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Semi-Weekly Telegraph

ST. JOHN, N. B., DECEMBER 8 1900.

TAX EXEMPTION.

The common council, on the recommendation of the general committee, has adopted a proposition made to them by the Mineral Products Company of the state of New York, for the establishment in this city of a blast furnace and plant for the production of manganese on the basis of the concession of a free site and exemption from taxation and water rates. This proposition is one of very great importance, because it affects not only the interests of the city at large but those of our individual taxpayers. All or nearly all of the business establishments now situated in St. John have to pay taxes and water rates. Many of these business establishments are quite as important and employ as many people as this proposed Mineral Products Company will do, yet they do not receive any consideration in the way of taxes and most of them have to pay for their water at so much a thousand gallons, the water used being measured by a meter. We do not know what the owners of these establishments will say at this concession to a foreign corporation, in which they are allowed to have no share. It looks as if outsiders could make much better terms with the St. John common council than our own people. The granting of a free site may be proper enough and in some cases exemption from taxation might be granted, but when it comes to exemption from water rates, the matter assumes a different aspect. The citizens of St. John who are interested in this matter should make their voices heard and that at once.

A MATTER OF ACCOUNT.

The pathetic solicitude of the Sun for the financial interests of the Intercolonial, apropos of the carrying of grain to St. John, was based upon a misconception of the facts. Our contemporary only took cognizance of one side of the account, and everyone knows that to be a most unbusinesslike and shortsighted proceeding. It is probably true that the grain carried over the I. C. R. to this port does not earn a high rate for the railway. Nobody ever expected it would. Possibly it would not pay to cultivate such traffic if that was all the road had to go upon, and there were stockholders looking for a dividend at the end of the year. But, happily, the hauling of the grain here for export is but a part of the transaction. The return cargo has to be included in the reckoning, and it is this which the Sun, in its zeal to bolster up a lost cause, overlooked. Now, it so happens that the two steamers which have already tied up at the new government wharf brought substantial cargoes for Montreal and points west of that center. Every pound of these was delivered to the Intercolonial; so that a considerable percentage of the cars which came down loaded with grain went back filled with general merchandise. There was no delay nor congestion of cars, which has some bearing on the financial results. And the freight taken westward was of the best paying class available to any railway. To arrive, therefore, at anything like an accurate or sound conclusion as to the value of the grain shipments, it is necessary to consider the two accounts together—the earnings on the grain eastbound, and the earnings on the merchandise westbound—and to bear in mind, at the same time, that if the Intercolonial had not been able to deliver grain to the steamers at the Long wharf it would not have received one pound of the cargoes brought across the Atlantic. This is indisputable. So that, when the Sun undertook to criticize the business policy of the Minister of Railways it displayed a very feeble grasp of the situation; but, now that the error is pointed out, we have no doubt it will, in common fairness, promptly make corrections.

SHYLOCK STILL LIVES.

The law which enables a landlord to seize any property found on the premises, which he lets to a tenant, and take it for rent, is one that may be right in theory, but in practice it sometimes works out great injustice. The unfortunate men from the country, who put their horses into Mr. Dykeman's stable the other day, and who found that they had been seized for the rent of the stable at the instance of Sheriff Sturdee, acting as the representative of the Diocesan Church Society, will probably be of the opinion that the law in this respect ought to be changed. Certainly their case is a hard one, and we cannot think that the Diocesan Church Society will sanction such a proceeding as has been undertaken on its behalf by Sheriff Sturdee. A church society, although bound to protect its rights, should be equally solicitous to protect the rights of others. Nothing should be done by it that would have a tendency to lower that respect for Christianity which all should feel. These countrymen, whose horses were casually in the stable, should not have their property confiscated to pay rent which is due from another person. In such transactions a Christian body ought to show something of the spirit of Christ, and not that of Shylock who was determined to have his pound of flesh.

