

MUCH HAVOC BRUGHT BY SNOW STORM

Spring Received Severe Setback - Trees Blown Down and Streets Blocked by Drifts.

The twittering of the robins which was given by some as an indication that the cold days of winter had passed and that the spring was at hand was apparently a very unsatisfactory way of judging the weather. The city was just congratulating itself on having passed through a trying winter, and was expectantly looking forward to a period of warm weather when one of the worst storms of the year yesterday gave the summer preparations a gentle setback and covered the ground with snow.

For this time of the year it was an unusual occurrence yesterday to have such a storm accompanied by a heavy fall of snow and the storm was expected as it was thought the white covering would not show itself in this vicinity till seven or eight months of warmer weather had rolled by.

Not Unusual. But while the storm was very unreasonable, unpleasant and disagreeable to the extreme at this time of the year it was not an unusual occurrence for going back to the year 1912 it is found that on the second and third days of April the city was visited with such a storm as that of yesterday, and while the temperature was not so low nor the wind possibly so great the snow fall was much heavier for the official reading at that time gives the snow fall for the days mentioned as a level of five and a half inches.

The strong north and northeasterly gales yesterday tended to make the storm keenly felt by the people and in the early morning especially was the untimely visitation of winter weather found to be most unpleasant. The wind when at its highest was blowing thirty-six miles an hour and this gradually decreased until at noon the gale, blowing from the north was not very strong, and when the snow had ceased to fall during the afternoon there was only a moderate wind. The temperature, according to the official registering at the observatory ranged during the day from twenty-five to twenty degrees above zero and at nine o'clock last evening the glass showed the lowest when it registered twenty degrees above. With the gnawing wind and blinding snow, however, the rather unpleasantly cold to those on the street in the morning or early afternoon.

Trees Destroyed. The children in the public schools and even the pupils in the high schools of the city only had one session, and in the telephone office and in other places where large numbers are employed luncheon was supplied the employees at noon. The strong wind played havoc with the trees in the squares and in several sections of the city large trees were blown down. The storm will mean a good deal to the city as it will necessitate the re-planting of the streets, which the department of public works has been putting in condition for summer travel.

A FIRM WANTED TO MANUFACTURE CANS

The Acting Secretary of Board of Trade Struck with Frequency of Enquiries.

One industry is needed in St. John. The Board of Trade in receipt of frequent inquiries for the name of a firm or company here manufacturing cans and bottles. Such inquiries come from all parts of the province. The assistant secretary of the board, who always has an eye upon the industrial possibilities of the city, has been struck by the frequency of the enquiries for cans and bottles. Some firms have to send to Hamilton, Ont., for cans, which is not considered good policy.

In this province the development of the canning business in connection with fish and fruit will, it is expected, greatly increase the demand for cans, and there should be a good opportunity for a factory manufacturing all kinds of cans here.

Circuit Court. The grand jury of the circuit court will meet this morning at 11 o'clock, Judge McKeown presiding. There are three criminal cases on the docket.

BIRTHS.

HOYT—On April 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Hoyt, 272 Rockland Road, a son.

DEATHS.

DONOHUE—In this city on 2nd inst., Cornelius, eldest son of the late Dennis and Julia Donohue.

Funeral on Saturday morning at a quarter to eight, from the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. William Donohue, 28 Cliff street, to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception for solemn Requiem. High Mass at 8 o'clock. Friends invited to attend.

JOHNSON—On April the second, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Johnson, 156 King street east.

TO LAURIER MUST BE ATTRIBUTED PRESENT RAILWAY SITUATION

(Continued from page 1) In law and unfair to the Davis firm to cancel the contract when efforts had been made by the contractors to get the work under way. Messrs. Staunton and Gutelius held a different view; they held Messrs. Davis in default, but it was noteworthy that their examination of M. P. Davis they had asked him no question bearing on this particular matter.

