, as also did Undertaker Fitspatrick to bring the remains to the city. Mesers Mooney felt anxious that the matter be inquired into and it is likely an inquest will be held. If so, it will be begun this evening, for then city, as is customary on Saturday evenings, and those needed to give evidence will be easily available. The coroner meantime allowed the body to be brought to the city, and it was taken to the residence of Martin McGuire, Waterloo to the city, and it was taken to the residence of Martin McGuire, Waterloo

Deceased was a well-known contractor and was about 50 years old. He was a widower and leaves four children who are living with relatives at Black River. The He had been employed with Mesers Mooney since the pulp mill work started and was regarded as most competent. He lately resided in Carleton, and was a member of the Carleton branch of the friends in the carried branch of the C. M. B. A. Mr. McGourty has many friends in the city who will regret his sudden death coming, as it did, when in the effort to save the lives of others.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Some people seek pleasure abroad and find it waiting for them on their re-

Who are Willing to



Erio Medical Co., Buffalo, IL.Y.

Slaughter House Commiss

The regular monthly meeting of the slaughtar house commissioners and the first of the season of 1899 was held Friday in their rooms, Magee block, Water street. Chairman Hay presided, and there were present Commissioners Drake and Frink, Gallagher and Shaw. After routine business the inspector's re-port wat read, and showed the following killing for the month:-

The audit committee appointed were Commissioners Berryman and Gleecon.
After the meeting adjournek the commissioners went to Washington's cafe on Chaldton to the commissioners are the commissioners and the commissioners are commissioners.

Charlotte street, where a dinner was tendered in honor of the representatives of The Telegraph and San, who have been regular attendants at the meetings of the board. The full membership of of the board. The full membership of the board were present. Chairman Hay eat at the head of the table and Com D E Berryman occupied the vice-chair, and there were present Surveyor General A T Duan, Commissioners Drake, Berryman, Shaw, Gallagher, Frink and Gleeson, and Secretary W Shaw, Inspector Bustin, and the representatives of the Triesgraph and Sun. After the party had done full justice to the good things served, there were speeches, etc, and a couple of very pleasant hours were spent. done full justice to the good things

Trade Prospects.

New York, Jan 6-Breadstuffs tomorrow will say: Trade reports from Canada reflect an air of confidence. Toman who faced death to save the others lay dead, his body torn and mangled by the awful death lealing agent.

The body lay face downwards and, as the men turned it over they found it terribly disfigured, both arms being form off at the shoulder, and no trace of them was to be found. They may have been driven into the river, which is near by, and the finding on the wharf of a piece of cloth which the decased had wrapped round a wounded finger leads some to think this is what happened.

The body was carried to the office of the works and Coroner Berryman sum-

ber 26, against 46 in this week a year

The Best Seeds Absolutely Necessary.

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We cannot too strongly nor too often urge the supreme importance of plant ing seeds that are perfectly pure and fresh. Seeds that are effered at cheap prices are almost invariably of doubtfol origin and uncertain age, sure to cause the planter disappointment and loes. The thoughtful planter's only suretv lies in buying seeds sent out by a conscientious and trustworthy house. A vast number of Canadian gardeners have (and have had for years) the utmost condidence in seeds that bear the name, D. M. Ferry & Co., Windsor, Ont. The present generation of planters can hardly remember the time when Ferry's Seeds were not on sale everywhere each years and as regularly planted by thousands—with the greatest faith in the unvarying quality of the seeds and in the integrity of the firm that grew them. Every planter, whether already a buyer of Ferry's Seed Annual for 1899. It is mailed free to anyone who writes for it.

We cannot too strongly nor too often that is all I have to say about that.

In a few minutes they were away along the tote road. The warm March and two the close to them, and wished them a good morning in their well-known bird language. A solitary crow had got away up there, 20 miles inland, to spend the night, and was now wending his way to the seashore for a clam breakfast, croakdat a various times during the fall, and was now compelled to open to "rpring him out." Everything was joyous and gald, for was it not March, and the odor and foretaste of summer were in the air. The old log was reached. Was there a bear in it? This was the question with the boys. They did not intend to do acy killing that day. All they wanted was to make sure that the bear was at home. They went to the darkness. Did they see two bright eyes, shining like mailed free to anyone who writes for it.

Schr. Florence Abbott Ashore.