The peach crop of Delaware always fails about a month before the peaches ought to be ripe, but notwithstanding this annual disaster Delaware peaches are always found in the market at the usual time in large quantities. In the same manner the lumber industry of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia is always in a depressed condition about the time the men are going into the woods, and the prospects of a good cut are very poor. Yet in spite of this both New Brunswick and Nova Scotia always contrive to have a good many logs cut every winter, and such a thing as a shortage in lumber is not known. We are having the same predictions this autumn that are usual at this season of the year with regard to the lumber trade, but we do not anticipate that the export of lumber from this province will be at all affected by these damaging reports.

The Halifax Chronicle implores the people of Halifax to awake and secure the shipbuilding plant which someone is proposing to establish in the maritime provinces. The Chronicle is afraid that St. John will be able to show claims that cannot be resisted, and there is no doubt good reason for its apprehensions. In the case of wooden shipbuilding Halifax never made any figure, while St. John became the great shipbuilding centre of the maritime provinces. Probably the same result will follow with respect to steel shipbuilding. We have no desire to prevent Halifax from obtaining a steel shipbuilding plant, but we certainly intend to have one in St. John, and we do not fear any rivalry from our sister city in the other province. Whatever St. John undertakes to do is always done well.

The Sun is again booming the winter port business of Portland, Me., the favorite port of the Tory party. Portland, Me., continued to be the terminus of the mail steamships of Canada until the end of the Tory regime in 1896, notwithstanding the fact that the short line railway to Montreal had been built and the same facilities existed for the accommodation of steamships and the rapid transfer of the freight to Montreal, which exist now.

A Calgary paper is calling for a Conservative convention, and pointing to the advantage which the Ottawa gathering of 1893 was to the Liberals. The vindication of Liberal judgment involved in this is satisfactory; but it is worth remembering that when the Liberals met in 1893 they were not in the shattered condition in which the Conservatives find themselves. A Tory convention just now would require police protection.

If Mr. Foster had it to do over again we wonder if he would paint that picture of the ship laborers of St. John freezing and starving to death during the winter of 1900. The men who leave the elevators and wharves every day do not appear to be suffering from cold or lack of nourishment, and we have not heard of any special effort being necessary to save the lives of their families.

The announcement that there is likely to be a solution of the everlasting Chinese question will be good news, and every one will pray that it may turn out to be true. If the great powers can only devise a scheme upon which they can all agree, and which will be in accordance with justice and right, they will be deserving of much commendation. In the meant me further praise may be reserved until the results are seen.

Despatches received from British Columbia last evening, indicate that Maxwell (Liberal), has been elected for Burrard, and Galliher (Liberal), for Yale-Cariboo. This gives the government two more members on a division and brings the general elections to satisfactory aclose.

Mr. Hugh John Macdonald has been a great disappointment to his Conservative friends; and yet for a time he seemed to enjoy a good deal of distinction over the likeness between his own nose and his father's. The people of Canada discovered in good time that Sir John Macdonald didn't carry his brains in his nose.

The members of the House of Commons this year will not be wearied by the eloquence of Mr. Martin, who represented East Queens, P. E. I., in the last House of Commons. Mr. Martin has lost his election, so that P. E. Island no longer returns a majority of Conservatives to the popular chamber.

With Mr. Foster out of the way at the meeting of parliament, it must be confessed that the Conservatives have not even a second rate man to fall back upon as their leader.

VICTORIA ATHLETIC-SKATING CLUB

Annual Meeting—Decided to Send Local Skater to Championships at Montreal.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Athletic and Skating club was held last night at Victoria rink and was well attended. The report of the treasurer of the championship sports of last season was read. The success of the sports was highly satisfactory as also was the report of the very credible turnout of the club with band on Pretoria night.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Scottish Boys' Brigade and Victoria Rink Band for the part they took in this celebration with the club.

On motion it was decided that the club take action to celebrate the closing of the 20th century. It was suggested they turn out in a body on New Years eve with band and invite other clubs to join with them. This was left with a committee to act. It was also decided to send at the club's expense the best local amateur skater to represent the club at the championship meet at Montreal in February next. It was also decided to hold the annual championship sports at an earlier date this season if possible.

The folowing are the officers eleted for the coming year: President, Geo. Salmon; vice-president, Fred A. Trites; secretary-treasurer, Frank F. Peters; captain, Alexander Patterson; managing committee, J. A. Dawson, Sam. J. Richey, John I. Robinson, R. J. Armstrong, Joseph I. Noble.