After referring to the question of the change of plans under the present government in regard to the Quebec terminals and the shops at Quebec, Sir Wilfrid concluded as follows: Accepts the Responsibility. "In the lengthy course of the debate I have had the privilege of having been taken to task with regard to and held responsible for the construction of this railway. The statements, charges, reproaches, stigmas—call them what you will—I accept, yea, accept as on honor. (Cheers.) I hold myself largely responsible for conceiving and carrying on this great undertaking, an undertaking conceived to secure for this dominion a transcontinental railway, all on Canadian soil, the best and shortest on the American continent. (Renewed cheers.)

Premier Borden. Premier Borden began by saying that the house had just listened to an admirable re-hash of the speech delivered by Mr. Graham, with a few decorative flourishes from the speech which he sought to depict it as a traffic in Sir Wilfrid Laurier, had delivered when introducing the National Transcontinental bill in 1902. The opposition seemed to fear that this undertaking was going to suffer at the hands of the present government, but he would like to ask who was the man who sought to deprive it of traffic in 1911. The whole genesis of the reciprocity proposal was that traffic should go south instead of north over the National Transcontinental.

Sir Wilfrid, the premier said, had followed the example set him and had made a personal attack upon the character, the ability, and the honesty of the men who made the report. "I want to say here and now," he declared with some heat, "that both of these men are the equal in character, in reputation and in record of any man on the other side of the house, from the highest to the lowest."

Some of the opposition speakers, continued the premier, had sought to give the impression that Messrs. Gutelius and Lynch-Staunton had not been sworn to their duties in the usual way. That this was absolutely false, and the bitterness of the attack upon their report was the best evidence of the ability of the two gentlemen to do their work. The member for South Renfrew had declared that the report carried its own refutation, and when he delivered a speech of seven hours duration in an unavailing effort to refute it. Upon what grounds were the commissioners criticized? Mr. Staunton had the unenviable disgrace of being a Conservative, and Mr. Gutelius the blemish of being a former citizen of the United States.

When men descended to such arguments it was abundant evidence that they had a very poor case indeed. It was argued that because the report was partisan it was unworthy. Well, by the same standard, the reports of the commissions which investigated the Lumsden and Hodkins charges in 1909 and 1910 were unworthy. The leader of the opposition had conceded the right of an investigation. If it was right that there should be an investigation, why did not Sir Wilfrid, while in power, grant one when it was demanded? asked the Premier. The answer was because he never intended to be in an investigation, and did not want one.

Mr. Borden went on to say that when Sir Wilfrid Laurier had undertaken the construction of the N. T. R. in 1903 he had really undertaken the building of two new transcontinental lines because under the legislation passed by the Liberals, the Canadian Northern had acquired the status of a transcontinental line. In 1903 when leader of the opposition he had

MAINTAINED THAT THE PROPER COURSE FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO PURSUE WAS TO BRIDGE THE SIX OR EIGHT HUNDRED MILES OF UNPRODUCTIVE TERRITORY BETWEEN THE EAST AND THE WEST WITH A GOVERNMENT OWNED LINE OPERATED WITHOUT COST TO THE PEOPLE.

Such a policy would have done more for the Canadian ports and would have brought the east and the west closer together than his project. In 1903 Sir Wilfrid Laurier had told the people that the actual cost of the road to them would not be more than thirteen millions. Had he said \$200,000,000 his supporters would not have been so enthusiastic. The actual cost to the country in the end, including the interest during the seven years when the line from Winnipeg to Moncton would yield no interest to the government, would be over \$230,000,000. To this might well be added a sum of \$45,000,000 representing the difference in the interest the G. T. P. would pay the government and what the government would have to pay for the money borrowed.

The situation was one for which the present government was in no way responsible but it was desirable that the true facts should be ascertained. The member for Pictou, Mr. MacDonald, had charged the government with present responsibility in regard to the subject matter of the report. This was absurd because a new government cannot destroy contracts entered into by a previous administration. The courts would not have allowed such a proceeding.

