

THE SEMI-WEEKLY TELEGRAPH, ST. JOHN, N. E., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1903.

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

The street department has just got a new horse. It is a sorrel weighing 1,000 pounds and cost \$240.

The government, at the station in Fredericton, appointed the lawyers who were recently sworn in, notaries public.

A. Rahue, of Lunenburg, intends moving from Lunenburg to Sackville (N. B.), where he has been working for some time.

The November returns in the St. John branch of the government savings bank were: Deposits, \$22,067; withdrawals, \$68,413.30.

The police of this city have been requested by the Halifax authorities to be on the look out for one Mary Dugan, who is wanted there for robbery.

The annual meeting of the Fredericton Boom Company, called for Tuesday afternoon in the office of E. L. Jewett, was adjourned until January, the accounts not being ready.

Orlo Grey, the Apache who had arrested for giving a false name, was Tuesday sentenced to thirty days imprisonment in the St. John House of Correction.

Sergeant-Instructor Rhodes, of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Toronto, is in Sydney for the purpose of securing recruits for this regiment.

Tenders for the lumber on the William Livingstone estate, New Brunswick, were to have been closed Tuesday, but the trustees have decided to hold them open for another week.

Five double team loads of turkeys were taken on the ferry boat Tuesday, en route to Sand Point, where they will be shipped to England for the Christmas trade. They arrived in the city via the I. C. R.

It has been rumored that one of Mrs. Vassie's beautiful pair of grey horses died last week in Toronto. This rumor is entirely unfounded, and the horses are still in the country when here, and carried off to the provincial exhibition.

The steamer Umba, which cleared from Chatham on Friday for New Head, has been frozen in. The government steamer Stanley left P. E. Island yesterday for Chatham, and will endeavor to break the ice and get the steamer clear.

Walter H. Irving, a member of the first contingent, who has just recovered from a severe attack of pneumonia, wishes to thank his many friends who were so kind to him during his illness, and especially Mrs. Sprout, of Brunswick street, who took care of him.

John Hopkins, who carried on a general produce business at 187 Union street, has been compelled to retire on account of his health. In future the concern will be under the management of A. D. G. A. S. and F. R. D. Hopkins, who on Wednesday last bought out their father's interest.

Rev. Canon Newham received word on Saturday of the death of his father, Obadiah Newham, which occurred at Coverdale House, South Road, Birmingham (Eng.), on Nov. 14. He was seventy-seven years of age, and has been in failing health for several years.—St. Croix Courier.

Premier Tweedie, who came in from Fredericton Thursday, after a session of the government, said that the government's answer to the provincial lumbermen's memorial relative to stumpage would be handed today to Mr. Laurier, K. C., and secretary of the lumbermen's association. The premier did not feel at liberty to tell what the reply was until after the association had been informed.

John Bernard, of the Parish of Balmoral, Westchester county, died in the General Public Hospital, Tuesday, of pneumonia. He had been in Maine and came to St. John on his way home. He was taken ill and went to the hospital where, after ten days' illness, he passed away yesterday. Mr. Bernard was but 22 years of age. His body was taken home for burial.

Joseph Smith, a sailor from one of the steamers in port, complained to the police on Monday night that in company with some other men he was "into" a fellow named "Jones" on Sheffield street and gave his coat to a girl to hang up. In the coat was a two dollar bill, a gold watch and a gold ring. On leaving the house he forgot his coat and returning for it later the Murphy woman denied that the coat had been left there. The police searched the house but could not find the missing articles.

There is another delay in opening the new kindergarten. It will be opened Monday.

The inland revenue receipts at this port in November were \$27,422.62, an increase of \$600.38 over those of November, 1902.

The bank clearings in St. John for the week ended Thursday were \$904,219, as compared with \$974,701 in the corresponding week of last year.

The new I. C. R. round house, as far as the outside is concerned, is completed, and interior work has yet to be done, principally the paving of the floor.