Letter from the Mayor.

To the Editor of The Telegraph:

Sir,—I see in this morning's edition of your paper an editorial statement to the effect that the common council "has adopted a proposition made to them by the Mineral Products Company of the state of New York for the establishment in this city of a blast furnace and plant for the production of manganese on the basis of the concession of a free site and exemption from taxation and water rates."

This statement is not putting the matter at all correctly. The company has so far made no definite proposition to come here on any terms, nor has the common council made an offer to them of free site and exemption from taxation and water rates. The common council has passed a resolution to the effect that it would give to the Mineral Products Comapny "favorable consideration and every reasonable inducement to locate in the city and appointed a committee to correspond with the company with a view of obtaining a definite proposition from them, provided it is first ascertained that the establishment of such a plant would not be injurious to health or to the fisheries of the harbor."

I think this is a correct attitude for the council to assume. We are all anxious to see our city grow and it would seem as if the most likely means of reaching this end would be by the establishment of new industries here. At the same time I am quite of your opinion that any industry which would be entitled to complete exemption from taxes and water rates must be a very exceptional one and in my opinion would not include the company under discussion. The council is alive to the seriousness of tax exemptions, and it has not the power even if it had the desire to exempt from school and water rates.

Yours truly,
J. W. DANIEL, Mayor.

St. John, Dec. 5, 1900.

Resolution of Condolence.

Kars, Kings Co., N. B., Dec. 3.—The wife and family of the late James W. Toole desire, through the columns of the press, to thank their many friends for the kindness and sympathy shown them in this sad time of their bereavement, and also to publish the following letter of condolence so kindly sent them by Jenkins' Cove Court, I. O. F., of which Mr. Toole was long a member:

Kars, Kings Co., N. B., Nov. 23, 1900, A. D.:

At a special meeting of Jenkins' Cove Court, No. 1843, I. O. F., held on the above date, it was unanimously "Resolved that we place on record our appreciation of the services our court and order has received in the past from our brother and chief ranger, the late James W. Toole, who has so suddenly passed from this time's state to the court above. We are also deeply sensible of the great loss we have sustained. We hereby tender our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family in their sorrow, and pray that the Great Source of all goodness may bind up their wounded hearts with His love and care; and further resolved that a copy of this resolution be prepared and sent to our late brother's family. (Signed) Avlin A. Morrell, C. R.; Daniel Urquhart, P. C. R.; Francis W. Riecker, T.; Geo. F. Jenkins, F. S.; Joshua R. Shaw, S. B.; David Jones, S. B.; Miles G. Jenkins, R. S."

The Canadians' Pay.

Ottawa, Dec. 6—(Special)—Lieut.-Col. Biggar cabled today from Cape Town, asking if the men of the contingents taking their discharge in South Africa, will receive deferred pay. Lieut.-Col. Pinault replied that they would.

DRIVING DeWET,

Gen. Knox Chased the Boer Leader Monday.

ROBERTS AT DURBAN.

Was Given a Tremendous Ovation --The Canadians Yesterday Inspected the House of Commons and House of Lords--Addressed by Chamberlain.

London, Dec. 5.—The war office has received the following from Lord Kitchener, dated Bloemfontein, Dec. 5:

"Gen. Knox re-engaged De Wet near Bethulie on the Smithfield road yesterday. He drove the enemy from all their positions before dark, when they retreated northward. Col. Polcher assisted by a turning movement on Knox's left."

Lord Kitchener reports also several minor affairs.

According to the Daily Express, no more infantry drafts will be sent to South Africa. The only troops to go to the front hereafter will be mounted men.

ADDRESSED BY CHAMBERLAIN.

Canadians Listen to the Secretary of State for the Colonies and to Lords Lansdowne and Aberdeen—The Marquis of Lorne Dines Them.

