FRED. B. DILL WIRES THE TELEGRAPH THAT HE IS ALIVE AND WELL IN MONTREAL

His Mother Hears That He Is In That City and Sends Telegram to Him—Gets Word, But Is Still Doubtful—Message from the Telegraph Brings Quick Response—Dead Man Buried.

Monday, May 13.

Montreal, May 12, 1912.

Daily Telegraph, St. John (N. B.):

Thanks. I am all right.

FRED B. DILL,

The foregoing despatch to The Telegraph at an early hour this morning was in response to a message sent by this paper to Fred B. Dill, 307 St. James street, Montreal, telling him that a man killed on the I. C. R. near this city last week had been identified as him by his mother in Carleton and asking him, if alive, to wire a reply at once at the Telegraph's expense.

On Friday evening as a result of some correspondence shown to her Mrs. Mary J. Dill, of Carleton, Fred Dill's mother, made up her mind that her son was living in Montreal and that he had not been killed by a freight train near St. John on Wednesday evening as she had supposed. She sent to him addressed to 29 St. Antoine street, Montreal, where he had written some friends he was staying, the following message:

"Are you at above address? Wire at once as body is being held." and she signed this "Mother."

On Saturday morning about 10 o'clock the message was returned marked: No such person known in that vicinity. Saturday evening at 10 o'clock Mrs. Dill said she received the following message:

"Telegram received. Am here in Montreal. Send particulars.

FRED B. DILL,
"307 St. James street."

To a Telegraph reporter who called at her home last night, Mrs. Dill said she could not understand why her son had been so long in answering and she was not at all sure that the Fred B. Dill in Montreal was really her own son. In view of the despatch to The Telegraph, however, there is no doubt, that her son is alive and well.

"If I later find he is dead," said Mrs. Dill last evening before she knew anything about the message from her son to The Telegraph, "I will be able to stand it as it is just one more disappointment in my life. Some people will now think me foolish but I could not see how I could have been mistaken. The body had the same scar on his right leg, the very scar that we looked for and after I had recovered from the shock I nerved myself to the extent of putting my fingers into his mouth to ascertain if the two large teeth were missing, and I found they were. Then my boy wore his hair thick on top and when I looked I said at once: Yes that is my boy's head."

Mrs. Dill says that she does not regret the expense of burial and when it was suggested that she would not be expected to stand it if the victim was not her son, she replied: "Well if they pay me, all right, but if not I will never say a word about it. I think I did right because if he had been buried by the authorities and I had found out afterwards that it was my boy, I could never have recovered the body for in that field they have no stone to mark a grave."

She says that the statement that she had not heard from her son for six months as stated in a morning paper, was not correct, as he had been to the house in March. It was only yesterday morning that she had a feeling that the dead man might not be her son and she decided to change the funeral arrangement and have the burial from Beatteay's undertaking rooms rather than from her home. This took place yesterday afternoon, and again there is great mystery regarding the identity of the dead man.

IRON ORE SMELTING PLANT MAY BE MOVED TO COURTENAY BAY

Drummond Manager Admits it Has Been Mentioned, But No Decision Has Yet Been Reached—John J. Drummond Talks of Great Work in Gloucester County—Says New Brunswick is in for Big Development.

Saturday, May 11.

Thoroughly impressed with the bright prospects of the province generally and very well satisfied indeed with his share in the mining venture in Gloucester county where iron ore of a very superior kind is being mined and developed, John J. Drummond, of Montreal, accompanied by his chief engineer and J. P. Edwards, manager of the Londonderry (N. S.) plant, arrived in the city yesterday. Speaking to a Telegraph reporter of the situation, Mr. Drummond said that the coal strike in Great Britain had affected the iron trade by an increase in carrying rates and a drop in the price of ore, but while there had been a check, it was by no means a serious one and he looked forward to a very satisfactory season.

"There is no question as to the resources of the Gloucester county deposits," he said. "The stuff is there if we can develop it, but I feel safe in saying that after three years we have made more progress towards development than is generally accomplished in American mines in from six to ten years. We have been stripping and carrying on development work all winter and have put in a concentrating plant which is the biggest thing of its kind on the American continent. This plant is used for standardizing the ore and bringing out the metallic iron contents, being much more preferable to the old hand-picking system which was both wasteful and uncertain.

"This plant has cost a small fortune and will be started under the direction of an expert, I expect, about the 15th of the present month. It has a capacity of 100 tons an hour or 1,000 tons in ten hours. The concentrating of the ore is accomplished by a jigging process as planned by a Missouri firm of engineers and was partially erected by them in conjunction with our native labor.

"Shipment of ore will begin about the 20th of the present month, there being now upwards of 80,000 tons of ore mined and in the bank ready for shipment. Mining is likely to be resumed in July, a great deal depending, of course, on the rapidity of the shipments."

