PREMIER SEES BRIGHT DAYS FOR NEW BRUNSWICK.

Forestry Policy Will be Adopted---The Fishery Award and Bigger Subsidy Coming---Mr. Flemming's Able Reply to the Budget.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 20.—The house met at 3 o'clock.

The bill to supply the town of Grand Falls with water was read a second time.

The corporations committee reported favorably on the bills to further amend the act incorporating the Albert Mfg. Co. and to confer certain privileges and franchises upon the Washington Co. Railway Co.

Hon. Mr. Sweeney introduced an act relating to the city of Moncton.

Mr. Martin introduced a bill to authorize the Madawaska county council to issue debentures.

Mr. Allen introduced a bill to provide for the purification of Fredericton's water system and for other purposes.

Mr. Maxwell presented the petition of the mayor and corporation of Saint John in support of a bill to further amend the civic election act of that city.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie laid on the table returns of the indebtedness of Madawaska and Queens counties and of the town of Marysville.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie then continued his budget speech. Turning to the estimates for the past year we find that the estimate of revenue was in excess of the receipts by $18,563. This was wholly due to the decline in the territorial revenue. This year the revenue from that source is estimated at $285,000 and I do not think this too high. If we had received from the Dominion Government the sum they owe us for wharves, we would have had a surplus.

As to the expenditures they only exceeded the estimates by $6,744. Part of this is due to the payment of the bills of the Deaf and Dumb Institution and part to the cost of the factory commission which did good work. In regard to the item for elections, I may say that there is no truth in the rumor that there will be an election shortly.

The expenditures for the current year are estimated at $897,650 and expenditures at $878,397 with a surplus of $19,252. There is very little increase in the estimate. An extra $225 has been given the auditor-general and $220 to his assistant. This is quite justifiable. We had before us a delegation of medical men asking for a subsidy to establish a sanatorium. I regret that our finances would hardly allow of this. When we see the liberal subsidies that have been given to the new western provinces, we cannot but feel the injustice of it and the necessity for larger subsidies. Still I have no doubt that we will get a readjustment as Quebec is pressing in that direction and Quebec generally gets what she asks for. The same remark applies to the fishery question, which ought to have been settled long ago.

In regard to the lumber policy of the government, the first proposition is to have a survey made of all the crown timber lands in the province which besides fixing lines will ascertain the relative value of the lands on the different streams and we will then be able to put a proper upset price upon lands. After the survey, we will also require a report of the lands on the heads of different streams which should be reserved to prevent the streams from drying up. We also propose to stop the cutting of hemlock trees for bark unless the operator takes the whole tree as this practice forms a menace to forest wealth. In 1893, we gave the operators 25 year leases of timber lands, and these leases have yet 12 years to run. But for the last two or three years the operators have been insisting on perpetual leases as in Quebec. Would it be reasonable to give these government lands in perpetuity more. I may say that it is not the intention of the government to give the operators these lands without compensation.

It is also proposed to hold a forestry convention about the beginning of August next in Fredericton, if it can be arranged, where all who are interested in lumber may attend. It is the intention of the government to protect our forest lands, and I have no doubt that with proper care they will last for 250 years. Our lumber policy is the most important matter with which this province has to deal. Large numbers of persons are now coming into our province to invest in lands.

We have also given our attention to the roads of the province and have passed a highway act which is a great improvement on its predecessors. It is not true that I have said I will not amend this act. I do not claim that it is perfect, and I think it may need amendments in the line of making better provision for winter roads. I have no doubt that the chief commissioner of public works will agree with me and that he will be prepared to make any amendments that are necessary.

Hon. Mr. Tweedie concluded his budget speech, saying that he believed the province was going ahead. The house then took recess.

EVENING SESSION.

The house resumed at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Whitehead introduced a bill to amend the act incorporating the Fredericton Boom Co.