Toronto, Dec. 5—(Special)—The Telegram's special cable from London is:

"London, Dec. 5—The popular Canadian regiment spent this morning viewing the sights in the House of Commons. In the course of their rambles they met Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, who graciously greeted them. He delivered a stirring address, pointing out the indebtedness of the mother country to the colonies for assistance that had been rendered in fighting the cause of justice and liberty in South Africa.

"The Canadians also paid a visit to the House of Lords. They were received by Lords Lansdowne and Aberdeen, who delivered addresses that won the commendation of the men for the lofty sentiments and true patriotism expressed.

"Col. Otter replied in fitting terms. The Duke of Argyll, known better as the Marquis of Lorne, entertained the Canadians at luncheon today at Kensington. Tonight the party attended a reception at Kensington town hall."

London, Dec. 5—This evening the officers of the Canadian contingent were banqueted by the Canada Club, Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal presiding. The Earl of Aberdeen, former governor-general of Canada, and many notable persons connected with the dominion were present. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, Lord Aberdeen, Col. Otter and Captain Denison delivered patriotic and complimentary speeches, in which thanks for the welcome extended the visitors were mingled with hearty endorsements of the admiration in which the Canadian and home troops held each other.

Durban, Dec. 5—Lord Roberts, who has arrived here, was accorded a tumultuous reception. Members of the Irish Association dragged his carriage to the town hall. The streets were profusely decorated and crowded to suffocation. Numerous addresses were presented to the field marshal.

Cologne, Dec. 5—Mr. Kruger walked today in the rain from his hotel to the cathedral. He was cheered enthusiastically by an assemblage of people who had long waited to see him. Mr. Kruger repeatedly raised his hat in acknowledgement of the cheering. He departs at 10 a. m. tomorrow on a special train connecting with the Dutch express at Zevhaar.

Cape Town, Dec. 5—Paul Botha, member of the Orange Free State Volksraad for 21 years, has issued a pamphlet appealing to his fellow-countrymen to accept the inevitable and recognize British rule, which, he says, is alone possible in South Africa. He says he has repeatedly appealed to Steyn and DeWet to cease fighting. He bitterly attacks Steyn. He predicts that Britons and Boers will eventually live peaceably together under the British flag.

London, Dec. 5.—Mr. J. M. Robertson, who has just returned from South Africa, in a speech at a meeting of the League of Liberals, said the people here knew little or nothing of what was going on in South Africa. He further asserted that he himself saw an order of Lord Roberts' in July for the burning of 40 farms. The Dutch, Mr. Robertson added, are now absolutely alienated.

London, Dec. 5.—A London news agency publishes a despatch from Pretoria saying that fighting has been going on for four days at Bronkhorst Spruit, east of Pretoria, that Commandants Viljoen and Erasmus, with 2,500 Boers are now surrounded, and that 800 Boers have been killed.

At the war office this despatch is characterized as belated information regarding events covered in the official despatches from Lord Kitchener, dated Bloemfontein, Nov. 30, although the statement that the Boers were surrounded is not supported officially.

Exploding Boiler Kills Three Men.

South Londonderry, Vt., Dec. 6.—Three men were instantly killed this forenoon by the explosion of a boiler at the steam saw mill of G. W. Harris, in the town of Peru, seven miles from this place. The killed are: William Parker, Vernie Bull, A. C. Miner.

William Parker, who was engineer of the plant, was terribly mangled while Bull, who was a fellow employe, died as a result of injuries sustained in having his breast torn open by the remnants of the boiler, which were thrown considerable distance. A. C. Miner, the third man killed, was not employed on the premises, but had visited the mill on business. His head was terribly mangled, and as in the case of the other two men, his death immediately followed the explosion.

St. John, N. B., December, 8, 1900.

MEN'S ULSTERS.

Big, warm, roomy coats that you can wrap yourself in and laugh at zero weather.

And they don't bear down on your shoulders and make you feel as if you carried a load of wood on your back.

Comfort as well as warm.

At $5.00, All Wool Canadian Friezes in black, grey and brown. High storm collars, hand warmers, all wool tweed linings, and of good length.

At 6.00, Dark, grey, all wool Canadian Frieze Ulster, with tweed linings, high storm collar and hand warmers.