The Liberals' Commission. Referring briefly to the personnel of the former commission Mr. Borden said that Sir Thomas Shaughnessy or Mr. Chamberlain were to secure the services of a dry-goods merchant, a druggist and a barber to build a line of railway, they would be following the same course as that pursued by the late government. Opposition speakers had attacked Major Leonard the present commissioner, but Major Leonard had for twenty-five years before his appointment been engaged in the construction and the operation of railways.

Mr. Borden said that time would not permit his going into the details of the report. He had read the report carefully and while here and there might be trifling errors or inadvertence he was willing to assert that from the beginning to the end the findings of the commissioners was substantially correct in every particular.

Mr. Staunton, the premier said, honestly differed with the deputy minister of justice as to the legality of the construction of the Transcontinental shops, and it was his duty to say so in his report. He had put statements in the report in regard to the Quebec-Moncton section contrary to views expressed by himself, but this only demonstrated that his work was not that of a partisan.

Dealing with the McArthur contract and the \$12,000 more should have been deducted from this contract, but owing to the failure of the old transcontinental commission to properly safeguard it, Mr. McArthur was not deducted from this contract, but the government was forced to make the best settlement it could.

In conclusion, Mr. Borden said: "The country itself faced with the task of completing two transcontinentals, initiated, subsidized, and guaranteed by our predecessors in office. The responsibility for these undertakings must rest upon the party which was in office at their initiation, and which is now in opposition. We, too, have responsibilities, and we are not afraid of them, we shall deal with these transactions as best as we can for the public interest."

We shall give to the situation which

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS. CURES RHEUMATISM, GOUT, GRAVEL, NEURALGIA, DIABETES, BRUISES, SWELLINGS, AND ALL KIDNEY DISEASES. 23 THE PR...

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OPERA HOUSE THOMPSON-WOODS STOCK CO. NEXT WEEK THIS WEEK 'The Play Without a Name' The Royal Mounted. \$30. For a Title. Don't miss the chance of seeing the new domestic comedy, which promises to be a great success. Don't miss the chance of securing \$30 for suggesting a suitable title. Don't miss the latest Paris fad, a blue wig to match an evening gown.

FORTY OF CREW OF SEALING STMR. NEWFOUNDLAND PERISH

(Continued from page 1) phano make no mention to the contrary it is assumed that the ship still floats.

The most serious of previous disasters in connection with the seal fisheries was that which befell the steamer Bellaventure, with fifty-eight men who had been sent out over the ice floes forty-eight were frozen to death and sixty-three were frost bitten. The years 1908 and 1909 were also disastrous. Five ships were lost in these two seasons. An official bulletin of the night gives sixty-four dead and thirty-seven severely frost bitten, in the disaster to the steamer Newfoundland. The other tables were served by the following: Ice cream—Mrs. Alexander Robertson and Mrs. Herbert Steel; apron table—Mrs. Rostes, Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Murphy; handkerchief table—Mrs. T. H. Hayward and Mrs. Bealy; fancy table—Mrs. Frank Neilson, Mrs. Edward Elliot, Mrs. Joseph Simple and Miss Beattie O'Dell. The tea table was in charge of Miss Emily Roberts, Miss C. Nichols, Miss Ethel Gall, Miss Nettie Nichols, Miss Hazel Willis, Miss Nellie Millan, Miss Nellie Cattanaoh, Miss Jean Kinnear, Miss Florence McBride, Miss Rose Beaumont, Mrs. Otis Clarke, Miss Marie Tweedie, Mrs. James Ross and Mrs. Sutherland.

Successful Tea.