Speaking generally of the progress made by the company, Mr. Drummond said that one of the finest shipping docks in America, with a capacity of 1,000 tons an hour, had been erected at Newcastle, while the railroad of the same standard as the Grand Trunk Pacific with Consolidated locomotive equipment was doing a very satisfactory general business and had been found very convenient by the lumbermen carrying on operations in that section.

Mr. Drummond said that he believed New Brunswick was in for a period of great development, "especially if you can get hold of some of the thousands of immigrants who are flying over your heads like so many wild geese."

Messrs. Drummond, Parsons and Edwardes will leave by the Digby boat this morning for Londonderry.

Coming to St. John?

When asked yesterday regarding the rumor that the smelting plant at Londonderry would be transferred to Courtenay bay, Mr. Edwards said he had heard this project mentioned, but that the management had not come to any decision in the matter. Mr Edwards said that St. John is supplied occasionally from the Londonderry plant and that the growing importance of the city was being recognized. He acknowledged that the Londonderry plant was operated under difficulties owing to the lack of proper shipping facilities.

Messrs. Drummond have established a branch of their purchasing agency, Drummond, McCall & Co., in the Canada Life building, in this city, of which M. L. G. Vincent is the manager.

FARMERS CARELESS AND OUTSIDERS GET PROFITS

Man Who Has Travelled Much Says New Brunswickers Are Missing Their Opportunities—Big Demand for Laborers.

One of the chief features of the Bank of New Brunswick campaign will be the providing of work for those who are willing to try their fortunes in their native province after a sojourn in other lands, and in order to do this the secretary of the board of trade is asking manufacturers, contractors and business men generally to furnish him with a list of their immediate requirements for labor and the number they will probably require before the summer has waned.

It will be comparatively easy to provide any class of workingmen with good jobs owing to the enormous amount of work which will be done in the city and province, and if the forward movement continues there is every reason to believe that many of the workmen will become permanent residents of the province. The secretary says there is scarcely a contractor who is not willing to engage fifteen or twenty men at any time and if this is carried out all over the province where the railways are building, mines being developed and farming prosecuted on a more progressive scale than ever before, the 1917 Club should be able to place several thousands of men as the result of their crusade for a Back to New Brunswick movement.

The matter of providing clerical positions for accountants and bookkeepers is also being considered by the club and it is believed that when the contracts are well under way there will be much better opportunity for this class of men who look for a higher wage than the ordinary laborer, than there is at present.

A Montreal man who was in the city recently and who has traveled extensively, in speaking of the Back to New Brunswick movement, expressed his conviction that farm lands in New Brunswick would be a most profitable investment for the outsider.

"From what I know of New Brunswick," he said, "there is no better potato growing country in the world and, in fact," he said, "enough potatoes could be grown by your farmers to supply the whole of Canada, instead of Scotch potatoes being imported. The fact of New Zealand butter being sold in your city is simply a reflection on the enterprise of your farmers, while there is no other reason in the world for your province not raising its own beef except that the farmers have become careless in keeping up the standard of their herds."

This man expressed the opinion that an investment in New Brunswick farm lands would eventually prove more profitable than the buying of western lands.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Elizabeth McArthur.

Friday, May 10.

After a brief illness, Elizabeth McArthur, widow of Joseph McArthur, passed away at her home, 79 Paradise Row, last evening. She was in the eightieth year of her age and up till the last was active and kindly disposed. She is survived by four sons—Douglas, George, Joseph and Albert, all of this city—and two daughters, Mrs. Hatty Young, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Walter W. Chase, of this city; and one sister, Mrs. M. M. Scribner, also of this city.

Mrs. Robert Lewis.

Petit Rocher, N. B., May 6—On Sunday, May 5, at her home, Stormland, Petit Rocher (N. B.), Mrs. Robert Lewis, surrounded by her children and relatives, passed peacefully away.

Mrs. Lewis, who before her marriage in September, 1895, was Miss Helen Arseneault, the youngest daughter of the late James G. Arseneault, of Petit Rocher, was in her 38th year, and is survived by five brothers—Jos. Arseneault, of Old Town (Me.); James Arseneault, now residing at Bathurst Mines; Thomas, Jerome and Alec. Arseneault, of Petit Rocher, and four sisters—Mrs. Jos. Comeau, Mrs. J. Cormier, Mrs. J. B. Arseneault and Miss Mary Arseneault, all residing in Petit Rocher, besides her husband and eight children, five boys—Thomas, Henry, Robert, John and Emmet, and three girls—Bertilda, Alice and May. Deceased had been ill for but a short while and her death was a shock to the entire community.

