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ST. JOHN, N. B., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1901.

FLOODS AND ICE.

Reports of Great Damage from All Along the River, on the St. Croix and in Maine.

C. P. R. Railway Bridge at Woodstock Carried Away, Also a Bridge at Milltown-Great Anxiety at Fredericton Concerning Property and the Bridges.

The sudden coming of spring after winter unparalleled for severity of cold and depth of snow remaining meteorological history of the province. Up to the beginning of the last week there had been little or no soft weather the woods around the tributaries of the various streams had softened

slightly, but had lost little of its mass. Last week opened with warm, moist weather, followed by several successive days of pelting, intermittent rain, the present. As a matural result the water in the rivers has risen at an unprecedented rate, and breaking the ice in large cakes, has swept them on swollen currents seaward. In any case where a sufficient obstruction opposed their passage, a jam has been formed backing up the water behind it to dangerous depths and imperilling the safety of all bridges and any mills or buildings situated near the normal Owing to such conditions as these

western New Brunswick, especially along the course of the St. John river, is witnessing such a freshet, accompanied by such terrific accumulations of heavy ice as is without a parallel in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. Many important bridges have already been swent away and other damage to a vast extent has been done. The St. John river is still rising at a furious rate, and when the great ice jams break, will rise still higher. The railway bridge at Woodstock has gone, those at Fredericton are in a perilous condition and the news of the next 24

yesterday was about a foot over the public whart. Ice in great cakes and large quantities was running all day, and it was considered last night that yesterday afternoon that nearly filled the Narrows from side to side. It carromed off King's wharf, where it nearly carried away a large pile of lumber, and crashed over on the Indiantown side, breaking the lines of the schooner Ida May, which only escaped serious damage on account of its protecting from. This same cake caught just above the falls and became the centre of a small ice jam, which lasted until nearly low tide, when the rush of water sweet it away. rush of water swept it away.

IN THE HARBOR.

There was a very heavy run of ice in the harbor yesterday. The amount piled up around Navy Island was larger than has been seen for several years. All the weirs on the flats have suffered severely, the nets being torn and in many cases the pickets broken as well. The ferry steamer had a hard time of it through the afternoon and early in the evening, but later on kept very well to the time table.

AT THE BORDER.

St. STEPHEN, N. B., April 7.—The St. Croix Valley is experiencing one of the greatest floods it has seen in recent years, the water in the river is very high and considerable damage has already resulted.

F. H. Todd & Sons held several thousand logs in a boom a quarter of a mile above the bridge, which crosses the river at The Union, their mills be-

ALONG THE C. P. R. The C. P. R. is suffering severely. The main line is still intact, no troub

The main line is still intact, no trouble having developed last night between St. John and Megantic, but the damage by ice and water on the various branch lines has been great.

An immense pressure of ice forced out the two centre spans of the Maduxnakeag bridge at Woodstock early yesterday afternoon. This breaks the line to the north and all passengers and freight for that direction will now be sent around by Fredericton and Newburg Junction, instead of by McAdam. It will take several days to effect even temporary repairs here. The Fredericton bridge is sorely menaced and if that goes, traffice will be still further tied up.

On the Aroostook branch there is also considerable trouble. The ice above Caribon dam broke unexpectedly about 4 p. m. yesterday and covered the track for a distance of 2,000 feet with about six feet of ice. Large gangs of men will start work there at daylight, and it is expected will be able to clear the track for take the learn track for a distance of the stall to clear the track for a distance of the salls at the learn track for a distance will be able to clear the track for a distance of 2,000 feet with about six feet of ice. Large gangs of men will start work there at daylight, and it is expected will be

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On the Tobique valley branch 500 feet of track is badly damaged by ice.

About one and a half miles north of Hartland a slide has occurred in the road-bed, removing about fifty feet of the track. The ice above Grand Falls is reported as still solid.

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received instructions to sell tickets for points north of Woodstock only sub-ject to transfer. AT FREDERICTON.

rate, and when the great ice jams break, will rise still higher. The railbreak, will rise still higher. The railbreak way bridge at Woodstock has gone, those at Fredericton are in a perilous condition, and the news of the next 24 hours will without doubt bring word of disasters still greater than any yet reported. The damage at St. Stephen, reported elsewhere, has been great and worse is expected. The conditions in the eastern part of the state of Maine are even worse than in New Brunswick.