Dr. Pugsley introduced the Judicature Act. He said he would move to refer it to a special committee to be named by Mr. Speaker, which would hear the committee of the Barristers' Society and others interested. Copies would be sent to the judges and barristers. The fullest opportunity would be given for suggestions from all quarters. The bill provides for the establishment of a supreme court of judicature, with appeal and trial divisions, three judges in each division. The appeal judges will hear all appeals from other courts and other applications now heard by the full court. The trial judges will hold circuits and will not sit in appeal except in exceptional cases. We propose the chief justice shall assign one of the appeal judges to try all cases of the nature of chancery in equity cases. Other sections provide for the continuance of the machinery of the courts. A very large portion of the bill is taken up by the rules, which are largely copies of the English rules. The bill abolishes the present supreme court and supreme court in equity, and will necessitate the re-appointment of the judges of the new court. He had no doubt of the constitutional power of the legislature to enact this bill.

The bill was then read a first time.

Mr. Flemming said—I have listened with much pleasure to the speech of the Hon. Mr. Tweedie, a speech I regarded as above the average. But along with most members of the house I was forcibly struck with the manner in which the premier passed over the question of the province finances, as if he felt he was treading on perilous ground. I heartily agree with him as to the necessity of preserving the public domain and conserving the great wealth of our crown lands. This is a matter in which the government can rely on the fullest support of the members on the opposite side of the house. While I propose dealing freely and somewhat fully with the financial situation ,it is not my object to say the province of New Brunswick is bankrupt. It is not bankrupt, because even the extravagance and misrule of the government cannot prevail against the increasing wealth of our crown lands and the general advance of the resources of the province. Nor is it my purpose to condemn the government for all its acts. I have no sympathy with the man who cannot see the smallest good in his opponent's policy, and I trust that I will deal with each item as I take it up in an open and fair-minded spirit. Last night, as I listened to the premier's long explanation of the condition of the Central railway and its financial entaglements, I could not help recalling that last year we were told the road was in a good condition. One member assured the house he could ride over it with as much ease and comfort as if he were travelling on the I. C. Ry. But last night we were shown by the report of the engineer appointed by the government to examine the road, that it was studded with dangerous bridges and rotten trestles.

Last night Hon. Mr. Tweedie said that it was a most commendable thing for the government to seek to develop the mining resources of the province, but I ask how this is being done by taking over this railway. The government has lent the company $50,000 without the least authority. Ordinary expenditures and receipts show a deficit of $8,782.70. This is totally misleading as I find an over-draft of $24,670.40 due the Bank of N. B. Hon. Mr. Labillois said $54,686.82 had been advenced to superintendents, thus bringing the deficit to $113,167.82. In regard to the revision of the statutes instead of costing $20,000, the expenditures have now reached $41,077.

The travelling expenses are again very heavy, and all the cabinet ministers, the premier at their head, seem to be good travellers. We appreciate what we buy dearly, and there is no denying the fact that the attorney general came very high last year. We find he received $200 on account of Sunday legislation. He drew a salary of $2,100, his travelling expenses amounted to $775, his sessional allowances $500, legal services only $4,625, for succession duties $535. When I saw that last item I felt it could not be right for collecting $42,000, and investigation showed that my suspicion was well founded, a large portion of that account having been held back over a year to deceive the people. In all, over $11,546 was paid to Dr. Pugsley, a record that the attorney general had never before approached.

Mr. Flemming in conclusion said the government's agricultural policy had been a total failure.

Hon. Mr. Jones moved the adjournment of the debate and the house adjourned at 9.45 p. m.

A WOMAN'S BACK IS THE MAINSPRING OF HER PHYSICAL SYSTEM.

The Slightest Backache, if Neglected, is Liable to Cause Years of Terrible Suffering.

No woman can be strong and healthy unless the kidneys are well, and regular in their action. When the kidneys are ill, the whole body is ill, for the poisons which the kidneys ought to have filtered out of the blood are left in the system.

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I. C. R. WILL HAVE A BIG SURPLUS.

So Said the Minister of Railways in an Interview.

He is Determined to Put the Road on a Paying Basis Without Impairing the Service.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—"I expect," said Emmerson today, "that the government system of railways will come out on an even balance on the 30th of June this year, and I venture to predict that within three years the annual surplus on the I. C. R. will run into the million column. That is a good deal to say, but it can be done, and without impairing the service. Our proposed retrenchments are not simply effervescent; they are not for this year alone. They would not be worth troubling about if that were all. What we are aiming at is to put them on a permanent basis."