About half the new fire alarm boxes have been placed in position, under supervision of Mr. Rogers, of the Gamewell company. The work will take a couple of weeks yet.

Rev. W. C. Matthews, on Monday last, joined Miss Emma Louie and Ernest J. Millon in the holy bonds of matrimony at the home of the bride's mother at Oldtown (N.C.).

Word has been received here that the schooner Wentworth, now at "Pudlatuk" in the St. John street railway service, are to be exhibited at the bride's home here on Wednesday next.—Fredericton Herald.

Word has been received of the death at Forth (Montana), Nov. 24, of Rev. Henry Warman, a native of Kent county (N. B.). There are no particulars. The deceased is a relative of H. H. and W. A. Warman, of Moncton.

The people of Rothesay were very pleasantly entertained by Netherwood on Saturday evening. The girls of the school presented a musical burlesque, "King Alfred." The scenery and costumes were exceedingly pretty, and the parts taken very cleverly by the young ladies.

Sergeant Ross, of the western division, has reported a number of the men who are employed about the steamer at Sand Point, and who recently arrived in the city from Montreal. It is the same old story, working in the city without a license.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Perkins, 170 Duke street, Carleton, were waited on by their friends, Monday night. The occasion was the 28th anniversary of their wedding. During the evening Mrs. Perkins was presented with a handsome silverware by her friends.

The wedding took place at Charlotte-town Wednesday of Harry Williams, a popular I. C. R. engineer, to Miss Logan, of Pictou. The happy couple arrived in the city yesterday afternoon on the Pacific express, and left again for New York and other American cities on their honeymoon.

A call has been extended to Rev. G. M. Young, pastor of the First Methodist church, at the end of his pastorate in Charlotte-town, next day, to accept the pastorate of the Tyrone circuit. Mr. Young has not yet given any answer to the call, as it has not yet been formally presented.—Charlotte-town Guardian.

Word was received in the city Thursday that the schooner Wagon, previously reported ashore on Chignecto bay, and full of water, had been towed off and taken into Apple River, where her general cargo is being discharged in the lumbermen's association. The schooner, when she went ashore, lost her masts and rudder. She was bound from this port to Windsor.

Miss Mitchell, matron of the General Public Hospital, announces donations for the patients sent through Miss Bayard from the following ladies: Mrs. John McMillan, Mrs. Kator, Mrs. E. T. Sturges, Mrs. P. J. Harding, Mrs. W. H. Tuck, Mrs. C. F. Kinnear, the Misses Sydney Smith, Mrs. J. L. Dunn, Mrs. R. L. Harrison, Mrs. D. C. Clench and Mrs. R. Keltie Jones.

In the Halifax police court on Wednesday, a man named Alice Wise, was charged with theft of a watch and chain and \$100 from a railroad timekeeper named Cann, from Cape Breton, was convicted, and sentenced to three years in Dorchester penitentiary. Alice Wise was remanded until Monday. The timekeeper said he had \$100 and the watch and chain when he went in the house where the accident occurred. He was Saturday night, and all was gone when he came out.

Oppy Martin has resigned his position as registrar of deeds in Madawaska county, in order to become the government candidate in the Madawaska by-election, to fill the place in the provincial legislature made vacant by the recent death of Narcisse Gagnon. The election will be on Dec. 22, and one week earlier will be nomination day. So far there is no opposition candidate announced, and it is not thought there will be.

BRITISH ARMY OFFICERS.

Fredericton Gleaner Endorses Rev. W. W. Rainnie's Remarks About Sir Hector MacDonald.

Rev. Mr. Rainnie, who delivered the oration on the death of the late Sir Hector MacDonald at the St. Andrew's Society at St. John, electrified his hearers by the attack which he made on the officers of the British army, who were on the men who have the control of it. This attack was based on the treatment which Sir Hector MacDonald had met with from the British army, who were on the men who have the control of it. This attack was based on the treatment which Sir Hector MacDonald had met with from the British army, who were on the men who have the control of it.