The funeral took place from her late residence to the Roman Catholic cemetery on Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Charles Wasson.

Saturday, May 11.

Charles Wasson, of the collection department of the Metropolitan Insurance Company, received a message yesterday morning informing him that his wife had died at their home in Hampstead after a very short illness. He immediately left for that place.

Mrs. Wasson was a native of Hampstead and was in her forty-first year. She and her seven children—three boys and four girls—lived at the home in Hampstead, while Mr. Wasson resided most of the time in this city, where it was more convenient for his work. The eldest of the children is only seventeen years old, so that it will be easily seen what a great loss the family has sustained. They will have the deep sympathy of many.

Mrs. Patrick Harris.

Saturday, May 11.

The death of Ms. Priscilla Harris, wife of Patrick Harris, took place at her home in Sheriff street yesterday morning. She had been in poor health for about five months. She was formerly Miss Lavigne, of Bathurst. She is survived by her husband and one child. The funeral will take place this morning at 7.45.

Mrs. Thomas McColgan.

Saturday, May 11.

After a brief illness Mrs. Thomas McColgan passed peacefully away yesterday at her home, 69 Brussels street. She was in the eighty-fifth year of her age and had been in failing health for some time, but her death came unexpectedly. She is survived by one son, A. T. McColgan, of Cambridge, and one daughter, Minnie, at home.

Philip M. Casey.

Amherst, N. S., May 10—(Special)—Philip M. Casey, a prominent conractor and builder of this town, died at the home of his brother-in-law, L. D. McKeen, Athol, this morning, in the 55th year of his age. The deceased has been carying on an extensive building business in the Western States for some years, but spent his summers largely in this town. He was planning on building a number of houses in Amherst this summer, but was taken ill with pneumonia a week ago. His wife and one young daughter survive him, also an aged father and three sisters.

Mrs. J. A. Mahood.

Monday, May 13.

The death of Mrs. James S. Mahood, of Petersville Church, took place at her home on Friday at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Mahood had been ill for some time with heart disease. She leaves her husband and four children to mourn thir loss. She was a daughter of John Scott, of Petersville Church. The funeral was yesterday afternoon.

William A. Hickson.

Montreal, May 11—There passed away yesterday in the Mount Royal Eanatarium, one of the best known busines smen of New Brunswick, William Allen Hickson, of Newcastle, N. B. Mr. Hickson was born in Bathurst, N. B., in 1841, and was of Irish descent. His grandfather, James Palmer Hickson, removed to New Brunswick from the County Down, Ireland.

He was one of the largest and best known lumber operators on the Miramichi. For years he manufactured lumber for both the European and American markets, at Newcastle, N. B., where he was a large employer of labor.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter of the late Colin MacLennan of P. E. Island, and two daughters, the Misses Florence and Hazel.

Margaret Enslow.

Monday, May 13.

The death of Margaret, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles I. Enslow, occurred Saturday at her parents' home, 145 St. James street. Surviving, besides her father and mother, are two brothers and five sisters. The funeral is to take place tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 from 145 St. James street.

Mrs. W. H. Morgan.

Monday, May 13.

The death occurred yesterday morning at 10 o'clock of Nellie T., widow of Wm. H. Morgan, formerly conductor on the I. C. R. Mrs. Morgan had been in ill health since the death of her husband, about a year ago, and had been confined to her bed for more than four weeks. She was a woman of fine character. She leaves besides her mother, two daughters, Vera and Alice, one son Herbert, one brother John Lloyd, and four sisters, Mrs. Corkery and Mrs. Hurley, of this city, and Misses Alice and Kate, of Boston. To the bereaved members of the family, the sympathy of the community will be tendered for scarcely a year has passed since the death of their father. The funeral will be tomorrow morning to St. Peter's church where high mass of requiem will be celebrated.

Charles A. Hoyt.

Monday, May 13.

At his home, 26 St. Patrick street, Charles A. Hoyt passed away yesterday after a lengthy illness. He had been ill for seven years. He was a prominent member of the Fort La Tour Foresters and also of the Orange Order. Several years ago he conducted a flourishing grocery business at the corner of Duke and Charlotte streets. He is survived by four sons, Horace F., and James B., of this city; Blake A., of Alberta, and Holly B., of Lynn; one daughter, Nellie at home; one sister, Mrs. Thos. Jones, of Houlton (Me.), and two brothers, Philip and Abraham, of Prince William (N. B.)

Mrs. Margaret Thorne.

Monday, May 13.

The circumstances of the death of Mrs. Margaret J., wife of Rev. I. Newton Thorne, at Cody's, Queens county, early yesterday, are particularly sad. Mrs. Thorne dropped dead while on the way from church, after the morning service, and her husband, who was supposed to have been preaching in one of the outlying districts of Albert county could not be located yesterday, so that news of the death of his wife will probably not reach him until some time today.