At $8.00, Dark brown and grey all wool Canadian Frieze Ulster, high storm collar, hand warmers, all wool tweed linings. A coat the winds cannot pierce.

At $10.00, An all wool Irish Frieze Ulster in a beautiful brown shade, with storm collar and hand warmers. A coat that will keep you warm in the coldest day.

REEFERS.

The Reefer's the thing for the active out-door man to keep his body warm but leaves his legs free.

At $4.00, Men's Reefers of heavy Oxford and brown Canadian Frieze, with storm collar, Tweed linings, also a blue beaver at same price.

At $5.00, An all-wool Canadian Brown Frieze Reefer and blue beaver, with storm collar and all-wool tweed linings.

GREATER OAK HALL,
SCOVIL BROS. & CO.,
King Street, Corner Germain. } St. John, N. B.

CANADIAN NEWS.

About a Branch of the Naval Reserve in Canada

It is understood the idea of establishing a branch of the naval reserve in Canada, since it appears to be a success in Newfoundland, is thought seriously of, and it is understood the British government are corresponding with the dominion government with a view of bringing it about. The initial thing that will be done is to establish a training ship in this city, which will probably be an obsolete warship, as after the first batch from Canada who wish to go to sea on a warship for six months, can do so, putting in so many days drill each year subsequently on the training ship, till they have served their time and became full-fledged R. N. R. men, and receive the financial benefits therefrom.—[Halifax Reporter.

The total receipts of the Toronto Exhibition since its organization in 1879 have been $1,428,916, and the expenditure for the same period $1,497,,939, showing a deficit on the fair to date of $69,023. The total assets in buildings of the exhibition handed over to the city when the lease was made last year were $216,547. Against this was a mortgage of $85,000 and an overdraft of $24,683, leaving an apparent surplus of $106,863. The amount expended by the city for exhibition purposes since the association was formed approached $400,000. The amount has nothing to do with the assets or the receipts and expenditure above mentioned.

The military editor of the Quebec Telegraph remarks: "As an additional and lasting honor for Rev. Father O'Leary, whose brave work in South Africa with the first Canadian contingent is in everybody's lips, would it not be a splendid idea to name him Roman Catholic chaplain of the R. C. A., or one might go still further, and suggest of the permanent force of this garrison. Rev. Mr. Scott, the popular rector of St. Matthew's church and soldier's friend, occupies a similar position for the Protestant portion of the force, and as the rank is an honorary one, it would be paying a slight compliment to Father O'Leary to name him chaplain of the Roman Catholic section.

In an interview with the Montreal Witness Chaplain Love, who was with the second Canadian contingent says he does not approve of the idea of bringing back the remains of the Canadian soldiers. In the first place, how could it be done? The remains were not coffined. They were thrown into a trench along with other British soldiers. Identification would be impossible. If my son were there, he should remain there. Let there be a suitable monument erected to the Canadians fell.

Wells, Me., Dec. 5.—The barkentine Jesse McGregor, of Portland, coal laden, which left Vineyard Haven Monday, was seen off here today with a signal up for a ing. She had a rough time in Massachusetts Bay last night, the gale carrying away some of her light rigging aloft. She did not appear to be crippled, although making a bad mess of it in the high choppy seas off here. Tonight she seemed to be keeping well up to windward and probably will get by Cape Elizabeth and be in a position to take a Portland tug in the morning.

HOW TO LIVE UNTIL NINETY.

One of the Queen's Physicians Combats Old Theories.

London, Dec. 2—Ten days to three weeks' solitary confinement spent chiefly in bed, is the latest English prescription for tired or ailing men and women. Well ones also are advised that such a penance faithfully performed once a year would solve the whole problem of health and longevity.

This is one of the applications of the principal secret of long life, which a large number of prominent English medical men are preaching to all their patients. The theory, condensed into a phrase, is "conservation of energy." It is combined with two older and more familiar precepts—moderation and system. One of the Queen's physicians has just written a popular article on the subject, which is attracting a great deal of attention, because of his application of his principles he combats some ideas which have long ruled the professional and lay mind. To begin with, he asks: What is life? That is a question, he admits, which you cannot answer, but you know one thing it inevitably leads to, and that is death, and in a general way you know what brings about death, and that is the expending in some way of the last remaining ounce of energy.