ARICHAT, CB, Jan 9-The schr Florence Abbott, Capt Mosher, coal laden, from North Sydney bound for Halifax, went ashore on Madame Island, Friday night, during a severe snow storm. She will be a total wreck. The crew were saved after being in their boats all night enduring great hardships.

Color War at Richmond.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 7-Eight negroes who were concerned in the Virgilena riots a month ago escaped from Halifax jail last night. They went back to Virgilena and in an effort to arrest them one negro was killed by a deputy. The negro miners threaten vengeance and serious trouble is feared.

IN MOOSELAND.

SCHOOLBOYS KILLED THREE BEARS

(By Old Sport.)

It is the object of these papers under the heading "In Mooseland" to give a description of the principal game and furbearing animals of New Brunswick that our readers may have a good general knowledge of the value of our forest wealth in live stock, and may also secure a few facts about the mode of life and the habits of cur common wild animals.

But there has been a request from some of the younger readers that I give them a real live bear story, and for this time only I will vary the theme, and instead of writing a brief description of the sand instead of writing a brief description of the sand instead of writing a brief description of the completely out of the fight, and a bullet from the fowling piece in wanny's hands gave her the quietus. This was quick and exciting work, and the boys could hardly realize that they had killed a bear. A brief inspection told them that she had cubs with her, and in a few minutes one of the little bearites crawled out to see where his mother had gone so suddenly. It was quickly despatched, but there was another close at hand, so close in fact that the boys could not stop him and the little fellow escaped to the woods. He was quickly tollowed, and, though he tried to climb a tree, the ready gun soon brought him down. time only I will vary the theme, and instead of writing a brief description of the otter, as I intended, will detail how two schoolboys killed three bears.

One of the characteristics of a country boy, and also perhaps of he town boy, is a total disregard for scratches or bruises if he is securing any enjoymen. He rushes into danger first and then con-siders it afterwards. He gets in trouble by his headstrong impetuosity, and then, when he has got out of his dilemma, considers those phases of it that he should have discussed with himself before going into the undertaking. But as this is to be a bear story, not a

sermon, I will proceed.
On the border of Charlotte county and
York, the Upper Magaguadavic waters
flow, the home of trout, the banks clad
in forest where bears have always been in forest where bears have always been numerous. In a village a few miles from the Charlotte county line, known as Brockway Settlement, lived a well-known hunter and guide, Well Davis. As we have not heard of his demise, and as he is one of the government's most successful wardens, it is safe to presume that he is still living at Brockway, and occasionally hunts bears. When it is said that he has captured some 22 specimens of bear in a season and that his two boys helped him strip off their pelts, aided him in setting traps, and could handle a rifle like a drum major, it will be seen at once that though they were but 11 and 9 years of age they were but 11 and 9 years of age they knewall the peculiarities of the bear

As this story is fully authenticated we give the names so that those who may be skeptical will know where to find the necessary substantiation. One fine morning about the first of March, when

morning about the first of March, when the snow was deep on the ground, Davis said to his boys:—

"I am going to St. Andrews.

I want you to stay around the house after school and I'll be home as early as possible. In the morning we will go out to the big hill and try that old fallen log at the tote road forks. I think by the way the snow is melting on it that there is a bear inside. Ger all the work done up so that we can get an early start in the morning."
So saying he drove out of the yard and

was soon en route to St. Andrews.

The boys stood and looked at each other as the gate latch clicked behind their father as if transfixed by the same thought. It was not long before the

to parley they chose the time when their mother was in the kitchen to get the guns and ammunition out of the hallway.
Perhaps you will say they were bad

boys, for playing truant and stealing away in this manner. Well, they were boys; every day, hearty, healthy boys; that is all I have to say about that.

log and peered into the darkness. Did they see two bright eyes, shining like electric lights? They thought they did, but those eyes, if they were eyes, were far away inside the log, and the boys could not be sure. So they decided to poke the gun inside the log and feel

if the bear was there.

The younger boy took the shotgun and getting down on his knees reached the weapon as far as he could inside the log. He could not touch "bottom."

"Better get in a little further," said

Jimmy, and the youth squeezed him-self along inside the log, and this time he touched something.
"What was it?" Jimmy's eyes were

The boy backed out as fast as possible:

and no sconer had he cleared the hole than the head of a bear followed. But Jimmy was on the alert He was stand-

Jimmy was on the alert He was standing guard. The old musket that had seen long years of service and had never failed yet was at his shoulder, loaded with buckehot, and no sooner had the bear's head reached the outside world than the trigger was pulled, and the old gun went off, awakening the echoes, and tearing away the whole lower jaw and part of the throat of the mother bear.

brought him down.