Mrs. Thorne had been in good health and had walked to church yesterday morning, and after service was on her way home with some of the neighbors when she was suddenly stricken, and was dead before aid could be summoned.

Mrs. Thorne was formerly Miss Margaret Kirkpatrick, daughter of the late David Kirkpatrick, of Hoyt. She is survived by her husband, one stepson, George Thorne, of Cody's; her mother, who resides at Gaspereaux; two brothers, Edward and George Kirkpatrick of this city, and one sister, Miss Mame, of Denver.

The funeral is to take place on Wednesday and burial will be at Hoyt.

Lady Tupper.

London, May 11—Lady Tupper, wife of Sir Charles Tupper, Bart, the eminent Canadian statesman and former prime minister of Canada, died today at Bexley Heath, Kent, the English home of Sir Charles.

The body will be sent to Halifax for interment, probably on board the Empress of Britain, sailing Friday, May 17. It will be accompanied by Sir Charles Tupper, Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, who is expected Monday on the Lusitania, and Stewart Tupper, who has only just arrived.

Sir Charles Tupper is wonderfully well under the circumstances.

Lady Tupper, who was Miss Frances Morse, of Amherst, was married in 1846, to Sir Charles, who was then a country doctor. Death now divides them after sixty-six years of married life.

Funeral of F. W. Russell.

Chatham, N. B., May 11—(Special)—The esteem in which F. W. Russell was held was testified by the unusually large attendance at his funeral on Friday afternoon. Service at the house began at half-past two o'clock, and was conducted by Rev. J. M. MacLean, assisted by Rev. D. Henderson, of Chatham; Rev. E. E. Mowatt, of Loggieville; Rev. Geo. Grant, of Black River, and Rev. F. C. Sampson, of Donglastown. The choirs of Knox church, Loggieville, and of St. John's, Chatham, sang Safe in the Arms of Jesus, The Sweet Bye and Bye, and By Cool Siloam's Shady Rill. Rev. J. M. MacLean gave a short address. The procession was formed for Riverside cemetery, Chatham. The casket was covered with beautiful floral offerings. The pall bearers were:—Robert Loggie, Robert Dunbar, William Savoy, James Percy, Geo. Watt and S. D. Heckbert, while in the long line of procession were 125 carriages containing people from nearly all parts of the county and including residents of Black River, Napan, Hardwick, Burnt Church, Bay du Vin, Chatham, Newcastle and Nelson. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. Mr. MacLean and Rev. Mr. Mowatt.

REV. J. C. AND MRS. WILSON BEREAVED

Sussex, N. B., May 10—Rev. J. C. and Mrs. Wilson, of Lowell (Mass.), passed through Sussex Tuesday en route to Havelock with the body of their infant son, Clement Keith Wilson, who died Friday, May 3, after a brief illness. Both Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are well known here. Mrs. Wilson is a daughter of C. A. Keith, Steeves Settlement. Mr. Wilson graduated from the U. N. B. in 1905. Their many friends here sympathize with them in their sad bereavement.

NEW COMPANIES

H. Colby Smith, Norman P. McLeod, William E. Emerson, Harry G. Smith, and William R. Bennett, all of St. John, are incorporated as The Provincial Development Co., Ltd., with $49,000 capital stock, to carry on dredging, construction and contracting work.

Rev. Frederick S. Todd, Louis E. Young, Mrs. Mary M. Young, of Woodstock; Harrison W. Rogers of Northamptin and Rev. J. Benson Young of Buctouche, are incorporated as the Carleton County Real Estate Co., Ltd., with $24,000 capital stock.

George Raymond of Bloomfield, Hedley V. Dickson of Jubilee, Edward R. Demille of Hampton, Richard J. Huggard of Norton, James E. Manchester of Apohaqui, John F. Roach of Sussex and Alfred D. Freeze of Penobsquis, apply for incorporation as the Farmers' Dairy & Produce Co. Ltd., capital stock $9,900.

H. W. Woods and Dr. A. O. Lewin of Welsford, J Willard Wilson and George Lyon of Petersville, and G. Bayard slipp of Hampstead, apply to be incorporated as the Welsford & Hampstead Telephone Co., Ltd., with $98,000 capital stock.

James H. Doody, John O'Regan, Henry Dolan, all of St. John, Edward D. Carter of Erie, Pa., a banker; William J. Emerson of Boston, a merchant, have been incorporated as the Canada Brush Co., Ltd., capital stock $99,000. This is the company to open a brush factory here.

James E. White, Alexander J. Tait, Lena Tait,, Hazel Tait, and Mrs. Nellie White are incorporated as the Saint Antoine Trading Co., Ltd., with $10,000 capital stock.