Emmerson intimated that experts were now at Moncton changing their entire system of bookkeeping by which it would be modernized as well as economized. The minister says the amended passenger rates will go into effect on the 1st of next month.

The writ for North Cape Breton has been issued. Nominations March 7th, polling March 14th.

Three gentlemen who are to be appointed senators for the new western provinces have been selected. They are Dr. Douglas, ex-M. P. for Assiniboia; A. B. McDonald of McLeod, and Benjamin Prince of Battleford. Dr. Douglas sat in the commons from 1896 to 1904. McDonald is a native of Glengarry and a Roman Catholic. Prince is a French-Canadian who has been for years a resident in the Northwest.

GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC HAS NOT ABANDONED THE WESTERN WORK.

F. W. Morse Denies Sensational Rumor From Vancouver—Company Competing With Contractors.

MONTREAL, Feb. 20.—Up to noon today, when the hour expired for receiving tenders for the section of the Grand Trunk Pacific between the Touchwood Hills and Edmonton, five tenders had been laid with the Grand Trunk Pacific management, but more were expected by mail. Among those who tendered were Foley Bros. & Lauson, J. McArthur, the Canadian White Company, MacDonald, McMillan & Co., and Johnson & Sons. This section of the Grand Trunk Pacific is 450 miles in length, and when the work begins there will be nearly 1,000 miles of the transcontinental line under construction.

F. W. Morse, vice-president and general manager, denied this morning a story emanating from Vancouver that the western extension of the road from Edmonton to the Pacific had been abandoned for some years at least, and that Kaien Island would be abandoned as the Pacific terminus, as would also all arrangements for railway or terminal construction work in British Columbia.

Mr. Morse said: "In reply to the article emanating from the Vancouver World to the effect that the building of the Grand Trunk Pacific from Edmonton west will be delayed for some years, I will say that our work west of Edmonton is being prosecuted with as much vigor as is possible at this time of the year. The Grand Trunk Pacific will have its railway completed from the east, extending through to the Pacific coast, well within the time called for in the contract entered into with the dominion government, which requires that it be ready for operation in 1911."

An important announcement was was today that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company will tender for the construction of 395 miles of the N. T. R. from Winnipeg eastward to Lake Superior junction and Quebec westward to La Tuque. Wm. Wainwright, one of the directors of the company, who was in town today, confirmed this report to your correspondent. The subject has been mooted for some days amongst intending tenderers and is regarded by them with anything but affectionate regard. On being questioned as to the reasons why the company will make an offer for the government sections, Mr. Wainwright remarked that under the agreement of 1903 the Grand Trunk Pacific had to pay a rental to the Dominion government for 43 out of 50 years of the lease, equivalent to three per cent of the cost of construction. It was obvious, he said, under these circumstances, that while desirous of securing a railway line of the highest possible standard, the Grand Trunk Pacific was naturally anxious to see it constructed as economically as possible, and therefore they proposed to enter into competition along with other contractors.

MURDERED COMING FROM THEATRE

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Returning from the Metropolitan Opera House early this morning to his home at Bath Beach, Alberto Campo, a well-to-do tailor, was killed and his body thrown beside a barn. His throat was cut and his body bore four stab wounds.

MAY BE A MAN WANTED FOR MURDER

Guysboro, N. S., Prisoner Thought to be W. F. Waddell

Deputy Chief of Police of Beverley, Mass., is in the City Today Enroute to Nova Scotia to See the Man

GUYSBORO, N. S., Feb. 20.—The preliminary examination of John Dryden, alias John Rudolph, on a charge of theft of money at Charles Cove on the 15th instant, which began here yesterday, will likely be concluded tomorrow. Crown Prosecutor D. P. Floyd of Antigonish is conducting the prosecution. The prisoner made every effort to elude the authorities, but through the vigilance of the Antigonish police was arrested at College Grant. The prisoner's appearance corresponds completely with the description of F. J. Waddell, who is wanted by the police of Beverly for murder and arson, and an officer from that city is now on his way here to identify him. His arrest has caused not a little excitement in this vicinity.