This was a good morning's work for two schoolboys, aged 11 and 9, and it was a genuine surprise when they reached home, having got a neighbor's horse and sled to haul their trophies to the

Of course it was out that they had played truant, but when their father found that they had such good results to show for their disobedience he readily forgave them.

With the Pilots.

The regular meeting of the pilot commissioners was held Thursday afternoon and the annual statement was made.

There are 30 pilots with six boats. Pilot Edward J. Fletcher retires on the pusion list after an honorable career of 50 years as a pilot. He is free on the books of all charges. Pilot Fletcher has reached 72 years of age. James Miller has completed his five years' apprenticeship and made the necessary voyages. He will now go before the examiners to obtain and the annual statement was made. eion list after an honorable career of 50 years as a pilot. He is free on the books of all charges. Pilot Fletcher has reached 72 years of age. James Miller has completed his five years' apprenticeship and made the necessary voyages. He will now go before the exeminers to obtain his branch. The earnings, disbursements, etc., are as follows:—

INCOME ACCOUNT. 1.65) 67 Stationery and office rent.... PILOT FUND ACCOUNT. Pensions—2 pilots, 6 widows and 4 children.
Funeral expenses.
10 balance. TERRELS ARRIVING AT ST. JOHN. British. Brigant nes
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Barques and barquentines
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P.lot Doherty was leader, his earnings reaching \$241188, while Pilot Doody was the smallest individual earner, \$79.50. Of course, the men who were cnosen to pilot the boats around from Halifax made the largest amounts. Is must not be inferred that the above is all clear gains, for the pilots have to keep up their boats.

Will Revolutio ize Manufacture.

CLEVELAND, O. Jan 6-W. H. Packer, of

this city, has invented a ramie defibrator, which is said to be a enecese, and will, it is believed, revolutioning the manufacture of fabrics Other inventors. "What was it?" Jimmy's eyes were larger than anything else unless it was Wanny's eyes. "What was in that hole?" "Was it soft and decayed wood the gun had touched or was it a bear?' These were some of the questions the boys asked themselves but could not answer. "Did they hear something moving in the log?"

If they did it had stopped. Once more Wanny crawled into the log and poked the gun as far forward as he could reach. He again touched something, and this something was coming out.

The boy backed out as fast as possible; world. it is stated, have been at work on a

WAS ABLY DISCUSSED BY LEADING CITIZENS.

A meeting of the joint committee of the Common Council and Board of Trade was held in the Mayor's Office at the City Hall Monday. The taxation ques-City Hall Monday. The taxation equestion was the subject of the meeting, and a most important and far-reaching resolution was adopted—one which will change the whole system of taxation if it is approved and perfected by the Common Council, and if that body is able to have it made a law by the Local Government. Deputy Mayor White was in the chair, and there were present Ald Macrae and Messrs H A Harvey, R B Emerson, J W Daniel, M D, W M Jarvis, W Frank Hatheway, G A Schofield, T H Hall, T H Estabrooks, F Foster, W H Thorne and Common Clerk Wardroper.

Wardroper.
Dr. White as chairman said in opening the meeting that the business in hand was the notice of motion given by Mr. Harvey at the last meeting. Before this was taken up Ald. Mac-Rae in answer to questions regarding the business done at the last meeting of the bills and by-laws committee. The alderman explained the business done

alderman explained the business done by the committee. Among other things which have not previously been men-tioned, was the recommendation that a bill be obtained which would protect lessees in making renewals. At the present time leases were made out with a renewal clause. Lately there have been many violations of these agree-ments and owners of property have re-

Chairman White said there was a quorum of the joint committee present and any business could properly be

In answer to Mr. Emerson, Ald. Mac-Rae said the intention of the bill ex-empting city bonds meant only the exemption of city bonds. Little revenue would be to enhance their value and place them on an equal with bank bonds and other stocks which now escaped tax-ation and were more valuable on that

Mr H'A Harvey introduced the following resolution:—
Resolved, That the present system of taxing personal property and incomes be abolished and that in lieu thereof for the future the basic principle shall be

benefits derived.

Mr Harvey said the resolution em-Mr Harvey said the resolution embodied two propositions, viz., the abolition of the present system of taxation and the substitution of a new one.