MT. ALLISON RECITAL

Sackville, N. B., May 11—A recital long to be remembered by those present in Fawcett Hall last Friday evening, was the post-graduating recital given by Miss Lennie Lusby, of Amherst, Nova Scotia. The programme, consisting of the 1st Movement of the Beethoven "Kreutzer" Sonata, the "Chaconne" of Bach, and the G Minor Bruch Concerto goes without saying. All violinists essay the "Chaconne", but it is given only to the chosen few to play it, which Miss Lusby did with much breadth and a rare understanding of Bach seldom found in so young a student.

Miss Lusby has a good, clean technique which stood by her in all the above mentioned concerto numbers. Her double-stopping in both "Chaconne" and Bruch Concerto was a very fine piece of work. Her tone, always rich and full of color, was exquisitely beautiful in the adagio of the Bruch Concerto, which she played with much temperament. Miss Lusby has a brilliant future, as her work last evening indicated. She is sailing for Europe early next month to continue her studies in Paris and Brussels.

LOCAL NEWS

The board of management of the St. John Home for Incurables acknowledges the receipt of the sum of $500 from the executor of the estate of the late George S. Fisher, a bequest of Mr. Fisher to the Home.

J. Miller McConnell, son of the late Robert McConnell, who was editor of the Halifax Chronicle and St. John Telegraph, has been promoted to the editorship of the financial department of the Montreal Star. Mr. McConnell has been in the employ of the Montreal Star for some time.

Preliminary contracts have been let by the Grand Trunk Pacific for the construction of a large dry dock and ship building plant at Prince Rupert (B. C.), including piers, landing stage, building platform and launching ways, to the British-American Construction Company.—Railway Age Gazette.

The Richibucto Review says: The Moncton Times of May 3 editorially announces a rumor that O. J. LeBlanc is to retire in Kent. Mr. LeBlanc, when communicated with and made known of the fact, was somewhat surprised at such a misleading statement, but wished to inform the concoctor of such a rumor that he was in the fight to stay.

Nineteen births, eleven boys and eight girls, and six marriages were recorded during the last week. The registrar of births has knowledge of the birth of several infants not reported and wishes the attention of parents drawn to the fact that failure to report makes them liable to a penalty under the law. Unless the reports are made he will find it necessary to take steps through the police court.

The loss to the building adjoining the Queen Hotel, Fredericton, owned by J. J. McCafferty, which was destroyed by fire on Tuesday night, was appraised by Edgar H. Fairweather and H. W. Frink, St. John. The appraisers granted $2,000, the full amount of the insurance on the building. The loss to the stock of J. G. Adams was appraised at $1,000, and was fully covered in the London Asurance Company.

The Fredericton & Grand Lake Coal & Railway Co. has given orders to the Dominion Bridge Co., Montreal (Que.), for steel work for bridges to be erected, as follows: Over Little River, two 80-ft. half deck girder spans; over Burpee mill stream, one 80-ft. half deck girder span; over Noonan creek, one 40-ft. half deck girden span, and over the Nashwaak river, four 80-ft. half deck girder spans.—Railway Gazette.

The members of the Provincial Rifle Association, at their semi-annual meeting, have decided that the dates for holding their annual shoot at Sussex this year would be Aug. 13 to 16. It was also decided to use the bull's eye target this year instead of the old figure target, and a change was made in the regulations for the James F. Robertson cup, so that it is to be given to the competitor making the highest total aggregate in all matches.

A meeting of the creditors of Timothy A. Hurley, of Blissville, Northumberland county, was held on Tuesday in the office of Inches & Hazen. Mr. Hurley, who conducts a lumber business and general store, has assigned to C. F. Inches. The assignment was confirmed, and C. C. Hayward, of Lounsbury Co., Ltd., Newcastle, and H. F. Puddington were appointed inspectors. The assets are reported about $3,000, and the unsecured liabilities about $13,000

The conversion of the third New Brunswick Heavy Brigade of this city into a regiment of garrison artillery places the regiment in the division of militia now known as being in the coast defence. This was the status of the regiment about eight years ago, and it is merly a reversion to the former rating. The regiment will be still composed of three batteries, but there will be a slight addition to each of them, the number being increased from 113 to 118.

Says the Moncton Transcript: R. Clark, local manager of the Bank of Montreal, leaves early next week for a four months' vacation. He contemplates visiting the British Isles and the continent. He will spend considerable time in Scotland, which is his native land. Mr. McDonald, of the Shediac branch, who is now in the city, will be acting manager at Moncton during Mr. Clark's absence, and Mr. Wright, of St. John branch, will temporarily replace Mr. McDonald at Shediac.