BEVERLY, Mass., Feb. 20.—Deputy Chief of Police Warren O. Jones of this city left on the St. John express tonight for Guysboro, N. S., where he will look at the man under arrest there and who the Guysboro police think is W. Foster Waddell, an alleged murderer of this city. Jones will probably reach Guysboro on Thursday. A number of the Beverly officials are inclined to think that the man is not Waddell. The description furnished by the Nova Scotia authorities agrees in many details with that of Waddell. The man under arrest is described as 35 years of age. The fugitive is 41, but those who knew him say that he would pass for a man of 35. When Waddell fled from Beverly he shaved off his moustache.

He is wanted for shooting and killing J. Fred Hayes, a shoe worker, on May 26, 1905. The two men, who boarded at the same house, quarrelled over a woman known as Waddell's wife. It afterwards developed that she was really the wife of Hayes. After shooting Hayes the murderer set the house on fire in an apparent attempt to cover up the crime.

Waddell was born in England, but had passed much of his time in Canada and this country. At one time he claimed to be a Methodist minister. He was also a temperance lecturer.

REFUSED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION

TORONTO, Feb. 20.— Frederic W. Nicholls, of the Cox Pellatt Nicholls power syndicate at Niagara Falls refused to appear before the Ontario government power commission today and give information concerning the cost of production, etc. The members of the commission consider that Nicholls is treating the commission with contempt. The sitting was adjourned indefinitely and an effort will be made to find means of securing the information.

BIG SHIPS WILL RETURN TO PORT OF MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, Feb. 20.—With the exception of the two Empresses, Montreal will see all the large steamships visiting this port which were here last season including some additions, such as the 10,000 twin screw steamer Casandra, which is building for the Donaldson line and which Messrs. Reford expect to see in Montreal during the summer. Hugh A. Allan definitely announces that the turbines Virginian and Victorian will make Montreal their terminal port.

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THE HOSPITABLE KING OF CAT.

Shipwrecked Crew Royally Treated on His Island.

Of His Fruit, Wine, Etc., Cabin Boy of Barkentine Dixon Rice is Inclined to Write Musical Comedy

(N. Y. Sun.)

Capt. O. P. Belliveau, skipper of the Nova Scotian brigantine Dixon Rice, returned yesterday aboard the Ward liner Saratoga, in from Nassau, from an enforced but delightful visit to royalty. His wife and his crew were with him, and they say they united in crying "Long live the King!" For four days they lived on pate de fois and rare vintages, with all the black minions of the King in nimble attendance. The King is Heigh I. of Cat Island (sometimes called Cat Cay), the dimensions of which kingdom are three by two and a half miles, but the hospitality of which is too vast for measurement.

The cabin boy, who is almost old enough to write musical comedies, being more than 16, made a record of the brigantine's experiences, some of which he permitted the reporters to read. He has a very high opinion of King Heigh's wines, in which, he declares, he indulged with moderation only, even if the feet of some of his verses were a bit tangled.

When the Rice sailed from Savana la Mar, Jamaica, the skies were smiling. She carried only sand ballast, and was bound for Wilmington, N. C., for a cargo of lumber. In the Florida Straits she ran into murky weather. It was the skipper's watch on deck, when, at about 3 o'clock on the morning of January 26, in a thin, mistlike rain the little ship brought up on a reef that tore a great hole in her starboard side, abaft the beam. The tide was high, and when it fell, after dawn, the skipper found that he had struck on the reef called Riding Rocks, which at low tide projects several feet above the sea.

The skipper looked at his chart and found that the nearest islet likely to have inhabitants was Cat, about twenty-five miles southeast, according to the cabin boy's musical comedy. All hands remained about twenty-nine hours on the wreck, which was in placid water, got together all the ship's instruments, papers, and the dunnage of the crew, and stowed them in the small boats. Then all hands made sail in the small boats.

They reached Cat Island the next day. The skipper was surprised to find on the island a large stone house which had a Queen Anne roof, and before which there was a large flagstaff. He dimly saw this at first through his glasses, and noted that two men were standing on an eminence, so the cabin boy puts it, looking toward the castaways through field glasses. The British ensign was seen fluttering on the staff. One of the men was King Heigh I., and the other was a mere plebeian friend, said to be one of those American millionaires.

