

ST. JOHN STAR, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1905.

## Met Horrible Death Under Shore Line Train.

Ernest Jansson, Employed in Clearing the Line, Slipped  
on Snowbank and Fell Under the Cars--Leaves  
Wife and Three Young Children.

An accident which was attended with fatal consequences occurred late yesterday afternoon on the Shore Line railway near Duck Cove. Ernest Jansson, a section man on the railroad, was dragged one hundred yards by a swiftly moving train, and received such severe injuries that death resulted last night about eleven o'clock. Jansson with about fifty other workmen was employed in clearing the line of the N. B. Southern between Carleton and a point about ten miles below, where the regular train is stalled in a snowdrift. Fairly good progress had been made in the work of cutting out the blocked train, and as the workmen cleared each cutting a relief train was run through the opening or the purpose of putting the final touches on the men's work. At the particular time the accident happened the train had given the warning whistle to the workmen to get out of the way, and all of them had climbed up the slanting snow bank. As the engine and cars shot past Jansson felt the snow give way beneath him and to his horror he found himself being irresistibly borne upon the advancing cars. He struck the hindmost part of the last car, and became entangled. Before the engineer was aware of the accident and could bring the train to a stop Jansson had been dragged between three hundred and four hundred feet. He was alive when the workmen rescued him, but his injuries were seen to be terrible. His face was

crushed in, the bones being broken, and the flesh hanging in shreds. His right arm also was nearly severed from his body. As soon as possible he was brought back to Carleton and Dr. Wheeler was summoned to attend him. The ambulance was summoned and Jansson was removed to the public hospital. Though breathing, he was in an extremely weak condition, and it was not possible to attempt an operation. Everything possible was done, but about eleven o'clock he passed away. Ernest Jansson is said to have been a sober, hard working man and the accident is a particularly sad one. He leaves a wife and three small children, all girls. He was a Swede by nationality, but came out to this country about nine years ago, having married but two years previous to his emigration. For some time he was employed as a seaman, having been cook on various coasting vessels. About four years ago he entered the employ of the railway company and has been doing section duty since that time. The family live at 70 St. John street, West End. An official of the Shore Line railway said last evening that Jansson had been warned earlier in the day about delaying when the whistle was given to get clear of the track, and at the time of the accident he was said to have been the last man to leave the rails. He was working in the middle of the gap and probably did not mount the bank sufficiently to avoid danger.

### LATE SHIP NEWS.

Domestic Ports.  
HALIFAX, Feb 15--Ard, str Bet, from Jamaica, Turks Island and Bermuda; Evansline, from St. John; Louisburg, from Louisburg, CB.  
St. John, str Pro Patria, La Fourcade, for St. Pierre, MI; Cacouns, Holmes, for Louisburg.  
Chd, str Arthur H Wright, for La-Have.  
HALIFAX, Feb 15--Sld, str Baken, Schwandt, for Boston.  
British Ports.  
QUEENSTOWN, Feb 15--Ard, str Teutonic, from New York for Liverpool (and proceeded).  
MOVILLE, Feb 15--Ard, str Ionian, from St. John and Halifax for Liverpool.

LONDON, Feb 15--Ard, str St. John City, from St. John and Halifax.  
LONDON, Feb 15--The British bark Edith Mary, Captain Hughes, from Ascension, Sept 12, for St. John, NF, has been posted at Lloyds as missing.  
LIVERPOOL, Feb 15--Ard, str Cornishman, from Portland; Ionian, from St. John and Halifax via Moville.  
Foreign Ports.  
BREMER, Feb 15--Ard, str Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse, from New York via Plymouth and Cherbourg.  
BALTIMORE, Feb 15--Ard, str T Charlton Henry, from Boston.  
COVE POINT, Md, Feb 15--Passed up, str Gardner G Deering, from Boston for Baltimore.  
NEW YORK, Feb 15--Ard, str Kron Prinz Wilhelm, from Bremen.

### SUSSEX COUNCIL.

Important Meeting at Which Officers  
Were Elected and Estimates  
Passed.

SUSSEX, Feb. 15.—The Sussex Town Council met in the Council chamber last evening, those present being Mayor McKay, Aldermen Langstroth, Miller, McAllister and Mills. Ald. Mills brought in a request for a town marshal, and on motion of Ald. McAllister, seconded by Ald. Langstroth, William McLeod was appointed same. Ald. Langstroth reported that for the water and sewerage committee that the reservoir was not full, and that the hydrants and main pipes were nearly all thawed out, which would be completed in one day more. The election of officers was the next business, the following being elected: William McLeod, town marshal; William McLeod, C. Edwin Hazen, constables; Wm. McLeod, James Gregory, sr., Geo. Barnes, pound-keepers; Arthur Keith, James Gregory, Jr., C. Edwin Hazen, Jesse McKenzie, hog reeves and field drivers.