The water at Indiantown rose about one foot yesterday and is still rising at the rate of about six inches every are six inches every at the rate of about six inches every and are the feet above. The rail and above the city have been swept and spruce logs, valued at from 255. Savingen and spruce logs, valued at from 255. Savingen are city river front were damaged, but the Engle & Co., this city, have been men FREDERICTON, N. B., April 8. the highway bridge the ice piled so high that the foot path and rail were broken, and the superstructure of the bridge was moved about six inches and the two lower chords were broken This is the extent of the damage to the bridge, but it was a narrow escape. At the railway bridge the ice knocked out the timbers on the draw span pier on which the running gear

ing just below the bridge. Vesters the Canadian end of this boom broke away and two thousand logs started down against the bridge. The Calais end could not withstand the pressure and was soon torn away, a part of, it drifting down into the cove at St. Stephen. The Canadian end was new and has so far withstood the pressure. About five hundred logs are resting against the mills and the electric light station. Five hundred of them went out to sea, and another five hundred were secured in the cove above Parry Point steel bridge, and are now held by a boom. Boatmen along the river did a rushing business for a few hours in securing the logs.

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The river has risen six inches in twenty-four hours, and as rain is falling in torrents no one can tell which damage will result. The upper bridge at Milltown is closed to traffe and is weighted down with rooks. Water is flowing over the approaches at both ends. Immense booms of logs are focated above it, and should they break it is feared the bridge and every million the river must go, and it is possible that the new steel bridge between St. Stephen and Calais would be swept away.

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The boom men, however, consider the upper booms strong and abla to withstand the pressure. The remainder of the Todd boom is holding firm, but should the water rise high enough to float it all below it will go.

The tracks of the Washington County railroad above Milltown are under two feet of water, but freight trains are being moved cantions.

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No one knows what story of disaster the river will tell us tomorrow. Hundreds of spectators have watched the torrent all day. The electric light station on the lower union dam has ceased operations. The streets have been in darkness for two nights.

The light station built on the river bank for use in time of drought, is bank for use in time of drou

BRIDGE DOWN AT WOODSTOCK.

WOODSTOCK, N. B., April 7.—This was quite an eventful Easter in the history of the town. Early this morning the ice came rushing down the Meduxnakeag and it was evident that Moore's mill was in danger. With increasing force the Jam came on and presently the old side gave way. Then a much larger part gave way including the rotary, a shingle machine add other mchinery. It became plain that the railway bridge over the creek was in danger, and about noon two plers gave way and the bridge is now a wreck.

losses in either case is not serious. The water was so high that huge ice cakes were piled on top of the bridge piers.

At the outer end of the draw span of feet of hemlock logs, owned by B. B.

rests. Trains cannot cross the bridge before tomorrow afternoon, when it is expected to have the damage repaired.

The water has risen rapidly today and is now within two feet of the point reached in 1887, the year of the big freshet.

CORNISH, Me., April 7.—The Hatch mill on Little River, owned and occupied by Theodore Sayward as a lumber, grist, stave, threshing and general mill, was carried away this afternoon. The mill also contained an engine, and 300 bushels of corn. It was built to 1871, at a cost of \$27,000 and

crews have been working at points between South Gardiner and Bath, running booms to catch the logs should they go. River men say the tides of tomorrow will be at least two of three feet higher than those of today, and in that case the logs would surely go. The tracks of the Kenne-bec Central railroad, an Bandolph are surely go. The tracks of the Kenne-bec Central railroad, at Randolph, are again under water, and the rolling stock of the company has been taken to places of safety. Another land-slide, much heavier than that of Friday, and near the same place, occur-red this afternoon, tearing and burying the track for some distance.