G. F. Palmer, chief agent of the Norton Griffiths Co., Ltd., here, said last evening that no announcement could yet be made of the awarding of the contracts for the breakwater and rock excavation at Courtenay Bay but that he expected that the scene of the development work would be much livelier in a week's time than it was at present. Mr. Palmer and real estate men had another conference with the civic commissioners on Saturday regarding the water extension to the Courtenay Bay section and is hopeful of a favorable decision on this matter.

The public generally will be interested to know that the name of the dredge W. S. Fielding has been changed, the lettering painted out, and that the craft is now known as Dredge No. 1. This change for which it is presumed Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries, is responsible, has also been carried out with other vessels of the government service and it is noticeable that one of the small craft employed in the harbor dredging has been christened the Hazen. In view of the changes made it will be interesting to learn if the names of such important government steamers as the Lady Laurier are to be wiped out and something with more of a Tory tinge substituted.

There is not the slightest foundation for the statement that there may be a compromise which will result in Mr. Baxter and Mr. Bentley being returned unopposed in St. John county. Such a proposition has been made to Liberal leaders, but there will be no compromise on their part. The proposition even went further and suggests that Mr. Bentley and a colleague friendly to the opposition should be returned in St. John county and four members supporting the government allowed election in the city without a contest. These propositions were laid before the opposition leader and firmly rejected. Another proposition, from Carleton county, was that the three members representing that county should be returned without opposition, but it met with no greater success.

Linen closet shelves may be kept clean if a piece of percale or white muslin, as long as the shelf and twice as wide, is laid on the shelf first; then pile up the sheets, pillow slips or towels, and turn back the cover over them. They will thus be kept free from dust.

When washing new gingham dresses wash also some spare pieces of the material used, and make a practice of giving these pieces frequent washing. Then, when mending time comes, any patching that has to be done will hardly be noticed.

SLANDER AGAINST LaBILLOIS NAILED

Ex-Minister Did Contradict Morrissy's Malicious Attack on Him in House

Was Not Present When it Was Uttered—Draft Referred To Was for Expenses, and Record of it Appeared in Department Ledger.

Fredericton, May 11—The Standard, in its attempt to defend the extravagance and waste thrust upon the province through the "structural superintendents," in its issue of today made a malicious and untruthful attack upon Hon. Mr. LaBillois, the former chief commissioner of public works.

Hon. John Morrissy, during the absence of Mr. LaBillois from the house of assembly, read a letter written by his predecessor some years ago in which he asked the secretary of the department to accept a small expense draft. This was the method adopted then and now by heads of the departments to make small drafts for their traveling expenses as they were incurred. But though Mr. Morrissy knew this and that he had done exactly the same thing himself, he sought to convey the impression that Mr. LaBillois' postcript to his letter "Please accept small draft" was for his personal accommodation.

The Standard, in its eagerness for campaign effect, goes further even than Morrissy and adds: "No mention is made in the paragraph in which this appears as to what the draft was for or for whose benefit it was drawn. That is left to the imagination. One thing is absolutely certain, that if the secretary accepted the draft and paid it there is no voucher to show its purpose."

And again the Standard says:

"Mr. LaBillois was present in the house when this interesting communication of his was read. He spoke before the debate closed but made no reference whatever to this remarkable letter, which had been discovered in the files of the public works department."

There are two distinct statements in the above paragraph and both of them are untrue. Mr. LaBillois was not in the house when Mr. Morrissy referred to the draft and when he spoke later (April 15) he contradicted the slander so effectually as to set it at rest forever. He showed that the draft was made in the ordinary way for departmental expenses and that the record of it could be found in the department ledger of 1906, page 26.

Mr. Morrissy must have known this when he assailed Hon. Mr. LaBillois but he preferred to insinuate rather than deal with the facts and the Standard is following his example.

Rather than reply to the charges of mismanagement and extravagance preferred against the Flemming government it seeks to divert the attention of the people by retailing some stale and incomplete tale of what the old government did.

The old government is not on trial but the Flemming government is and its sins and misdeeds are what the people will consider before they cast their ballots.

BOSTON IMPORTS OF BRITISH POTATOES 1,655,111 BUSHELS

Boston, May 10—Since Jan. 1, this year, 1,645,111 bushels of potatoes have been received at Boston from England. On these the government collected $411,266 in duty, assessment being at the rate of 25 cents a bushel. Receipts this year have been unprecedented, owing to shortage in the domestic crop. The government treasury has profited, but the consumer has practically paid the duty, for the price of foreign potatoes has been so much higher because of the tax. When the potatoes first began to arrive an effort was made to have the duty taken off for the time being, but in vain.