Next the following amounts were voted to be assessed on the town: Contingent.....\$1,000  
Water, sewerage and maintenance 2,000  
Street, maintenance.....1,000  
Lighting.....500  
Fire.....250  
Police.....100  
Interest account.....1,240  
Sinking funds.....500  
Total.....\$6,655

### DROPPED DEAD.

Ex-Sheriff Died at Son's Residence in  
Sydney.

HALIFAX, Feb. 15.—William Buchanan, ex-sheriff of the county of Cape Breton, dropped dead at his son's residence, Sydney, this afternoon, where he had called after returning from a funeral. He was 73 years old, was born in Scotland, coming to this country when quite young. In 1882 he successfully contested Cape Breton for the local assembly. He was made high sheriff for Cape Breton, which office he held until last year. Deceased was married four times, his last wife dying suddenly about four months ago. Two of his sons are in Winnipeg.

### ROGERS-BARTON.

St. John the Baptist church was last evening the scene of a pretty wedding, when Bartholomew Rogers, pilot, was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Barton of Great Crossley, England. The ceremony, which took place at six o'clock, was performed by Rev. W. F. Chapman, in the presence of a large number of friends of the parties. Miss Barton was attended by Miss Teresa McPartland and William J. Mahony supported the groom. Miss Barton was the recipient of many pretty gifts.

### AT BISLEY.

Lt. Col. W. P. Anderson

Gives His Report.

How the London Scottish Made Them-  
selves Practically Invisible in  
Advance.

OTTAWA, Feb. 15.—Lieut. Col. W. P. Anderson has handed to the government his report of the visit of the Canadian team of marksmen to Bisley. Of it the following relates particularly to Ottawa: "While at Bisley I was invited by Col. Eustace Balfour, V. C., to witness a competition for a prize offered by him, which proved so interesting and instructive that although not connected with the National Rifle meeting, I consider it well worthy of mention. The competition to which I refer took place on the Pibroch Common between teams of five men under the command of a non-commissioned officer, from the several companies of Col. Balfour's old regiment, the London Scottish. It was called an 'inviability competition,' and the prize went to the team which succeeded in advancing about half a mile over the common with least exposure to the sight of the umpires. "The ground selected for the competition was almost level and practically bare, being covered with only the short heath common to the locality and a few scattered tufts of bushes and grass, yet the men advanced in rushes to within 100 yards of where we were stationed, and succeeded between the rushes in absolutely concealing themselves from our sight, even when aided by field glasses. "I believe that a similar competition organized at Rockcliffe would show commanding officers and the militia authorities how much can be done to instruct corps in taking cover while skirmishing, and would also test the relative value of different types of uniform to meet service conditions. The warm grey uniforms of the London Scottish seemed to melt into the health, so that men lying on ground absolutely unobserved offered nothing to aim at so long as they remained motionless."

### SHORT IN HIS ACCOUNTS.

HALIFAX, Feb. 15.—An examination of the books of the Havelock Mineral Spring Co., Sydney, today revealed the fact that the secretary-treasurer of the company, Edward Curran, was short in his accounts nearly two thousand dollars. Curran is believed to have gone to the United States. He was in the employ of the company for upwards of three years and was a trusted official. He had a salary of two thousand dollars a year.

### CONSERVATIVE CAUCUS

Held Yesterday—Whips Appointed—  
Trade Figures for Past Seven  
Months.

OTTAWA, Feb. 15.—The first caucus of conservative members of this parliament under Mr. Borden's leadership was held this morning. Mr. Bergeron presided, and a valuable two hours was devoted to discussion of the proposed organization of party on the lines laid down by Mr. Borden as one of the conditions under which he accepted the leadership. Whips were appointed as follows: Chief whip, George Taylor; for Ontario, Mr. Lancaster of Lincoln and Mr. Ingram of East Elgin; for Quebec, Dr. Worthington of Sherbrooke and Mr. Leonard of Laval; for the maritime provinces, Mr. Ganong of Charlottetown and Mr. Lefrere of Prince Edward Island; for Manitoba and the west, Dr. Roche of Marquette. The trade figures for the past seven months were given out by the customs department today. The total imports for consumption were \$147,816,422, an increase of \$5,768,902 for the same time last year. The imports for January were \$18,068,671, as against \$17,472,389 for January, 1904. The exports of domestic goods for the seven months were \$125,546,463, a decrease of over \$10,000,000 compared with the same time last year. For the month of January the decrease was \$263,147. There was a gain of \$343,381 in the exports of manufactures last month. The fisheries and animals and their produce show an increase, while lumber and agricultural products show a decrease.