MONTREAL. April 7.—Telegraphic advices received from Richmond. Que. this evening, announce that the business portion of that town rests in the midst of a raging torrent. The ice in St. Francis river shoved this morning and the water began to rise. At ten o'clock the gramite piers of the steel bridge, erected a few years age at a cost of forty-six thousand, dollars, were carried away, totally wrecking the structure. The tracks of the Grand Trunk Portland, Me., line are under water for a considerable distance, with water four feet deep in the station. Telegraphic communication is cut off. People are compelled to take refuge in houses on hills back of the town. MONTREAL, April 7.—Telegraphic o take refuge in houses on hills back of the town. The property loss will be heavy.

SCH. WENDALL BURPEE

of St. John Wrecked and Only the

Two hardy sons of Nova Scotia recently performed what may be called remarkable feats, when their ages are taken into consideration. William Duggan, who is 80 years, left East Dover, which is about 23 miles from Halifax, on Wednesday morning and walked the whole distance to that city being in good trim when he arcity, being in good trim when he arrived. The same morning at eight o'clock, ex-Pilot "Bravo" Flemming stepped into his flat at Ketch harbor and rowed to Halifax, a distance of 16 miles. It took him five hours. Mr.

BOWMAN'S HEADACHE POWDbooms on the Union River between Ellsworth and Brimmer's bridge broke this arternoon. The logs are jammed above the Maine Central railroad bridge, so that the upper dam is sate unless the logs become loosened again. All vessels have been towed out from the river for safety. The river is

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IN THE FAR EAST.

Prince Chang Thinks that the Rebellion in Mangolia

is a Storm in a Tea Cup- China Able to Pay Over Twenty Million Pounds.

BERLIN, April 8.— The rumors hich have been current during the bellion headed by General Tung Fu

by St. John Wrecked and Only the Mate Saved — All the Men Who Wern Drowned Lived in This City.

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Mr. Rockhill's advices to the state department regarding the negotiations at Pekin are more hopeful in tone

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court, but was sentenced to be de-prived of his rank and degraded. Re-ports of his rebellious intentions have been current for some time past. SHANGHAI, April 8.—Yu Lin Yi,

despatch from Gen. Chaffee given out today conveyed news of a casualty. But it also contained the asterisks which mark the excusion of matter which mark the excussion of matter regarded as not proper for publication. It is believed that the withheld portion of the despatch refers to the declina-tion of the other foreign military commanders to reduce the number of for-tified posts and the strength of the garrisons between Pekin and the sea to the modest proportions suggested by Gen. Chaffee. In this matter Gen. Chaffee has acted by direction of his sovernment, for there is strong con-viction here that the emperor and his court will not return to Pekin so long as the force of foreign soldiers in the town and on the route is so numerous Sian (formerly comamnder of the northern army), in the province of Mongolia and Shen Si, have been abso-

SOUTH AFRICA.

Women Anxious to Emigrate—Cecil Rhodes at Kimberley and in Good Health.

stood that the Gazette temerrow will warn the colonists that acts of rebelwarn the colonists that acts of rebellion after April 12 will not be tried under the special law of last session, but by the old common law under which rebels are punished by death or any terms of imprisonment the court desires to impose.

LONDON, April 8.—The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail wires that Cecil Rhodes, who is at Kimberlyfi, is now in good health, having recovered from a recent slight indisposition.

The Baby

Eventually he practically defied the court, but was sentenced to be deprived of his rank and degraded. Reports of his rebellious intentions have been current for some time past.

SHANGHAI, April 8.—Yu Lin Yi, governor of Hu Pe province, has been appointed governor of Kwan Si province in succession to Huang Huai Sen, who has been ordered to resign. This is interpreted to indicate that the reactionists of Sian Fu intend to introduce the Boxer movement in the southern provinces.

PEKIN, April 8.—According to expert opinion, China would be able to pay from twenty to thirty million pounds sterling without crippling her financial resources, while the amounts which the rowers at present demand aggregate from £30,000,000 to £100,000.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—A brief by the service of the province is sold by druggists everywhere. Vapo-Cresoleme sunti, including the Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a life-time, and a bottle of Cresoleme is sold by druggists everywhere. Vapo-Cresoleme sunti, including the Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a life-time, and a bottle of Cresoleme is sold by druggists everywhere. Vapo-Cresoleme sunti, including the Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a life-time, and a bottle of Creso



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