The black subjects of His Majesty, about forty in all, gathered on the beach to greet the shipwrecked party. The cabin boy says that he learned that Cat Island being directly in the course of the Gulf Stream, has a temperature hotter by 20 degrees than that of any other habitable island of the Bahama group and that he was not surprised to note that the King's subjects did not wear much. As they lined up on the beach they sang as follows, while the King, who wore a very light golf costume, beat time with a golf stick:

Excuse our light attire;
It is the proper style
To wear in this hot climate
A plug hat and a smile.

When we are out of plug hats
We wear some other tile,
But if no hats are handy
We merely wear the smile.

If you don't like our golf links
Frankfurter links may please;
His Majesty imports them,
Also the choicest cheese.

No wine of rarer vintage
Exists on any isle.
You will not need a plug hat
To go with every smile.

Naturally, after this reception the skipper and his crew were very anxious to make a landing. The cabin boy, in his report, regrets that there was no ballet to heighten the histrionic effect. In fact there was not enough flimsy material on the island to make clothing for a ballet.

The skipper shook hands with the King and then the Royal Coon quartet sang Welcome the Castaways, from which the reporter took these extracts:

We have no Red Ink brand
Come to our table d'hote;
The fowl we serve you are
Not old enough to vote.
Heigh-ho! A kingly jest.
Come, loosen up your vest!

Our waiters take no tips.
Eat all that you can tote.
Then you may tip the scales
At our table d'hote.
Heigh -ho! A kingly jest!
Just eat till you can't rest!

Then all hands were borne in palanquins to the King's palace and fell to. For four days, the skipper declares, and he at least tells the facts, all hands lived in luxury that could not be excelled in Manhattan. Besides all the fruit of the island, which the King, whose name is A. S. Heigh, and whose summer home is in Miami, Fla., has been cultivating for years, the castaways had nearly every good thing that is put up in a can and a very large number of things that come in glass, also the best cigars. The sabin boy says he would like to be shipwrecked that way again and get more material for his comedy and some interior filling for personal pleasure.

The skipper, his wife and crew, sailed on two sponge sloops from the King's hospitable domain to Nassau, where a small schooner was chartered and sent to the wreck. It was stripped and the material sold at auction at Nassau.

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NAMED FOR CHAIR OF OPTHALMOLOGY.

Dr. J. W. Stirling Succeeds to Post at McGill Made Vacant by Death of Dr. Buller.

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—The appointment is announced to the chair of opthalmology at McGill of Dr. J. W. Stirling, who will thus succeed the late Dr. Frank Buller. Dr. Stirling's nomination was made at a meeting of the medical faculty about two months ago and formally confirmed at yesterday's meeting of the governors of the university.

At the same meeting it was announced that a gift of $350 had been received from James Ross for the department of pathology in the faculty of medicine.

Dr. Stirling, who will now occupy the chair of opthalmology at McGill, is a Canadian by birth. He was born at Halifax in 1859, and received his early education at that place. After completing his course at the high school in Halifax he went to the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, from which institution he graduated with the degree of M. B. C. M. in 1884. Following his graduation he was house surgeon at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, under Dr. Argyll Robertson, and also for a time house physician with Sir T. Granger Stewart. Leaving Edinburgh, he spent two years studying in Vienna and Berlin, and was later assistant to Marcus Gunn at the Royal Opthalmological Hospital, London.

Dr. Stirling returned to Canada in 1888, since which time he has resided in Montreal. He became connected with the now defunct faculty of medicine of Bishop's College, the staff of which he left seven years ago to become lecturer in opthalmology at McGill. As head of the opthalmological department at the university he is also head of the same department in the Royal Victoria Hospital. Prior to the death of Dr. Buller he occupied a similar position in the General Hospital. Dr. Stirling now succeeds to a position made known the world over during its tenure by the late Dr. Buller.

Dr. Stirling was recently appointed vice-president of the opthalmological section of the coming congress of the British Medical Association, to be held in Toronto next summer. He is a member of the Opthalmological Society of the United Kingdom, and has been a frequent contributor to the leading medical periodicals on matters connected with his profession.