### MR. WHITNEY'S SECRETARY.

Horace Wallis, of Mail and Empire  
Staff Receives Appointment.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—Horace Wallis of The Mail and Empire staff, has been appointed private secretary to Hon. J. P. Whitney. Mr. Wallis joined The Mail staff nearly a quarter of a century ago, and subsequently was appointed in the early nineties Ottawa correspondent. He held that position until 1898, when he became editor of the Quebec Chronicle. Three years later Mr. Wallis rejoined The Mail and Empire as one of its editorial writers, and has filled that position ever since. He has a wide acquaintance among the public men of Canada.

### VISIT POSTPONED.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—Lieut. Governor Clarke announced tonight that the visit of their excellencies Lord and Lady Grey, to have taken place next week, has been postponed owing to the indisposition of Lady Grey and the illness of one of their children with measles. The postponement of their excellencies' visit caused much disappointment as great preparations and many social functions, including the Royal Canadian Yacht Club ball, had been planned for their reception.

## They Have No Power to Investigate Jail.

Municipal Committee Met Yesterday and Will by Round-  
about Way Ask Grand Jury to Do the Job.

The committee appointed by the Municipal Council to consider the internal management of the jail and also the quality of supplies used in that institution, met yesterday afternoon and in a very short time the members found out that they had no power to act. They soon adjourned. It will be remembered that at the last meeting of the Municipal Council, held on the third Tuesday in January, Coun. Bullock made some statements regarding the management of the jail, which, in the opinion of a number of the councillors, demanded further enquiry. Coun. Bullock stated that prisoners confined in the jail were in the habit of smoking and playing cards, and that the regulations of the institution were being violated by youthful prisoners being confined with older offenders. He declared that young boys were kept with more hardened criminals instead of being placed in cells by themselves, and that at the same time there was a large part of the new wing of the jail unoccupied. During the discussion at the meeting it was pointed out that the expense of running the jail during the past year was greater than in the previous year, in spite of the fact that there were fewer persons in custody. In this connection the cost of supplies was brought up, and the whole talk result-

ed in a motion that a committee be appointed to investigate. The committee named consisted of Warden Macrae and Couns. Christie, Lowell and Maxwell were absent. Sheriff Ritchie was in attendance. At yesterday's meeting, which was held in County Secretary Vincent's office, Couns. Christie, Lowell and Maxwell were absent. Sheriff Ritchie was in attendance. It was shown in a very few moments that the committee had no power to proceed with an investigation, the sheriff, who is in control of the jail, being an appointee of the government. Sheriff Ritchie intimated his willingness for the fullest investigation into the management of the jail, in fact he desired that such should be held, but he insisted that it be undertaken by the proper parties, and he did not see that the committee appointed by the Municipal Council were the proper parties. It was his intention to request that the grand jury at the next session of the county court enquire into the management of the jail. It was decided to ask the attorney general to request the judge at the next session of the county court to ask the grand jury to enquire into the internal management and quality of supplies used in the jail. The meeting adjourned.

### CARLETON'S NEW CHURCH.

Pretty Brick Structure Will Replace  
Barned Church of the As-  
sumption.

The contract for the new stone church at Carleton which is to replace the Church of the Assumption, has been given to John Froot and Edward Bate. Work will be begun on the new building in a short time. The plans for the new church were made by J. T. C. McKean. The style of architecture will be Byzantine, which is being much used for sacred edifices in European countries. The contract price of the church is \$40,000. It will be of limestone with freestone trimmings, and will occupy the site of the old church. The total length of the new building will be 146 feet, with a width of 76 feet across the transepts and 54 feet across the main building. The tower will be 113 feet in height. The main floor of the church

will be 100 feet long, with a nave, two side aisles and a sanctuary. The nave will be divided from the aisles by four pillars with semi-circular arches and carved caps. Over the main entrance of the church will be a gallery for the organ and choir. There will be a large window of four bays, at the end of each transept, and over the main entrance will be a large rose window. The main entrance will be a semi-circular arch with carved mouldings. The church will have seating accommodation for about 600 persons. The interior furnishings, including pews, will probably cost \$10,000 additional.

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