A successful tea and sale under the auspices of the Mission Band of Calvin Presbyterian Church was held last evening. The candy table was in charge of Mrs. E. Benn, Miss Grace Clarke, and Miss Alice McBride. The other tables were served by the following: Ice cream—Mrs. Alexander Robertson and Mrs. Herbert Steel; apron table—Mrs. Rostes, Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Murphy; handkerchief table—Mrs. T. H. Hayward and Mrs. Bealy; fancy table—Mrs. Frank Neilson, Mrs. Edward Elliot, Mrs. Joseph Simple and Miss Beattie O'Dell. The tea table was in charge of Miss Emily Roberts, Miss C. Nichols, Miss Ethel Gall, Miss Nettie Nichols, Miss Hazel Willis, Miss Nellie Millan, Miss Nellie Cattanaoh, Miss Jean Kinnear, Miss Florence McBride, Miss Rose Beaumont, Mrs. Otis Clarke, Miss Marie Tweedie, Mrs. James Ross and Mrs. Sutherland.

Fort Howe Site.

Members of the local committee having in charge matters connected with the Fort Howe Park, met in the Mayor's office yesterday afternoon. As formerly announced, the efforts of Hon. Mr. Hazen towards having the Dominion Historic Parks Department convert the site into a modern breathing space have been successful and it was said yesterday that the work of laying out the roads and other features would be started this summer. The committee yesterday was much pleased with the prompt manner in which the matter has been handled.

Every Day Club.

There was a large audience at the Every Day Club rooms last evening when a group of 14 young ladies from the Leinster street church gave a most interesting entertainment. The young ladies gave an exhibition of drill and marching which was highly creditable. A number of boys were put through a drill by Sergt. Sullivan. After the drills Miss Nobles sang a solo and a reading was given by Miss Shelleston. The Misses Bourinot and Shelleston were heard to advantage on the piano. Mrs. James Sullivan, Mrs. H. Scott and Mrs. A. M. Belding served coffee.

THE NEW LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT

Bill to Change Present Act is Introduced - Governs Liens on Goods Bought on Instalment Plan.

Fredericton, April 2.—A bill of somewhat far reaching importance was introduced in the legislature yesterday afternoon by the Attorney General, which may make some material changes in the law respecting landlord and tenant.

As the law stands at the present time, goods in the possession of a tenant, under a conditional purchase, or what is more commonly known as "the instalment plan" are liable to distress for rent. The bill now introduced provides that an unpaid vendor may give notice in writing to a landlord that certain of the goods seized are subject to lien, and on making a demand, together with a sworn statement of the amount remaining due, shall be entitled either to be paid by the landlord the amount owing or have the goods returned. Having paid the vendor the amount due him, the landlord may go on with his distress, and the vendor may on application to the county court, judge of a district obtain an order for the restoration of the goods.

FUNERALS.

Margaret L. Tutts. The funeral of the late Margaret L. Tutts was held from her late residence, 154 Ludlow street yesterday afternoon. Interment was in Cedar Hill cemetery. Rev. Mr. Archibald conducted the services at the house and grave. The many beautiful floral offerings testified to the esteem in which she was held.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth McDonald took place from her late residence, North street, yesterday afternoon. The body was taken to the Cathedral, where the burial service was read by Rev. Myles P. Howland. Interment was in the new Catholic cemetery. Relatives were pallbearers.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Louise Tutts was held yesterday afternoon from her late residence, Ludlow street, West End, to Cedar Hill. Services were conducted by Rev. A. J. Archibald.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Cape, manager of the Foundations Ltd., contractors for the concrete work in connection with the new West Side piers, arrived in the city yesterday. James A. Telfer, of Moncton, was at the Victoria yesterday. Manning W. Doherty returned home yesterday.

Land Helping Hand. Rev. Gordon Dickie addressed the Brotherhood of St. Luke's church last evening when he urged those present to lend a helping hand to all who were struggling along in the world and needed assistance. Several vocal selections were rendered.

TRY UNGAR'S LAUNDRY FOR CARPET CLEANING.

May Establish Here. A ladies woolen wear concern in New York has written the Board of Trade that they are considering the question of establishing a branch in Canada, and asking for information about conditions here and in the province, especially in regard to the position of the city as a selling center.