It is when he condemns the unnecessary waste of energy by exercise that this eminent physician surprises us. The man who works hard with his head all day and then takes a long walk for the sake of exercise makes a terrible mistake, according to this authority.

"Mental energy and bodily energy," he declares, "come to the same thing at the finish. Having freely drawn from the stock of one, you must not then tap the other with the idea that it is beneficial, for it is not. They have a common source."

He cites Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, who takes no physical exercise whatever, as the most conspicuous example of the soundness of his theory.

With regard to moderation, the writer's most emphatic warning is that everybody eats too much. Eat what you like, he says, but stop considerably short of fully satisfying the appetite. The stomach has far too much work to do. Give it less and now and again let it have an absolute rest.

Practice moderation in smoking and drinking. There is no need whatever for total abstenance, for there is nothing in the habits which is in the least inconsistent with nonagenarianism. The man who drinks a quart of beer a day must not expect great length of days. He may never be in the least intoxicated, and may believe that he experiences no ill effects whatever from consuming so much alcoholic liquid; but it is too much. Give a stricter meaning to the word moderation, and drink accordingly."

The writer uses "beer" in the English sense, meaning ale. Lager beer, although consumed in large quantities every year, has not become a national drink. Finally he says:

"As far as is practicable, live throughout your life on the same system. Let it be a good one to begin with, and then adhere to it unaltered. A great mistake is made in supposing that a man of 40 requires this, and at 50 he requires that. Faddism is bad. Regularity is a sound principle; but it should be regularity from year to year, and not merely from day to day."

These, he declares, are the secrets of long life, and he adds, "there are no others."

Ottawa Wants Royal Mint Branch.

Ottawa, Dec 4—(Special)—At a meeting of the board of trade tonight a resolution was passed appointing a delegation to wait on Premier Laurier and Hon. Mr. Fielding to ask that in event of a branch of the royal mint being established in Canada it should be located in the city of Ottawa. The report of Thomas McFarlane, who was a delegate of the board of trade to the chamber of commerce of the empire in London, England, was also received and referred to a committee. In his report Mr. McFarlane asks for abolition of the British preference in the Canada tariff. He also suggests that an additional tax of 5 per cent. ad valorem duty be placed on all foreign goods dutiable and free entering Canada. The amount collected in this way could be utilized for imperial purposes.

It is not at all likely that the board will adopt this proposition. Mr. McFarlane is chief analyist of the inland revenue department in Ottawa and was brought prominently forward during the last elections on account of his report on the emergency food.

Fate of a "Little Mother" and Her Baby Brother.

Richmond Me., Dec. 4—The seven-year-old daughter of George Clancy, of Dresden Mills, who, since domestic difficulties separated her father and mother two weeks ago, had cared for her two-year-old brother and performed the household duties, attempted to start a fire in the kitchen stove this afternoon with the aid of kerosene, and as a result both children were burned to death and the house destroyed.

With the exception of the two children there was no one near the house when the fire started, and when neighbors who had been attracted by the smoke arrived the building was in flames.

Near the open kitchen door was found the unconscious form of the little girl. The baby's body was in the midst of the flames.

The girl was removed to a place of safety, but she was so severely burned that she lived less than an hour.

A NEW YORK FIRM

And His Bookkeeper Arrested Yesterday.

New York, Dec. 5.—C. W. Morgan, trading as C. W. Morgan & Co., stock brokers, and Morgan's bookkeeper, Michael Hart, were arrested today on the charge of conspiracy and grand larceny. The men were locked up in police headquarters.

The detectives confiscated all the books and papers in the office of Morgan and in the offices of L. E. VanRiper and John D. McKenzie, discretionary brokers. It was found that the written matter in the books of VanRiper & McKenzie had been torn out. It was found that McKenzie and VanRiper did an extensive business throughout the United States and Canada. They sent out as many as 100,000 letters a week, telling how easily money was made in Wall street and explaining certain deals, the money to be sent to Morgan & Co., or C. B. Lawrence, jr.