Boston isn't the only place where great quantities of the foreign potatoes have been and are being received. From Jan. 1 to May 1 the receipts at Portland (Me.), totalled 96,140 bushels, a record amount, and 100,000 bushels were landed there in bond for Canada. Revenue collected on the Portland potatoes amounted to $24,037. However, the receipts at Boston and Portland are small as compared with the quantities landed at New York. During one week recently the receipts at the metropolis totalled 449,576 bushels.

WEST SIDE HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Monday, May 13.

The home of Mrs. Amelia Bolt on Bay Shore Road, West End, was burned to the ground, with all its contents, at an early hour yesterday morning. The blaze was a spectacular one and greatly frightened residents of that community as it was feared for a time that other houses would catch also.

As the house was over the city line the west side department were not required to go to it, but they did so and rendered splendid service in saving other buildings. The nearest hydrant was some distance from the scene of the fire and about 1,600 feet of hose was required to take a stream to the house. As a result the firemen worked under great difficulty.

There was no one living in the house at the time and the origin of the blaze seems a mystery. Mrs. Bolt and her daughter, Miss Harriet Bolt, who is a school teacher, have been boarding in the city for the winter but left the greater part of the furniture in the house and what they had taken away was returned Saturday as the house was being prepared for occupancy for the summer.

Among things moved in Saturday was a very fine piano, which with all furnishings was destroyed. The building was a long flat one a little more than a story in height. It was insured for $500 but it could not be learned what insurance, if any, was on the furniture.

Mrs. Bolt has two sons in the Church of England ministry, one Rev. Richard Bolt, in Southern California, and other, Rev. Ernest Bolt, in charge of a church near Cambridge (Mass.), and it was in anticipation of a visit from them that the house was being gotten in readiness.

FIELDING TARIFF SUITS TORIES

Little Likelihood of Their Making Any Changes for Some Time

Law Allows Government to Reduce or Abolish Duties and Have Parliament Confirm Its Action, But There Small Chance of Them Aiding Their Friends in Saskatchewan Contest.

Ottawa, May 10—There will be no tariff changes before the budget speech is delivered next session. This is certain in spite of reports in leading government organs that tariff changes are now under consideration, and are likely to be announced before the provincial election in Saskatchewan.

If the government desires it can reduce the tariff on almost any article and have parliament confirm its action next session. There is a special provision in the act enabling the government to grant a draw-back on articles brought in by manufacturers for their business, and another authorizing tariff reductions or suspensions of the collection of duties to meet unusual conditions, such as a coal famine.

But although it has the authority, the government has no intention of revising the tariff. In fact, there may be no radical tariff changes announced in the next budget. Finance Minister White is giving a good deal of time to the study of tariff questions, but on the whole the Fielding tariff is working well. It is understood that no industry is being adversely affected by it.

The present tariff is a good revenue producer and with the programme of expenditure adopted last session the government needs all the money it can get. It is therefore quite satisfied to let the present tariff continue for some time to come.

It is not unlikely that a tariff commission of cabinet ministers will be appointed to receive and consider representations on tariff changes which are desired by some industries and some interests in Canada. If this is done the commission will likely commence work late in the summer and may be ready to recommend some tariff changes to parliament if the session is not called until after New Years.

FLEMMING'S "AID" TO AGRICULTURE

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Extra Assistance in Agricultural Department in 1911.

Miss Bessie Thomas, typewriting.$	9.00
Miss Maud Segee, typewriting...	9.00
H. N. Flewelling, herd inspector.	52.60
Geo. Ransom, services	64.60
W. C. Hurst, lectures fattening chickens	45.00
Chas. Williams, services	12.00
L. A. Jouett, clerk	3.00
Jas. Telfer, services	10.00
A. H. Thomson, services	50.00
J. A. Telfer, services sheep importation	40.00
R. O. W. Hubbard, services sheep Auctioneer	25.00
Geo. E. Fisher, services $70, $75..	145.00
R. C. Williams, Kingston Orchard	15.25
B. F. Peters, services apple show	33.00
John Woods, services apple show	18.00
H. N. Flewelling, services orchards	11.30
J. W. Clarke, services orchards..	18.75
Seth Jones, lectures	81.00
Emile Plant, lectures	160.00
A. Elliott, lectures	148.00
E. Ethel Dunbrack, demonstrating	114.00
Alice Elliott, demonstrating	111.00
C. E. Taylor, services	201.00
A. Fortin, services	96.00
N. H. Flewelling, services	28.77
Wm. McIntosh, services	124.00
Total	$1,629.84

Travelling Expenses, 1911.