Children Cry for Fletcher's CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher and has been made under his personal supervision since his infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment. What is CASTORIA? Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrup. It is pleasant, it contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, all Teething Troubles and Diarrhoea. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend. GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought. In Use For Over 30 Years. THE GENEAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

TO FLIGHT HOSPITAL.

There was a good attendance of members at the Fairville Board of Trade meeting last evening in the Fairville court house when the chief topic discussed was the matter regarding the establishment of a tuberculosis hospital in the district. The citizens of Fairville, it is claimed by members of the board, are very strongly in favor of the establishment of a hospital in the district, and as a result of the meeting a strong committee was appointed to meet the proper authorities and endeavor to prevent the institution being erected there. A number of the members of the board spoke on the subject. Five new members were elected.

THE DEMAND FOR DELICIOUS 'SALADA' IS ENORMOUS, KEEPING TWO LARGE MODERN ELECTRICAL PACKING PLANTS (IN CANADA ALONE) RUNNING TO THEIR UTMOST CAPACITY, AND NECESSITATES CONSTANT CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO KEEP UP WITH THE EVER INCREASING SALE.

The reason is quite easy of solution as the quality and value is incomparable. Get a packet today and become one of the millions of others getting unbounded satisfaction—but of course you must insist upon getting "Salada" and not a substitute.

Free Cooking Demonstration McClary's Gas Ranges At McClary's New Showrooms - 221-223 Prince William Street. BRING YOUR FRIENDS. ALL THIS WEEK, March 30th till April 4th Hot Tea, Coffee and Cakes Served each day, 3 till 5 p. m. See All Our New Models for 1914. Some Slightly Defaced Ranges at Tremendous Sacrifices. All stoves installed and inspected. EVERYTHING GUARANTEED. ALL COMPLAINTS GIVEN PROMPT AND CAREFULL ATTENTION.

MARINE AND SHIPPING. SIGNAL SERVICE BU... Issued by Authority of... St. John, April 2.—10... Sable Island, 380—It... April 1st, 6.30 p... 220 miles southeast... (Disregard former report... Halifax, 267—Foggy... ban arrived at 6 a. m... Cape Sable, 138—Rain... Brier Island, 61—Rain... Point Lepreau, 22—Rain... strong northeast... Partridge Island—Snow... PARSBRO, N. S.—Sail... at 4.30 a. m.—for S... Sable Island, 380—10.5... terday) Tyrolia alone... John... Halifax, 267—Foggy... west... Cape Sable, 138—Clear... west... Brier Island, 61—Cloud... east... Point Lepreau, 22—Sh... northeast... Partridge Island—Clou... northeast... BOUND VESSEL... The Allen Liner, V... from Liverpool on Wedn... this port with a good... and passenger list... STEAMSHIP NO... The Str Royal Edwa... port arrived at Avonmou... Liverpool, April 1.—Th... sailed for St. John... MINIATURE ALM... April Moon Ph... Full Moon, ... 3... Last Quarter, ... 10... New Moon, ... 25... VESSELS IN... Steamers... Athens, 5523, Robt. Ref... Bray Head, 1964, Wm Th... Belfast, 2,590, J. T. Kn... Bismarck, 1,785, Martine... Mount Royal, 5926, CPR... Manchester Importer, 2... Thomson & Co... Royal George—C.N.R... Saurina, 5,494, Robt Ref... Sicilian, 5,607, Wm. Tho... Schooners... Doane, 239, J. E. Moore... Ems, 289, A. W. Adams... Harold B. Cousins, 360... Hunter, 187, D. J. Purdy... Harry Miller, 246, J. W. F... John B. Coyle, 607, C. M... Margaret May Riley, 241... Moama, 284, J. Spence C... Orosimbo, 121, A. W. Ada... Peter Schlutz, 373, A. W... Sallie E. Ludlum, 199, D... W. B. & W. L. Tuck, 355... Walter Miller, 118, C. M...

VESSLS IN PORT OF ST. JOHN

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