In the creation of the present act the principle was a central one, and the intention was that real estate, personal property and incomes should bear equally the burthen of maintaining the community. To be just, the act had to be equitably administered, and this had been found impossible, for a large portion of the personal estate and incomes escaped taxation leaving a heavier burthen on the property and incomes which could not escape. The result was that a great deal of personal estate was kept out of the city to escape taxation and wealth was driven away. Mr Harvey said that at the present time \$8,000,000 of bonds, stocks and bank deposits were taxed and he believed that personal property. bonds, stocks and bank deposits were taxed and he believed that personal property of this kind amounting to \$.0,000,000 absolutely ascaped taxation. The greater part of the personal taxes were paid by merchant; and manufacturers. Income taxes were open to the same objection. He favored a system based on benefits received, and to sustain his contention read extracts from a tain his contention read extracts from a pamphlet published by Mr Bell, of Halifax. The system he favored was one of business licenses and rental and household taxes, all based on rental

values of properties.

Mr. W. M. Jawis, in seconding Mr.

Harvey's resolution, said that the
present system here heavily upon the
wage earners. The man earning \$300 a wage earners. The man earning \$3000 a yeer pays \$6.50. A man earning \$30,000 pays \$45. The one pays 2 per cent; the latter 12 per cent. The board of trade had originally intended to only exempt small incomes. However, he for one would be in favor of abolishing all incomes. come taxes and substituting therefor house hold taxes and business licenses. The system in vogue at the present time was he held detrimental to the true in-

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ystem of taxing personal property made t impossible for persons of wealth to taxes was paid; the same was true of Montreal, and would soon be true of Halifax. The present St John act being

The Halifax act was the one on which the St John act was proposed to be mod-

per cent of the rental or, annual value of business premises. He reviewed the whole act, showing that while the principles were suitable for this or any other community, the details were not entirely

suitable.

Mr Jarvis, in explanation of income tax abolition said a clerk on a salary of \$1000 a year would not pay an salary of \$1000 a year would not pay an income tax but would pay a rental tax on the house he occupied. On income he now paid about \$15 and under a household tax he would pay only \$450. If he was not a householder his tax would be paid by his boarding house mistress directly and indirectly by him through his board which would be high enough to cover this charge.

Mr Harvey explained that the Halifax system imposed 3 p.c. upon 19 p.c. o the assessed value of property occupied.

the assessed value of property occupied.
This was the occupation tax. The system he thought would be found to be a fair and equitable one.

Mr Schofield said there was a great

Mr Schofield said there was a great deal of desatisfaction with the present taxation system.

The amount of taxation he did no think was the objection but the principle or lack of principle was the trouble. He would take his own case. He was taxed on an income of \$5,000 a year. Now, a person who fell heir to \$5,000 in bonds would derive from them an income of \$200 a year. Suppose this was all they had, the person would pay the same amount of taxes on \$200 that he paid on an income of \$5,000. Could anything be more absurd or cruel than this The estimate of Mr. Harvey of the amount of personal property which es-

personal property.

Mr Hatheway said he could not vote for a bare principle; he would, however, favor the city adopting an act similar to that of Halifar. The principle to be adopted should, he thought, be a mixed principle.

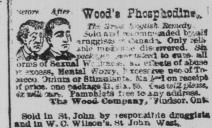
Dr Daniel said that the generality of the resolution was an account he was

the resolution was so sweeping he was not certain whether he was voting for what it mentioned. He wanted the resolution made more intelligible.

To make the matter clear to all the

"Resolved, that the present system of "Resolved, that the present system or taxing personal property and incomes be abolished; and that the common council be respectfully requested to consider the adoption of a measure based on the principles of the M ntreal system of assessment and that proposed for Halifax, so far as the same be applicately

This was adopted remanime saly and the meeding adjourned.



tion held today to fill the vacancy in the county council, caused, by the death of J. A. Gould, resulted in the election of J.

Carr Elected

H. Carr, over Allen Dow, by a majority of 107. Only about one-fourth the total Canterbury Station.. 149 What She Belleves. "I believe Food's Sarsaparilla is a good medicine, because I have seen its good effects in the case of my mother She has taken it when she was weak and her health was poor, and she says she knows nothing better to build her up and make her feel saring."
BESSIE M. KNOWLES, Upper Wood Harbor