Hon. Dr. Landry	$404.82
W. W. Hubbard	327.50
Joseph McBeake	25.80
Allan Bros, rose hire, Fredericton.	39.75
L. C. Daigle	1,068.44
C. M. McDougall	245.43
H. N. Flewelling	47.60
Seth Jones	464.85
C. W. Hurst	15.00
Allan Bros., horse hire	12.00
Charles Williams	3.00
James Telfer	22.05
George E. Fisher	107.75
George E. Fisher	10.45
W. F. Stephens	24.75
A. G. Turney	584.70
Allan Bras., horse hire	22.50
A. C. Parker	24.85
A. C. Parker	11.50
John Woods	1.60
John Woods	17.05
H. N. Flewelling	16.55
R. P. Gorham	158.16
J. W. Clarke	14.69
G. E. Fisher	29.20
M. Cumming	17.17
Seth Jones	48.95
J. W. Crows	54.50
George Ransom	10.00
W. W. Hubbard	68.20
Emile Plant	146.22
Andrew Elliott	160.25
Andrew Elliott	75.00
A. Ethel Dunbrack	135.29
Alice M. Elliott	96.95
C. E. Taylor	190.70
A. Fortin	148.72
H. N. Flewelling	64.55
Wm. McIntosh	119.05
Automobilies, $72, $25, $25	122.00
W. W. Hubbard	24.51
	$3,223.98

G.T.P. TO HAVE THREE COALING PLANTS IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Montreal, May 10 — The commissioners of the National Trans-continental Railway have prepared plans for the construction of six 200 ton mechanical coaling plants with sand houses and track approaches at the following points on the line:—Moncton, N. B.; Napadogan, N. B.; Edmundston, N. B.; Grant, Ont.; Calvert, Ont.; and Armstrong, Ont. A 1,000 ton coaling station with inclined trestle approaches is also planned for Cochrane, Ont.

Tenders for all these plants are now being called for.

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RICHESON'S HOPE

Alienists Report H to Be Sane

Will Be Electrocuted His Crime Some Tim Next Week

Brain Experts Find Murde is Insane at Times, That It is Hereditary, the Former Pastor Was Sound Mind When He Ki Avis Linnell, and is at Present Time.

Canadian Press.

Boston, May 16—Clarence V. T. R son's last hope of escaping the death next week for the murder of Avis nell, of Hyannis, expired tonight. Governor Foss announced that he w not refer Richeson's petition for co tation of sentence to the executive c cil.

The statement from the governor lowed closely the filing of the report the special insanity commission which clared the condemned man sane, alth subject to fits of hysterical insanity. commission found that Richeson was at the time of the murder and that sane at the present time.

In the death chamber at Charles the prisoner has borne himself calmly he was transferred from the Charles s jail Tuesday. It was apparent that he had hopes that clemency would be ex ed to him, and it was believed today this alone was keeping up his spirits

The statement issued by Governor shows that the alienists found that R son's family was afflicted very gene with insanity and that the conde man is himself a neurotic, a somnamb and a neurasthenic, and subject to hy cal insanity.

Is Sane Now.

The statement continues: "The evid however, while clearly revealing thes tacks, indicates that his crime was committed by him during such an at Therefore, while there is some diverg of opinion among the alienists whether these attacks indicate actua sanity, there is sufficient ground fo conclusion that he is accountable fo crime, and that the exercise of exec clemency in this instance would be trary to the public good.

"The affidavits and medical eviden to Richeson's unfavorable heredity, lapses of consciousness and his attac delirium are too voluminous to inclu this statement and not suited to pu tion.

"The alienists referred to are: Dr ward B. Lane and Dr. Isidor H. C acting for the defense; Dr. L. V Briggs, acting at the personal reque the governor, and Drs. S. Henry R. S man, George Tuttle and Henry P. H acting as a commission for the com wealth.

"Executive clemency will not be ex ed in the case of Clarence V. T. Riche the statement continues. "The pri was sentenced upon his own confessio without trial for a crime, which it ap impossible that any normal man could mit."

PREMIER GOUIN HAS 40 MAJORI

Conservatives Now Cla Eighteen Members, W Laborites Stay at Two.

Montreal, May 16—Returns receive day show the election of D'Auteuil, servative, in Charlevoix-Saguenay majority of 90. Charlevoix county him a majority of 538, while Sagu went against him by 448. Saguenay formerly attached to Chicoutimi, bu the last redistribution was added to C levoix, which is a strong Conserv county.

The standing of the parties now is Liberals, 60.
Conservatives, 18.
Labor, 2.
Deferred, 2.

BIG ACREAGE ABOUT ALL SEEDED IN THE CANADIAN WES

Winnipeg, May 16—Ninety-five cent of the wheat has been seeded the three prairie provinces, and w the heavy rain has curtailed acreage in some sections, in oth enormous areas of new breaking h increased in acreage from 20 to 25 cent.