A COMPROMISE IS NOT IMPOSSIBLE

ALGECIRAS, Spain, Feb. 19.—The result of the exchange of views on the question of policing Morocco, according to the opinion expressed by Count Von Tattenbach, the second German delegate to the Moroccan conference, shows that a compromise is by no meons impossible, on condition that adequate protection shall be provided for international interests. The German delegates are awaiting further instructions from Berlin, which, it is reported, arrived late today.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—The Tribune says: Fifty days have passed since the big dry dock "Dewey," convoyed by the United States auxiliary steamer Glacier and towed by the U. S. auxiliaries Brutus and Caesar and the tug Potomac, started from Chesapeake Bay for the Philippines. There is now some anxiety for her safety. The last word received from Commander H. H. Hosley, U. S. N., who is in command of the expedition, came by wireless through the chain of scouts, formed by the cruisers Colorado, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Maryland on January 22. On that date some fifteen hundred miles of the jorney had been covered.

She still had some eighteen hundred miles to go to reach Gibraltar, but naval officers say she could have covered that distance by this time, even if she only travelled sixty miles a day, which is a conservative estimate, unless she encountered unusually heavy weather. Some think she will be heard from next at Maderia, where the towing vessels may take her while they repair whatever damage may have occurred and to communicate by cable with the navy department.

VANCEBORO STATION BURNED

Along With the Car Repair Shop.

Fire at a Late Hour Last Night Did Much Damage—Cause, Lamp Explosion.

Between one and two o'clock Wednesday word was received here of the destruction by fire of the station and other buildings at Vanceboro. Few particulars could be learned, as both the C. P. R. and Western Union wires at Vanceboro were burned.

It appears that about a quarter to eleven a lamp in the American Express Company's office, which is in the station building, exploded, and soon the whole interior of the office was a mass of flames. There were many people about at the time, but in spite of their efforts it was soon seen that the station building was doomed.

From this the flames spread to the car repair shop nearby, and that building was all on fire when the burning of the wires cut off further communication. However, the message received would indicate that no other buildings were in great danger.

The Vanceboro station is owned by the Maine Central. It was quite a large wooden building, containing ticket and despatchers' offices, two waiting rooms, customs house, express office and telegraph offices.

The car repair shop was only a small wooden building near the station.

The message from Vanceboro added that the customs storehouse was burned, but whether this is a separate building or is included in the station is not known. The C. P. R. has no property at Vanceboro.

A NEW POSITION FOR MR. BLAIR.

He Will Become Counsel For the G. P. R.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—Hon. A. G. Blair has become consulting solicitor and resident legal representative in Ottawa of the Canadian Pacific Railway. His salary is $10,000 a year. In addition to preparing briefs and arguments for the company he will be consulted on matters of general policy. He will make his first appearance for the Canadian Pacific on March 6th before the railway commission in a case brought by the Manufacturers' Association. Mr. Blair will give his entire time to the matters of the company, and will continue to reside in Ottawa.

The winter term of the supreme court opened this morning, all the judges being in attendance. The first case taken up was the appeal against the exchequer sale of the Quebec Southern and the South Shore railways to Senator Beique for the Delaware and Hudson Railway. After arguments by Messrs. Nesbitt and Perron, the hearing was suspended.

TORONTO, Feb. 20.—A Prince Albert special says: "It is understood that Dr. Tyerman, whom Judge Prendergast on Saturday declared elected for Prince Albert district, will at once resign his seat."

NEW YORK, Feb. 19—The American says:

The authorities are investigating the death of Maria Corsa, the recluse who died last Tuesday in her home in which later money and deeds amounting to thousands of dollars in value were found. It was thought at first she was a victim of starvation but circumstances have arisen that have caused the district attorney's office and Coroner Schwanneke, of the Bronx to suspect that other than natural causes contributed to her death.

District Attorney Jerome yesterday received a note charging that her death was due to the effects of a slow poison. The name of a man suspected and that of the chemist alleged to have sold the drug are mentioned in the letter.

There is now a strong probability that the body of the woman found dead in the Mouldy colonial mansion at 184th street and Morris Ave., will be exhumed and an examination made.

TRUE PHILANTROPHY.

Mrs. F. R. Currah, Windsor, Ont., will send free to any woman who suffers from female weakness or painful periods a sample of the remedy that cured her.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—Dr. Powell, who is attending Fielding, says the minister passed an easier night, but he will be incapacitated for some weeks. He is suffering acutely from his sprained ankle.

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