Nothing was said last evening in regard to the war office or army management at could possibly have been more severe than the criticisms contained in the report of the committee which recently acquired into the management of the army in South Africa. It was clearly shown in that report that a majority of the officers of the British army were ignorant of their duties and unfit to be trusted with any movement requiring intelligence and knowledge.

MacDonald suffered and was exposed to insult and neglect because he had risen from the ranks. There has always been a prejudice in the British army against men who rise from the ranks, and a man must be endowed with more than an ordinary degree of courage to enable him to face the slights which are put upon him as a "ranker." Many men who have been offered commissions have refused to accept them in a position of inferiority to other officers of the same grade. This feeling is promoted by the fact that an officer is unable to live on his pay unless in the high ranks of the profession.

We do not think that Rev. Mr. Rainnie could say anything too severe in regard to the management of the British army as at present constituted. Fortunately there is a prospect of a change taking place very soon, and the army will be a "ranker's army" in a few years time. It is to be hoped that there will be nothing to criticize in the army management in the future.

The annual meeting of the L. O. O. L. No. 1 was held Tuesday evening in Orange hall, German street. The worshipful master, James O. Robinson, was in the chair, and there was a large attendance of lodge members and visiting brethren.

W. D. McKee, secretary, presided over the meeting. The officers of the lodge were: W. D. McKee, secretary; George Jenkins, county chairman; George Baxter, district deputy master; Christy Whitehead, treasurer; Directors of ceremonies, Sullivan and other officers, were present. Reports of the officers, showing the lodge to be in a flourishing condition, were read.

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MR. BORDEN'S VISIT.

Junior Liberal-Conservatives Arranged Informal Gathering in Assembly Rooms Saturday Night.

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YANKEES WANT EVERYTHING THIS SIDE OF THE NORTH POLE.

Senator Lodge's Organ Discloses the Scheme for Getting It.

A Pennsylvania Newspaper Thinks That They Have Got a Big Contract on Their Hands, and That Canada and Britain Will Have Something to Say About It.

[From the Johnston (Pa.) Democrat.]

The Democrat has called attention to the fact that Republican senators and Republicans are beginning to give out pretty strong hints of expansion toward the North Pole, and we find that Mr. Lodge, of Massachusetts, as a preliminary step in this direction, is urging the acquisition of French Canada, a couple of islands commanding the outlet of the St. Lawrence. The Boston Advertiser, one of the leading organs of the administration in New England, cordially approves the position taken by the senator that St. Pierre and Miquelon should be bought by the United States from France. These islands are small and they lie between Nova Scotia and Newfoundland, near the latter. France has held them since 1713, and now wants to get rid of them because the fisheries which formerly made them valuable have ceased to be so. To the United States the islands present the great attraction of being strategically in control of the entrance to the great Canadian waterway.

In commenting with high approval upon Senator Lodge's proposal and in referring to the conditions which render it timely, the Boston Advertiser says: "The acquisition of Canada, we are now having friction with the Canadians over the fisheries. They are making themselves disagreeable over letting out people buy fish, enforcing the 'three-mile limit,' and generally making up for the loss of the fisheries by the present artificial barrier between the two countries."

"If we can buy St. Pierre and Miquelon, even if we pay more than their actual value, we shall indicate to our Canadian friends our real resolve to wipe out all political barriers north of the Rio Grande, and so take one further moral, as well as physical, step toward making that resolve understood."

In other words the Republican programme as now developing embodies a plain menace to our northern neighbor. Apparently Canada has not been exceeding her rights in any direction. She has not been trespassing upon our rights. She has not broken any of her obligations to us or sought in any way to do us injury. At the same time she has been making the letter of the bond and if she has been making herself disagreeable over letting our people buy fish, in enforcing the "three-mile limit," and generally in making up for the loss of the fisheries by the present artificial barrier between the two countries.

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